

**LAKENGREN
PROPERTY
OWNERS'
ASSOCIATION, INC.
BOARD OF
TRUSTEES**

Regular Open Meeting
September 13, 2010
Meeting was called to
order at 7:00 pm at the
LWA Meeting Room.
Present: President Paul El-
lison, Vice-President De-
ron McEldowney, Secre-
tary Judy Thaxton,
Treasurer Randy Blaich,
Asst. Treasurer Rick
McMahan, Amy Gilbert,
Matt Brueggeman and Ge-
rald Estes. Also present
were Manager Kevin
Thorpe, Office Manager
Tammy Moore, Board Re-
corder Daphne Brunett,
Deputy Kevin Caplinger
and 16 visitors. Absent:
Bill Hapner.
President's Remarks:
Mr. Ellison noted that the
Board is back to holding 2
meetings per month.
10-09-129 Rick McMa-
han made the motion to ap-
prove the August 9, 2010
Board minutes as correct-

ed. Amy Gilbert seconded.
Motion approved.
Treasurer's Report:
Randy Blaich noted the
following funds available
as of September 13, 2010:
2009 Carry Over (Fi-
nal) \$0 (transferred to
Capital)
Operating Fund
\$299,583.23 Road Im-
provements Fund \$
9,900.76
Desig. Lodge/Bldg De-
posit \$ 7,568.95 Cap-
ital Improvements Fund
\$ 24,393.83
Lake Improvements
Fund \$153,079.28
Emergency Reserve Fund
\$107,387.73
Mr. Blaich also report-
ed on the LWM, LLC
Profit and Loss June 1
through September 10,
2010 which showed a To-
tal Income of \$136,031.04,
a Total Expense of
\$45,055.74 for a Net In-
come of \$90,975.30.
10-09-130 Judy Thax-
ton made the motion to ap-
prove the Treasurer's Re-
port, subject to audit.
Deron McEldowney sec-
onded. Motion approved.
LWA Report: Roger
Riga stated there was a
good turnout for the meet-
ing with the County Com-

missioners concerning the
leachate project. There
will be an information
meeting on September
16th at the Lodge.
Manager's Report: Ke-
vin Thorpe noted paving
on Ram, Sail and Battle is
done. There was enough
extra to do a patch on Sax-
on Cove. Two trees at the
Lodge were taken down,
but one had honey bees.
Someone will be contacted
to move the bees. The is-
sue about the cows defe-
cating in the creek has
been worked on, but noth-
ing else can be done at this
time. The electrical prob-
lem at the Lodge was
fixed with replacement
conduit.
Footers for the new Ma-
rina building will be dug
this week. Two new over-
head doors are needed at
the Maintenance barn. A
request for funds will be
under new business.
The aeration system for
Valhalla Lake will cost
more than double a previ-
ous quote-that is if Mainte-
nance installs it. It takes a
week to install. Also, the
concrete joint that was
leaking in Valhalla spill-
way is caulked shut.
Thanks to Steve & Julie
Chrismer for another suc-
cessful Drake Fest. Barrett
Paving sent the bill for the
asphalt they put down and
cut 50 cent/ton on the
price.
A property owner from
Thor Lake requested the
LPOA take soil samples
from Thor and have it
checked for everything in
it and send her the results.
Deputy Sheriff's Re-
port: Kevin Caplinger stat-

ed all was quiet, except
for a girl struck by a car dur-
ing the Laser Fest (not at
the Fest, and not because
of the Fest). There was
also an armed robbery
over drugs. The individu-
als involved have moved
out of Lakengren.
**COMMITTEE RE-
PORTS**
Policy Review Commit-
tee-Deron McEldowney
reported the committee
met Tuesday, September
7th and discussed items
that still need to be done.
Changes to the Policy and
Procedures Manual Stan-
dards will need to be made
to comply with the new
way of recording policies.
The Code of Regulations
and Deed Restrictions
were discussed and it was
agreed to talk to Rick La-
vinsky, our lawyer, on the
best way to combine the
two.
Viking Editorial Com-
mittee-Janet Davis noted
the deadline is September
17th for the October issue.
Building Committee-
Gerald Spaeth noted the
committee will meet
Wednesday.
Safety/Security Com-
mittee-Gerald Estes report-
ed the committee will
meet on September 16th.
There will be no meeting
in October, November or
December. Kevin Capling-
er asked if there is a policy
on boom boxes? He pro-
vided a copy of the Eaton
noise ordinance. The
Board gave the issue to the
Safety Committee to dis-
cuss.
Marine/Lakes Manage-
ment Committee-In the
written report, Dave Four-
man informed the commit-
tee that the electric line for
the aeration system for
Valhalla Lake has been
run. Paul Healy suggested
possibly breaking the com-
mittee into two separate
committees. He also listed
dates and times of the
OLCA meetings. Carl
Bergman voiced his con-
cern about the quality of
the lake water. He was
told that Kevin Thorpe
tests our lake water at
three different locations
with good results so far.
It was voted and approved
to purchase 30 gallons of Fat-
head Minnows (approx.
1500-2000 minnows per
gallon) at \$56/gal. to put
into the lakes this fall.
Schedule for the 2011
Bass Tournaments are:
Spring Open Tourna-
ment: April 23, 2011 7
am-3pm; practice April
16, 2011 7 am-noon
Summer Night Tourna-
ment: July 23, 2011 11
am-7am; practice July 16,
2011 7 am-noon
Fall Open Tournament:
September 24, 2011 7am-

3pm; practice Sept. 17,
2011 7am-noon
Road Committee-A rec-
ommendation to get a loan
to pave all the remaining
roads was discussed in
combination with various
items recommended by the
Financial Planning Com-
mittee.
10-09-131 Randy
Blaich made the motion to
put the road loan question
on the ballot to approve a
loan up to \$800,000.00 to
pave all the unfinished
roads. Judy Thaxton sec-
onded.
Deron McEldowney
made the motion to table
the item for one meeting.
Rick McMahan seconded.

**VIKING
DEADLINES
2010**
November 19
December 17
3 in favor, 3 against, 1 ab-
stained. Tie broke by
President with vote in fa-
vor. Motion tabled until
the next meeting.
OLD BUSINESS
10-09-132 Rick
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McMahan made the motion to approve the Corporate Resolution for the sale of Lots #238 & #239. Deron McEldowney seconded. Motion approved.

10-09-133 Judy Thaxton made the motion to approve the expenditure of up to \$5000.00 from the Lake Improvements Fund for aerators for Valhalla Lake. Matt Brueggemann seconded. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS

10-09-134 Judy Thaxton made the motion to approve Gerald Estes as the LPOA representative and chairperson for the LWA Selection Committee, with Matt Brueggemann as his alternate, Ginger Adams as member at large and Paul Reed as LWA representative for the committee. Rick McMahan seconded. Motion approved.

10-09-135 Randy Blaich made the motion to have the LPOA pay the registration fee for any Board member attending the Choctaw Lake OLCA meeting. Judy Thaxton seconded. Motion approved.

10-09-136 Amy Gilbert made the motion to approve the expenditure of \$1,285.00 each for 2 replacement garage doors for the Maintenance Barn to be taken from Capital Improvements. Matt Brueggemann seconded. Motion approved.

RECOGNITION AND HEARING OF VISITORS
Helen Fisher requested permission to purchase playground equipment by the Friends of the Walking Path club.

10-09-137 Judy Thaxton made the motion to approve the purchase of playground equipment by the Friends of the Walking Path club. Amy Gilbert seconded. Motion approved.

James Otherson requested placing the issue of inflatable pools on the ballot.

10-09-138 Judy Thaxton made the motion to put the issue of inflatable pools on the ballot. Gerald Estes seconded. 2 in favor, 4 against, 1 abstained. Motion failed.

Paul Healy apologized to the Board for the embarrassment incurred by the recent newspaper article about attempting to catch and drown a skunk.

10-09-139 Randy Blaich made the motion to adjourn to Executive Session. Amy Gilbert seconded. Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 9:20 pm.

10-09-140 Amy Gilbert made the motion to return to Open Session. Rick McMahan seconded. Meeting returned to Open Session at 9:55 pm.

10-09-141 Amy Gilbert made the motion to approve the employee contracts. Gerald Estes seconded. Motion approved.

10-09-142 Amy Gilbert made the motion to adjourn. Rick McMahan seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 pm.

LAKENGREN PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Open Meeting September 27, 2010

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at the LWA Meeting Room. Present: President Paul Ellison, Vice-President Deron McEldowney, Secretary Judy Preston, Treasurer Randy Blaich,

Asst. Treasurer Rick McMahan, Matt Brueggemann, Bill Hapner, and Gerald Estes. Also present were Manager Kevin Thorpe, Office Manager Tammy Moore, Deputy Kevin Caplinger, Board Recorder Daphne Brunett and 16 visitors. Absent: Amy Gilbert. Remarks: Paul Ellison noted thanks to the Garden Club for the fine work on flower plantings around the Guard House and other areas in Lakengren.

10-09-143 Deron McEldowney made the motion to approve the September 13, 2010 Regular Board minutes. Randy Blaich seconded. Motion approved.

Manager's Report: Mr. Thorpe stated the Marina

for mailing only to Lakengren property owners rather than publishing in the Viking which would be accessible to non-property owners. It was agreed to re-word the issue to include the words "and/or mailing."

self-defense classes at the Lodge for 1 or 2 nights per week, continuously. Classes would be for individuals age 13 and up and would cost \$5.00 per session. He was told the Board would take his request under consideration.

NEW BUSINESS

It was announced that the Lodge restaurant lease will be open and available.

10-09-144 Judy Thaxton made the motion to seek resumes and proposals for the Lodge restaurant/snack bar. Deron McEldowney seconded. Motion approved.

RECOGNITION AND HEARING OF VISITORS

Paul Healy questioned the Board as to why he was told not to write any more about the new Lakes Management Committee. He was told it is a conflict of interest to write about news he himself is generating. There is nothing wrong with being involved, but he should not base his news reports on his own activities and efforts.

Randy Pierson requested permission to teach

Mr. Thorpe, Mr. Ellison and Mr. Estes attended the OLCA meeting at Lake Choctaw.

Patching on the road over the dam will be done Thursday and Friday of this week. The leaf vac was brought out and is working fine. Leaf pick-up will begin when a majority of the leaves have fallen.

The audit is done but the final report hasn't come in yet. It should be ready for review by the next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy Review Committee-The committee will meet Tuesday, October 5th at 7:30.

Viking Editorial Committee-Deadline is the 3rd Friday of the month. The Children's Halloween Walk is scheduled for the end of October. The current issue will have 14 pages.

Building Committee-The committee will meet Wednesday at 10:30 am.

Safety/Security Committee-There will be no meeting in October. The new security system has been put on hold for the time being.

Marine/Lakes Management Committee-Dave Fourman noted it has been a successful year. Fathead minnows will be put in the lake in a week or so.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion #10-09-131, tabled from the previous meeting, was discussed concerning a loan for road repairs. Rick McMahan stated he was against such a loan. Randy Blaich spoke in favor of a loan. The Board discussed how the roads would be done correctly.

10-09-131 (tabled from 9/13/10) Randy Blaich made the motion to put the road loan question on the property owners' ballot to approve a loan up to \$800,000.00 (eight hundred thousand dollars) to pave all the unfinished roads. Judy Thaxton seconded. Vote passed with 6 in favor, 1 against.

In other Old Business, the issue about posting delinquent property owners' information was discussed. On advice from Attorney Rick Lavinsky, it was recommended that such information be published as a flyer (such as to go with voting issues, ballots, etc.)

Social Club

On September 24, the Social Club sponsored a dance at the Lodge called "Rock In The Fall." It was a beautiful evening and folks sat outside as well as indoors. Toe Jam Ron and the Stinky Feet Band entertained the crowd.

The members of the band were: Ron Evers, lead singer & guitar; Bill Holtman, guitar & keyboard; Kevin Watts, lead guitar & vocal; Ross Harris, base guitar, and Mike Barker, drums. Everyone had a wonderful time and I am sure the Stinky Feet Band will make a return engagement..

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Garden Club News

The Garden Club is winding down from a very active fun-filled year. Some of the highlights from this year were the spring pruning program by Mark Webber, followed by Theresa Kaluga from Stockslagers Garden Center. Then there was our participation with the sale of bedding plants, which was a huge success. We planted flowers around the lodge and had blooms all summer that everyone enjoyed. Paul Healy brought us tips on growing tomatoes, followed by our wonderful trip to the gardens of Leesa Comparis in Gratis. We car pooled during the heat of the summer for a guided tour of the Richmond Rose Garden. And had a picnic meeting at Judy Thaxton's house where we had a lighting expert from NiteLites, Inc. In September we learned about perennials, hostas and ornamental grasses. This past month we enjoyed the multimedia program of Robert Blue.

This month on the 16th, we will motor to the Olde Richmond Inn for our annual holiday dinner and installation of officers. Everyone is welcome to join us next spring when the Garden Club begins again, you do not have to be a member to enjoy our meetings...

Safety Committee

Safety Committee will not be meeting during November and December, unless necessary. Their next meeting will be January 2011.

Topics for their meetings may be suggested and may be passed on to the LPOA office or to Gerald Estes at 456-1565..

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Dragons Annual Veterans Dinner Planned

The Dragons Club is sponsoring their Annual Veterans Day Dinner on their regular meeting night of November 11, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at the Valhalla Lodge.

All Lakengren veterans of America's Armed Forces are invited to a free dinner along with their spouse or significant other for this special meal catered by Charlotte's, either chicken or beef. Also invited are widows of veterans. The cost for the dinner for non-veterans is \$5.00 per person.

All persons who would like to attend this dinner, including Dragon members, must make reservations by calling John Kirkman, Dragon president at 937-248-5500 by Saturday, November 6, 2010. If unable to reach John, please call Gerald Estes at 456-1565 or 937-733-1563. Reservations are a must so that enough dinners are prepared. Following dinner, there will be a special Veterans Day message.

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LWA VIKING REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2010

The Lakengren Water Authority Board of Trustees has concluded a review of the issues brought up at the leachate project meeting held on September 16th. We do not anticipate having any problems from accepting the leachate, but we do wish to minimize risks. We want to make sure that the sewer system is in tip-top condition before the leachate flow begins. We plan to review and upgrade our maintenance and monitoring programs to prevent problems from developing. To that end the following items are being reviewed for action now or for inclusion in next year's budget. The LWA wants the community to know that it will take all steps necessary to ensure the project moves forward with community concerns at the forefront.

* To ensure that the 8 inch line at Man Hole #534 is in the condition we expect, this section of line to Lift Station #4 will be inspected via video camera. Video will show any areas of concern that should be addressed.

* Increase inspection to annually on all manholes that are on the leachate route.

* Review Lift Station #4 overflow point to see if we can raise it to permit more volume at the wet well.

* Ensure that when the County ties into our system that they use the core and seal process that is called for in the contract.

* Update our emergency response plan at all lift stations to ensure fast response to prohibit any overflow to the best of our ability.

* Install security control and data acquisition (SCADA) system at Lift Station #4 for monitoring and alarm purposes.

* Prepare written sampling schedule including locations, test parameters, and frequency to address concerns about leachate quality and treatment of same.

* Include extra spare parts inventory for Lift Station #4.

* Completely rebuild both pumps at Lift Station #4 to ensure design pumping capacity.

* Publish in Viking when leachate testing results are available for the public to review.



ANNUAL MEETING

There were about 75 to 100 LPOA members in attendance at the Annual Property Owners meeting on Saturday, October 9th.

The meeting opened with a silent meditation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. The President's remarks by Paul Ellison followed with a tribute to Hal Yoder, a former president of the LPOA Board. He then commented on the many things that were accomplished over the past year to make Lakengren a better place to live. He thanked the many volunteers for their support. Sheriff's Deputy Kevin Caplinger gave statistics on the Sheriff's activities in Lakengren since the police district went into effect on January 1st (a comparison chart is included in the Sheriff's Report in this edition).

The standing committees gave reports on their activities over the past year.

The continuing board members - Matt Bruggemann, Deron McEldowney, Paul Ellison, and Randy Blaich, were then introduced, followed by the retiring board members - Gerald Estes, Judy Thaxton, Rick McMahan, and Bill Hapner. Judy Thaxton, Dave Fourman, and Tim Simmons, candidates for the openings on the board were then introduced.

Topics of discussion included definition of a member in good standing and the possible publication of delinquent members' names. The topic that drew the most discussion was the issue concerning the road loan authorization to be placed on the ballot. An explanation of this issue is reprinted here from last month's Viking.

LPOA BOARD TO ASK FOR LOAN AUTHORITY TO FINISH ROADS

The LPOA Board will ask the property owners for authority to borrow up to \$800,000 in order to finish paving all remaining roads. The plan calls for the LPOA to get a loan at current low rates and pay off the loan over a term of seven to eight years using current road assessment funds. The funds would allow the LPOA to pave all of the remaining unpaved roads next year, summer of 2011. Then annually, during the remaining years of the loan term, improvements would be made to older roads. These improvements would include chip-n-seal, patching or even paving if necessary. If a loan is not taken, the current projections show that finishing all of the unpaved roads would not be completed until 2016. This projection assumes that the cost of asphalt would not increase during the next six years. If it does, then it will take even longer to complete the paving.

NO INCREASE IN ROAD ASSESSMENT WOULD BE NECESSARY. The current annual road assessment would be sufficient to meet the annual cost of the loan. While the road assessment is sufficient to meet the annual cost of the loan, there would be nothing left over to provide for the annual maintenance costs of the roads already paved. The plan calls for the LPOA to use revenues from the Lakengren Waste Management to pay for annual road maintenance and upkeep over the term of the loan. These funds would permit improvements such as chip-n-seal which protects the roads surface and increases the life of the road, patching and repaving.

The only other way to finish the roads in a shorter period would be an increase in the road assessment. This would, if passed, allow the completion of paving all of the roads in approximately four years. The proposal that the Board approved at its meeting on September 27, 2010, DOES NOT INCLUDE AN INCREASE IN THE ROAD ASSESSMENT.

A vote by the property owners is required by the Code when a loan of this size is considered. An affirmative vote does not increase any assessments, but merely authorizes the Board to get a loan.

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Christmas Lights Committee Activities

by Paul Healy

'Tis the season when the CLC gets into gear for its planned activities. All Lakengren residents and families are invited to attend these functions. They are also invited to become new Santa Claus elves to help put on the functions.

The CLC will have their monthly meeting at the Lodge on Wednesday, November 17th. Those who wish to dine together come at 6:30 PM. The international "Open That Bottle Night".com will be observed by opening forgotten bottles of wine and sharing the memories and contents with friends. The official meeting begins at 8:00 PM.

The meeting agenda will be: 1. Decorating the Lodge, Mall and Gates on Monday, November 29, in the Lodge at 9:00 AM with Subway lunch provided. There are three new Christmas lights decorations that have to be assembled and hung from the Lodge's ceiling. 2. The annual Open House on December 11, in the Lodge at 6:30 PM with cookies, drinks, a Magician and Santa's appearance about 7:00PM. 3. The annual adult party in the Lodge at 8:00 PM following Santa's departure. 5. The CLC monthly meeting (their Christmas Party) on Wednesday, December 15 in the decorated Lodge; should it be pot luck dinner or order from the menu? 5. The annual New Year's Eve Party on December 31 in the Lodge from 9:00 PM to 1:00 AM.

Card Scores

Sep 24 - DOUBLE DECK EUCHRE - 1st Ruth Bell, 2nd Tom Carr, 3rd Donna Hawley, 4th Barbara Renshaw, 5th Jo Anne Parks

Oct 1 - PINOCHLE - 1st Bob Myers, 2nd Barbara Renshaw, 3rd Donna Guethlen, 4th Joe Taylor, 5th Marilyn Slivier

Oct 8 - Cards cancelled

Oct 15 - PINOCHLE - 1st Neal Weaver, 2nd Joe Taylor, 3rd Virginia Wehrly, 4th Jan Weaver, 5th Elsie Burkle

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The following is a Call Volume Comparison compiled by Sheriff's Deputy Kevin Caplinger and presented at the LPOA Annual Meeting

CALL TYPE	DATES		
	1 January to 1 October 2008	1 January to 1 October 2009	1 January to 1 October 2010
Alarms/Residential	20	11	10
Armed Robbery	0	0	1
Assault	4	2	2
Attempt. Suicide	4	3	1
Child Custody Dispute	2	0	4
CPD Violations	2	7	6
Crash Personal Injury	2	1	4
Crash Prop. Damage	8	9	4
Crash Hit Skip	0	2	4
Dead Body	1	0	2
Disorderly Person	1	1	1
Dog Bite	1	4	0
Domestic	21	14	11
Drug Related Complaints	2	2	5
Fight	1	0	1
Fireworks	2	0	2
Harassment/Menacing	2	4	2
Indecent Exposure	0	1	0
Intoxicated Driver	1	1	1
Intoxicated Person	4	3	7
Juvenile Complaint	17	12	19
Liquor Complaints	2	0	0
Mental Subject	0	1	1
Missing Persons	3	4	5
Neighbor Disputes	3	1	1
Peace Officer Call	4	7	5
Property Damage	29	48	23
Prowlers	1	3	2
Residential Burglary	14	10	5
Sex Related Complaints	0	3	0
Shots Fired Complaints	2	1	0
Stalking Complaints	0	1	0
Stolen Vehicle Complaints	3	2	0
Suspicious Person	4	3	4
Suspicious Vehicle	0	3	14
Telephone Harassment	12	11	9
Theft Complaints	36	32	16
Traffic Complaints	3	4	18
Traffic Stop/W arning	18	9	31
Welfare Checks	6	8	3
Traffic Stop/Citation	17	3	10
Traffic Stop/Arrest	1	1	1
Trespassing Complaints	2	5	3
Unclassified Calls	55	62	92
Warrant Arrest	6	1	4
911 Abandon Calls	7	7	4
Totals	323	307	250

Social Club

On September 24, the Social Club sponsored a dance at the Lodge called "Rock In The Fall." It was a beautiful evening and folks sat outside as well as indoors. Toe Jam Ron and the Stinky Feet Band entertained the crowd.

The members of the band were: Ron Evers, lead singer & guitar; Bill Holtman, guitar & keyboard; Kevin Watts, lead guitar & vocal; Ross Harris, base guitar, and Mike Barker, drums. Everyone had a wonderful time and I am sure the Stinky Feet Band will make a return engagement.



DATE	Time	STREET	NATURE OF CALL	DISPOSITION
10/11/2010	6:12 AM	Brande Drive	Property Damage Misdemeanor	Report Taken
10/13/2010	7:04 PM	Brande Drive	Burglary Residential	Report Taken
10/10/2010	10:40 PM	Brande Drive	Unclassified Offense	Call Recorded
10/13/2010	5:52 AM	Dragon Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
10/14/2010	7:02 AM	E. Lakengren Drive	Crash Property Damage	Report Taken
9/27/2010	10:49 AM	E. Lakengren Drive	Fire	Handled by Fire Dept.
9/28/2010	11:56 AM	E. Lakengren Drive	Drug Offense	Citation Issued
9/25/2010	1:22 PM	E. Lakengren Drive	Alarm Drop	False Alarm
10/8/2010	5:17 PM	E. Lakengren Drive	Alarm Drop	False Alarm
10/5/2010	2:21 PM	Finland Drive	Welfare Check	Call Recorded
10/4/2010	10:00 PM	Finland Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
9/29/2010	7:46 AM	Fiord Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
9/24/2010	2:47 PM	Hammer Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
9/21/2010	10:47 AM	Hatchet Drive	Unclassified Offense	Call Recorded
10/1/2010	8:27 PM	Haugesund Cove	Harassment	Call Recorded
10/7/2010	10:45 AM	Lakengren Cove	Traffic Stop	Citation Issued
10/11/2010	4:20 PM	Lakengren Marina	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
10/14/2010	5:00 PM	Long Drive	juvenile	Call Recorded
10/5/2010	12:48 PM	Norseman Drive	Unclassified Offense	Call Recorded
9/25/2010	1:15 AM	Ram Drive	Unclassified Offense	Call Recorded
9/30/2010	10:36 PM	Ram Drive	Domestic Dispute	Call Recorded
10/11/2010	12:38 AM	Ry Cove	Juvenile	Call Recorded
9/29/2010	1:05 PM	Skodborg Drive	Unclassified Offense	Call Recorded
9/24/2010	2:44 AM	Theren Drive	Unclassified Offense	Call Recorded
10/12/2010	11:28 AM	Thor Drive	Petty Theft	Report Taken
10/13/2010	12:39 PM	Thor Drive	Unclassified Offense	Call Recorded
10/14/2010	4:31 AM	Thunder Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
9/20/2010	5:40 PM	Thunder Drive	Unclassified Offense	Call Recorded
9/25/2010	2:30 PM	Valhalla Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
10/13/2010	7:04 PM	Valhalla Drive	Ambulance	Handled By EMS
10/11/2010	10:33 AM	Vinland Drive	Threatening / Harassing Tx Calls	Report Taken
10/3/2010	1:15 AM	Voyage Drive	Fire Related Investigation	Handled by Fire Dept.
9/27/2010	9:51 PM	W. Lakengren Drive	Traffic Stop	Warning Issued

NATURE OF CALL COUNT

Alarm Drop	2
Ambulance	8
Burglary Residential	1
Crash Property Damage	1
Domestic Dispute	1
Drug Offense	1
Fire	1
Fire Related Investigation	1
Harassment	1
juvenile	2
Petty Theft	1
Property Damage Misdemeanor	1
Threatening / Harassing Tx Calls	1
Traffic Stop	2
Unclassified Offense	8
Welfare Check	1
Total Calls	33

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TALKING TURKEY

by Jo Ann Hoffman

November, the air is chilly; the ground is littered with brightly colored leaves; and school bulletin boards are decorated with pictures of Pilgrims, Indians and turkeys as teachers retell the story of the First Thanksgiving. Despite continued use of it as a symbol of the season, that autumn-colored bird with its impressive fan tail was not served at the famous 1621 meal. According to Karla Reed in "The Original Thanksgiving Day", Edward Winslow's letter to a friend in England in 1621 is the only surviving eyewitness account of that three-day event. He wrote of "wild fowl" which could have been duck, geese or yes, turkeys, but he did not specifically mention turkey. The absence of turkey at that famous meal was confirmed by University of Illinois Professor and archaeologist Jim Deetz. In site excavations, they found no evidence of turkey, i.e. turkey bones, at Plymouth until well after 1621. Deer, fish, rabbit, squirrel, duck, goose and eel were the meats du jour according to Deetz. Eel? Not turkey? Indeed! Eel was a common dietary supplement for the Plymouth settlers after Squanto showed them how to squish eels from the mud with their bare feet. In addition, according to Deetz, the Pilgrim feast probably featured corn, bread and beer, "copious amounts of beer". Want a traditional Pilgrim/Indian Thanksgiving dinner? Serve eel and beer!

Interestingly, the first Thanksgiving in the colonies that did include turkey did not involve the native Wild Turkey, but domesticated turkey; it did not occur in Massachusetts, but in Virginia; and not in August of 1621, but actually two years earlier on December 4, 1619 according to the National Park Service. On that day, a ship of English colonists landed at Berkeley Hundred 20 miles north of the established colony of Jamestown, VA with the following instructions written by the ship's proprietor, "the day of our ship's arrival...shall be yearly and perpetually kept as a day of thanksgiving." (Jamestown Historic Briefs, National Park Service) While the ship's food stores would have been near depleted by journey's end and no humongous feast ensued, the travelers did bring live turkeys with them from England. The first domestic turkeys in the American colonies arrived with the Jamestown settlers 12 years earlier in 1607 and had thrived and multiplied. (A.W. Schorger, *The Wild Turkey: It's History and Domestication*, 1966) Domesticated "turkies, male and female for increase" were standard supplies sent from England on all ships to their colonies starting as early as 1584. (Hakluyt, 1889 as cited by Schorger, 1966) The Plymouth Pilgrims sailed for the New World out of Holland, not England. Cats and dogs were among the animals on the Mayflower, but no barnyard animals. It wasn't until 1623 that we hear of turkeys in Plymouth. After two seasons of low crop yield, near starvation and many deaths due to disease, Governor Bradford wrote of preparation for the coming winter. They were blessed with "a store of foule, and besides waterfoule ther was great store of turkies." (Table Talk, 1893) The first domesticated turkeys sent to Massachusetts from England didn't arrive until 1629 to support the colony at Boston. (James G. Dickson, *The Wild Turkey*) Therefore, Governor Bradford's great store had to have been native Wild Turkey hunted or netted by the Pilgrims. They didn't have turkey in 1621, but they did for the winter of 1623.

We are talking two totally different turkeys here; the native American Wild Turkey (*Meleagris gallopavo silvestri*) and the Domesticated Turkey (*M. gallopavo gallopavo*) brought to our shores by the English colonists. The barnyard birds were, strangely enough, also native of the Americas, just not of North America. The Aztecs had domesticated Mexican wild turkeys (they called "huexolotin") sometime between 800-200 B.C., long before Cortes arrived in 1511. (Camilla Speller, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, Feb. 2010) When the Spanish, who had never seen a turkey, returned to Europe a year later, the King of Spain was so impressed with the new birds, he ordered that every ship returning from the New World bring back 5 males (toms) and 5 females (hens) as well as gold and silver from the wealthy Aztecs. (www.think-differently-about-sheep.com) About the same time, a guinea fowl from Africa was introduced to Europe via Turkey. Both chicken-like birds came to be called "turkey" despite the fact that one came from Mexico and the other from Africa. The Mexican turkey adapted well to European barnyard life and multiplied. Hens were laying 12-30 eggs per season. While not as pleasing to look at as a peacock, turkey meat tasted much better and soon replaced peacock meat at banquets all over Europe. (Jeffrey Kastner "Cabinet" Issue 23, 2006) As early as the 1540's, "turkie-fowle" graced many English tables. In the 1600's, when the English colonists were settling the east coast of America, they brought with them their barnyard turkeys, native of Mexico, which had not known life in the wild for over a thousand years.

Originally, the Aztec's turkey was very similar in color to our Eastern Wild Turkey. Smaller and thinner, weighing only 10 pounds, the autumn-colored Aztec turkey had the same black tail band across the fan tail, but it ended with white tips. The tail of the Eastern Wild Turkey has chestnut tips. If the tail of the turkey on those holiday advertisements ends in chestnut, then it is indeed depicting the native North American Wild Turkey, but not the turkey of the First Thanksgiving. If the tail ends in white feathers, now you know that that is the turkey originally from Mexico, the barnyard bird eaten at Jamestown in 1607 and at the First Thanksgiving on the James River in Virginia on December 4, 1619.

Neither is the turkey we eat today. There is a third turkey in the mix of Thanksgiving birds. The turkey millions of us serve today is not a descendent of the native

Eastern Wild Turkey, but is a distant relative, traceable only through mitochondrial DNA, of the Aztec's turkey that was eaten at Jamestown. (Speller, 2010) Even by 1607, the domesticated turkey was larger with more meat than its Mexican parents. With another 300+ years of in-breeding and cross-breeding for meat at the expense of other characteristics, the Domesticated Turkey today easily weighs 2-3 times more than the original wild turkey. Their feathers, once autumn-colored, are now all white. They are so big-breasted they can no longer fly - a good thing if you like your breast meat tender. They are raised by turkey farmers for food for profit, in huge flocks of 5,000 or more and are ridiculed as near-sighted and pea-brained. Quite different from the turkey we see depicted in schools and sale advertisements.

The native North American Eastern Wild Turkey does still survive in forested areas of the United States. Like the American Bald Eagle, this symbol so tied up with our national image and pride was almost lost. Wild turkey was so abundant in the eastern forests, colonists made no attempt to domesticate it. With the arrival of more and more Europeans, the situation quickly changed. As early as 1626, the Plymouth colony passed the first conservation law limiting the cutting and sale of colonial lumber in an effort to protect the fast dwindling forest habitat of the turkey, a major food source. (*History of the Wild Turkey in North America*, Kennaman and Brenneman) Nonetheless, by 1750 the settlers had exhausted the local supply of wild turkeys and resorted to eating all domesticated. (Kastner, 2006) That autumn-colored bird with its impressive fan tail is not the bird I (or probably many of you) have ever tasted, much less carved at your holiday table. Over hunting for meat and feathers, loss of habitat as forests were cleared for civilization and the final straw, loss of a major food source when the Chestnut Tree blight hit brought the Eastern Wild Turkey near extinction. The last Wild Turkey in Massachusetts was recorded in 1851. (Massachusetts Division of Fisheries & Wildlife)

They were gone from Ohio by 1904 and from all land east of the Mississippi by 1910. (ODNR Division of Wildlife "Life

Histories: Wild Turkey) Ironically, the popularity of the

Wild Turkey as a game bird was both part of its demise and its comeback. Bordering on extinction by

1930, soon to join the ranks of the passenger pigeon, the Wild Turkey was saved by those that

wanted to kill it. The 1937 Pittman-Robertson

Act of Congress levied an excise tax on sporting arms and ammunition to be matched dollar-for-dollar with money from the sale of state hunting licenses. The funds were designated for Wild Turkey and turkey habitat restoration programs. Fish and game agencies began netting and transporting turkey pairs from the few remaining flocks out west back to their former range in the east, the same relocation tactics used to reintroduce Bald Eagles with the same awesome results. From a

low of only 30,000 birds nationwide in 1930 to

over 7 million today, the Eastern Wild Turkey population has rebounded dramatically. They

started being re-introduced in Ohio between 1950-

1960 and according to the Preble County Soil and Water Conservation Bureau, new birds were released

for the first time in Preble County in a big ceremony in

1998-99. From zero in Ohio to 200,000 today with flocks in

every Ohio county, the Wild Turkey is a conservation success

story. In the spring of 1991, Wild Turkey hunting seasons opened for the first time in 49 states, all except Alaska. (Dave Risley, ODNR, Nov. 27, 2008)

Never served at any of the First Thanksgiving celebrations, the native American Eastern Wild Turkey is still an elegant and stately bird. Smaller and trimmer, smarter and faster than its domestic cousin, it is the largest game bird in North America. Standing four feet tall with those gorgeous dark bronzy iridescent feathers, it blends well in its home environment, deciduous forests bordered by clearings or in wooded swamps, especially those with lots of oak trees. Wild Turkeys forage for food on the forest floor scratching through the fallen leaves for nuts, fruits, berries, insects and small salamanders. The chestnut used to be their favorite food, now it is the acorn. One bird was documented as eating 221 acorns in one day! They live by day on the forest floor, and roost at night high in the limbs of oak trees often hanging over water, safe from predators. Yes, Wild Turkeys fly and fly well! Being such a large bird, they come by the tendency for thick breast meat naturally. It takes strong chest muscles to power the broad wings to accelerate the large body into rapid flight. They can reach speeds of an astonishing 55 mph for short distances. Zero to sixty in seconds sounds like a sports car commercial! They can run fast too. Strong legs used for foraging propel them to 15-20 mph sprints when outrunning predators. Unlike the Domestic Turkey, the Wild Turkey has fantastic eyesight? three times better than humans and its hearing is so keen it can hear a competing male up to a mile away. My husband doesn't hear me call from the next room!

It may not have graced the tables of our first thanksgivings or even the tables of holiday celebrations today, but the Eastern Wild Turkey found only in North America is truly a native son, a survivor, and a bird so firmly entrenched in the lore of our country, that it deserves the attention it gets this time of year. May pictures of knobby red heads, dark bodies and fan tails edged in chestnut always remind us to give thanks for, not only family and friends, but for a great country and its continued efforts to protect our natural resources.

Happy Thanksgiving!





Women's Club News

A large group of Women's Club members met at the lodge on October 6 for their field trip to Dayton to visit Hawthorn Hill. Sue Pohlabele gave devotions for their safe journey, lunch and tour.

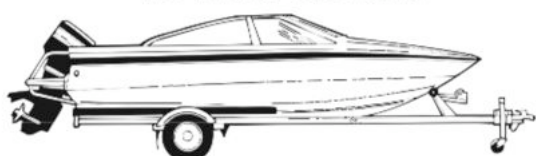
Upon arrival at Carillon Park all the car loads of ladies met at Culp's Cafeteria Restaurant for lunch. After ordering their selections, President Jean Armour held a short business meeting. Due to the absence of the secretary, no minutes of the July meeting were read. The treasurer's report was given by Loretta Varney. She reported the May bake sale realized a profit of \$195.50, which included several monetary donations. Elder Beerman booklets were on sale to be used on November 13. Check with Jean Armour, if you would like to purchase one. It was reported money was left over from the Pool Aerobics Fund, even after purchasing some chairs and tables. It was suggested the club purchase an additional book shelf for the Lodge library with the extra funds. Anne Schleich announced that Robert Blue of Indiana would be giving a new multi media program for the Garden Club on October 18. Committee reports were given at this time. Judy Thaxton won the 50/50 raffle.

Jean Armour passed around the new Lakengren Cookbooks which are selling for \$10.00. Several were purchased, and if more are needed, they are available at the guardhouse and the LPOA office. The Halloween Walk for Kids needs candy donations, which may be dropped off at the guardhouse. Perishable donations on the day of the event (Oct. 28) at the lodge. There is an adult halloween party set for October 30 at the lodge. Tickets are \$5.00 at the door. There will be live music. The Santa Open House is set for December 11 at the lodge. The CLC is asking for cookies and snacks. More information at our November meeting.

The lunch was served and all enjoyed sandwiches, sodas and special selections in a most nostalgic atmosphere. Following lunch, two shuttle buses arrived to take the group to Hawthorn Hill in Oakwood. After a photo was taken on the front steps of the Wright homestead, the group was broken down into two groups. One went upstairs and the other stayed on the first floor. Hawthorn Hill, one of the region's most beautiful and gracious buildings, was designed as the home for Wilbur and Orville Wright. It was named for the many native hawthorn trees growing on the property. It is a house rich in magnificent history. This was the Wright homestead for many years, but was later purchased by NCR as a guest house. It is slowly being returned to the personal home of the Wright family by Dayton History and The Wright Family Foundation. It was like a step back into the past and our tour guides were loaded with many stories about the Wright Family.

Earlier in the day, it was noted that Rosemary Collins would be the Women's Club guest on November 3 at 1:00 p.m. at the lodge. Rosemary writes original poems and short stories and will share her ideas and designs about her personalized services.

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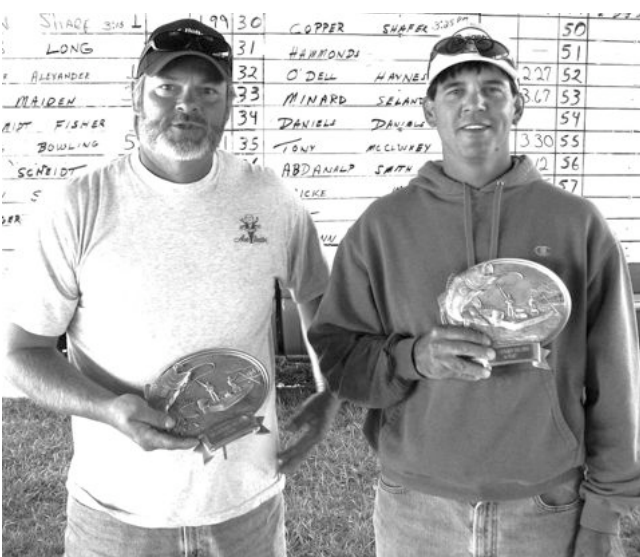


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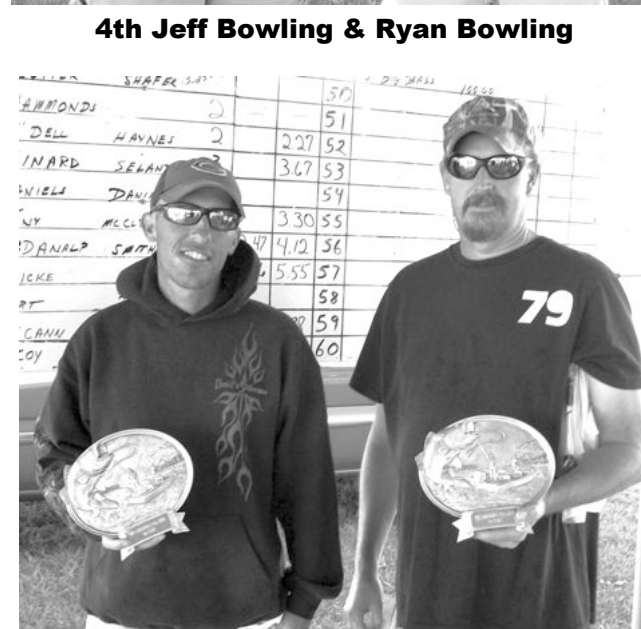
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4th Jeff Bowling & Ryan Bowling



2nd Jim Keene & Jason Owens



5th Dave Fricke & Eric Moore



3rd Kevin Capplinger & Jim Clark

The results of the Marine and Lakes Management Committee final open tournament of the year are as follows:

- 1st place McCann / Hamilton 8.78 lbs \$800.00 prize**
 - 2nd place Keene / Owens 6.88 lbs \$390.00 prize**
 - 3rd place J. Clark / Caplinger 6.35 lbs \$280.00 prize**
 - 4th place Bowling / Bowling 5.91 lbs \$220.00 prize**
 - 5th place Fricke / Moore 5.55 lbs \$140.00 prize**
 - Big Bass Winners**
 - 1st BB Fricke / Moore 3.06 lbs \$300.00 prize**
 - 2nd BB Davis / Davis 3.05 lbs \$100.00 prize**
- There were a total of 77 fish caught for a total weight of 89.47 lbs**

Lakengren Cookbook

By Ginger Adams

I am happy to report that the sales of the Lakengren Cookbook have been going well. We are trying to raise money for a radio scanner to pick up calls for Gasper Township Fire and Squad signals, as well as Camden and Eaton. We have a ways to go though, before we have enough money. Don't forget to get your keepsake cookbooks to give as Christmas gifts.

The one thing that I didn't include in the cookbook was a disclaimer about the recipes. It would have taken forever, not to mention the cost of ingredients, to test each recipe. But what I will share is the results of the recipes that I have tried.

The first recipe that I tried even before the book went to print was Betty Teaford's Buttermilk pie. OMG! I could have sat down and ate the whole thing by myself! It absolutely was to die for. So rich and creamy, like an old fashioned sugar cream pie, only not quite as sweet. My husband is not a big dessert eater, but even he couldn't resist this pie. Betty is also known for her outstanding peanut butter pie, so we knew this would be a winner.

Next was Wilma Estes's Afternoon Delight cake. I had to add a personal note at the end of this recipe. It said that Wilma should be arrested for this recipe! It is so good! So rich and decadent! The chocolate and caramel combination is just sinful. I also made this cake with a few twists. I used a devil's food cake mix and instead of the cool whip and pudding topping, I covered the entire top of the cake with Nutella, the chocolate hazelnut peanut butter-like spread. Need I say more? I'm already slobbering on myself.

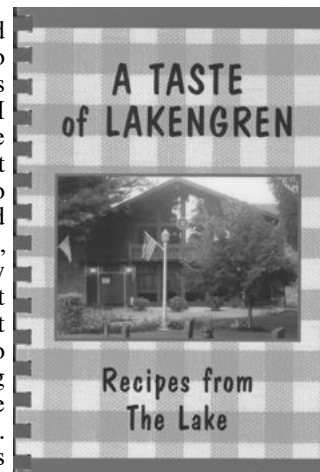
Christie Barker's contribution of the Cracker Barrel Hash Brown Casserole is excellent, but when you combine it with Ruth Kellers similar recipe for Cheesy Potatoes with the sour cream added it is out of this world!

Betty Teaford contributed several recipes for this book and I've been working my way through them all. When typing her recipe for Apple Crisp the ingredient list looked like your average apple crisp recipe, but when I made it, it was like eating a caramel apple! Yum! How it came together was amazing! A little milk over it or ice cream if you are so inclined completes the transformation to a rich wonderful bowl of comfort food!

If you like a crunchy topping on your Sweet Potato Casserole, try Carole Moore's recipe. Very tasty. Kay Dull's recipe for Pumpkin Pie Squares was not only delicious, but I loved the versatility of it. Cutting the squares into whatever sizes you want gave this recipe a whole new array of ways to serve it. Bite size pieces placed into mini cupcake papers make it ideal for an afternoon tea, or a dessert tasting party. Larger squares can be a dessert all its own.

I am looking forward to trying Ann Schleich's Chocolate Zucchini Cake and Jan Kaye's Chess Cake next.

I must say, I have no will power when it comes to good food. I intend to keep trying more recipes and reporting back to you about them. When some people walk they only leave footprints, I'm already leaving potholes. And you thought it was the cars...



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BOARD RESUMES

David Fourman

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Lakengren is now my home (having moved here after retirement three years ago). Since that time I have attended most of the LPOA Board meetings and am currently serving on the Safety Committee, Lakes & Marine Management Committee, Building & Permit Committee, and have worked with the Walking Path Committee in raising funds for that project. I am a certified member of CERT Disaster Group. My joy of working with plants led me to join the Lakengren Garden Club.

Since 1959 I held positions in retail management, thus

working with many people during those years. All this took a lot of decision making without jumping to quick conclusions. I feel this is a positive attribute for being a Board member. In addition to my work, I have been on various boards of my church for many years; have served on Trotwood's boys' baseball teams through the years, along with assisting the girls' softball team....coaching and umpiring most of those years.

I don't propose a quick-fix for any Lakengren problems, but believe with continued hard work, we can make progress in maintaining roads, finances, and safety measures. My wife and I enjoy living in Lakengren and want to be a part of its maintenance and growth. I feel my past experiences can be used in some of the decision making for our community.

Thanks,
David (Dave) Fourman

Rodney Suman

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Reasons for Desiring Board Position; Any Challenges Facing the Association; And How You Would Like to See Them Dealt With.

I would like to find a solution to the roads in Lakengren as well as making Lakengren a better place to live for the residents. I have lived in Lakengren since 1999 and have served two prior terms on the LPOA Board. I am a retired police officer and owner of a small local business.

Involvement (if any) in Lakengren (Committees, etc.)

Former LPOA Board member & Gates Committee member, & donated hours, equipment & time to assist maintenance.

Judy Thaxton

It has come down to the end of my 3 year term. Decision making time. After much consideration & planning of the next 3 years of my life, I have decided to ask the Lakengren community if they would like to have me finish what we, the current board & myself, have projected as important for the community.

Working with this board has been a real eye opener. Credit for major accomplishments go to the hard working efforts of our General Manager, Kevin Thorpe, & his office & maintenance crews. With only one year left of his term on the board, Pres. Paul Ellison, has led us through serious issues with respect & dignity. Finances are a major issue with any private community, & we are in serious need of all to become MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING. Pay your dues, members, We need the support of all to keep our community strong

& in working order. Are you aware of the members of this community who have donated time & in many cases dollars for the enjoyment of all of us? I am only going to name a few of the many, because these people are outstanding in my opinion & they deserve your thank you's.

Paul Healy, pres. Of the Christmas lights committee, sees to it that his committee decorates for the holidays, has a children's holiday program, also an adult one, & organizes the summer Poker Runs. Paul also writes the Lakengren News for the Register Herald. Our new Years Eve. Party & dance continues due to this organization. Paul has served on the board in the past, & continues to be involved, sharing his knowledge & talents wherever needed.

Dan McElwee, has personally led the Dragons into the growth they are experiencing. Dan attends the board meetings, offers challenging ideas to the board for fund raising, & social events. We are wearing Dan out as he continues to spend his retired time with the rest of us in mind. Dan's talents are numerous & he is always there to help out where he can.

Ginger Adams, now on security, is a long time resident, former board member, founder of the Halloween walk that she continues to run for the children of Lakengren. Ginger is another writer for the community, often updating us on safety issues. Her talents are sought by so many of us, I don't know how she does it all & so well.

Dorothy Roebuck, requested a walking path for years. She kept dogging us until Helen Fisher gathered a group of like minded individuals & got the job done. Dorothy is writing a series of articles for the Viking describing the fun the old timers re-

member & especially how they used the cafe. Helen continues what she does so well, raising funds for projects here in our lake community.

Hats off to the above volunteers, but lets not forget the unpaid not mentioned. You probably know others that you would point to as having given above & beyond.

I'd point directly at Jerry Spaeth & Janet Davis who for years have created this newspaper of ours. The Viking keeps us all informed. (that is if you read it). They devote many hours each month to the paper. I cannot imagine how we would function as a community without them.

This community is my home. I can continue to work on the board if you chose. If not, I'm not going anywhere.- see you on the lake.

Tim Simmons

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Hello, I would like to introduce myself and inform the Lakengren residents I am running for a position on the LPOA Board of Trustees.

I am an excellent candidate for the LPOA Board of Trustees as I have obtained positions at companies in which I have made significant contributions including a direct impact towards the success along with ensuring the future of the business. I have led several successful cost reduction and continuous improvement projects creating teamwork and improving employee involvement. I have experience working with large and small budgets, participated in strategic business planning groups both in manufacturing and maintenance areas. I have helped turn troubled departments around to be successful improving morale and making them model departments. I am currently employed in Hamilton as the Production Manager over a thriving manufacturing facility producing capital equipment used around the world.

I am an active member in the Christmas Lights Committee and try to participate or attend all sponsored activities from other committees also. I strongly believe in supporting the committees here at Lakengren as each function or activity could help create revenue to improve our community, not to mention meeting new friends.

I have only lived in our community for the past year but I knew several residents and visited often over the past 13 years. I made many more new friends since moving here last September, and this emphasizes to me this is the community I want to call home and get involved in.

Like any business in today's struggling economy we need to find ways to increase our revenue to keep up with the maintenance and improve our community. We need some solid business plans and a solid plan to implement new ideas. We also need to check the results and adjust if needed to continually make improvements. Bottom line we need to create revenue or improve cash flow without increasing the membership dues. Not only does it take the board members to do so, but also it takes every one of us at Lakengren to help with new ideas and working together, it is our community. I feel the board has many projects in the works and I would like to be a part of the team to help implement plans to improve our own special community.

I am looking forward to meeting and representing each and every one of you, my neighbors and friends here in the Lakengren Community. If given the opportunity to serve on the board I will do my best to maintain and improve the success of our community making it a better and a proud place to live.

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Snack Bar Memories

By Dorothy Roebuck

We are at the end of our reminiscing of the Snack Bar era, but not before I tell you about my neighboring friends who lived or worked here within our gated community who made my life worthwhile. Even though they are no longer with us I will never forget their worth to me.

While still living in New Jersey, I received a phone call from my brother telling of the terrible storm here in Lakengren when his doorbell rang. When he answered there stood Bob Kaylor with Janet still in the car. As he handed him a box of freshly baked cookies his greeting was "Have a nice day."

When I moved back to Ohio in December of 1988, I too met the Kaylors and on Sundays when I would attend church, sitting in the pew on that long bench alone, Janet Kaylor would come from wherever she was seated to share the bench with me...friends of value.

Also, I must tell you that I finally remembered where I was when the customers were getting together their grand production of a birthday party for Clarence Taylor, "Through the Years," which was the same time I returned to New Jersey to visit my co-workers.

While there, my friend from the book keeping department suggested we spend the weekend in Atlantic City and of course, the casino. Believe me, I am a very poor gambler. I right away allocated twenty-five dollars for losing money. I did win a few times but soon my bucket was empty. My friend was not ready to quit so she gave me twenty-five more dollars to keep playing. It didn't take long before I had another empty bucket, so I left to buy picture post cards to mail back to Lakengren.

When I arrived home again I was met with a lot of laughter and excitement over the card I had sent to Donna and Ken stating I had been robbed by the one armed bandit. It seemed that Ken was ready to send money until Donna pointed out that if I were asking for money, it wouldn't be on a picture postcard with no forwarding address... A friend when you are in need is a friend indeed!

One more friend is Helen Christman, our proprietor of the Snack Bar. If I close my eyes and listen, I can still hear her say in an annoyed tone, "Dottie Roebuck, you and your balanced diet," yet she would often try to get something more suitable for my diabetic diet.

One day when I came in for dinner, Helen met me with all smiles and presented me with a new drink so that I could have another choice besides water. However, after

a while I started having terrific headaches that would get me up in the middle of the night. We soon found out that the new drink that was good for the taste was not also good for the body and brain. So it was discontinued.

Another day I came in to find her all smiles saying, "I have sweet potatoes, two for you and two for your brother." She knew I never ate french fries or mashed potatoes because of the starch and my diabetic diet. When customers came in, eyeing my plate with sweet potatoes, one asked, "Where did you get those sweet potatoes? Are you some privileged person?" I answered no, I got them from Helen, go ask her, knowing she had three more. I don't know whether or not they asked her, but I do know thereafter we often had sweet potatoes on the menu. She was everyone's valued friend.

One day my brother and I were spending a very quiet slow day with Helen. We were sitting at the white table looking out of the open door when Helen turned and asked, "Do you like tomato gravy?" Tomato gravy! We had never before heard those two words coined together. Helen then went to the outside phone and called her sister Kay to tell her what to bring with her to complete her menu. Kay soon arrived and joined Helen in the kitchen, and it wasn't long before they were setting the table with bowls of cabbage, tomato gravy, chicken, biscuits, and I don't remember what else, but I do remember the three of us who remain, will never forget Helen and the day she had a taste for Tomato Gravy!

Thank you for spending the last several months walking down memory lane with me as I remembered those precious days at the Snack Bar. I truly wished you all could have been there.

TEXAS HOLD'EM

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November & December Calendar of Events

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

- Nov 3 Women's Clb - speaker - 1 p.m. @ Lodge
- Nov 4 Marine Lakes Mgmt Mtg 7 p.m. @ lodge
- Nov 5 Ballot returns by 4:30 p.m.
- Nov 6 Dragons Hold'em 7 p.m. @ Lodge
- Nov 7 Daylight Savings Time ends
- Nov 8 LPOA Board Mtg 7 p.m. @ LWA Bldg
- Nov 11 Dragons Vets Day Dinner 6:30 p.m. @ Lodge - Res nec
- Nov 15 Lake Lowering begins
- Nov 16 Garden Club Holiday Dinner - 6 p.m. @ Olde Richmond Inn
- Nov 17 Christmas Lights 6:30 p.m. dinner 8 p.m. mtg - Lodge
- Nov 19 Viking deadline for December
- Nov 22 LPOA Board Mtg 7 p.m. @ LWA Bldg
- Nov 25 Thanksgiving - offices closed
- Nov 26 Offices closed
- Nov 29 Decorate the Lodge @ 9 a.m.

- Dec 1 Women's Club Carry-in & Auction - Noon @ lodge
- Dec 4 Dragons Hold'em 7 p.m. @ lodge
- Dec 9 Dragons Mtg 7:30 p.m. @ lodge
- Dec 11 Christmas Open House @ lodge
Magician & Santa @ 6:30 p.m.
Adult Party @ 8 p.m. - bring snack to share
- Dec 13 LPOA Board Mtg 7 p.m. @ LWA Bldg
- Dec 15 CLC has Christmas party @ lodge
- Dec 17 Viking deadline for January
- Dec 23 Offices closed
- Dec 24 Offices closed
- Dec 31 Offices closed
- Dec 31 New Years Eve Party @ Lodge 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.



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