

The Legend of Lorelei

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Autumn News & Notes



- **SLOW DOWN!** Fall walkers, joggers, bikers and golf carts share the roads.
- Wood chipping is offered by Maintenance at \$37.50 per half hour; call the office to schedule.
- Please **DO NOT RAKE** leaves into the Lake!
- Going on vacation or escaping for the winter? Call the office with dates you will be gone and they will arrange vacancy checks of your home.
- The Lake Valve will be opened on or about **NOVEMBER 15TH**. Plan now for dock & shoreline repair!



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Calendar

September

9	Activities Committee Meeting	7:00 PM	Clubhouse/Pavilion
13	Water Quality Meeting	6:30 PM	Clubhouse/Pavilion
16	PRIDE Meeting	7:00 PM	Clubhouse/Pavilion
21	Tuesday Fishing Tournament	6:00 PM	Marina
25	END of SUMMER BASH! (cornhole, dinner, music)	3:00 PM	Pavilion

October

1,2,3	Fall Community Yard Sale		Lakewide
2	Rummage & Bake Sale (HOPE donations accepted)	9:00 AM	Clubhouse
7	Women's Club Meeting	7:00 PM	Clubhouse/Pavilion
12	FALL LLPOA Town Hall	2:00 PM	Clubhouse
14	Activities Committee Meeting	7:00 PM	Clubhouse/Pavilion
16	FALL Fishing Tournament	7:30 AM	Marina
21	PRIDE Meeting	7:00 PM	Clubhouse/Pavilion
31	Trunk or Treat!	5:00 PM	Clubhouse Parking Lot



November

4	Women's Club Meeting	7:00 PM	Clubhouse
6	CHILI Cook-off & Auction!	6:30 PM	Clubhouse
11	Activities Committee Meeting	7:00 PM	Clubhouse/Pavilion
18	LLPOA Board Meeting	7:00 PM	Clubhouse/Pavilion

Next Issue Adv/Copy Due: October 20, 2021

Board of Trustees - President's Report

Rick Connors, President BOT

As summer fades behind us and fall approaches, we reflect back on the return of normal function and fun activities in our lake community that covid restrictions had taken away last year. The board and I are committed to working as a team to get back to normalcy, overcome our challenges, and put in the work and dedication to improve our community. It was a good summer here at the lake, after the covid restrictions were lifted and we got back to some sort of normal life.

We have shown our unity as members again this year by coming together and voting to proceed with the Dredging Lake Fund. I'm very proud of members and the BOT that worked so hard to make this come to life, so we can move forward to make Lake Lorelei a viable and sought-after community in the future.

We decided to move forward with a new management style here at the lake and did so by implementing a **Lake Director** position who oversees all operations and daily business matters of the community, and I see a positive direction moving forward with a clear and transparent leadership approach. I see a move in the right direction that our Director has set forth with his interaction with committees, groups, and individuals by having a positive approach with clear and transparent leadership.

The employee situation at the office, guard shack, and maintenance has been challenging over the last year with the loss of some old-time employees. Fortunately, we have hired some new personnel, all across the different positions. Office staff is as efficient as I can remember in the past, and maintenance is doing a great job with the part-time crews covering the grounds. There are new faces at the guard shack with many favorable comments. I want to congratulate all of them on doing a good job.

We still have a lot of projects ahead of us that we are working on. Modernization of our office computer system is one of them and is being headed up by our Lake Director. We are looking at new programs that other communities use that would afford us the capability to pay dues online, vote online, mass communications to members, and update our webpage. Our present system is antiquated and cannot keep up with our business needs.

We will be coming out with a few items to vote on this fall. One of them being the term limit of Trustees. The membership collectively put a petition together with enough signatures of members to signify a vote, as per our governing documents. Another item is to raise new membership fees going forward, that would not affect any existing members, just new members purchasing property. The last item is that we would like to research an electronic voting program.

The **Roads Committee** will be overseeing and scheduling paving this fall. In addition, when the lake goes to winter pool level, we will have our underground gas tanks cleaned. This is not an easy task and we are getting bids on that, to hopefully be completed by spring.

I want to thank all the committee volunteers for all they have done here at the Lake this summer: the events have been fun; the kayak & canoe launch at the end of the cove; restroom makeovers; clubhouse improvements; and water testing & research. If you are not aware, this is all done by volunteers, as are the board positions (unpaid, doing the best we can for our community). Please volunteer for any committee that you have experience or knowledge of, so that we can continue to improve our community.

I would like to invite all our members to participate in our board meetings going forward and join our committees. Please patronize our restaurant and marina as they are our hometown businesses that count on your support. We most recently received notice the liquor transfer is almost complete and should be final in a few weeks, which means the restaurant will soon have a full liquor license.

Please be respectful of other members and respect all the rules on the lake and off the lake. We are all here to improve the community and enjoy what it offers. 🍷



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Activities Committee - Upcoming Events

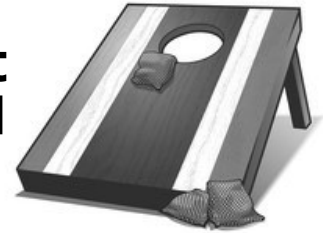
END of SUMMER EXTRAVAGANZA!

Saturday, September 25th

**Cornhole Tournament
Starts at 3 PM**

Dinner at 6 PM

Music in the Evening!



The Clubhouse HANG-OUTS are back!

Check Facebook & Front Board for dates

TRUNK or TREAT at the Clubhouse

Sunday, October 31st
In the Clubhouse parking lot
5 - 6 PM



Look for more details on the front board and on Facebook

Activities **NEEDS** You!
Please join us the **2nd Thursday**
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Decks, Docks and...

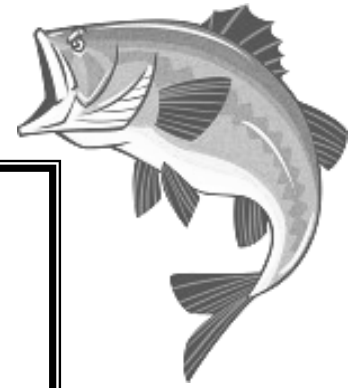
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Fish Committee - Upcoming Events



LAST TUESDAY TOURNEY

Sept. 21st 6-8:30 P.M.

Thanks to all who made this summer a great success and a lot of fun!

We will be stocking minnows again next March. *-Tom Iles*

FINAL FALL TOURNAMENT!

October 16th
7:30am - 3:30pm

Angler Of The Year Point System

- ◆ Points Will Be Awarded To Individuals for each night of fishing.
- ◆ The End Of The Year Prize Will Be \$100.00 (One Hundred Dollars) Cash And Two Plaques. Paid For By The Fish Committee.
- ◆ Points Will Awarded As Follows:
 - ◇ 5 Points First Place,
 - ◇ 4 Points Second Place,
 - ◇ 3 Points Third Place,
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Water Quality & Shoreline Committee Request

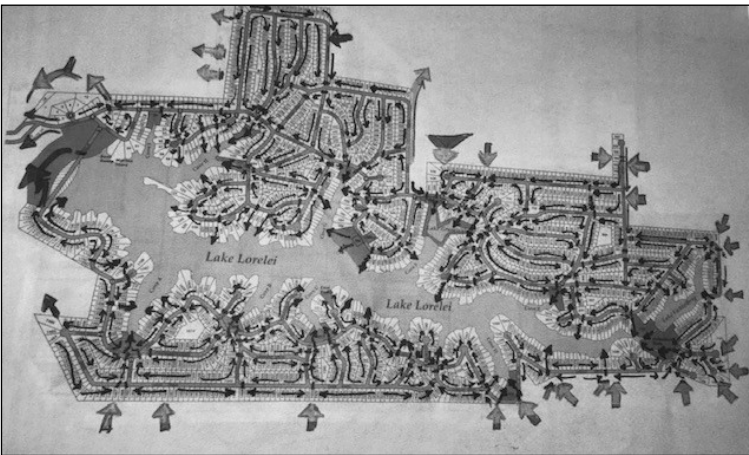
Cindi Wetzel

We have a BIG ASK (it involves Steak Dinner)

You may have noticed that the lake has appeared exceptionally green and, if we are honest, at times gross. The growth of multiple kinds of algae and bacteria in our lake is skyrocketing for several reasons, but we have the power to change the results. Let's start with what we know and then the BIG ASK:

We know:

All bodies of water have several types of algae—some algae are good, some algae are harmful. If a lake has a balance of both types of algae, water quality is good...it is when harmful algae outnumbers good algae that high levels of bacteria or Harmful Algae Blooms (HAB's) develop, and the lake water reaches unsafe conditions that could make animals and humans sick.



A **watershed** is any land area that drains into a body of water when it rains or snows—Creeks, stormwater inlets, road & driveway runoff, ditches & culverts, downspouts & lawns, So understanding and mapping out our own watershed was a big deal. All lakefront properties, all LL surrounding acreage, all LLPOA-owned properties, farm land, and other local lands impact the watershed. Take a look at the watershed flow map—you might be surprised at what you thought you knew about your own yard (I was!). This part of the project required some dedicated work by those on the WQ committee and we are grateful.

Help Wage War on Bad Stuff:

Bad stuff is defined as ANYTHING that feeds the harmful algae and allows it to outnumber the good algae. Harmful algae has a robust appetite for nutrients especially nitrogen and phosphorus. When the nutrient supply chain gets out of control, it leads to a green lake, and ultimately to water toxicity (Harmful Algae Blooms-HABs) that could be harmful to dogs, cats, little humans, and anyone with a compromised immune system.

Good News—We can make changes on a small scale to a few areas and have the impact we all want. It is going to take all of us. So here it is...the **BIG ASK:**

➤ **Weeds are Plants:** Stop killing and weed-eating the plants that are growing along the watershed drainage inlet, hillsides, and ditches. Let the plants/weeds grow as tall as the plant can because the taller the plant, the longer the roots grow deep into the soil. The fantastic thing about plants' root systems is that they act as a very efficient filter and absorb the "Bad Stuff" running off our properties and roads. We could build expensive filters for every drainage inlet OR let plants do what they do best; absorb nutrient runoff.

- ◆ Allow plants/weeds in drainage ditches and on hillsides to grow 4 to 10 inches...Easy, right? But, some say, we will all have to look at a bunch of weeds in all the inlets?! Yes, it's true! The lake will look like a lake, beautifully natural with far less HAB's.
- ◆ Stop spraying weed killers. Commercial weed killers contain Glyphosate a phosphorous chemical that Blue-Green algae absorb. It's the ultimate steak dinner for Harmful Algae Blooms.

➤ **Always mow** away from the water's edge to keep cuttings out of the lake, so you are not adding gravy to the steak dinner. Don't rake or blow leaves into the lake either...that is dessert!

➤ **Great news** on Riprap! The number of properties around the lake that need some work (i.e., riprapping) to keep their shoreline from collapsing into the lake has dropped from nearly 150 five years ago to only 33 last year. Those of you who made this happen, those of you who were never on the list in the first place, THANK YOU. You ROCK. (pun intended). So add rock where needed and allow plants to grow in the rocks to help slow erosion and decrease HAB's. 🍷

Lake Lorelei

Lake properties have been selling for premium prices this past year.

Buyers are constantly calling me but the inventory is extremely low. If you are thinking about selling please give me a call.

Thank you for your continued support!



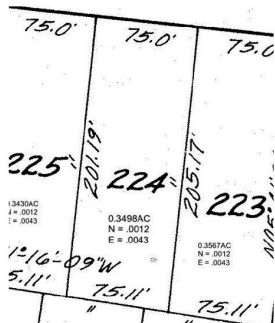
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PRIDE Committee Updates

TJ Jackson, Director at Large

Hi friends and neighbors.

The PRIDE (**People Representing Initiative, Dedication, and Energy**) Committee has met twice since the last Legend article. At the annual meeting in July, Director nominations were discussed, seconded, and voted on. After the Directors were voted on, they elected the officers.

The PRIDE Officers are:

Committee Chair – Jonathan Riehle

Committee Vice-chair – Len Pohlar

Committee Secretary – Marcia Greenwald

Committee Treasurer – Annmarie Rundo

Director at Large – Jeff McGee

Director at Large – Shandra Doughman

Director at Large – TJ Jackson

A big “Thank You” to **AMY WOHLBER** for her contributions as a Director over the last year. She has been awesome in supporting PRIDE. She will continue coordinating the calendar with our team. Please keep SENDING PHOTOS to pridepics@lakelorelei.ohio.com.



Reflecting over the last year, there have been a lot of good things happening in PRIDE. We put together a Master Plan that lists all of the PRIDE assets and projects, assigned owners to those projects and now track our progress on keeping up with them. Staining of benches/picnic tables last fall, painting posts, major face lift to the rest rooms at the marina this spring, installing PRIDE mailboxes in the spring, and designing/installing a **NEW KAYAK LAUNCH in Cove G** a few weeks ago are just some of the contributions PRIDE and community volunteers have done this past year to improve our community. Special thanks to **JOSH WALKER** and team for assisting with the Kayak Launch.

Several neighbors have expressed interest in buying a mailbox. We will be making more of those in the next month or two. We will put the word out when more are available.

If you can spare an hour or two, we still have plenty of painting and staining projects that can be accomplished before the snow flies. Please contact any PRIDE team member and we can let you know which projects could use attention.

Our hearts are heavy with the loss of **BILL HERDMAN** a few weeks ago. He was an amazing leader, patriot, lover of Lake Lorelei, and all-around friend to all. He was a PRIDE original. We are currently discussing ways to honor him in the near future.

We are changing our meeting schedule to the **third Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm** in the Clubhouse (or Pavilion) to discuss plans and activities. Many of our volunteer activities occur on weekends. We would love to have your support.

Please consider joining our Team. 🐾



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Lakes Fund Update

Bruce Simeone, BOT Liaison

WHAT IS NEW WITH THE LAKES FUND

Hello everybody. Welcome to a new series of articles in the Legend of Lorelei. This new series of articles will be dedicated to the Lake Fund Execution status. It will attempt to give you the latest information available as it related to status, schedules, finances, and other items as they arise. We intend to communicate via many mediums in the future, but of course the Legend of Lorelei is a gem that is so well put together it will be invaluable. That said, let's review what has been happening since the ballot passed.

The last 30 days (yes, only 30 days) has been a very busy time to say the least. Since the middle of July, all the effort can be categorized with an action step called "Organize and Initiate". That is a short saying, but it is critical work. If you have experience running projects, or teams, or really any effort that has a lot of people, you know that planning and developing the proper structure is critical to get right even before work begins. Here is the work since the passing of the Ballot:

Organize (Every step here has been accomplished in the last 30 days!!!):

1. Develop an overall vision of the workload.
2. Develop a clear vision of what success is at the end of the work (In this case just Phase 1).
3. Develop a structure that will deliver that vision with excellence while at or under budget.
4. Form the leadership team to deliver that vision.
5. Understand what teams are necessary and how they need to be organized to support the end vision.
6. Draft Lead team and sub-team written charters with items to do the following:
 - a. Define the team objective.
 - b. Define what the team is accountable for and assign them deliverables and tracking of them.
 - c. Define the team decision making and execution boundaries.
 - d. Define how the teams will function, which includes how they will make decisions.
 - e. Define the leadership team.
 - f. Develop staffing.
7. Reach alignment of 1 -6 above with the BOT as the chartering body.
8. Understand who can do the work. In this case, develop a volunteer list.
9. Staff the leadership team.

We are now in the "initiation" stage of Phase 1. That consists of the following:

Initiate:

1. Communicate plans to date with the Community.
2. Bring your leadership team together and align to the draft charters.
3. Bring the volunteers together and staff the sub-teams.
4. Sub-teams align to their charters to ratify or modify their charter.
5. BOT aligns to the charter, signs them, and they change of "draft" to "execute".
6. Project Kick Off with Volunteer leaders and teams.

The following chart will indicate our plans for 1 – 5 above:

STEP	STATUS	EXECUTION PLAN OR DATE
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update in the Legend Present to the Community the status and latest information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This article August 19 after the Open Board Meeting. A full Power Point update with names, charters, etc.
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leader meeting planned with agenda developed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting set for August 22, 2021
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteer meeting planned with agenda to be developed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting set for August 22, 2021
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sub-team meeting planned with agenda to be developed. Communicate that date and time to the community. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting set for August 22, 2021 After the Open Board session on August 19.
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By the end of September. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BY the end of September
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project kick off 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> October 1.

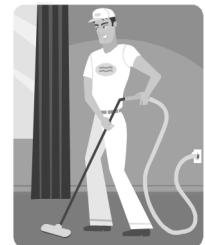
I know this is a long update, but I don't hold things back and I think people should know all that is happening. After all, it is your/my money. One of the Sub-teams mentioned above is "Communication". That will mean that future communication will come from Community volunteers that are on that Sub-Team. It will not be a me as the Liaison. My role is to attend leadership meetings and be a resource to the execution teams NOT a decision maker. That was the BOT commitment, and once we are organized and kicked off, that is the commitment that will be followed. Thank you 🍷

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Women's Club Report

Jane Wyman, President

We have had a busy two months:

Two card/game nights were held – thanks to **TINA BARBOZA** and **BARB SIEGEL**. Attendance was very good with a variety of games played. A very informative presentation by Christina Anderson, proprietor of the Clermont County House of Honey in Newtonsville. She and two of her vendors talked about the business of honey, natural beeswax and the benefits of herbal tinctures and medicines. She brought products to sell. Thanks to our program chair – **DEBBY COGLIANO**.

Future events to put on your calendar:

- ❖ **October 1-3** – Fall Yard Sale which includes a rummage sale (save the items you don't need anymore and donate to the Women's Club), a bake sale and also a collection of personal care items for Hope Emergency. (see promotion in this edition of Legend)
- ❖ **November 6** – Chili Cookoff – enter your favorite chili. Even if you don't bring chili, come and enjoy the evening and cast your vote for your favorite chili. Admission is \$6.
- ❖ **December 4** – Christmas Party for our lake community. Bring your favorite dish to share. Chicken will be provided by the PRIDE Committee.

Our project this year is to update the stalls in the women's bathroom. It is in the planning stage – thanks **CHRISTINE SIMEONE** who is heading the project.

We would love for you to come and see what we are all about on the first Thursday each month!

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EXCESSIVE SPEED:

The LLPOA Board of Trustees approved, and recently purchased, a new Bushnell Velocity **Speed Gun for the detection of watercraft speeds** in excess of **35 mph** during the period **between sunrise and sunset**, as well as speeds in excess of **6 mph** during the period **between sunset and sunrise**. Because excessive speeds are highly dangerous to every type of recreational activity on Lake Lorelei, the Lake Safety Patrol (LSP) will be monitoring all accelerated watercraft, from time to time. Your consistent cooperation in following Lake Lorelei's water speed limits, will be very much appreciated! If, however, an excessive speed is registered on the velocity speed gun, the LSP patroller will visibly motion, while activating the patrol boat's siren, and/or the flashing oscillating lights. For everyone's safety, in the event those signals are directed toward your watercraft, please be sure to quickly power down, and pull over, preferably into the nearest cove.

RECKLESS OPERATION:

As a friendly reminder, navigating a watercraft in a manner other than counterclockwise (shoreline on the starboard side), except to pick up a fallen person, is **reckless operation**. A few other examples of reckless operation include: zigzagging shore-to-shore; changing direction or performing "donuts" within the water-ski or open zones; creating a wake within 150 feet of the marina; and, towing without a spotter.

The motto of the LSP is **Safety via Civility!** Our **mission** is to promote a safe and enjoyable environment for all recreational activities on Lake Lorelei by fostering respect for, and compliance with, the Ohio and LLPOA Lake Rules and Regulations. All LSP volunteers are your neighbors, and for that reason, your cooperation, courtesy, thumbs-up, and friendly waves are so very much appreciated. Thank you for your support!!! 🍷

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Member Forum

Patricia Stirnkorb

Lake Life at One Year

In 1954, my grandparents and parents built a "cabin" on Lake Williamstown, KY. I was a "lake kid" for many years. My two-year old handprints were in the front steps of the cabin. We spent most weekends and many vacation weeks there until I was a teenager when my parents stopped going as my grandparents aged.

When we got married, Rick and I took over the cabin, bringing our own friends and eventually our children to the cabin. Again, weekends and vacations were spent there. But everything changes over time and my grandparents decided to sell the cabin (much to my dismay!) So lake life changed, but never stopped. We began traveling to Dale Hollow Lake when our now 42-year-old son was five months old.

We have continued that tradition annually, renting cabins on occasion, but mostly spending a week or two on houseboats from the various marinas around the lake. We have switched back and forth to Cumberland, but Dale Hollow has always been "our spot" if only for a week or two each summer.

And now we have our own home here at Lake Lorelei. As Rick fondly calls it, this is our tiny house money pit. Lake life is back and for the first time, full time. We passed the one-year mark as residents in June and this anniversary of sorts, has caused me to pause and reflect about what has changed from when I was a kid...

The draw of the water is still the same. Riding along in a boat and checking out the houses, the landscape, the fun and activities that make it so appealing to so many, stills my soul. Watching kids play and splash, or just sitting on a dock kicking their feet, brings back so many memories.

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Most of the lakers at Williamstown were part-timers. Every weekend, like us, they would load their cars and trucks with supplies and coolers and head out. If they forgot anything, there was always a neighbor close by that had what they needed, and a store could be found about the same distance as Fayetteville is to Lake Lorelei.

Skiers swarmed and there were no "lake rules." No speed limit; no maximum number of skiers behind each boat; no life jackets required. My dad and his best friend at the lake put a wooden step stool on a 5' round plywood circle and rode it as far as they could before falling off in hysterical laughter. No neighbors complained about loud music or too many people in a cove, as most coves were packed every weekend. Oh, the stories I could tell from the eyes of a child!

What has changed over the last umpteen years? People. People have changed. The way people respond to the situations has changed. Maybe not on the lake, (although I have seen people chastised for exceeding the speed limit or causing wakes in no-wake zones) but in general. People are different. They are more uptight, angry, hurried, discouraged, worried. I am sure we could all list the ways "people" in general now respond to challenges life throws our way.

Here on the lake, life goes on...fishing tournaments on Tuesday; pulling our grands on the tube and enjoying the beach; watching the deer in the evening; enjoying the hummingbirds at my feeder. The draw of the water is still the same. Riding along in a boat and checking out the houses, the landscape, the fun and activities that make it so appealing to so many...even today it stills my soul.

Happy first anniversary! 🍷

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As we approach fall there is still quite a bit of gardening to do for those who don't want to quite call it a year.

- * The end of August is a great time to start cool weather crops that are not effected by mild frost to extend your growing season and to put away a few more veggies for the winter months. These include radishes, leaf lettuce, spinach and baby carrots. Be patient with the seeds you plant since they like cooler temps to germinate, keep them watered well.
- * A key to a healthy garden is cleaning up your flower & veggie beds of debris which can give unwanted insects a safe haven to winter over and cause more problems the following year.
- * This is an excellent time to plant spring flowering bulbs which are available at many garden centers this time of year. Using bone meal in each planting hole will aide in your success come spring. Planting now allows the root system plenty of time to establish itself.
- * Fall is the best time to plant trees & shrubs since the root system has plenty of time to take hold before winter comes. The cooler temps are less stressful on new plantings.
- * One of the things I do each fall is amend my soil in each of my 10 vegetable beds. This could include tilling manure or leaves into the beds. Each growing season depletes your soil of nutrients which will affect next year's crop, so amend your soil and use organic fertilizers to give yourself the best chance of an abundant crop.
- * This might be my most important fall tip since I have seen people with new summer plantings of shrubs, perennials and trees forget to water them in deeply before winter hits. Hey you spent good money on these plants; the root systems are establishing themselves and need regular watering to flourish.

I think most of you know I love helping neighbors get started or solving problems with their gardens, so message me or stop by 602 Lorelei Dr. Our gate is always open to you!! 🍷



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Lake Life

Lee Duncan

Where are the bats?

Bats are amazing animals. They're the only mammal capable of flight, they hunt using sonar, and—despite being roughly the size of a mouse—can live up to four decades. We have fourteen species of bat



Small Brown Bat, native to Ohio

here in Ohio, and all of them are insectivores, meaning their diets consist exclusively of—you guessed it—insects. A bat will consume thousands of insects on a single night, up to its own body weight. Many farmers know that bats are the chief insect consumers in the state, providing protection from destructive insects which could ravage crops like corn or soybeans. They also help disperse seeds and are important to some plant species as pollinators. Importantly for us here at the lake, bats also keep down populations of annoying insects like flies and mosquitoes.

This is our twenty-third summer at the lake, and it used to be that at the end of the day as the sun was receding, we could look forward to seeing numerous small bats appear, putting on a stunningly aerobic flying display overhead. But now, we'd consider ourselves lucky to see a single bat in a week.

So what has happened? Many bats are unfortunately killed by the increasing use of wind turbines used for power generation, but the major cause of the decline is a fungal disease called "white-nose syndrome" or "WNS" for short. It afflicts hibernating bats and sometimes looks like a white fuzz on the bat's face, which is how the disease got its name. For reasons not well understood, the fungus causes a change in behavior in the affected bats. They have been observed doing strange things such as interrupt their hibernation to fly outside during the winter. Since there are no bugs available then, they starve to death. WNS has killed millions of bats in North America. In some caves, the death rate is 90-100 percent.

The WNS fungus was first observed in a cave in upstate New York in 2007 and has quickly spread throughout the U.S. and Canada. The fungus which causes WNS was unknown to science before being found in New York, but it has now also been found in Europe and Asia. It doesn't make bats there as sick as it does here, so I suspect it first emerged there and the bats and fungus co-evolved. As of today, there is no cure for WNS, but scientists from all over the world are looking for ways to mitigate or control it. One hopeful development is a "virally-vectored Pd antigen-induced antifungal immunity" vaccine currently being tested, but there are many problems with this: for instance, figuring out the logistics of how to actually vaccinate the bats!

An alternate title for this article could have been, "Why are there so many bugs?" In nature, all living things are connected, and changes to a species some would consider insignificant can drive impacts far removed from just that one creature. You can help bats by building a bat house in your yard, reducing outside lighting, and planting/not cutting trees, among other things. There are lots of great online resources. One good place to start is Bat Conservation International's site: www.batcon.org. Like so many wild creatures, bats are not loved by all, but I hope most of us can acknowledge that the world is better for us all with them rather than without them. In other words, the more you learn about our bats, the more you're guano appreciate them! 🐉

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Sandy's Beach Bar and Grill

Everyone knows that starting a business is not an easy task. And starting a restaurant, in the middle of a pandemic, in a gated community...even more challenging! But **SANDY CAMPBELL** is handling it all with a smile.

"It has been a learning experience. But the people are wonderful. They keep us going. They tell us how glad they are that we are here—and I tell them how glad we are to be here!" said Sandy. "It's been good—this community is filled with super sweet people."

Sandy and her family have lived here at the lake two years this month. They love the area, and the lake life has provided the needed change they were seeking. While her now adult kids are out of the house, she keeps busy with her newest project.



"I have always dreamed of owning a restaurant. My mom has owned two restaurants and I worked in food service for seniors for several years. This is truly my dream job," Sandy explained. She went on to say that she and Rich, her husband and business partner, have plans to expand the menu over time. They are in the process of getting their liquor license. All of the paperwork has been submitted and the inspections completed, but it takes time for the paperwork to be approved. "We think that will make a difference in the amount of people we serve," she said.

Their menu has increased dramatically since the first months of just pizza, sandwiches, and fries (with a few other items). Now they offer 13 different sandwiches, flatbread and regular pizza, kid's meals, 12 appetizers, salads and their incredible ice cream and shakes. It's a large and varied selection coming out of a tiny workspace! And that has been one of the issues.

Some of the subtle complaints since the beginning have been about the amount of time it takes to receive an order. That is one of the reasons for the menu expansion. For example, it takes 25 minutes for a pizza to bake. But flatbread pizza, 5-8 minutes! They are also in the process of purchasing a larger, belt-driven pizza oven, larger deep fryers, and possibly rearranging things a bit to take advantage of every inch of available space.

"We have a very small kitchen and no practical way to enlarge it. When we are really busy with three or four of us in this space, we are almost on top of one another. But we are learning our system so that we can be more productive in a small space," Sandy laughed. "We always cook to order. Fresh food takes time."

When they have an overflow in seating, they can use the sunken area of the clubhouse as well as the bar area when their liquor license comes through. In addition, the patio is a perfect spot for an evening appetizer while gazing at the beautiful Lake Lorelei! While both areas will help with seating, the speed of food will take continual adding, changing, and learning what the community wants. Since they are open year-round, they hope to change up their menu for winter type foods in the fall.

"We have great plans," Sandy said. "Our customers are so supportive, and we are striving to keep them happy!" 🍷

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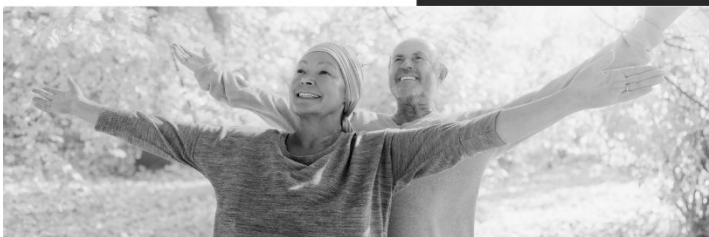
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Lake Director's Report

Chris Kwiatkowski

I've been on board for a few short months now and I am excited to see positive momentum. You may have seen me at club meetings, committee meetings, out in the community, in the office, or out enjoying the lake. My goal is to be a proactive Director within the community.

Since starting my priorities have been:

1. Learn the many facets of my position
2. Improve Member relations and communication
3. Staffing
4. Updating Systems and Processes
5. Collections from accounts in arrears



To better understand the needs of the community and to identify where I need to focus my energy on, I need feedback from the community. You can provide this through a survey I developed. Below is the web address to a short survey, It will also be sent out in an email blast and posted on Facebook.

https://wright.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_a5yIt1gzZbSm6R8

We will also be forming a NEW Marketing/ Communication Committee to address how we can be the most efficient in communicating with the Members. If you have experience in marketing, communication, PR, web development, graphic design, editorial, photography, or would just like to be a part of this new initiative, please contact me.

As a reminder, there is only one **OFFICIAL Facebook page** used to disseminate LLPOA information. The web address is <https://www.facebook.com/LakeLoreleiPropertyOwnersAssociation/>

The office is currently fully staffed. We are in the beginning stages of major upgrades to the office. We will also be updating our website and moving toward an Association software program that will enable members to log in, update their member information, pay bills, view balances, order decals, submit documentation, generate permit requests, and much more!

IMPORTANT NOTICE: To address the speeding issue on Lake Lorelei roadways, I have committed time during the week to run a **speed radar gun at various locations**. I will be issuing fines for those who are in violation. This is fair warning to those who choose to speed!

Finally, barcode decals that have not been paid for 2021 will be deactivated **Sept 15th**. The previous deactivation date has been extended due to Covid and office changeover. If you are unsure if you paid to activate your barcode for 2021, please contact the office and we will check for you.

The Lake Lorelei team and I look forward to all the new updates and the opportunity to be a part of this great community. 🐾

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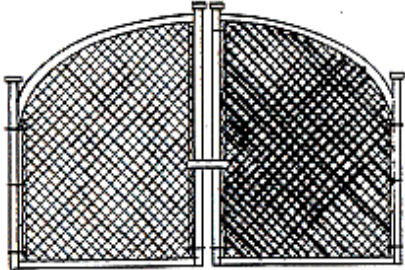
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Beginning Balance		337,474.04
Income		98,073.80
	Subtotal	435,547.84
Expenses		
Roads		17,137.49
Dam/ Spillway		277,881.64
	Total Expense	295,019.13
	Ending Balance	140,528.71

INCOME & EXPENSE SUMMARY JAN 1, 2021- JUNE 30,2021

Income		
Auto Decals		56,940.21
Boat Inspection/ Decals		44,485.00
Dues & Services		185,683.40
Initiation Fees		10,242.87
Mowing & Chipping Fees		11,168.68
Rents and Misc		156,949.43
	Total Income	465,469.59
Expenses		
Personnel Expense		109,971.45
Repairs & Maintenance*		346,120.90
Property Tax		12,870.87
Utilities		21,005.58
Other Expenses (Combined)		84,687.71
	Total Expense	574,656.51
	Net Income	(109,186.92)
General Reserves (CD's)		213,456.90
General Reserve (Money Market)		102,891.36
	Total	316,348.26

* 277,881.64 Is Bridge Repair & Dam Guardrail

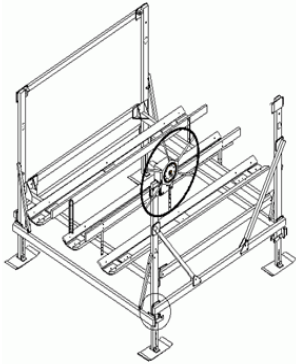
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In Memory of Willis (Bill) Herdman



In 2018, Bill Herdman sat down to share his memories of Lake Lorelei in celebration of the 50th Jubilee. Before beginning his interview, Bill asked to submit a reflection about the history of LLPOA Men's and Women's Clubs, written in 1993 by his beloved wife Bev, who had passed away in 2015. He credited Bev for instilling the positive community energy to the Lake during the early years, but according to other LLPOA members interviewed in 2018, Bill Herdman was the quintessential spark plug.

For Bill, every idea was a good idea. From launching Beautify and Bar-b-que weekends, to championing the P.R.I.D.E. Committee and working to preserve the 1.5 billion year old, twelve ton rock, part of our history from the lake bed, to the shoreline as the "Treasure of Eiffel Cove," Bill celebrated community. His love of family, friends and community knew no boundaries. He enjoyed everything about Lake Lorelei and boasted of the endless possibilities for those who called the lake home. Bill loved his country, especially hosting the Constitution Day celebration/pig roasts in June.

At his passing, Bill was the oldest living veteran in Brown County. In his honor, flags at the front entrance were lowered to half staff. The LLPOA Community lost a spark plug for sure, but Bill's energy and enthusiasm remains always.

Take a boat ride, go for a swim, maybe go fishing or enjoy a day of fun with your loved ones. Bill worked hard since 1972, to make sure Lake Lorelei could be enjoyed by all because he believed in the genuine goodness of community. He was well respected, admired, and will be greatly missed.

-Peggy Platz

Greetings from Rhine Drive. As you know, Bill was a dear friend that we will miss greatly. Thank you for asking me to write about Bill.

A couple of fond memories come to mind:

☺ We had a meeting one evening at our house. Bill would always enter through the garage. During his garage entrance he would always remove his shoes. Well this evening he was wearing his Crocs, which happened to be the same design of my Crocs which were now next to his in the garage.

Well, Bill left and went home. The next day, I stepped into the garage and slipped into my Crocs. I noticed instantly, they were way too small. Well, they were a size 8 and I wear a size 12. So I immediately called Bill. I asked if he noticed anything wrong with his Crocs last night? He said no, but they did feel a little loose.

☺ I would always take Bill to breakfast on Saturday mornings. Then, normally he would ask me to take him to the Dollar Store, Bank or Post Office. Well this Saturday we went to the Dollar Store then the Post Office. I pulled into the parking lot to wait for his return in my little Ford pickup truck, Another Pick-up truck pulled in front of the Post Office. This truck was also red in color. The difference was, it was huge and sat really high off the ground. So, Bill leaves the Post Office and opened the door of this huge red truck.

Remember, my truck was a small Ford Ranger. So, I'm watching as Bill opens the door, puts his mail on the dash, which he could barely reach, and starts his climb into the truck. The owner of the truck was sitting in the driver's seat watching Bill through his efforts to get into the truck. Then the driver said to Bill, "What in the Hell are you doing?" Bill, with a very shocked look on his face, said, "OH MY GOD, I'm so sorry!" and jumped out of the truck laughing his head off.

-John Hollatz

Bill's Obituary

(May 27, 1924 - August 04, 2021)

Willis A. "Bill" Herdman III of Lake Lorelei, Ohio passed away at home surrounded by his loving family on Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at the age of 97. He was born in Mexico City, Mexico on May 27, 1924 to the late Willis A. and Catherine (nee Dunne) Herdman II.

Bill is survived by his loving children Debbie D. (Frank) Merle IV of Maderia, Ohio, Joene Herdman of Lake Lorelei, Ohio, Rod (Joyce) Herdman of West Chester, Ohio, and Stacy (Ed) Gilfilen of Maderia, Ohio; his adored grandchildren Cindy Lewis, Frank (Marianne) Merle V, Kristen (Ryan Pierce) Herdman, Sarah Herdman, Abby Gilfilen, and Eddy Gilfilen Jr.; and his cherished great grandchildren Frank Merle VI, Elizabeth Merle, Charlotte Merle, and Anna Lewis.

In addition to his parents Bill was preceded in death by his beloved wife Beverly K. (nee Keeland) Herdman, and his brother Peter Herdman.

Bill served in the Marine Corps during the WWII Conflict, he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity. He was a member of St. Angela Merici St. Patrick Chapel Parish in Fayetteville, Ohio. Bill was retired VP of Sales at Crosset Company, he was the chairman of the Brown County Republican Club, and a member of the Lake Lorelei Community Association. He was also the Brown County Precinct Captain. Bill was an Eagle Scout and supporter of the Boy Scouts of America. He was on the Board of Southern State Community College, and a big supporter of the Right to Read Foundation. Bill volunteered with Hope Emergency, and was on the Lake Lorelei Community Pride Association.

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One of Bill's favorite stories:

Through much of the 1970's Lake Lorelei hosted a sailboat regatta on or around the Fourth of July weekend. Bill and his son Rod, would compete against each other every year, with Bill usually besting Rod.

During one memorable race however, son was lapping father. Believing the wind was against him, Bill was on the verge of calling it quits when Rod cruised past and called out, "Dad, you're sinking!"

-from the "Lake Lorelei - Fifty Years" book published by Peggy Platz in 2018

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**Compiled from LL Office records in the last two months*



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Promote your business to Lake Lorelei's members!

2021 Advertising Rates

Business Card (3-3/4" x 2-1/4") **\$25**

1/4 Page (3-3/4" x 4-5/8") **\$45**

1/2 Page (7-5/8" x 4-5/8") **\$80**

Full Page (7-5/8" x 9-1/2") **\$150**

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LLPOA's only approved Facebook Page

Community Contacts

Office	Phone	Office	Phone
Brown County Animal Shelter	937-378-3457	Fayetteville Police	513-875-3535
Brown County Health Department	937-978-6892	Fayetteville Public Library	513-274-2665
Brown County Sheriff's Department	937-378-4435	Fayetteville Schools	513-875-2423
Brown County Veteran's Service	937-378-3155	Fayetteville-Perry Sewer District	513-875-4600
Bureau of Motor Vehicles	937-378-4779	Post Office - Fayetteville	513-875-3740
Duke - Power Outage	800-543-5599	Rumpke Customer Service	800-828-8171
Duke Energy Customer Service	800-544-6900	Spectrum Customer Service	855-707-7328
Fayetteville Fire Department	513-875-2202	Western Water	513-722-1682

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Fall/Winter Office Hours

Monday through Friday: 9 AM - 5PM

If assistance is needed outside these hours, please call the office and we will make every effort to accommodate our residents.

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LLPOA accepts



Have Something to Say?

The Legend wants to hear from you!



- * Send a Letter to the Editor
- * Write an article
- * Report on family events (Community Corner)

Your suggestions and ideas are always welcome! We will do our best to publish all appropriate content.

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Email: TheLegend@lakeloreleiOhio.com

SAVE THIS NOTICE!

It may save your life

- * Pick up a map at the office and circle your location on the lake (with letters).
- * Determine the SHORTEST distance from Fayetteville to your house – through the **FRONT GATE** or the **BACK GATE**.
- * When calling 911, instruct the operator to dispatch the Life Squad through the **FRONT GATE** or **BACK GATE**.

For more information on Lake Lorelei, visit www.lakeloreleiOhio.com

2021 LLPOA Board Meeting Schedule

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
	Quarterly Meeting		Annual Meeting	Quarterly Meeting	Spring Town Meeting		Quarterly Meeting		Fall Town Meeting	Quarterly Meeting	
No Meet	18 FEB	No Meet	10 APR	20 MAY	12 JUN	No Meet	19 AUG	No Meet	9 OCT	18 NOV	No Meet

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Women's Club Presents

FALL Community Yard Sale

October 1, 2 & 3

PLUS



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**In the Clubhouse
Saturday, October 2nd - 9 till 3**

Permits Required!

- ◆ **\$10.00** - includes area advertising and a lake map for visitors.
- ◆ Pick up Registration forms in the Office, Gatehouse, Marina, or Restaurant
- ◆ Forms and payment due to the office **NO LATER** than **Tuesday, Sept 28th**



SPECIAL EVENT!

Donate Personal Care Items to
HOPE EMERGENCY

DROP-OFF Friday (1-4) and Saturday at the Clubhouse

We are accepting shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toilet paper, soap, razors, paper towels, etc.

The Hope Emergency Program is a social service outreach program. Every week food, clothing and household items are distributed to an average of 250 families.

**Don't want to run a yard sale, but
have stuff to get rid of?**

**Donate to the Women's Club Rummage Sale
in the Clubhouse!**

**-donations accepted on Friday, October 1
from 1-4 PM**

-NO clothing, furniture or electronics!