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Lakeview

Janet Quillman, LTIA President

Hello Lake Tishomingo! In September, after our summer break and an even longer break for covid, we resumed dinner meetings. Over the last few years, we have had a tendency to stick with tradition and what’s familiar and comfortable. Getting back in the groove, we decided to stay with what works. Our September dinner was smoked pulled pork and in October we had our fish fry. Chef Rick and his team did not disappoint for main dishes and everyone brought great sides and desserts.

Keeping the momentum going, we are hosting the annual Fall Festival on Saturday, November 6th. You can relax, do a little shopping, dine on kettle beef and get your groove on to music by Scottie Kemp...all for \$10. Wine, beer and soft drinks will be available for purchase. Thanks to lake resident Gail Lents, we will also have a raffle for a custom-made mosaic glass patio table. The raffle tickets are \$5; purchase at the Festival or contact Julie @636-274-1486 to purchase early.

The following weekend, on Sunday the 14th we will have our Thanksgiving dinner meeting and election of board members. The LTIA will provide roasted turkey and as always our membership will bring the most awesome sides and desserts for a complete Thanksgiving meal. After we are all fat and happy and ready to go into turkey coma, we will have a quick meeting and elect a new board.

If you haven’t heard, during our September meeting the current board did announce our retirement; this is our 11th and final year. Are you ready to volunteer!?! Julie, Shelby and I make up the current board along with Rick Quillman as chef and John Johnston on maintenance. There is a little time involved in serving on the board, but with the right group the time flies by—like the last 11 years. We have had a great time, met wonderful people and made lifelong friends.

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Calendar			
Nov. 6	Saturday	2:00 pm	LTIA Fall Festival
Nov. 9	Tuesday	7:00 pm	LTPOA Board Mtg.
Nov. 14	Sunday	5:30 pm	LTIA Dinner-turkey
Dec. 11	Saturday	5:30 pm	LTIA Dinner-Chili Cook-off
Dec. 14	Tuesday	7:00 pm	LTPOA Board Mtg.

Lakeview continues from previous column

Our goal now is to bring in a new team with fresh ideas. We will be happy to assist with the transition from the sidelines. The more people brought onboard the smaller and easier the jobs are. Ideally the board will consist of president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, maintenance, and ways and means. We improvised and added chef because our monthly gatherings are after all—and to some most importantly—a dinner first and meeting second. All fun aside, we are saying that our time is up.

Since December will be our final meeting as board members and it’s the chili cook-off, we have decided to host on Saturday the 11th (huh another 11). We would like to celebrate and have Sunday to recover! Besides boat poker the annual chili cook-off has been one of the most anticipated and well attended events. Not everything is about raising money; sometimes it’s just about having a good time, visiting with neighbors and maybe winning an apron that comes with bragging rights for the best pot of chili. To keep everything on the up and up we will have an independent panel of judges for the chili. Everyone is welcome to join in and bring their best pot.

On behalf of the LTIA I would like to thank everyone for supporting us over these many years. We know that taking the step to volunteer as a board member can seem a little daunting, especially considering our long tenure. But joining the board doesn’t and shouldn’t mean a multiyear deal. All anyone can ask is to do what you can; one year is better than none. The part to keep in mind is that all of us as a group would not have continued for as long as we have if we didn’t sincerely enjoy what we were doing. Unfortunately, at this time we have outside commitments with family and work that require our attention. We are hopeful that a new group will come forward and take over for 2022. Regrettably if we cannot place a new board, all LTIA dinner meetings, events and potentially community house rentals will be canceled. We have had such a great time and, fingers crossed, will be joining you for dinner in January from the other side of the table.



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LTPOA

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Allow 7-10 days lead time			

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LTIA

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Classified Ads

~ For Sale. 2008 New Holland L175 Diesel Skid Steer. 1100 hours 1/2-ton bucket and forks. Great condition. \$19,500.00.
Also, 16ft double axle trailer. \$900.
Call Doug, 314-265-7827.

~For Sale. 16' Lowe Line aluminum canoe \$500; includes paddles, seat backs and wheeled transport dolly.
Contact John at 314-737-8958 or 636-274-1486.

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Submit news items, photos, recipes, articles and ads to tishnewsletter@gmail.com.

Next Newsletter Deadline is December 20, 2021.

Rena Rockwell

Invasive Bush Honeysuckle

As you may have read in our past Lakeside Gardeners columns in this newsletter, we are trying to manage the invasive plant species that are negatively impacting our community. The main target is bush honeysuckle which has several problems:

- Bush Honeysuckle is not beneficial to native bees, birds, and other pollinators.
- Bush Honeysuckle chokes out and kills the beneficial vegetation.
- Bush Honeysuckle increases the risk of tick bites and disease in humans.

Late fall and winter are the ideal time to remove this plant permanently. Are you willing to volunteer an hour or two on a Saturday morning? We would be thrilled for you to join us on the second Saturday of each month, starting in November.

Here are the dates:

- 11/13
- 12/11
- 1/8
- 2/12
- 3/12



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Weather permitting, meet us at the flagpole at 9:30 a.m. with gloves, a tarp and a rake or some loppers. This activity is great for all ages.

For more honeysuckle info . . .

[Bush honeysuckle field guide](#)

[The curse of bush honeysuckle](#)

[Honeysuckle increases risk of tick-borne disease](#)

To Compost, Mulch or Burn—That Is the Question

The problem with leaves is what to do with them. Left on the lawn, they smother the grass. Left in the flower beds, they mat down in a wet mass, hampering spring flower emergence. Let's start with burning leaves, which seems to be most prevalent in our community.

Burning. The smoke from the open burning of leaves contains a number of toxic, irritant, and carcinogenic (cancer-causing) compounds. Leaf smoke also contains carbon monoxide. The visible smoke from leaf burning is composed of tiny particles that contain a number of pollutants. Breathing smoke can increase the chances of respiratory infection, reduce the volume of air inhaled, and impair the lungs' ability to use that air. It can also trigger asthma attacks in some people. Damp and poorly burning leaves also produce some carcinogenic hydrocarbons. The carbon monoxide produced by burning leaves reduces the amount of oxygen that can be carried in the blood. This is especially dangerous for infants, smokers, the elderly and people with heart or chronic lung disease.

Of course, in addition to these health concerns, burning leaves is a fire hazard. [EPA. 1992. *Residential Leaf Burning*. [EPA-452/F-92-007](#)]

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Mulching. Leaves make great fertilizer and wonderful mulch. They build topsoil or humus. It's a simple formula: year after year, the trees shed the materials you need to make your yard or garden more beautiful. Thin green nitrogen-rich maple leaves, which fall to the ground in early autumn, will rot quickly.

Thicker oak leaves fall later and rot more slowly. A rotary mower, run in a spiral clockwise pattern over a leaf sprinkled lawn (edge first), will shred most leaves into bits, which, like grass clippings, will be washed down onto the soil between the grass blades during the next rain. Earthworms will turn leaf bits and grass clippings into black humus topsoil around the grass roots. [Missouri Department of Conservation. 1995. "[Autumn Leaves—Myth and Reality.](#)"]

Composting. Composting is a safe and environmentally sound method of managing leaves and other yard trimmings. Proper composting does not cause health or fire hazards and, in fact, can be beneficial to gardens and lawns. Composting is a simple process that involves placing yard trimmings and other organic materials in a pile or bin, maintaining adequate moisture, and turning the pile periodically to mix in air. Microorganisms gradually break down the yard trimmings into a humus-like product called compost. It is fine to compost only leaves, but other materials such as grass clippings, coffee grounds, and vegetable and fruit peelings can be composted as well. Compost can be used as a mulch in flowerbeds and around shrubs, or it can be added to the garden as a soil conditioner. It can also be spread on lawns as a top dressing. [EPA. 1992. *Residential Leaf Burning*. EPA-452/F-92-007]

For more information about how to compost:

10 Tips for Winter Composting

<https://www.familyhandyman.com/list/10-tips-winter-composting/>

Composting at Home <https://www.epa.gov/recycle/composting-home>



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Treasurer's Report

Shelby read the financial report for July 2021

Cash Inflow for July	
2021/2022 Assessments	\$92,252.08
2020/2021 Assessments	\$470.00
2017/2018 Assessment	\$364.50
Gate cards	\$65.00
Trailer rental	\$10.00
NSF fee payment	\$15.00
Interest	\$6.25
Total Cash Inflow for July	\$93,182.83
July Bills Paid	
Ameren	\$113.02
Charter	\$79.99
Phone.com	\$20.38
Wegmann, Eden- Legal work	\$739.00
R & B Tree- tree removal	\$1,500.00
Red Oak Landscaping- mowing and trim of the Dam and spillway	\$1,100.00
CEG & Family Paving & Sealing- road work	\$20,432.00
Jon Riche- reflective tape, buoys and insert for assessment letters	\$582.64
Shelby Reneski- stamps for the assessment letters	\$198.00
Rottler Pest Solutions- Term Alert program 6/2021-5/2022	\$276.00
Steve Blaha- nuts and bolts for the maintenance fence	\$6.95
Clarue Holland- water testing	\$350.00
Janet Hirsch- printer paper and envelopes for invoices	\$60.86
A & S Protection Services- 120 hours for June and fuel for boat	\$3,082.19
Happy Grass- mowing	\$1,050.00
Total	\$29,591.03

LTPOA Meeting Minutes

Lake Tishomingo Property Owners Association

LTPOA Minutes August 10, 2021

Board Members present:

Steve Blaha, Jon Riche, Shelby Reneski, Ken Stojeba, Mark Stubits, Craig Jung, Doug Leeker

Five residents attended

Steve called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Presidents Report

July Minutes – waived reading of minutes

May Minutes – amended with language on the 60 HP motor limit.

Steve asked for permission to dispense reading of the July minutes

Ken made motion to approve

Shelby seconded

Motion approved

Steve asked for permission to approve May minutes

Ken made motion to approve

Shelby seconded

Motion approved

Checking account Balance

Checking Account Balance for July	
	\$278,431.93
Major Projects Fund 6/30/21	\$164,103.15
Interest	\$13.94
Major Projects Fund 7/31/21	\$164,117.09

August Bills to Pay

Ameren	\$112.14
Charter	\$79.99
Phone.com	\$20.38
Red Oak Landscaping- mow and trim Dam & spillway	\$1,100.00
Happy Grass- mowing common and 4 way to gate	\$600.00
Aquatic Control- lake mapping services	\$5,625.00
A & S Protection Services- 185 hours, gas and megaphone	\$4,757.94
Steve Blaha- rental of speed trailer	\$686.51
Total	\$12,981.96

Shelby asked for approval to pay August Bills

Ken made motion to approve

Jon seconded

Motion approved

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Building

3 petitions in progress:

- Steve Carey H1, H2, & H3 – Asphalt existing gravel pathway from S. Lakeshore to H1-H3 dock area.
- David and Joann Ross K21, K22, & K23 – Build 3 ft wall along Lake Road and add a car pull-off parking.
- Moissis E22 & E23 – Replace dock at E15 (16ft X 6ft) where 3ft will be on land.

Good progress on all existing projects.

New petition:

- John and Kelly Harber O39-O43 – work to brush hog and to take down a tree

Should we lower the lake by 3ft in the fall? Not lowering lake this year

N24 – do I need to extend a permit that expired last year – No it is still good as long as there are no changes

Security

No issues

Gate

LTPOA report for August 10, 2021

Access Code use Jul 2021			Access Code use Jun 2021		
Code assigned to	Monthly Usage	Avg daily	Code assigned to	Monthly Usage	Avg daily
Dan Dierzbicki	100	3.2	Mike Steeno	72	2.4
Mike Steeno	77	2.5	Masek	48	1.6
Masek	55	1.8	Kan Marschultz j5	47	1.6
Kan Marschultz j5	46	1.5	J Timmerman	39	1.3
J Timmerman	34	1.1	STL, Dist	27	.9
Schatman	31	1.0			

Access Code use May 2021			Access Code use Apr 2021		
Code assigned to	Monthly Usage	Avg daily	Code assigned to	Monthly Usage	Avg daily
Dan Dierzbicki	77	2.6	Mike Steeno	52	1.7
Kan Marschultz j5	55	1.8	Dan Dierzbicki	46	1.5
Masek	46	1.5	Masek	35	1.2
Mike Steeno	45	1.5	Lewis	32	1.1
Ed Mitchell	39	1.3	STL, Dist	30	1.0
J Timmerman	32	1.1			

The most used access code in July 2021 was issued to Dan Dierzbicki, which was used an average of 3.2 times per day in July. Mr D was not in the top six users for June, so it was probably one or two big parties.

Maintenance

Bourbon – North side – split tree has fallen with potential to fall across the road and hit power lines. Will send a letter to notify the owner that this situation exists.

LTIA

Boat poker will be on August 28th
 First Dinner meeting September 12th
 Fall Festival will be November 6th

News Letter deadline to get info in before being sent out – August 20th

Finance

No new updates

Sewer Board

No new updates

Dam

No new updates

Old Business

Pond weed in the water

Jon Riche explained:

Southern Naiad – identified last year and is a pretty common pond weed that reproduces by dropping seeds in the spring. It must be treated in the spring. Bids have been received and nothing could be done now.

Three options:

- Treatment to do the entire shoreline with a spray herbicide that would blanket the weed is \$12,000. Timing is very critical and must be applied before the seeds are dropped.
- Another treatment that would prevent photosynthesis was also looked at that not only would work on the Southern Naiad but is also good for treating other pond weeds. Would take 2 applications one this year and one next year, they would treat the entire lake and each application is \$50,000.
- Carp – absolutely eat the pond weed and the carp that were put in are growing and should see results next spring.

Discussing approach to do option #1 in the spring to control growth plus add more grass eating carp. Study will be performed to see how many additional carp would need to be added. Mike Higgins shared that last time this was done 500 were initially added and then had to add another 200 to deal with the problem. Must be careful not to over populate the lake with them, company we are dealing with is very good at completing the study. Jon has requested them to come out and reevaluate the amount of pond weed before making the final recommendation. We are on the list to have more added in the spring, must be added to the water at this time to give them time to acclimate to the water temperatures.

Dredging

We had John Whitney referred by the lake management aquatic company come out and meet with members of the board to discuss. Viewed the site and opposite side of the culvert (inlet side) to examine hydraulic silt pumping, they would actually pump out of the lake and run a pipe through the culvert pipe and dump the silt into a man-made silt basin. This would mean that we would have to buy the property to accommodate the making of the silt basin. The board is comfortable with John’s knowledge and would like to receive bids.

Bid three different ways:

- Hydraulic dredging as explained above
- Trucking within three miles
- Lake to lake option – dig from community house end of lake and dump it on the dam side of the lake, which is deeper and could handle it.

Three other individuals invited to give us bids for this work. No decision will be made tonight or in the near future, we are in the process of getting bids and understanding the scope of the work.

Amend security rule:

Requirement of a title of the motor to get stickers for boats

Jon asked for a motion to approve amending security rules. Steve made a motion to approve. **Seconded by Ken. Motion passed**

Insurance waiver for boat insurance – Bianca (legal) stated don't bother to pursue any further, no enforcement policy and we are protected as much without it as we are with it.

Also spoke to Bianca about the 2023 renewal of the restrictions

- Cannot renew the restrictions by vote, it has to be done by an "Instrument"
- An Instrument was created and used in 1996 to renew the restrictions for 25 years – the law firm drafted the Instrument, the residents (all residents listed as owner of the property) needed to sign and have it notarized.
- Renewal of the restrictions is not calculated by votes, it is by the majority of the front footage the said subdivision – need at least 51% of the footage to pass.
- The Instrument must be filed by August 1, 2023.
- Jon asked Bianca to start drafting the document immediately.
- Possible future action items:
 - Send mailer out to inform residents of the process and what will be involved with the renewing of the restrictions.
 - Schedule a notary be onsite at the community house on a monthly basis to witness

The board conducted research regarding a dock dispute for the dock in front of C25 (Harry and Paula Hegger). It was determined this dock belonged to the owners of lots C60-63. The Heggers were informed of the board's decision and accepted these findings.

E15 Dock will be replaced and have sent application for approval

Trying to get a hold of the adjacent property to get their permission/notification to clean up the lot.

Jon Riche will send a letter to the address listed in directory

CEG has finished the last 4 inches of asphalt and project is completed.

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Steve asked for a motion to approve

Jon made a motion to approve

Seconded by Shelby

Motion passed

New Business

Trash on the beach and picnic area

Destruction of picnic tables to use in fire pit

Suggestion made to put guard at boat ramp and to patrol the beach

Suggestion was made to have security onsite for 1 week from 10 am – 4 pm to try to deter some of the activity

Steve asked for a motion to approve security for 1 week

Jon made a motion to approve

Seconded by Shelby

Motion passed

Assessments August 1st were due

September 1st will be considered late and will be sent letters for collection

Steve asked for Motion to adjourn

Ken made a motion to adjourn

Seconded by Shelby

Motion passed



LTPOA Meeting Minutes

Lake Tishomingo Property Owners Association

LTPOA Minutes September 10, 2021

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Jon Riche, Shelby Reneski, Ken Stojeba, Mark Stubits, Craig Jung, Doug Leeker

Five residents attended

Jon called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of silence for lake residents that have passed away

- Ken Droege Sr
- Pat Boaz

Presidents Report

Jon asked for permission to dispense reading of the August minutes

Ken made motion to approve

Shelby seconded

Motion approved

Jon asked for permission to approve August

Ken made motion to approve

Shelby seconded

Motion approved

Treasurer's Report

Shelby read the financial report for August 2021

Cash Inflow for August	
2021/2022 Assessments	\$84,063.38
Gate cards	\$90.00
NSF fee payment	\$15.00
Interest	\$8.03
Total Cash Inflow for August	\$84,176.41
August 2021 Bills Paid	
Ameren	\$112.14
Charter	\$79.99
Phone.com	\$20.38
Red Oak Landscaping- mow and trim Dam & spillway	\$1,100.00
Happy Grass- mowing common and 4 way to gate	\$600.00
Aquatic Control- lake mapping services	\$5,625.00
A & S Protection Services- 185 hours, gas and megaphone	\$4,757.94
Steve Blaha- rental of speed trailer	\$686.51
Total	\$12,981.96

LTPOA September continues from previous column

Total Cash Outflow for August	\$12,981.96
Checking Account Balance for August	\$349,626.38
Major Projects Fund 7/31/2021	\$164,117.09
Interest	\$13.94
Major Projects Fund 8/31/2021	\$164,131.03
September Bills To Pay	
Colburn Consulting- 6 months of website hosting	\$59.70
Ameren	\$111.33
Charter	\$79.99
Phone.com	\$21.25
CEG Paving-chip and seal and paving at staging area	\$36,260.00
Red Oak Landscaping- mow & trim Dam and spillway	\$1,100.00
Wegmann, Eden- legal work	\$126.00
Happy Grass- mowing, sign install & parts, weed removal CH	\$1,700.00
Jon Riche- hardware for signs	\$28.35
A & S Protection Services- 187 hours	\$4,675.00
Total	\$44,161.62

Shelby asked for approval to pay August Bills

Ken made motion to approve

Jon seconded

Motion approved

Building

- Approval for dock at lot E15
- Jon Riche – request variance from Jefferson County to go over the rear property line by 3 feet to accommodate covered deck.
Asked permission from the Board to submit the variance request.
Ken made a motion to approve.
Mark seconded. Motion passed.
- All other projects are going well.

Security

- Sept. 2 – A 2-year-old child wandered from home from South to North Lakeshore Drive. Police were notified and the child was returned to her parents.
- Sept. 13 – Ambulance was not able to open the front gate. Mark let the vehicle in by removing the gate bar. It was noted that the gate may malfunction if the Internet is down or too many false codes are tried. The gate is working properly currently.
- The patrol boat motor is not working. It was noted that a new boat and motor are planned to be purchased next spring. Discussion was introduced to possibly keep the existing boat and get a new motor only. More decisions will be made in the spring.
- Boat fishing that did not have proper stickers. The fishermen were construction workers that had done work on the lake. They were asked to leave.
- Sept. 11 – Kids were at the gate between 9:30 and 10:00 – using universal code to get into the beach area – they were asked to leave by security.

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Security continues

- Noted that more boats are being pulled out for the winter.
- Security support ends 9/30/2021 and will resume 05/01/2022

Gate

LTPOA report for September 14, 2021

Access Code use Aug 2021			Access Code use Jul 2021		
Code assigned to	Monthly Usage	Avg daily	Code assigned to	Monthly Usage	Avg daily
Mike Steeno	27	0.9	Dan Dierzbicki	100	3.2
Steve Matzger	25	0.8	Mike Steeno	77	2.5
Ken Marschuetz jr	22	0.7	Maak	55	1.8
MASEK	16	0.5	Ken Marschuetz jr	40	1.3
Ed Mitchell	13	0.4	J Timmerman	34	1.1
			Schatzman	31	1.0

Access Code use Jun 2021			Access Code use May 2021		
Code assigned to	Monthly Usage	Avg daily	Code assigned to	Monthly Usage	Avg daily
Mike Steeno	72	2.4	Dan Dierzbicki	77	2.6
Masek	48	1.6	Ken Marschuetz jr	55	1.8
Ken Marschuetz jr	47	1.6	Masek	40	1.3
J Timmerman	39	1.3	Mike Steeno	45	1.5
STL Dist	27	.9	Ed Mitchell	39	1.3
			J Timmerman	32	1.1

The most used access code in August 2021 was issued to Mike Steeno, which was used an average of 0.9 times per day in August and an average of 2.5 times per day in July.

There were no access codes used in August that exceeded an average of more than 2 times per day. (We usually ignore an average usage of < 2.)

In other news...

At least four speed limit signs were recently installed on lake roads at selected locations (Sep 2021)
The Black & White motif first used on the gate arms and bollards was continued with the signs. Thank you!

From the LTPOA Meeting Minutes, November 12, 2019
Security:

"Further discussion was had regarding speed bumps and the bumps were tabled for now. Discussion with emergency services indicated that the bumps may be a hindrance in our already narrow roads. It was agreed to place speed limit and slow signs in problem areas in lieu of the speed bumps."

Maintenance

- Patrol Boat motor is not working. Discussion to take the boat to Inland Marine to fix boat and motor to sell OR keep the existing boat, add new seat and Bimini top, and get a new motor.
 - Ken made a motion to take the boat to Inland Marine.
 - Mark seconded.
 - Motion passed.
- Plow truck needs to be taken for maintenance. Also need to buy a new battery. Need to order more salt to treat the roads.

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LTIA

- Fish Fry and next meeting - October 10th
- Fall Festival – November 6th
- Board members Janet Quillman, Julie Johnston, and Shelby Reneski will be retiring at the end of 2021. Looking for volunteers to join the team.

Finance

No new updates

Sewer Board

No new updates

Dam

No new updates

Old Business

- Dredging the lake – Doug met with Mike Reinhart to obtain an estimate. \$600,000 to \$700,000 which does not include the cost to haul away the silt. Doug is asking for 3 other estimates from other contractors. We are looking at 1½ to 2 years before the dredging will begin.
- Pond Weed – Three specialists have been consulted for quotes.
 - Joe Day - also suggested adding 5 carp per acre
 - Aquatic
 - Solitude Lake Management
 - General notes:
 - Suggested Chemical: Fluridone (Tradename: Sonar herbicide)
 - Proposal to apply in the spring
 - Possibly lower the lake 1 to 1½ foot to allow better penetration
 - Delay irrigation for 30 – 45 days after application
 - Carp – takes at least 1 year to grow large enough to eat the pond weed. Jon suggested possibly adding a managed number of carp each year to build a cycle of fish growth to maintain the pond weed growth. Needs more discussion.
- Bianca’s draft of the Restriction Renewal petition is complete.

New Business

- Stephanie Knopf made a very organized and heart-felt presentation to the board regarding the impact of the pond weed on the finances of the residents living on the lake. She has been unable to sell her house largely due to the buyers concern regarding the pond weed around her lake front property. The Board voiced their mutual concern and understanding. Stephanie thanked the Board for the plans being made to remove the pond weed.

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- Steve Kottemann presented a proposal to remove brush and honeysuckle from around the road ways where it is blocking driving views. The proposal was not adopted given it did not specify the exact work that would be done and did not outline any timeframes.
- Assessments. September 1st will be considered late and will be sent letters for collection

Jon asked for a Motion to adjourn the meeting. *Ken made a motion to adjourn. Doug seconded. Motion passed.*



In Memoriam Jan Hunnicutt

There was no the burial the day of Jan's funeral. Later, the remains of this very special lady will join others at the Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery to await mine.

Like me, many of you may have considered Jan special. But for me, the first of many reasons is that Jan probably saved my life. We met totally by accident when I was a physical and emotional wreck. After that, Jan nursed me through a time almost as stressful as the last few months have been. It has been my privilege and honor to attempt to return the favor. I only wish I could have done more to help save her life.

Another example of how really special Jan was is how she endured her dire condition. Jan's struggle began along with the COVID-19 epidemic and grew progressively worse. Many times we thought Jan was improving, only to remiss. Yet, I don't recall ever hearing her complain. With all of her medical problems, Jan was the strongest person I have ever known. Jan always remained her beautiful, friendly, pleasant and happy self.

Jan was just so strong and never seemed afraid, except during my fighter pilot driving demonstrations or when I was towing her home in her broken golf cart! That strength surfaced again during her last week of suffering. We left the hospital and then the next morning, Jan peacefully passed away with me beside her. I believe Jan only let go to give me some relief. That was Jan.

Jan seldom cried and when she did, it was usually was while leaving friends. But today I will cry for her and so can you too. After today, I want to remember Jan as she would have liked by this poem she loved:

"Remember me with smiles and laughter,
for that is the way I'll remember you all.
If you can only remember me with tears,
then don't remember me at all."

For me, it will be a long dark winter without Jan. Still, I will always have memories of our seasons in the sun together with friends and family.

Again, I especially want to thank the lake community and those who have done so much to help us. I know we could have not done it alone. God bless you all.

Last, with a heavy heart, I say Goodbye, My Love, and may you rest in peace forever.
John Hunnicutt

NatureNotes

BALLOONING SPIDERS

Spiders use silk to catch prey and to anchor themselves against falling. But spiders also use their silk to fly. Spiders fly by a process called ballooning. It's the young spiders that usually balloon, chiefly to disperse after hatching.

Ballooning is possible for a young spider because of its extra-light weight. To take flight, a spider must catch a breeze. Next, the spider faces into the wind and stands on the tips of its legs with its abdomen raised high in the air. The spider releases silk from the end of its abdomen, and the silk increases in length as the spider waits. When the strand of silk catches enough wind, the spider lets go of its hold and the wind carries it aloft.

When large numbers of spiders balloon at the same time, their silk strands may become entangled and form a large mass. Large masses of silk were mistaken for chemical warfare during World War II, and for visitors from outer space by UFO watchers.



Threads of silk following a mass spider

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Spiders can drift long distances, but only the lucky ones land in favorable places. Those who survive the flight and landing usually begin to hunt immediately.

Ballooning spiders should not be mistaken for space aliens. They're just tiny, windborne earthlings, seeking a little elbow room.

CRAB SPIDERS

The crab spider is one that uses ballooning to get around. Here's more about this species.

- All crab spiders generally resemble crabs: Their legs extend outward from the sides, and they can walk in any direction.
- The first pair of legs are large and powerful, as in flower crab spiders, and are covered with many tiny spines.
- Crab spiders can be found under bark as well as on the forest floor under leaves, rocks, and on decaying logs. You can sometimes find them on low fence posts, flowering plants, and outbuildings.



Flower crab spider

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Ground crab spider.

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- Woodland crab spiders are not easily seen because of their cryptic coloration but nevertheless are fairly common.
- Crab spiders capture prey by sitting and waiting for an insect or other spider to pass by. Then, they simply grab and bite it.

Learn more about ground crab spiders by visiting [MDC's Field Guide](#). You can find an article about flower crab spiders [here](#). Watch a video of spiders ballooning on the original blog post [here](#).

This column was modified from "Ballooning Spiders" by Peg Craft, which was first published on October 10, 2021, on the Missouri Department of Conservation Discover Nature Notes blog, and it appears here courtesy of the Missouri Department of Conservation.

Bonus Spider!

[In my research for this article, I found many interesting and/or creepy images of spiders. Here is one of the more fascinating ones: the Northern crab spider. – Ed.]



"Northern Crab Spider." David
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The head of this Northern crab spider is at the bottom of the photo. The creepy "face" image is actually the spider's abdomen.



Do you see the face from Munch's [The Scream](#)? Or maybe a [scary clown](#), or the mask of a [Mexican wrestler](#)!



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LTPOA Financial Reports

Lake Tishomingo Property Owners Association

September 2021

Cash Inflow for August

Interest	\$ 8.03
2021/2022 assessments	84,063.38
Gate cards	90.00
NSF fee payment	15.00

Total Cash Inflow \$84,176.41

Cash Outflow for August

Ameren	112.14
Charter	79.99
Phone.com	20.38
A&S Protection Services—185 hours, gas and megaphone	4,757.94
Red Oak Landscaping—mow and trim dam and spillway	1,100.00
Happy Grass—mowing common and 4-way to gate	600.00
Steve Blaha—rental of speed trailer	686.51
Aquatic Control—lake mapping services	5,625.00

Total Cash Outflow \$12,981.96

Checking Account Balance for August

349,626.38

Major Projects Fund 7/31/2021

Interest 13.94

Major Projects Fund 8/31/2021

\$164,131.03

October 2021

Cash Inflow for September

Interest	8.66
2021-2022 assessments	21,400.52
Gate cards	25.00

Total Cash Inflow \$21,434.18

Cash Outflow for September

Ameren	111.33
Charter	79.99
Phone.com	21.25
A&S Protection Services—187 hours	4,675.00
Red Oak Landscaping—mow and trim dam and spillway	1,100.00
Happy Grass—mowing, sign install and parts, weed removal CH	1,700.00
CEG Paving—chip and seal and paving at staging area	36,260.00
Wegmann, Eden—legal work	126.00
Jon Riche—hardware for signs	28.35
Colburn Consulting—6 months of website hosting	59.70

Total Cash Outflow \$44,161.62

Checking Account Balance for September

326,898.94

Major Projects Fund 8/31/2021

Interest 13.49

Major Projects Fund 9/30/2021

\$164,144.52



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Sewer District News

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Discontinue monthly billing notices. Sign up for automatic payment of your bill (see below), then email pwsd13@charter.net that you have set up automatic payment and no longer require a monthly bill.

Pay your sewer bill online.

- Pay via your financial institution's online BILL PAY feature each month.
- Sign up for automatic payment of your monthly sewer bill. This can be through your bank or financial institution with their BILL PAY service, or through the district DEBIT AUTHORIZATION. There is no cost to the customer for debit authorization. Automatic payment is also the best way to avoid fees due to late or forgotten payments. Contact your financial institution for BILL PAY or download the Billing & Payment Options brochure from http://www.laketishomingo.com/pwsd13/docs/billing&payment_options.pdf and complete.

Missouri Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP)

Governor Mike Parson has announced the extension of the LIHWAP through Sept 30, 2023. This program may be able to help customers with a one-time payment for their sewer bill. The maximum amount you could get is \$750. LIHWAP can help with disconnection or reconnection fees, threat of disconnection, or past due and current bills.

To be eligible for this assistance the household monthly income must be below the limits shown below and have \$3,000 or less in bank accounts, retirement accounts, and investments. Home equity/value is not considered at all.

Number of Persons	Monthly Income
1	\$ 2,211
2	\$ 2,891
3	\$ 3,571
4	\$ 4,252
5	\$ 4,932
6	\$ 5,612

Questions or Assistance

If you have questions about this program or require assistance, contact pwsd13@charter.net.



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