

# LAKE TAPAWINGO NEWS

*A publication of the Lake Tapawingo Country Club*

## Mayor warns about events boosting COVID-19 spike

Due to an uptick in COVID-19 cases in the metropolitan area in the past month, Mayor Tom Goddard warned residents and Lake groups not to let down their guard, or their masks. Goddard said it was known at least five Lake residents have contracted Coronavirus.

Goddard told the City Council Aug. 6 that he and Police Chief Tammy Taylor sent a letter to Sportsmen's Club President Jim Clarke and Women's Club President Tomi Bellinghausen with concerns that an upcoming shrimp boil event might spread COVID-19 in the community.

The mayor noted masks and social distancing were not being observed at some previous Lake events. He said he was bothered by the prospect of 100 people gathered in the Shelterhouse with possibly only 10 percent wearing masks.

Goddard said he received a call from Clarke who agreed to recommend that the Sportsmen's Club make its Aug. 15 Low Country Shrimp Boil a drive-thru event. As it turned out, club members subsequently canceled the event.

The Women's Club canceled a Mimosas, Muffins and Yoga event at the Shelterhouse, which also had been scheduled for Aug. 15.

In addition, the Sportsmen's Club decided to cancel its scheduled Labor Day pancake breakfast, which had been set for Sept. 7. That event was to substitute for the Memorial Day pancake breakfast, which was canceled in May.

The Sportsmen's Club said its annual Vernon McGuire Fish Fry on Sept. 12 on the Clubhouse grounds would be pick up and take home fare.

Masks continued to be mandatory for City Hall and the Lake Office. Signs calling for masks were posted at the Clubhouse and Shelterhouse.



### ***Silt basin draining, restoration begins***

A Hill Brothers construction crew (top) oversees pumping to drain the silt basin on the Ponderosa property. The crew built a riprap channel below the northwest corner of the pond that carried water into the woods to a dry creek running toward lake drainage to the north. Much of the water seeped into the riprap with no effect on adjoining property. Machinery (below) cut a channel in the west side of the pond bed to better drain the south half.



By John Braden





# Around the Lake

## SYMPATHY

Sympathy to:

Tim and Nancy Collura, 6 Clipper, on the death Aug. 9 of their son, John.

Family of City Building Official John Drake, who died Aug. 15.

Louis Joline, 64 Anchor, on the death Aug. 14 of his wife, Sonja.

Wyatt Zucca and family, 117 Dockside, on the death of his brother, Timothy, who died Aug. 14 and his sister, Marta, who died Aug. 18.

## BIRTHDAYS

- Sept. 5 Chris Moran, 50 Emerald Shore  
 Sept. 8 Cathy Rowe, 24 Emerald Shore  
 Sept. 10 Angie McKay, 32 Emerald Shore  
 Sept. 12 Rick Cunha, 28 Anchor  
 Sept. 15 Penny Ellwood, 52 Dockside  
 Sept. 16 Barbara Landes, 173 Anchor  
 Sept. 17 Nick Cunha, 154 Anchor  
 Linda Sangster, 28 Dockside  
 Sept. 18 Mary Bedsworth, 17 Anchor  
 Sept. 19 Cheryl Clary, 119 Anchor  
 Sept. 22 Colleen Gibler, 32 Dockside  
 Sept. 24 Elizabeth Welch, 45 Beach  
 Sept. 26 Rhonda Dolan, 54 Anchor

## WELCOME TO THE LAKE

Anne Gibler, 97 Dockside  
 Mark and Wendy Jensen, 200 Anchor  
 Amanda McKay, 149 Anchor  
 Colton and Keri Stuckmeyer, 65 Dockside

*If you know of anyone who needs a Get Well card, Birthday greetings, Congratulations, Sympathy or Welcome to New Resident, please call Margie Guffey of the Women's Club at 589-4166.*

## Dolan wins party primary in legislative bid

Rhonda Dolan, 54 Anchor, won the Aug. 4 primary election for the Democratic nomination for state representative from Missouri's 31st House District, representing central Blue Springs and Lake Tapawingo.

Dolan received 2,484 votes, or 79.67 percent, compared to Jamar Buford of Blue Springs, who received 634 votes, or 20.33 percent.

In the Nov. 3 general election, Dolan will face incumbent Rep. Dan Stacy, R-Blue Springs, who won the Republican nomination on Aug. 4. Stacy received 2,783 votes, or 89.17 percent, compared to Ronie Swinton of Blue Springs, who received 338 votes, or 10.83 percent.

Further down the Democratic ballot, Mike and Tomi Bellinghausen, 26 Anchor, were unsuccessful in their four-way races for Democratic committeeman and committeewoman for Sni-A-Bar Township.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, Lake voters again left town to vote Aug. 4, casting ballots at Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church in Blue Springs.

## Thanks to Feightner for fence cleaning

The Lake Maintenance Department expressed thanks to Gregg Feightner, 10 Anchor, of RAM Pressure Washing, for pressure washing the white fence along Tapawingo Lane on the Ponderosa property.

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COUNTRY CLUB BOARD REPORT

# Lake Board allows builder to transfer new home

The Lake Tapawingo Country Club Board of Directors met Aug. 3 and 17 via Zoom video conference. President Jayme Dean presided.

**Visitors:** (who could be identified participating in video conferences) Janelle Barge, 128 Dockside; Scott and Megan Birk; Tasha Bright; David Dean, 62 Beach; Kipp Donlon, 83 Beach; Chris Ferris; Regina Gregory, 38 Emerald Shore; Katie Grusing, 10 Beach; Allison Holmes, 43 Anchor; Brandon and Jill Jackley, 9 Beach; Scott Johnson and Sarah Buchanan, 16 Anchor; Kelli Jordan, 29 Beach; T.J. McGinnis, 102 Dockside; David Peterson and Cyndi Willoughby, 5 Dockside; Rita Rainey, 107 Anchor; Susan Stiles, 26 Beach; John Braden, 45 Anchor.

**COVID-19 update:** President Dean said board meetings will continue to be via Zoom video conference until further notice. She said masks are mandatory in the Lake Office and signs calling for masks were posted at the Clubhouse and Shelterhouse. She noted that large community events had been canceled to avoid spreading Coronavirus.

Dean said the Lake Office would continue to be open to the public only from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays and 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays.

**Rules and Regulations:** President Dean said the board had been contacted by Nick and Tasha Bright, intended purchasers of a house under construction at 42 Anchor. Dean noted Lake Rules provide: "No property shall be sold, rented or occupied by any person other than the owner of record at the time a building permit is issued for the construction of a new home, or the replacement of an existing home with a new one, until at least one year after the certificate of occupancy is issued." She said the rule is intended to prevent non-resident builders from developing and selling Lake houses.

Dean said the Brights said they contracted in November, prior to construction, with the builder, Dave Richards Homebuilding Inc., who obtained the financing for purchase of the property in December. She said the Brights always intended for the house to be their home and requested a variance from the board allowing a transfer of ownership from the builder to them in less than a year from completion.

Board Member Bill Ellwood said it is a common practice for builders to obtain financing for a project. He said the concern is, when the builder is not the homeowner, the board's leverage over proper development of the property is compromised. Ellwood said it would be good if the board could approve builders or find a way to prohibit activity by builders who abuse development situations.

Board Member Sarah Wilke suggested the Municipal Committee be asked whether the city could prohibit certain builders from working in the city. Ellwood suggested the board might assess penalty points on an offending builder/owner that could be transferred to the new owner.

Board Member Joe Rush moved to grant a variance allowing the transfer of ownership, seconded by Board Member Clayton Holland. The motion was approved, 13-0.

**Silt Control:** President Dean said she contacted the Missouri Department of Natural Resources for guidance on how to get the contractor-owner of 42 Anchor, Dave Richards Homebuilding Inc., to comply with silt fence regulations. She said it had been four weeks since the silt fence had been buried in excavated dirt and she had sought help from the city to no avail. She reminded the board the community just spent \$500,000 on dredging the lake and must be diligent about keeping the silt out.

**Treasurer's Report:** President Dean said the Lake Office had been closed during the previous week and that treasurer's

report information would be provided to board members via e-mail. Treasurer Hap Graff said \$140,000 from a mature certificate of deposit had been moved to a money market fund until CD rates improve as previously discussed. He said another certificate of deposit matures on Sept. 2 and that interest rates are still low.

Dean said the Country Club still awaited a property tax bill based on the reduced valuations for a number of Country Club properties whose valuations were appealed. She said \$9,285 for legal expenses was mostly to deal with the Country Club's property valuation appeals.

Graff said the board was within \$5,000 of budget on receipts of annual assessments and was close to budget on its income side. Graff said unpaid assessments have been reduced to just 10 properties, with five of those involving several years unpaid. Dean said the board collected on liens on a number of properties that had sold. Graff said he was considering plans to collect from residents owing more than \$5,000 each.

Graff said spending was over budget for mowing due to spring rains and for legal expenses for activity including the property valuation appeals. He said \$36,000 proposed for Clubhouse renovation and \$8,000 for Lake Office renovation have not been spent.

Graff complimented the board for tackling a backlog of many much-needed projects, including C Cove erosion, Miller's pond dam, silt basin restoration, and trimming or removal of ailing Lake trees. He said he wanted the board to realize if all the projects are completed this calendar year, many were not budgeted and would need to come from designated funds.

Graff said if all projects were completed, the board could be close to \$200,000 over budget. However, he noted the board often comes in below budget on other expenses so that number might be reduced.

Graff reported that he would ask Greg Sigman, who performed the 2019  
**See Silt, Page 5.**



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

## *As the sun goes down, so should your boat speed*

By President Jayme Dean

As the days get shorter, the temperatures begin to cool down, and we begin to say goodbye to summertime on the lake, keep your eyes on the time of sunset each evening.

As the rule book states, *"The maximum speed on Lake Tapawingo is 35 mph during the period of 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. or until sundown (whichever is earlier). At all other times the 'no wake' rule (idle speed) will be observed."*

### Big Lake projects advance

Despite all of the challenges we have all faced due to COVID-19 the Lake Tapawingo Country Club Board of Directors is committed to continuing to work on our project list that we planned and budgeted for this year.

- The silt basin reclamation project is under way. This is the final phase of the dredging project that we did in 2017. Once complete, the silt basin area will be returned to usable green space.

- Affinis, the engineering firm that we are working with, is ready to make a presentation to the Board of Directors with their planned solution to rehabilitate the Miller Pond dam



area at the end of AB Cove as part of Phase 1 of this project.

- We continue to receive and review bids for the C Cove erosion issue at the Woods Chapel Road culvert to find a solution to slow down the water entering the lake and divert it to prevent future erosion along the south bank.

- We have accepted a bid for six of the road drainage grates to be repaired/replaced around the Lake. A number of buoy repairs and buoy light repairs also are under way.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we continue our COVID-19 office hours for the month of September.

Our office will only be open for residents to do business on Monday and Tuesday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and Wednesday and Thursday from 1 p.m.-5 p.m. The office is closed to the public on Fridays.

In accordance with the Jackson County mask mandate, all residents that enter the office must be wearing a face covering. Otherwise, please continue to utilize the office drop box for business that can be done with "no contact."

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# Silt basin work, C Cove bid, Miller’s pond study advance

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Country Club audit, whether he would perform the 2020 audit. Graff said Sigman’s audit fee was the same as other companies’ fees for a less rigorous financial review. Typically, the board has commissioned a review, review, audit cycle, but Graff said it might be as cost effective to do another audit rather than a review. Graff subsequently reported Sigman was looking at his schedule and determining whether he could also perform an audit for 2020.

Graff said Maintenance Coordinator Matt Kempf was entitled to a 401(k) retirement plan after two years, under board policy in which the board contributes an amount equal to 5 percent of the employee’s salary to the plan each year. Noting Kempf left his Country Club job under good terms and then returned, Graff asked whether Kempf should have credit for his previous employment. The board passed, 12-0 with 1 abstention, a motion by Board Member Sarah Wilke to approve a 401(k) for Kempf for three years, 2018-2020.

### Lake Management: Miller’s pond.

President Dean said engineering firm Affinis Corp.’s engineering assessment of Miller’s pond dam rehabilitation, above AB Cove, was in the firm’s quality control process and should be ready for presentation to the board soon.

**C Cove erosion.** Dean said board members met with construction contractor Hill Brothers about a request for a bid to install riprap to protect the south shore of C Cove from erosion, similar to a previous bid by Midwest Construction. She said she thought the bid would be received by the first meeting in September.

**Silt basin:** Dean said Hill Brothers was to begin draining the silt basin on the Ponderosa property immediately, with little disruption of the surrounding area. She said the company planned to stage the work from within the Lease Lot where an intervening fence was already down. She said the fence would be restored once work was complete.

**Docks and Waterfront: 43-A.** Board Member Brian Smith submitted an

application by Ryan Charlton and Allison Holmes for a space for a dock at 43-A with a maximum size of 12 by 20 feet. He said the dock must be attached toward one end of the 25-foot-wide seawall at the end of the cove because the other end of the wall includes a large stormwater culvert. Smith said the size of the dock might be reduced based on water depth requirements. The board passed, 14-0, a motion by Smith to approve the dock subject to submission of a materials list and invasive species quarantine.

**43-E.** John Braden asked the result of the investigation whether the new dock at 43-E conformed to the board’s requirement that the dock plus a concrete pad did not extend farther than 30 feet from the shoreline. President Dean said it had been determined that the concrete pad would be beneath the dock ramp and would not contribute to the dock’s length. In addition, Smith said the dock had been shortened slightly and was now compliant.

**83-B.** Smith submitted an application by Kipp and Lindsay Donlon to install a railing on their lakefront steps down the bluff at 83-B, similar to railings at neighboring steps. The board passed, 13-0, a motion by Smith to approve the railing.

**74-B.** Smith submitted an application by Jason Heslop to replace deteriorating stone steps at 74-B where the board previously approved replacement of a deteriorating lakefront retaining wall and seawall. The board passed, 13-0, a motion by Smith to allow replacing the stone steps 2 inches wider than the original steps to 3 feet wide, with a requirement that all demolition materials be removed upon completion.

**130-B.** Smith submitted an application by Jeremy and Laura Vaughn to install a boatlift next to the dock at 130-B. The board passed, 11-0 with 2 abstentions, Smith’s motion to approve the boatlift.

**82-A.** Smith submitted an application by Craig and Mitzy Combs to renew expired permission to replace crumbling concrete atop the seawall at

82-A. The board passed, 13-0, a motion by Smith to approve renewal.

**9-B.** President Dean noted she provided board members background information about reconstruction on Country Club lakefront property without board permission of a deck that originally was built on Country Club property years ago, also without permission. She noted the board gave permission May 18 to Brandon and Jill Jackley, 9 Beach, to replace a concrete sidewalk on Country Club property beneath the deck, but was not asked to act on the deck itself prior to its reconstruction.

She said a letter was received from the Jackleys asking whether the board would approve the completed deck. Dean said the replacement deck also extended farther onto Country Club property than the original structure. Jill Jackley confirmed it extended 12 inches farther. The board generally does not allow construction of structures on Country Club lakefront property.

Board Member Gary Mallen made a motion to approve extension of the deck 12 inches, seconded by Board Member Randy Thatcher.

Smith asked whether approval would set a precedent for other structures including fences. President Dean said those presented separate issues. Board Member Hap Graff said the deck already extended 3 to 4 feet onto Country Club property and another 12 inches had been added. He noted that four years before, 10 Beach next door was denied a request to extend its deck onto Country Club property.

Upon questioning, Dean said, if approved, Mallen’s motion would allow the deck to extend 12 inches farther, but would not approve the remainder of the reconstructed deck. The motion passed, 7-6 with 1 abstention.

John Braden said with that decision, the board must be vigilant in future to prevent people building on Country Club property without asking permission, or be faced with similar decisions.

**New resident outreach:** President Dean said she saw on Facebook that the

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# Lake Board plans outreach to new residents on rules

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Women's Club sent welcome bags to about 20 new residents, some of whom had lived here for several months. The bags include invasive species training information but do not include Lake Rule Books as previously reported.

President Dean asked the board to come up with its own outreach program to ensure all new residents have a rule book, invasive species information, and a Lake overview. Boating topics to be discussed include ski buoys, plowing, no-wake areas, sitting down while moving, docking lights, flags, etc. Board Members Kim McReynolds and Sarah Wilke volunteered to head the initiative.

Wilke subsequently said she and McReynolds were developing procedures for contacting new residents. She said she informed the Women's Club the board was interested in taking over the contacting of new residents with Lake information, to which the club had no objection. Wilke said she and McReynolds intended to put procedures in place to contact new residents before they close on the purchase of their residences.

Dean said board members also need to meet as soon as possible with new neighbors to provide orientation information, either in person or by conference calls that could include

multiple board members. She suggested board members offer to take new neighbors on boating tours to explain particular features of the lake such as no-wake zones and shallow water areas.

**Water Patrol:** President Dean said boaters continue to be cited for standing on moving motorized watercraft and zig-zagging while tubing. She said the Water Patrol is scheduled through Labor Day and could be extended, weather permitting. Board Member Gary Mallen reported that residents were swimming in the main body of the lake in violation of rules.

Board Member Wes Knox said some residents persist in violating boating rules including doing "donuts" with boats in the middle of the lake and speeding on the lake at 3:30 a.m. He noted sundown is occurring earlier now and that no-wake hours begin at 8 p.m. or sundown, whichever is earlier.

Dean said there was a hit-and-run boating accident the evening of Aug. 15, which the Police Department was still investigating. She said a parked boat sustained property damage and the Water Patrol sped through the lake just at sunset attempting to find the offending boat before dark.

Dean noted Lake Rules require residents involved in boating accidents

in which property is damaged or a person injured to contact the Water Patrol and contact the Lake Office by the next business day.

**Lake Environment:** Board Member Brian Smith said he substituted for Board Member Renny Buckaloo to conduct an invasive species training class for seven new residents on Aug. 15 and included some boating rules slides in the presentation.

President Dean suggested contacting residents who did not show up for the July training and asked board members to contact any new residents who might move into their neighborhoods to advise they should seek training before using the lake.

Buckaloo confirmed that the invasive species quarantine for August would remain at 14 days.

**Maintenance:** Board Member Joe Rush reported Maintenance Coordinator Matt Kempf has bids to trim or remove a couple of trees with more to come. Rush also mentioned he has a better understanding of Kempf's contract and personal time off now although he said he thinks Kempf will not use it all.

Rush said Kempf removed brush growing below the Lake Office and that additional mowing is needed in

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## Are you turning 65 this year or do you know someone who is? Are you over 65 and curious about the recent Medicare changes and how they apply to you?

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# Board eyes ‘memorials’ erected in Liberty Gardens

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boat lots. Board Member Brian Smith asked Board Member Gary Mallen to work with the police to have cars that are parked in B Block Boat Lot moved so Kempf could mow the lot. President Dean asked that Kempf deal with graffiti on the dam spillway

**Grates:** Board Member Tyler Follis said he contacted 38 companies and received two responses about correcting drain grates that are below the road grade since roads were repaved. President Dean said the two bids were: Beemer Construction, \$17,160 for five drains, and Underground Plumbing Pros, \$13,902 for six drains. The board passed, 13-0, a motion by Rush to accept the Underground Plumbing Pros bid.

**Trees.** John Braden noted the board’s contractor had completed removal of a dying tree on the pathway between 51-A and 52-A. Board Member Clayton Holland said he thinks when such trees are removed, replacements should be planted.

**Buoys.** Smith said he and Kempf would reset a missing buoy currently located at 19-E. He also reported boaters damaged another buoy and two buoy lights. He said more lights had been ordered and all those damaged would be replaced.

**Lake Office:** Board Member Sarah Wilke said Board Member Wes Knox created a job description for Water Patrol employees that is being reviewed by the board’s human resources team.

**Municipal Business:** Board Member Steve Meek said he and Board Member Sarah Wilke met as the Municipal Committee with Aldermen Brad Cloverdyke and Charles Cruik. He said they talked about the city revising its building codes, including to align with remaining Country Club covenants on building.

Meek said when an issue arises with the city, it is requested that board members first contact the Municipal Committee to avoid friction and conflict. President Dean said there had been an agreement regarding the city enforcing silt fence requirements to prevent erosion into the lake. She asked what was the procedure when the city did not follow the agreed procedure. Meek said it was preferred that the board deal with it through the Municipal Committee.

**Roads, Easements and Pathways:** Board Member Clayton Holland said he received a request from Barnard Wilson, 44 Clipper, to install at his cost a plastic curb bumper at the end of the concrete pathway between 10-C and 11-C to protect against golf carts running off the end into the lake. President Dean asked to see pictures, materials list and a drawing before the board would vote.

Holland subsequently presented a photo of an unused concrete parking bumper at the Maintenance building that

could be installed at the end of the pathway between 10 and 11-C. The board approved, 13-0, a motion by Holland to permit installation of the block with the requirement that requesting residents paint the block a more pleasing color suitable for the lakefront.

**Parks and Beautification:** Board Member Steve Meek said a resident had pointed out that a memorial stone was placed in Liberty Gardens without board approval. President Dean noted the board had decided as early as 2015 that Liberty Gardens would not be allowed to become a memorial garden. She said a number of requests for memorials had been denied and, in one case, a tree planted by a resident had been removed.

Meek noted, as an alternative, the board created a memorial brick program for the sidewalk in front of the Clubhouse. John Braden also noted the board created a memorial tree program in which the board supports resident purchases of hardwood trees on designated Country Club property. Board Member Joe Rush said there also was a memorial plaque in the Clubhouse.

Board Member Hap Graff said there is a second stone in Liberty Gardens that apparently did not receive board approval. Dean said the board would contact the resident about alternatives to the stone and would check on the second stone. Meek suggested the Country Club memorial programs be outlined in the *Lake Tapawingo News*.

**September board meeting:** President Dean said the first board meeting in September, via Zoom conference, would be moved to Tuesday, Sept. 8, due to the Labor Day holiday on Monday, Sept. 7.

**Executive session:** President Dean called to order a closed executive session via Zoom video conference to discuss legal matters at 7 p.m. before the regular Aug. 17 meeting. At 7:29 p.m., she adjourned the executive session and convened the regular meeting.

*Official Country Club minutes may be read at the Lake Office.*

<b>No Lake privileges</b>			
<b>August 2020</b>			
The Lake Board lists the following property owners or tenants who do not have Lake privileges as of Aug. 25. Lake privileges include use of the lake for any purpose as well as all common space such as Liberty Gardens, boat lots, soccer fields, tennis courts, the Clubhouse and shelterhouses.			
11-A	Coleman	135-B	Stickney
56-A	Beatty	148-B	Smith
120-A	Rogers	97-D	Evans
123-A	O’Grady	13-E	Semstead
124-A	Schwenk		



# A & B STORAGE LOTS CLEAN UP!

In an effort to clean up our storage lots, the Country Club is conducting an inventory. Recently, a few of us set out with Chief Taylor to identify trailers and boats, marking the ones we couldn't identify for followup later. After we'd made our way through one of the storage lots, we realized the majority of trailers were not identifiable.

So, we're taking a different approach: **we're asking you to identify your stuff!**

## CURRENT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE A & B STORAGE LOTS:

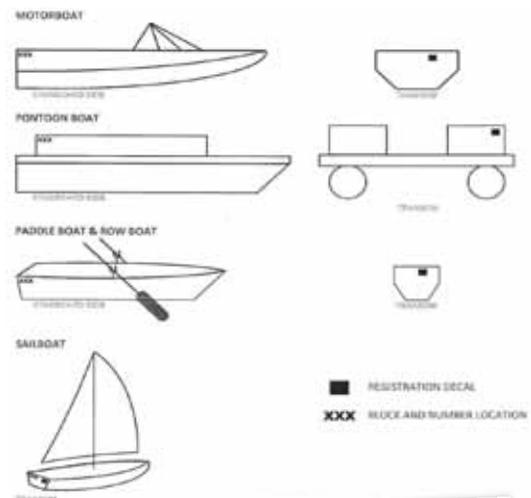
### BOATS SHOULD HAVE A CURRENT 2020 ASSESSMENT STICKER.

Assessment stickers for boats should be placed on the transom (rear), towards the starboard (right) side of a boat. See the rulebook for placement for all types of watercraft.

### BOTH BOATS & TRAILERS SHOULD HAVE THE BLOCK + LOT NUMBERS.

Lettering should be high contrast and at least 3 inches high, placed on the starboard (right) side of the trailer frame.

If you have any other type of trailer in A or B storage lots or you are storing a boat or trailer for a non-resident, please remove it. The storage lots are for residents' boats and their boat trailers only.



## INTRODUCING TRAILER INVENTORY STICKERS

Beginning in September 2020, we will have FREE weather resistant inventory stickers to put on your trailers in the storage lots. While optional, these inventory stickers will be catalogued to help us stay on top of who a trailer belongs to as VINs fade away, block numbers fade or fall off, etc. We're asking residents to place these inventory stickers near the hitch (front) of their trailer preferably on the starboard side.



**Please stop by the office to pick up an inventory sticker for your trailer(s) in the A & B storage lots.**

### We're asking for your help in marking your stuff by September 30, 2020!

After September 30th, 2020, we're going to take another walk through the A & B storage lots and perform a thorough inventory, looking at other methods to identify property such as assessment stickers, block or lot numbers, running VIN numbers to find owners and, ultimately, issuing citations (points) or flagging unknown or abandoned property for removal.

If, for some reason, you know you have items in either the A or B storage lots and can't get to them by September 30, 2020, please contact Kim McReynolds (kim.mcreeynolds@outlook.com / 816.352.4222) or Gary Mallen (gary@mallenandfriends.com / 816.589.2335).

We appreciate your help. Our objective is to clean up the storage lots for the betterment of our community and to make things easier for our maintenance crew.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Kim McReynolds & Gary Mallen



CITY COUNCIL REPORT

# City Council halts fence building for 90 days

The Board of Aldermen of the city of Lake Tapawingo met Aug. 6 at the Clubhouse. Mayor Tom Goddard presided.

**Visitors:** Jan Baldwin, 9 Anchor; Ryan Charlton and Allison Holmes, 43 Anchor; Lake Board President Jayme Dean, 62 Beach; Steve Fink, 13 Dockside; Jody Goddard, 5 Beach; Julie Magel, 14 Anchor; Charlie Plank, 38 Dockside; Jeff Spalding, 58 Anchor; John Braden, 45 Anchor.

**Inaugural of Alderman Magel:** City Clerk Paul Blixrud inaugurated newly re-elected Aldermen Steve Magel due to his absence from the July 2 meeting.

**Building:** Alderman Steve Magel said he and Alderman Tom Rodenberg are working to update building codes to match neighboring cities and hoped to have a draft ready by the September council meeting. He said the city is operating under 2002 building codes and 1999 electrical codes. He added that current building permit fees do not cover the city's cost of regulation.

City Attorney Paul Campo said building codes have to be on file for 90 days prior to approval, usually being advanced on first reading, then held for 90 days to allow review prior to second reading and passage. Magel said he hoped to have codes in place by Jan. 1 in anticipation of more home construction.

Magel said the council needed to hire a building inspector to serve during the illness of Building Inspector John Drake. (Drake subsequently died Aug. 15.) City Clerk Paul Blixrud said he contacted former Lake building inspector Kip Thomas who would be available to help during an interim period but only after 3 p.m. due to his full-time job.

After discussion, the council voted, 5-0, to approve a motion by Alderman Bob Seago to hire Thomas at \$25 per hour to assist with building inspections.

Magel said there have been recent problems with interpretation of fence ordinances, which had been governed

by the Lake Tapawingo Country Club Original Deed and Covenants until building codes were turned over to the city. Magel said he thought the city should look at the original covenant to see the intent regarding fences when the city ordinance was passed in 2002.

Mayor Goddard disagreed, saying the Lake Board decided not to enforce Covenants 3 (outbuildings), 4 (building coverings), 6 (plumbing) and 9 (fences) when the city took over building codes from the Country Club in 2003. However, Magel said only 9 was eliminated when the covenants were renewed by property owners in 2006.

The council passed, 5-0, a motion by Magel to impose a 90-day moratorium on fence construction until the council has the opportunity to amend the ordinance.

While the Lake Board decided in 2003 not to enforce the four covenant sections until they could be deleted by property owners at covenant renewal in 2006, Lake Board President Jayme Dean said the documents approved in 2006 show only covenant 9 was deleted, while the others remained in effect, some with modification. She said she did not know why the Lake Board did not follow through with its intent from 2003 to omit four covenants.

Magel said the covenants differ from city ordinances on roofing and outbuildings. He said when he was on the Blue Springs Planning Commission that Blue Springs had sign-off sections

for 163 homeowners associations on its building documents.

Dean said the Country Club is asking for communication from the city when building issues arise that affect Country Club rules. She did say the Lake Tapawingo Police Department has been "wonderful" when assisting in matters affecting the Country Club.

Goddard said the Country Club was worried about "minutia" such as decks being built over property lines. "You worry about things that don't count," Goddard said.

The mayor then said the Country Club has \$750,000 in certificates of deposit to be designated for projects such as silt basin restoration, Miller's pond dam rehabilitation, C Cove erosion, chuck holes in roads and unsecure boat lots. He complained that the Lake Board has not spent the money in 10 months and has issued no contracts for the work.

City Attorney Paul Campo said homeowners associations, such as the Country Club, have covenants that are "written in stone" and cannot be changed by the Country Club until renewal again in 2026. He said City Hall could send permit applications next door to the Country Club so that resident applicants are not caught in the middle between differing regulations. He said the easiest thing is to amend ordinances to conform to covenants. If not, Campo said, the Country Club has to sue residents to enforce compliance.

**See No, Page 11.**

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# No ballot plans or other solution revealed for streetlights

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Alderman Charlie Cruit said he had been caught between regulations of a city and a homeowners association. He said it would have been nice to be informed in advance.

“It’s not our responsibility, but we could be nice,” Cruit told the mayor. “Are you saying we should not be nice?”

John Braden said homes at Lake Tapawingo are so close together that matters such as fences, silt fences, setbacks and construction over property lines are issues affecting many residents.

Dean said the County Club spent a half-million dollars to dredge silt from the lake and asked the City Council for help in erosion control, including silt fence enforcement at the house under construction at 42 Anchor. She said silt barriers have been damaged on both sides of the project. She said she contacted

the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and learned the project is so small that the city should be controlling the problem through the building codes.

Braden asked whether a building permit was issued for a deck at 9 Beach that was demolished and replaced by a new deck constructed on Country Club lakefront property. Mayor Goddard said the original deck was built on Country Club property 32 years ago and no one required that it be removed at that time. Goddard also said he understood that a Country Club officer indicated the deck could be rebuilt.

Alderman Brad Cloverdyke said the city did not grant approval to remove and rebuild the deck. Magel said if more than 50 percent of the structure were removed, city ordinances require it to conform to city codes, which would not allow the city to approve it on Country

Club property. Alderman Bob Seago said officials need to do a better job informing residents of requirements. He said residents found out the original deck was not repairable.

**Streetlights:** Steve Fink, 13 Dockside, noted, to resolve conflict between the city and Lake Board over paying for streetlights last year, the Lake Board agreed to make a contribution to the city equal to half the cost of the streetlights for another year. At the same time, the city had indicated it would explore other ways it could pay for the streetlights, including possibly putting a referendum on the ballot asking voters to approve a utility bill charge to pay for the lights. Fink said opportunities for the April and August election ballots passed and asked what the city plans to do.

See Mayor, Page 13.

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MAYOR'S MINUTES

# The Andrew Jackson statue controversy



By Mayor Tom Goddard

Jackson County Executive Frank White Jr. and others are calling for removal of Andrew Jackson's statues from in front of the courthouses in Independence and Kansas City. But, because the Jackson County Legislature failed to meet their obligation and vote on the issue, the question is headed to the general election ballot. I thought if we were going to vote on the issue we needed to review it.

Our county was named after Andrew Jackson three years before he became president mainly because he was the hero of the War of 1812. He led the Battle of New Orleans where he soundly defeated the British.

"This is not about erasing history," White said. "This is about standing on the right side of history." "The statues of Andrew Jackson outside of the two courthouses are symbols of slavery, oppression and death."



The question of how to grapple with the seventh president's tarnished reputation has persisted since Old Hickory's lifetime. Known as a strong-willed, argumentative and combative personality, Jackson, who served as president from 1829 to 1837, inspires conflicting reactions.

Admirers cite him as a populist hero who challenged the political establishment and ushered in a key era of American exploration and westward expansion. Critics say it's wrong to valorize him since he owned enslaved people, treated them harshly and forced Native Americans to be removed from their ancestral lands, causing thousands of deaths.

Jackson supported and signed into law the Indian Removal Act of 1830 that triggered the "Trail of Tears," a 1,000-mile march to Oklahoma that resulted in the death of an estimated 4,000 people, about one-quarter of the entire

Cherokee Nation. Congress had affirmed the Cherokees' right to their land decades before Jackson took office. But Jackson made sure that the 1830 Indian Removal Act was passed by Congress creating a very troubling time in our history.

During his lifetime (1767-1845), Jackson went from poverty to wealth because he personally embraced the institution of slavery. Enslaved workers grew his cotton, built and tended his house, and helped him gain a social foothold in Southern society. It's documented that Jackson owned 161 enslaved people, and may have owned as many as 300, buying and selling them like cattle, using their labor to build his fortune and even bringing them to the White House to work for him.

Even though slavery was legal at that time, it was Jackson's record of cruel treatment that bears mentioning. Records show he beat his enslaved workers, including doling out a public whipping to a woman he felt had been "putting on airs." And, when any of them ran away, he pursued them and when they were recovered, he put them in chains in the hot sun.

The *Kansas City Star* quotes Bob Prue, an associate professor of social work at UMKC, a member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe of Indians and a veteran of the United States Army, "If you really want to do something," Prue said, "perhaps removing the statue of Andrew Jackson, or renaming Jackson County, since it's basically named after a criminal!"

It appears our county legislators put the issue on the ballot basically because they didn't want the responsibility for making a tough decision. I personally think that a citizen that goes to our courthouse seeking justice should not have to walk past the statue of a person that persecuted their ancestors. Maybe move them to "Old Missouri Town" where the history can still be studied and they will not be as offensive as they are now.

### John Drake passes

Our whole staff was saddened with the news of the passing Aug. 15 of our good friend and City building inspector, John Drake. John lost a courageous battle with cancer last month. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family.

## Mayor contacts Lake groups with COVID concerns

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For the new fiscal year, the City Council has only budgeted half the cost of the streetlights. The council met in closed session July 2 for legal advice from City Attorney Paul Campo on holding an election to charge residents for streetlights. Campo and council members declined to specify what was said in the meeting.

However, Alderman Brad Cloverdyke said the council was still reviewing the situation and does not think the city will pursue a streetlight fee on an election

ballot. He said the Jackson County Election Board might not approve such a measure for a ballot and it could be argued that it is not a utility fee and streetlights do not serve everyone equally. He said the city would "work with the board" to see what can be done going forward.

**Mayor:** Mayor Goddard said he and Chief Tammy Taylor sent a letter to Sportsmen's Club President Jim Clarke and Women's Club President Tomi Bellinghausen with concerns that an

upcoming shrimp boil event might spread COVID-19 in the community. Goddard noted masks and social distancing were not being observed at previous events. Goddard said Clarke agreed to make the shrimp boil a drive-thru. (The event subsequently was canceled.) Goddard said at least five Lake Tapawingo citizens had contracted Coronavirus.

**Noise Control:** Due to an increased amount of construction at the Lake, **See Council, Page 15.**



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# Council tightens noise control hours

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Alderman Steve Magel said he reviewed noise control ordinances of other cities. He said the current ordinance allowed construction noise from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Magel suggested changing the permissible time to 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Alderman Brad Cloverdyke suggested weekend start time should be 9 a.m. for residents who work during the week.

The council voted, 5-0, to approve a motion by Magel to change the noise ordinance; Chapter 222, Section 222.040; for operating or permitting the operation of any tools or equipment used in construction, drilling or demolition to: -- 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday and -- 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday.

**Annexation:** Mayor Goddard said the city of Blue Springs is slowly working through the details of de-annexing about two acres of First United Methodist Church property before the city of Lake Tapawingo can proceed with proposed annexation of the property.

**Water and Sewer:** Alderman Bob Seago said the Water and Sewer Department had replaced four grinder pumps in the previous 30 days. He said there is a concern with ants getting into grinder pump control boxes and ruining electronic components. He said control boards cost about \$500 each and suggested residents spray insecticide outside the boxes.

Alderman Seago said the department has been pumping out 17 to 20 grinder pump pits per month as regular maintenance. He reminded residents to call the Water-Sewer Maintenance service phone number, 719-3101, if the grinder pump alarm is activated.

Seago said the water meter replacement program is working in D Block, moving meters that were inside houses to new water meter pits outside, including some concrete work for pits under driveways.

See Municipal, Page 17.



## WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

### Women's Club looks forward to Oct. 24 Fall Costume Fun Run

By Tomi Bellinghausen

Ice cream boat and ladies float were fun and refreshing in August. Ice cream boat is now retired for this season. Anyone interested in participating with the boats next year, please contact us. We hope to have even more opportunities for treats on the water.

Women's Club is laying low in September hoping to get members, their kids, grandkids, others off to school in a safe way. We really miss

doing something but are taking the time to rejuvenate and work on the Oct. 24 Costume Walk and Fun Run.

Please join us with your ideas at our board meeting at 7 p.m. Sept. 10 at the Clubhouse. We hope to see you there.

Lastly, we will have new Lake logoed hoodies for this fall. Think about if you want one for yourself or if they would make good holiday gifts for others.

Be well, be safe, and be kind.



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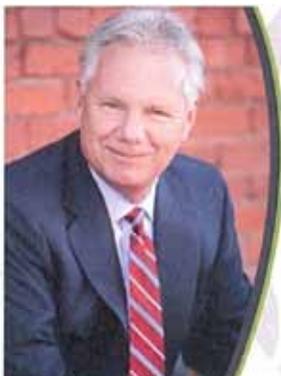
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# Municipal panel seeks to deal with city-Lake Board issues

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Alderman Brad Cloverdyke inquired about those residents who have sump pump drain lines attached to the grinder pump sewer system, which is illegal. Seago said he and City Attorney Paul Campo are addressing the issue. He said a camera or smoke test might be used to check lines.

Steve Fink inquired about apparent water losses as determined by the water meter readings. Alderman Bob Seago said there has been a slight improvement since new residential water meters have been installed, in E Block and part of D Block to date.

**Office:** City Clerk Paul Blixrud said he is working with the new gWorks Simple City accounting software program to begin the changeover to a better financial reporting system.

He said the City Council will have a public hearing at 6 p.m. Sept. 3 at the Clubhouse on establishment of city tax levy rates for 2020.

**Municipal Committee:** Alderman Brad Cloverdyke said the joint City-Lake Board Municipal Committee had not met in person but through e-mails regarding the house being built at 42 Anchor. He said city issues involving the Country Club should be brought to the Municipal Committee rather than directly to the Lake Board.

**Signs and Lights:** Alderman Steve Magel said he was addressing Christmas light concerns, streetlight issues on the dam, and a streetlight deflector for 108 Docksider. He asked council members to review information he had given them to consider placement of stop signs, yield signs, speed limit signs and other signs.

Official city minutes may be read at City Hall or on the city Internet site, [www.laketapawingomo.org](http://www.laketapawingomo.org).

## SPORTSMEN'S CLUB NEWS

### *We hope to fry fish; not much else planned*

By John Nicol

Yes, the Sportsmen's Club plans a Fish Fry for Saturday, Sept. 12, but pick-up and take-home meals are our planned option.

With the withering assault on our country's health by COVID-19, we remain optimistic enough to still have an event, the sixth annual Vernon McGuire Fish Fry. However, adjustments will be made. Just come and pick up a tray of fish, onion rings, hushpuppies, freshly made fried potatoes and coleslaw with water and soda available.

It is planned to be set up in front of the storage units behind the Clubhouse on Saturday, Sept. 12. It will be ready beginning at 4 p.m. and run to 7 p.m. if the fish hold out. Just \$5 for adults, with children 12 and under free. Credit cards are welcome.

Come in your mask for safety for all. The Shelterhouse might be available for dining.

Unfortunately, a great low country shrimp boil in August and pancake breakfast on Labor Day were other victims of the pandemic. But stay safe so we can all enjoy future events together.

Despite the concerns, it was a well-attended regular club meeting on Aug. 11. Treasurer Chuck Welch gave the official good news of fireworks sales proceeds. And, he added that the scholarship payments were sent.



First Vice President John Harrison reported a membership increase to 156 and two new attendees

were introduced: T.J. McGinnis, 102 Docksider, and Dan Via, 68 Anchor.

Second Vice President Joe Rush began discussion of the pending low country shrimp boil and Mayor Tom Goddard's concerns about the Coronavirus pandemic. Due to national storms, Scott Patton would not be available to help organize and little time remained to gather all items. Consequently, the club approved a motion by Chuck Welch to cancel the shrimp boil and for similar reasons the proposed pancake breakfast on Labor Day. Adjustments were approved for the September Fish Fry (given above).

For fishing, Jeremy Cumberland and Barnard Wilson, holding down the Third Vice Presidency, reported both flathead catfish and bass were being caught. For old business, scholarship thank you cards were read from Caden Jackley, Elizabeth Herman and Joe Herman. We appreciate being appreciated.

New business involved seeking costs for stocking of minnows for the lake, lighting on the dam and new projects. Until more information would be available, no actions were taken and the meeting was adjourned.

### *Horseshoe pitching returns Sept. 1*



Horseshoe impresario Tom Goddard announced the opening of horseshoe pitching starting Sept. 1 at the "Swenson Sports Complex" -- the horseshoe pit at 7 Beach.

Goddard, the horseshoe league commissioner, said horseshoes will be flung at 6 p.m. every Tuesday night, starting Sept. 1. There are no fees,

just come join the fun. For information, contact Goddard at 228-2738.





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## Please, just ‘chill,’ people!

By Chief Tammy Taylor

I am writing this in hopes that citizens will read it, think about it and do it. Our department has been dealing with more issues between neighbors over the last three months than in the entire two years I have been here as chief.

I understand that folks are stressed due to Covid, loss of employment, loss of sleep, financial issues, anxiety, and general issues in our daily lives. Citizens are home more, moving about the city more and maybe we are seeing each other more than normal. Frustration sets in easily, tempers elevate quickly and before you know it the police are called and things have turned ugly.



I say to you PLEASE STOP ARGUING and BICKERING!! You are neighbors and some of you will be for many years to come. You live extremely close to each other and your neighbor does not have to be your best friend but there has to be a level of respect given.

Whether it be calling each other offensive names over fences, over decks and docks or over the phone -- harassing and assaulting each other is not acceptable! Everyone needs to STOP and evaluate the situation and ask themselves is this really worth it and is this worth becoming an enemy of my neighbor?

No matter what the issue may be (and everyone’s issues are real and serious to them), please just consider each other’s surroundings, feelings and circumstances. I ask all of you to shake your neighbor’s hand, give a hug, say, “I’m

sorry” and let’s move on. The time and energy spent arguing, having hatred and finding ways to punish each other is time taken away from the positive and productive.

### Golf carts are regulated; know the rules

We have been receiving calls and having issues with young people under 16 years of age driving golf carts throughout the city. Complaints include golf carts speeding around, not stopping at stop signs, not following the “rules of the road,” driving in the middle of the night and not having the required equipment.



Please be aware that you can receive citations for violations and they are not cheap! Please make sure you are being a responsible golf cart owner.

Please be advised the current ordinance regarding golf carts states that you must be 21 years or older and possess a current valid Missouri driver’s license to operate. Your golf cart must have tail lights, headlights, a bright “day-glow” orange flag displayed at the rear, and proper identification.

Golf carts cannot be driven between the hours of 1 a.m. and 6 a.m. and they must follow all laws governing motor vehicles.

There are many other regulations pertaining to golf carts so please read your city ordinances which can be found at City Hall or on the city’s Internet site, [www.laketapawingomo.org](http://www.laketapawingomo.org) under “Helpful Info,” “City of Lake Tapawingo Municipal Code,” Chapter 340.115.

(Rules for use of golf carts on Country Club property, which are enforceable by the Country Club Board, can be found in the Lake Rules and Regulations, page 31 or 32.)

## Police Reports

	July 1-31	June 1-30	May 1-31*	March 1-31	Feb. 1-29
Traffic offenses - Anchor	4	3	2	0	0
- Beach	2	2	0	0	4
- Clipper	2	7	0	0	0
- Dockside	6	1	2	0	0
- Emerald Shore	0	3	0	0	0
- Tapawingo Lane	0	0	5	0	0
- Woods Chapel	0	0	4	7	11
- U.S. 40	59	27	37	20	46
- Total	73	43	50	27	61
Warrant arrests	5	1	0	4	3
Arrests	10	1	3	6	6
Felony arrests	0	0	0	0	0
Codes complaints	0	2	2	0	2
Calls for service	27	24	26	12	19
Warnings	45	39	38	25	57
<b>Total</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>148</b>

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Horseshoe pitching, 6 p.m., 7 Beach <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	2 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	3 City Council property tax public hearing, 6 p.m., Clubhouse <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	4 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	5 <i>Lake Office: Closed</i>
6 <i>Lake Office: Closed</i>	7 <b>Labor Day</b> <i>City Hall closed</i> <i>Lake Office: Closed</i>	8 Country Club Board, 7 p.m., via video conference Sportsmen's Club 7 p.m., Clubhouse <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	9 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	10 Women's Club Board, 7 p.m. Clubhouse <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	11 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	12 Sportsmen's Club Fish Fry, 4-7 p.m., pick up at Clubhouse <i>Lake Office: Closed</i>
13 <i>Lake Office: Closed</i>	14 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	15 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	16 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	17 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	18 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	19 Invasive Species Training, 9 a.m. Lake Office (pre- register) <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-11 a.m.</i>
20 <i>Lake Office: Closed</i>	21 Country Club Board, 7 p.m., format, location to be determined <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	22 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	23 Municipal court cases 1:30 p.m., Circuit Court, Independence <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	24 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	25 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	26 <i>Lake Office: Closed</i>
27 <i>Lake Office: Closed</i>	28 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	29 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	30 <i>Lake Office: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</i>	<b>Offices are staffed during business hours but only are open to the public* for limited hours:</b> - 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Tuesday - 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday <b>Country Club Office, 228-3721; City Hall, 229-3722</b> *Masks and social distancing required.		

## Invasive species training continues at office with precautions

The Lake Board is continuing in-person invasive species training in the Lake Office on the third Saturday of every month with appropriate COVID-19 social distancing precautions. Training is required before residents may obtain boat registration stickers or dock permits, or use the lake "for any activity."

The Lake Office currently is only open to the public on Monday and Tuesday mornings and Wednesday and Thursday afternoons.

Training sessions are held at 9 a.m. at the Lake Office on the third Saturday of the month and now are scheduled:

-- Sept. 19

Those seeking training should contact the Lake Office at [office@laketapawingomo.com](mailto:office@laketapawingomo.com) or 228-3721 to make arrangements.

New training only pertains to residents who have not been



trained before. Lake residents who underwent training classes in 2018 and 2019 are required only to sign certificates in 2020. Copies are available from the Lake Office.

Lake Rules require invasive species training certification before property owners or renters may obtain boat registration stickers or dock permits, or use the lake "for any activity." Rules require a member of each household to be retrained every two years.





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- ◆ Married Filers Just \$115
- ◆ Full-time Students Just \$29

*\*Must be 25 Years Old or Younger and a Full-time Student during the tax year being filed to qualify for the Student Discount.*

*\*All New Customers Receive an Additional \$10 OFF*

**FREE Double-Check: We will check your return from last year for any money left on the table!**

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