#### **Board Plans New Insurance Requirement**

The Lake Lorman board has voted to require boat owners to have liability insurance effective June 1. Responding to concerns about the manner of boat operations and the experience of other private lake associations the board has decided to require lot owners who have fuel-powered motorized boats to carry a minimum of \$300,000 liability insurance. This insurance can be in the form of a policy on the boat or it can be an umbrella policy attached to the homeowner's policy which will cover the boat.

Board member Betty Lange explained that boater's insurance is prudent to protect both the boater and all the residents of the Lake Lorman Corporation in the event of accident or injury. With the changing operation and uses of boats paired with canoeists, kayakers, and swimmers who enjoy or lake, the Board believes this decision is wise. Other lakes in our area have begun requiring boater insurance for similar reasons.

Residents must show proof of coverage to get the new stickers that are required and boat owners must have paid their annual dues. These stickers will be available for one hour before and one hour after the regular board meeting at 6:00 pm on May 20 and from 9am to 11 am on Saturday, May 25.

### Water and Sewer Update

#### by Don Seagrove

Don Seagrove, president of the Lake Lorman water and sewer commission, reported that the board has received a request from Mayor Mary Hawkins of Madison concerning the joint request of the Bear Creek Water Association and Lake Lorman Utility District regarding sanitary sewer discharge into the Annandale Lagoon. The city requested details regarding flow quantities, flow rates, and other specific project details. Lake Lorman has submitted this specific information.

An inspection of the Lake Lorman Utility District was made by the Mississippi State Department of Health in February. Our overall rating was 5 out of a possible 5 for the three required reviewed areas-technical, managerial, and financial.

Mr. Jimmie King has been appointed to the Southwest County Fire Department Board by the Madison County Board of Supervisors. We are delighted to have him serving in that vital position representing Lake Lorman and the Lake Lorman Utility District.

# Notes from our Supervisor

#### By Kelley Dickenson



In an interview with Karl Banks, 4<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor for Madison County, Mr. Banks discussed the road work that has been occurring on Coker Road. He explained that ditch work and drain work has been completed. The next step is to secure funds from the county for an asphalt overlay on Coker. Mr. Banks said he works closely with Gerald Steen, the 5<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor, who represents Lake Cavalier. They hope to get enough money from the county to fund the overlay from Robinson Springs to the stop signs at Lake Cavalier Road and Coker Road. No timetable has been established yet, he explained, because it depends on when the funds are approved by the full board of supervisors. He added that the current board is more dedicated to taking care of existing roads and paying off debt, rather than building new roads.

Mr. Banks said at this point he doesn't see any reason for an increase in property taxes this year unless something unforeseen comes up. He explained that there was a property tax last year because of the annexations which resulted in additional expenses for solid waste removal and fire protection. He

said it is the goal of the board of supervisors to have someone responsible, whether paid staff or volunteer firemen, for every structure in the county to ensure maximum fire protection.

#### Wine Club Plans

Planning is underway for a new club at Lake Lorman. So far about twenty people have expressed interest in the wine club which expects to meet at the clubhouse in the near future.

John Malanchak, an environmental engineer, teaches wine classes at Millsaps and works part-time at Joe T's. John said he had taken sixteen wine courses and has six certifications. He hopes to teach interested neighbors the basics of wine, as he does at Millsaps. He said the lectures will also be based on the history of the wine-growing areas and he hopes to answer many questions people have about wine. After everyone has the basics, the group can branch into specialties, such as the wines of Germany, as an



example. John said he plans to bring various wines for members to taste that he is able to buy at cost from Joe T's and then club members will split the actual cost of the wines.

Anyone needing more information or interested in joining the group when it meets should contact Jill Lazarus at <u>karmadog01@gmail.com</u>. Jill said she will send out an email notice to interested people about the specifics of the first meeting when plans are settled.



# Lake Lorman Fishing Club

More than 50 Lake Lorman residents walked, bicycled, or drove to the Lake Lorman Fishing Club's Spring Fish Fry and Social the first Saturday in April. Residents from age 4 months to 90+ years enjoyed a beautiful spring day as they were served fried bass and

crappie fresh from the lake, French fries, hush puppies, and



coleslaw. In addition to the good food and fellowship, Fishing Club members gave tours



around the lake to show residents where structure has been placed to attract fish. Keep an eye on your email for future Fishing Club-sponsored events, and don't forget to pay your fishing club dues!

To join the fishing club, dues (\$100/family) may be sent to: Margie Ables, 3782 Coker Road, Madison, MS 39110.





### <u>"Nibbles" from the</u> <u>Fishing Club:</u>

"Bream are starting to bite! Fish with crickets at 6 feet."



<u>The Bird's Eye View - "Get to Know Your Birds"</u> by Dale and Sarah Lea Anglin

While many of us are familiar with our year-round resident birds, such as mockingbirds, redheaded woodpeckers, northern cardinals, great blue herons, and great egrets, we often hear questions like, "What was that yellow streak that just flew by?" Because of its varied habitat of waterfront property and forested property, Lake Lorman is home to a wide variety

of birds. Here are five birds that are summer residents, arriving in spring and leaving in autumn, often seen and heard in the wooded areas of Lake Lorman:

**Prothonotary Warbler**—this is "the yellow streak"! Commonly found in wooded swamps, low in the understory; it nests in cavities and the male often builds "dummy nests" in nest boxes. Its song can be heard all around the lake, a rising "tsweet tsweet tsweet tsweet!" call that seems much larger than its size. These will often eat insects that are found near hummingbird feeders.





Indigo Bunting—the other little blue bird, but not a bluebird! The male is a bright blue with a bicolor beak (black on top, white below); the brown female is often mistaken for a sparrow, but also has the bicolor beak. These little guys are found in small groups, mainly in low vegetation, but their song can be heard from high in the trees, singing "fire fire, water water, here here!" They prefer to eat on the ground, so spreading seeds on a flat surface will attract them—we have seen them eating at seed feeders, on the ground, and at suet feeders.

Summer Tanager—it isn't a

cardinal, but it is a beautiful red bird (slightly more orange than the red of a cardinal) with an orange, longer bill than the cardinal. The female is light orangish/greenish. These are usually found in mixed pine and hardwoods, high in the canopy. Bees and wasps are their food of choice—they catch them in flight and remove the stingers by rubbing them on branches before eating the insect. Summer tanagers have at least three calls often heard around the lake; a harsh descending "pituck" or "tipi-tuck-i-tuck" are common.





**Baltimore Oriole**—also common in woodland areas, this bright orange and black bird is a treat to see. Middle Mississippi is at the very southern tip of its range, but the Lake attracts them to stay for the summer. A pair of these has nested in a sweet gum tree on Lakeshore drive, visible from the water, for five years running. The song is whistled "pidoo tewdi tewdi yewdi tew tewdi". These can be attracted by placing jelly in a dish, or using an oriole feeder (similar to a hummingbird feeder); we have found that they love to investigate anything orange, from split oranges on the deck to orange jerseys hanging to dry!

**Wood Thrush**—this bird makes our favorite summer residents list not for its flashy colors (it is brown with a rusty head, and has beautiful spots on its breast), but for its spectacular, flute-like call heard often in the wooded areas around the lake. Its song is varied, but is quite melodic and sounds as if someone were playing a flute in the woods, "ee ee ee o-lee; ee ee ee o-lay".

<u>Footnote</u>: Information on habitats and songs was obtained from iPhone apps "The Sibley Guide to Birds" and "iBird PRO". For those interested in learning birds, these are two superb and inexpensive tools—they have photos, songs, and much more. Be a responsible birder: please do not

play bird calls while the bird is nesting—this draws the parents away from the young, leaving them vulnerable to predators.

Dale and Sarah Lea Anglin are open to the idea of creating a group to explore and learn about the birds we have visiting and living among us here at Lake Lorman. If you would like to get to know your birds let us know and we will add you to the list.

Recent migrants or return summer residents at the Anglin's house: (these are just those at my yard; I'm certain there are many others in different habitats around the lake)

- Orchard oriole Scarlet tanager Eastern kingbird Yellow -throated warbler Kentucky warbler Common yellowthroat Brown-headed cowbird Wood thrush
- Summer tanager Great crested flycatcher Prothonotary warbler Hooded warbler Ovenbird Common grackle Indigo bunting

# <u>Hit and Run at Gate Seven</u>

Recent damage to the entrance gate bed at Gate Seven was caused by a wide boat or service trailer making a sharp turn. Please take care when pulling trailers – Make sure turns are wide enough to clear gate structures. Damage has yet to be fully repaired.





# Yard of the Month

**Cindy Holt** awards each month's recipient a \$25 gift certificate from Lowe's. Yard of the Month photographs are taken by **Bill Deveer**.



John and Audrey Gill 182 Lorman Lane March Yard of the Month



Ron and Gaye Anderson 120 Lakeview Court April Yard of the Month

Due to the theft of the Yard of the Month sign no selection has been made for May 2013





# Notes from the **dirt dauber**

What a great spring – A little cool and a little wet but all in all – Great! Here at the Dauber Digs we have been enjoying the work done in previous times with the flowers in full bloom. Being a little lazy this month – instead of writing an article I thought I'd just send some pictures of the beauty around the Dauber's dwelling.

Enjoy and plan on some future beauty for your yard by planting now until hot weather (probably not long away).





















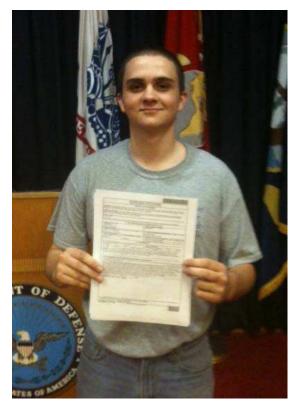




Until next issue ~ Peace & Love,



#### <u>"The fence that makes good neighbors needs a gate to make good friends"</u> <u>~ Opening Gates ~</u>



Justin has been active in Army ROTC all throughout high school, and recently was awarded the Superior Cadet Award. We couldn't be more proud of Justin and his service to our country.

Jennifer & Ben Hawthorne's son, Justin, just celebrated his 17th birthday and they are proud of his enlistment into the Army. Justin will go to basic this summer and come home to complete his senior year of high school. He will then be in reserves until finishing college, at which time he will be on active duty with 92 Foxtrot as a petroleum supply specialist.



Jennifer & Ben Hawthorne with their sons: Rawson (13), Brayden (11) & Christian (8) Justin (17, pictured above)

# Pieces and Strings



In Port Gibson at Cultural Crossroads' Pieces and Strings Quilt show, **Myra Hester Cook** won first place in the machine quilted category and second place in the appliqué category.



The show was on exhibit in Port Gibson through April 26. The winning quilts will be on display at the Mississippi Museum of Art in Jackson from May through August.

**Charles and Jean Davis** are happy to announce the birth of a new granddaughter, Davis Ann McNeilage, who was born in Nashville on March 27. The parents are Charles and Jean's daughter, Melanie, and her husband Bruce McNeilage.

Congratulations to all the Graduating Seniors from our Lake Lorman Community!

# A big welcome to our new neighbors here on Lake Lorman!!!!

Stephan and Karen DeKock - 227 Lakeshore Drive.

Carl and Melinda Graves - 142 Lakeshore Drive

<u>I would like to introduce you to a new</u> <u>neighbor in the Lake Lorman Community.</u> Jaime Brewer recently moved to Lorman Lane. She had been renting a house on Coker Road while her house was being remodeled.

Jaime is 36 years old, an ultra marathon runner, pharmacist, artist and my dear friend. It is said by many of us, myself included, that Jaimie is the strongest person I have ever known.

Three years ago, her life changed in an instant. She was rear-ended at a red light by a young man who was texting and



going 60 miles an hour. She suffered a spinal cord injury and her life has never been the same. But her spirit has remained, and she has been an inspiration to all who have met her.

I send this message to all of you who live at Lake Lorman, because when I ran for the Board, it was one of my hopes that the Lake Lorman Community would become closer; however, I now have discovered that our community is just where it needs to be; I can't tell you how many people have opened their hearts to Jaime and voiced a willingness to help her at a time when she needed it most.

I am proud to be a part of the Lake Lorman Community. -- Jill Lazarus

# Favorite Things About Living at Lake Lorman:

- Mary Prestel says, "I have great, great neighbors. And I greatly appreciate the lake and my yard."
- Frances & Harold Green: "We think we have the best view on the lake and getting up every morning gives us a new experience to look at. The night view is just as beautiful with the moon and lake lights reflecting off the waters.
- Dan Dickinson says he enjoys the morning view over the lake when the sun comes through the mist on chilly mornings.
- Sara Lea Anglin: "One morning last week, a group of beautiful blue indigo buntings and bright red cardinals were foraging at my back deck, while a yellow Prothonotary warbler watched from a nearby branch. This happens fairly often in April/May! *I love living here.* Of course, while they were feasting, the bird symphony provided entertainment."
- Gloria Lay: "The lake itself. All the wildlife (except snakes). The birds. There is a family of geese that appears to have adopted a duckling as their own. Four families of geese swim together, each with its babies. But there is a little duckling mixed in that has clearly attached itself to one of the families and travels with them."

# Did You Know?

Why and how the Little Lake level was raised *By* Bob Marsh

Almost all of the lots on the Little Lake have an exceptionally shallow water front. In 1998 it was so rainless that the Little Lake level dropped so much that 100% of the shallow-draft flat bottom boats on the Little Lake could not be directly launched and approximately a third of the lake could not be boated at all. The concept of raising the "full" level was discussed among the lot owners and it was considered a viable option to at least start each year with



a slightly higher lake level. Floyd Doolittle (RIP) brought the issue before the Board in 1999 and the Board approved a study.

Neal Schaeffer, engineer, was employed as a consultant to the project. Neal surveyed the Little Lake and placed red flag markers on every lot and the dam to indicate where a 6" proposed increase in the full level would reach. Keep in mind that the full level is a temporary condition and because of evaporation, "full" exists only as long as there is no rain. Many years, "full" is a brief condition. It was determined that a 6" rise in the full level would not top the rocks on the Little dam and the dam integrity would not be endangered.

It was determined that the height of the drain pipe into the Big Lake would have no long term impact on the level of the Big Lake because both lakes have no source of water other than rain and lot drain-off, which is essentially equal. Both lakes lose water by evaporation, which is also equal. If both lakes start the year at full level, as evaporation occurs, the water levels below full on both lakes essentially track each other. A 6" increase in the water level could be accomplished by adjusting the height of the input to the drain pipe that drains into the Big lake.

Floyd Doolittle went door to door to every lot adjacent to the Little Lake to explain the plan and benefits. He obtained unanimous approval of the lot owners. The Board approved the plan and the Little Lake full level was adjusted up by 6". This occurred almost 14 years ago.

# The Summer Tanager's Return

I saw a summer tanager this morning—

a brief glimpse of his spectacular red plumage against the bright green hues of newly emerged sweet gum leaves.

The flash of bright orange-red color, his silhouette, his orange bill, his movement patterns as he dropped out of sight

All told me this:

He was gone, and now has returned.

Where the summer tanager spends his winters, I do not know.

Whose eyes adore him, who delights at his presence, who hears his song while he is away,

I do not know.

What matters now is that he is here.

He takes his niche in the ecosystem of my yard And I delight in his tanager-ness.

--Sarah Lea Anglin, 21 April 25, 2013



# Save the Dates:

#### SCHEDULED EVENTS:

- Board Meeting: Monday, May 20, 2013 6:00 p.m.
- Board Meeting: Monday, June 17, 2013 6:00 p.m.
- Board Meeting: Monday, July 15, 2013 6:00 p.m.

Be sure to check the Calendar on the Lake Lorman website for scheduled activities, meetings and events.

# Twin Lakes Baptist Church

Hugh Smith, Pastor (601-259-4567) - ALL ARE INVITED

# Weekly services:

• Sunday-Bible Study 9:30, Worship 10:30 and 6:30

 Wednesday, <u>Supper</u> 5:30 and <u>Prayer Meeting</u> 6:30. Call church at 601-856-2305 to make supper reservation. Cost \$6.00.

#### Specially Scheduled Upcoming Events/Services:

**Church Pictorial Directory**. Whether you are a church member or not you and your family can come and have your picture made. You can to be included in the directory or not. No sitting fee and you will receive a free 8 x 10 photo. Only cost are pictures you order. Remaining date is June 11. Call Cindy Holt 601-937-6701 for details and appointment time.

Summer Revival Dates: Sunday-Wednesday, July 14-17, Sunday service 10:30 & 6:30, Monday-Wednesday 6:30, All are invited.

Vacation Bible School: Friday-Sunday, July 19-21. "HayDay Fun Time" Friday 5:30-8:30, Saturday 10:00-2:00, Sunday 9:30 until....Our new Children's Minister, Grant Gilliam and the children will takeover Sunday morning service to show parents what they have learned. Afterwards picnic lunch and water slides. Children ages 3-5th grade. Bring your children and grandchildren. For more information call 601-856-2305

**Graduate Recognition Sunday**: We are proud of our 5 graduating seniors, TJ Ingle, Nathan Swan, Cindal House, Sara Ziglar and Reagan Reeves. After morning service church wide cover dish lunch was held May 19, to honor our graduates. Congratulations!

#### We're going to Branson!

#### Twin Lakes Baptist Church Adult Ministry Trip to Branson, MO October 14 – 18, 2013

#### TOUR INCLUDES

Presley's Country Jubilee/Presley Theatre Shopping & Lunch / The Branson Landing and historic downtown Branson Todd Oliver & Friends / The Americana Theatre Dinner / The Keeter Center Joseph / The Sight & Sound Theatre Enjoy shopping / Tanger Outlet Stores Homestead Tour & Tower / The Shepherd of the Hills Sons of the Pioneers Chuck wagon Show / The Shepherd of the Hills Shepherd of the Hills Outdoor Drama / The Shepherd of the Hills Hughes Brothers Show / The Hughes Brothers Theatre Shop & Lunch / Branson Craft Mall Lunch & shopping / The Grand Village Shoppes Clay Cooper Country Music Express/The Clay Cooper Theatre Cost: Single \$525. Double \$425. Triple \$395. Includes: 4 nights lodging Carriage House Inn, 8 shows and tours, 6 meals and transportation, taxes and gratuities Register and deposit of \$200. Due by July 28 with balance due Sept. 8. Call Cindy Holt with any questions, 601-937-6701

#### **Business Advertisement:**



NEED A BREAK? Chivas House Cleaning and Organizing is here to help 3 years serving the Lake Lorman Community Call: (662) 763-8498 to set up an evaluation of your home and needs (References Available)

**Classifieds:** 

#### <u>For Sale:</u> MASTERCRAFT 230 SV - \$21500 (MADISON)



Mastercraft Maristar 230 SV with tandem axle trailer. This boat is a low hours boat in great condition. Vee drive very, very roomy with bimini top.

Engine is 5.7 liter 310 hp. The boat is loaded out with only 310 hours on it. It is a 2000 year model. A must see to appreciate. Call 601-942-7231

<u>Clubhouse</u>: Anyone desiring to rent the clubhouse for an event/function can contact Shirley Grace at 601-856-4483. Rental cost is a real bargain at \$75.00.

### For Sale:

Kelly tires (P2/55R17) - Four truck tires with only 9,000 miles on them; -- Best Offer – Contact Clint Brantley (601-856-0083)

# For sale:

Maytag Dependable Care Plus washer and dryer

Decided to upgrade to new machines - \$75 each or \$100 for the set Call **Gena** with questions: **601-497-7986** 

**Standup reclining lift chair** looking for a good home... Contact Jill Lazarus for details (601-212-9859).

<u>Pet Sitting Available</u>: Lake Lorman residents Emma and Sarah Elkin (who live in Gate 7) are available for pet sitting, pet bathing, and pet walking in the Lake Lorman community.

They will also water plants if needed.

Rates are negotiable depending on services needed.

Please contact Emma or Sarah Elkin at 601-212-5658 or <u>elkin6@comcast.net</u> .





Kayak for Sale: 2009 Hobie Mirage Oasis, like new condition, \$2,000.00 Call or text **Kevin** at **601-540-4521** 



Front of T-shirt

#### Fishing Club

T Shirts for sale – \$20 each Small Medium Large Extra Large Extra Large Extra Extra Large Contact Margie Abel at **601-605-1772** or any Fishing Club member.



Back of T-shirt

**Classifieds** are your opportunity to tell your neighbors about anything you might have for sale or services offered. If you are a Lake Lorman Lot Owner Association member in good standing (dues paid, etc.) advertising a personal item (boat, lawnmower, table, etc.) listings are **free** – just send us your listings and remember the **Lake Lorman Community News** publishes approximately bi-monthly.

A **Business Advertisement Price Guide** is available upon request. All advertising fees go toward LLCN expenses.

Contact **Kelley Dickinson (**601-856-7371 <u>kelleydickinson@lakelormanms.com</u> ) or **Bill Jones** (601-331-2417 <u>billjones@lakelormanms.com</u> ) with suggestions for stories of interest, "Letters to the Editor", school awards, births, weddings, trips, etc.

For additional lake information: <u>http://www.lakelormanms.com</u> and on Facebook <u>http://www.facebook.com/pages/Madison-MS/Lake-Lorman/309416818289</u>.

<u>Change Happens</u>: Please let us know of changes to your email or home address <u>lakelormancommunitynews@lakelormanms.com</u>.