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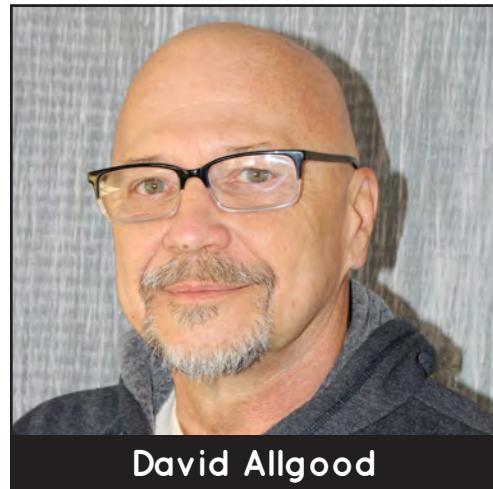
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VOTE
ACL BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATES ANNOUNCED!
2024

The Apple Core is the official monthly newsletter of the Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners' Association, and is the Association's legal vessel used to inform every property owner of important notices, rules and policy changes, board actions, and other pertinent information of which property owners must be aware.

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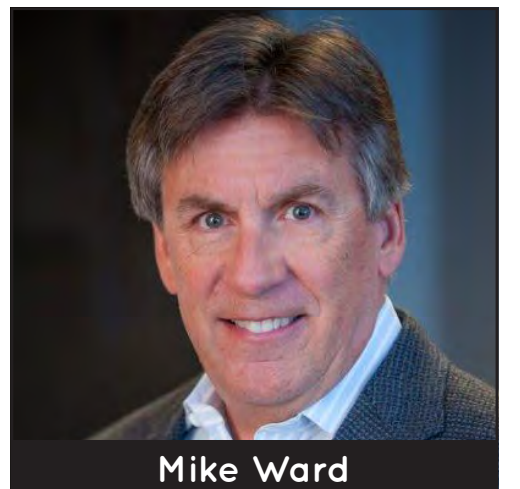
SATURDAY, MAY 18

FOLLOWING THE MAY BOARD MEETING IN THE ACL CLUBHOUSE

MEET ALL THE CANDIDATES AT ONCE, ASK QUESTIONS, AND HEAR THE OPINIONS OF THE BOARD CANDIDATES REGARDING PRESSING ISSUES AT APPLE CANYON LAKE.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



BY: NOLAN MULLEN,
President, ACL Board of Directors

I am excited to report the GM search is coming to an end. The field of candidates has been narrowed down to one finalist. The Board has an accepted offer by the candidate and are very close to coming to a final agreement. Hopefully I will have an announcement for you next month.

The Board approved changes to the Greenway Stewardship Program and its application. The most notable changes are that AECC will have to approve any trees being cut in the 50-foot shoreline buffer zone, and property owners will have to plant at least one hardwood tree for every 10 invasive trees removed. The Greenway Stewardship Program has been on hold since last summer awaiting these changes to strengthen the program.

The Thistle Group is near the end of construction on the Memorial Pavilion. Stop by and check it out the next time you are in the Clubhouse area. The Thistle Group will also be adding a new pitched roof and completing an exterior remodel of the Firehouse Fitness building later this summer.

The flood mitigation project continues to move forward. The construction of a new spillway is in the bidding phase. There are several contractors competitively bidding for the chance to complete the project. Bidding will end March 15 and we should know who the contractor will be in April.

With Spring just around the corner, it won't be long before we once again can enjoy our lake and all our amenities.

THE GENERAL MANAGER UPDATE



BY: MIKE HARRIS,
Interim General Manager

To start, I am thrilled to announce that a 2-year lease for The Cove has been signed. Michelle Magee and Rob Chambers of the Pit Stop in Stockton, Illinois will be running the restaurant for the next 2 years. They are planning and working towards a May 1st opening.

Regarding The Cove, an Inventory of all ACL assets at The Cove was conducted and documented to ensure a smoother transition if and when the building was to change operators again. This has been completed and the building is ready for the new operators to move in.

Over 2 years ago North Star Technologies were implemented across the Association. North Star is the system the Association uses for member service, the website, POS at the Golf Course, Marina, and the Office, tee-times, the ACL App, the weekly Apple Seed Campaign, purchase orders, work orders and more. North Star Technologies run almost every aspect of the Association. With the many staff changes we have seen this last year; we have put the staff through several refresher training courses with North Star over the last few weeks. These training courses were attended remotely and have been completed.

On March 15th the Association will begin accepting bids for the Dam and Spillway project. The Association has already had 6 contractors request plans for the work to be done on the spillway.

We are expecting the contract from McCloud Aquatics this week. Brian Kiro will be reviewing the contract to ensure all of ACL's needs are met and reflected in the contract.

The old firehouse where the Firehouse Fitness Center is located is scheduled for repairs this year. We have received an updated quote from The Thistle Group on the project. The last bid was received in September 2022. The new bid has come in \$8,700 lower than the 2022 bid.

Finally, the temporary wood handrails on the ramp outside the Association Office are scheduled to be replaced with permanent handrails. By the time you are reading this, the work should be complete.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR POLICY

Publication of letters does not necessarily imply agreement or endorsement by the Association or the Board of Directors.

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The Apple Core is published by the ACLPOA for the benefit of its Members - to keep them informed about developments with respect to the lake, facilities, activities and finances; to report Board decisions; to provide a handy reference about rules, fees and coming events; and to afford a means of communication on questions and issues of importance to property owners.

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Letters to the Editor must be:

- a) Submitted and signed by a Property Owner.
- b) Received by the 15th of the month previous to publication.
- c) Confined to 250 words or less.

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- Nothing in these guidelines should be construed to prohibit references to people so long as an issue of importance is the focus of the letter.
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- 1) Candidates will be presented in the March and April issues.
- 2) A special section for questions regarding candidates will be included in the March and April issues of The Apple Core. Questions regarding candidates must be received thirteen (13) days prior to copy deadline in order to provide the candidates with the opportunity to respond in the same edition. Candidate responses must be received two (2) days prior to copy deadlines.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
ASSOCIATION OFFICE HOURS: Mon - Sat: 8 am - 3 pm Sun: CLOSED	SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING HOURS: Monday: 8 am - 10 am Thursday: 4 pm - 6 pm Saturday: 10 am - 2 pm Sunday: 2 pm - 4 pm	 <p>Photo submitted by Vicki Shadle</p> <p>Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am</p>			Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessments & Fees due Boat Slip and Campsite Licenses due First Payment Plan installment withdrawn 	Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$125 Delinquent Dues Fee assessed on unpaid assessments AECC 8 am
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	Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am		Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am		Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board Meeting 9 am
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 <p>ST. PATRICK'S DAY</p> <p>Easter Egg Hunt 10:30 at Pro Shop</p>	Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am	 <p>Hello, Spring!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potluck in the Clubhouse 5:30pm <p>FIRST DAY OF SPRING</p>	Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am		Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Campsite Swap & Assignment Day 10 am Slip Swap 11 am NOW 11 am
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
 <p>Palm Sunday</p> <p>EASTER</p>	Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am		Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am		 <p>good friday</p> <p>Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am</p>	 <p>Come in We're OPEN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Campground & Golf Course Open, Weather Permitting

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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
 <p>Buddy Bass Tournament 7 am - 3 pm</p>	 <p>Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am</p> <p>EARTH DAY</p>		Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am		Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spring Clean - up 1 pm
28	29	30				
	Morning Workout in the Clubhouse 9-10 am		 <p>Building permit deadline</p>		ASSOCIATION OFFICE HOURS: Mon - Sat: 8 am - 3 pm Sun: CLOSED	SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING HOURS: Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 7:30 am - 9:30 am Tuesday & Thursday: 5 pm - 7 pm Saturday: 10 am - 2 pm Sunday: 10 am - 7 pm

UPCOMING PRO SHOP EVENTS



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The ACL Pro Shop has decided to host an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, March 24!
Easter Candy donations are needed to fill the 2,500+ plastic eggs!
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Thank you in advance for your donation!



ACL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

ARCHITECTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL COMMITTEE MINUTES DECEMBER 2, 2023 APPROVED

Call to Order – Chairman Dave Allgood called the meeting to order at 8:10 am with the following committee members in attendance: Kevin Rogers. Inspector Joe Wiener was also in attendance. Dave Allgood, Mark Kosco, Bill Becker, Nolan Mullen, John Anderson and Bob Ballinger attended via Zoom. Bill Ware and Jim Frank were absent.

Approve Minutes of the November 4, 2023 Meeting – Bill Becker Moved, Kevin Rogers Seconded. Motion Carried 5 Yea 2 Abstain.

Property Owner Comments – None

Building Inspector Report – 7 permits have been issued since the last meeting. A new farm fence is encroaching into ACL property. Some no trespassing signs have been recently placed. Dave Allgood spoke with the property manager of the farmland Parcel ID 18-000- 020-00. The owners live out-of-town. A meeting has been suggested with the property manager and the Chair of the AECC, the Building Inspector and the General Manager.

Agenda

Revised Agenda not applicable

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Regarding 8A006 and 8A007 East Apple Canyon Road

To permit the combination of lots 8A006 and 8A007 on East Apple Canyon Road as per that attached Lot Combination Agreement.

Motion – John Anderson, Second – Mark Kosco. Discussion: Meets all ACL Requirements and Setbacks Motion Passed 7 Aye and 0 Nay.

Regarding 5A084 and 5A083 Whispering Wind Dr

To permit the combination of lots 5A084 and 15A083 on Whispering Wind Dr as per that attached Lot Combination Agreement.

Motion – Nolan Mullen, Second – Bill Becker. Discussion: Meets all ACL Requirements and Setbacks Motion Passed 7 Aye and 0 Nay.

Other New Business – None

Next Meeting: January 6, 2024 at the Maintenance Building.

Adjournment – Bob Ballenger moved at 8:34.am

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 20, 2024 APPROVED

Call to Order: 8:00 AM.

Executive Session – 8:00 AM.

Return to Open Session – motion to return to open session made by Bill Becker at 9:08 AM. Seconded by Laura Pratt, motion carried unanimously.

Pledge of Allegiance – after the Pledge of Allegiance, a quorum was present with the following Directors in attendance: Nolan Mullen, Bill Becker, Mark Kosco, Bob Ballenger (via Zoom), John Anderson (via Zoom), Carmel Cottrell, Brian Holt, Debra McNamee, and Laura Pratt. Interim General Manager Mike Harris was also present.

Approve/Adopt Minutes from the December 16, 2023, Board Meeting - Laura Pratt motioned "to approve the minutes from the December 16, 2023, Board Meeting." Seconded by Carmel Cottrell, motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Steve Borst reported that he is working with the Honkamp accounting staff and the staff at ACL – with Steve being the point person for everyone. Last Thursday we had a planning meeting and we have identified everything that needs to be done and who is going to do what. Two things - trying

to get caught up and trying to identify where we are at. Challenging. Cleaning up the past and planning ahead. Designated Funds update was given out. The Board appreciates all of Steve's work.

Committee/Commission Reports

Nominating - Mike Yorke reported we have six nominees for the Board right now. Deadline is Monday (1/22). Good news.

GM Search – Mike Yorke reported they have been busy interviewing different candidates. The GM Search Commission feels good about the progress we have made. We have one candidate coming to ACL so far. We have two more possible candidates after this one.

Conservation - State of the Fisheries – Norm Vandigo reported — 2021/2022/2023 we stocked muskie in the fall of each year. Predicting them to be 22-26" for this season. Northern Pike and the Walleye seem to be doing well. Would like to see a place to report your fish (like Zebra Mussels reporting). Something informal for us to track and help us make decisions for the future.

Board Policy – Laura Pratt reported they are resuming this month. We are looking for a non-board member, property owner that would be interested in helping us. Next meeting is January 29.

Memorial Pavilion – Carmel Cottrell reported that the building is up, hoping to finish up before Memorial Day.

Maintenance – Carmel Cottrell reported that compactor research is underway and also looking at a cardboard bailer.

General Manager's Report – Mike Harris reported that it has been quiet since the beginning of the year. We have a grant for removing invasives (\$9,000). Old fire house – money was approved for this year. We sent out bids last year with only one that came back. We have contacted them to see if prices have changed since last year. Statements for dues have been sent out. New Years Eve party at the Pro Shop went very well. Spillway – water is running over for the first time on the 17th. Received the permit for IDNR for work on spillway and dam, moving forward. Ice rink – not ready. NorthStar training. Inventory will start Monday on everything that is in The Cove.

President's Report – President's Report will be in The Apple Core.

Any Additions to the Agenda - none

Consent Agenda

Committee/Commission Changes

Food & Beverage Ad Hoc Decommission – Deb McNamee motioned "to allow Therese Nelson to join the General Manager Search Ad Hoc Commission; to allow Sue Meusel to join the Employee Handbook Commission; and to allow Rick Schaschway to join the Campground Commission, and to decommission the Food & Beverage Ad Hoc Commission." Seconded by Bill Becker, motion carried unanimously for both 11.1 and 11.2.

Unfinished Business

New Business

Employee Handbook Language Changes - Laura Pratt motioned "to table this agenda item

13.1." Seconded by Mark Kosco, motion carried unanimously.

Sale of Dredge - Mark Kosco motioned "to sell the dredge and advertise with dredge broker." Seconded by Carmel Cottrell. Discussion: Deb McNamee – we purchased the dredge, and no one has been trained to operate the dredge. Since we own this why are we not trying to dredge ourselves. Nolan Mullen - with turnover, right now we don't have anyone to run it. Contracting out seemed the best alternative. More cost effective to contract out rather than have our own employees, including maintenance and insurance, \$25,000 – 30,000 per year savings by contracting out over 10 years. Carmel Cottrell - we paid \$279,000 for the dredge, appraisal could be \$275,000. Need for dredges right now. No cost to ACL for advertising on Dredge Broker – they add on their commission to the buyer. Mark Kosco - with the dredging we recently finished, little need to dredge for 5-7 years. John Anderson – should have someone learn to run the dredge rather than contract

out. Machine should stay. Bill Becker – our people are not dredge operators. Over

\$10,000 to put in the water; \$8,000 for insurance; \$4,500 for maintenance on average per year. Roll call: John Anderson – nay; Bob Ballenger - aye; Bill Becker – aye; Carmel Cottrell – aye; Brian Holt – aye; Mark Kosco – aye; Deb McNamee – nay; Laura Pratt – aye. Motion carries with six ayes.

Cove Operator - Laura Pratt motioned "to approve Michelle Magee and Rob Chambers as operators to run The Cove from 2024 – 2026." Seconded by Carmel Cottrell. Discussion: Mike Yorke reported that Michelle and Rob are experienced restaurateurs – Logans in Freeport previously and now the Pit Stop in Stockton. If this potential deal should fall through the cracks, we have no other operator interested. We sent out about 400 requests for proposals with very few returned. In the last month, we did discuss this with five restaurants in the area and four out of five said no. The Pit Stop was thinking about expanding, so timing is perfect. They have a strong interest in doing this. Multiple meetings with them. Lease is for two years. Roll call: John Anderson – aye; Bob Ballenger – aye; Bill Becker – aye; Carmel Cottrell – aye; Brian Holt – aye; Mark Kosco – aye; Deb McNamee – aye; Laura Pratt – aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Property Owner Comments

John Diehl (Zoom), lot 671 – 14.0 item – in recent times this has been at the end of the agenda. Inappropriate – should give a chance to comment prior to votes on the agenda. Prior to unfinished and new business. Current placement sends a clear signal that property owner's comments are not important.

Gary Hannon (Zoom), 8A239 – 1) placement of property owner comments, agree with John. Should be in front as well as the end. 2) understood that our financials have been screwed up over the past six months. We owe it to the ownership at ACL to understand year-end results. May take us months to figure out the end of year – unsatisfactory and unacceptable. Perhaps we need to get Honkamp in on a more aggressive way.

Adjourn – Motion to adjourn by Mark Kosco at 9:55 AM. Seconded by Bob Ballenger. Motion carried.

Recording Secretary, Rhonda Perry
President, Nolan Mullen
Corporate Secretary, Laura Pratt

BOARD ACTIONS

NOVEMBER 18, 2023

Consent Agenda

Committee/Commission Changes – Approved

New Business

Final Zebra Mussel Ad Hoc Commission Recommendation
For 2024 #1 - Approved

Final Zebra Mussel Ad Hoc Commission Recommendation
For 2024 #2 - Approved

Cove Lakeside Restaurant – Approved
Budget – Failed

DECEMBER 16, 2023

Consent agenda

Committee/commission changes – approved

Unfinished business

Annual assessment – approved

R&r budget – approved

Operating budget – approved

Operating & building fees – approved

New business

Short-term rentals – twice amended – approved

JANUARY 20, 2024

Consent agenda

Committee/commission changes - approved

Food & beverage ad hoc decommission - approved

Unfinished business

New business

Employee handbook language changes - tabled

Sale of dredge - approved

Cove operator – approved

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2024 COMMITTEE / COMMISSION MEMBERS AS OF 01/20/24

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(2nd Sat. of each month, as needed, 8:30am)

Petelle, EdieChair
 VanDerLeest, RogerVice Chair
 Helgason, JanetSecretary
 Beckel, RonMember
 Sheehan, TomMember

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(1st Sat. of each month, 8am)

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 Anderson, JohnBoard Liaison
 Ballenger, RobertBoard Liaison
 Mullen, NolanBoard Liaison
 Becker, BillBoard Liaison
 Kosco, MarkBoard Liaison
 Rogers, KevinMember
 Wiener, JoeStaff

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(3rd Sat. of each month, 9am)

Mullen, NolanPresident
 Becker, BillVice President
 Kosco, MarkTreasurer
 Pratt, LauraCorporate Secretary
 Anderson, JohnMember
 Ballenger, RobertMember
 Cottrell, CarmelMember
 Holt, BrianMember
 McNamee, DebMember
 Rhonda Perry.....Prepares minutes - Recording Secretary

BOARD POLICY AD HOC COMMISSIONS

(meeting dates TBD)

Pratt, LauraChair & Secretary
 Holt, BrianBoard Liaison
 Cottrell, CarmelMember
 Kosco, MarkMember

BUDGET/AUDIT COMMISSION

(meeting dates TBD)

Kosco, MarkBoard Treasurer/Liaison/Chair
 Borst, SteveMember
 Brennan, ThomasMember
 Carpenter, RonMember
 Cottrell, CarmelMember
 Finn, JohnMember
 Gouskos, NickMember
 Livengood, BrettMember
 Malone, SteveMember
 Nelson, SteveMember
 Thomas, KatieMember
 Witt, MaryMember
 Borst, NancyRecorder

CAMPGROUND COMMISSION

(2nd Sat. of each month, April - Oct., 8:30 am)

Carpenter, RonChair
 Szczypta, ChrisVice Chair/Secretary
 Bluhm, MaryMember
 Mullen, NolanBoard Liaison
 Reifsteck, JosephMember
 Ruffolo, RicMember
 Schaschwary, RickMember

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

(1st Sat. of each month, 9:00am)

Wiener, PaulaChair
 Opyd, PamVice Chair
 Bohnenkamp, DaveMember
 Bourell, WilliamMember
 Cady, PhyllisMember
 Cammack, MikeMember
 Cocagne, GailMember
 Doden, HenryMember
 Hannon, GaryMember
 Marek, AngieMember
 McNamee, DebBoard Liaison
 Parages, MelissaMember

Nelson, SteveMember
 Swedberg, SteveMember
 Yorke, MichaelMember
 Drogosz, KarenRecorder
 Hesselbacher, TylerStaff

DEER MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

(last Sat. of each month, April - Oct., 9:00am)

Williams, GordonChair
 Mamlic, DanVice Chair
 Rees, KimSecretary
 Beegle, RobMember
 Bluhm, TedMember
 Finley, JackMember
 Gouskos, NickMember
 Kosco, MarkBoard Liaison
 Lutz, AlMember
 Schaschwary, RickMember

EDITORIAL REVIEW COMMISSION

(meet as needed)

Mullen, NolanBoard Liaison/Chair
 Mike HarrisGeneral Manager/Vice Chair
 Brokl, TimApple Core Managing Editor/Secretary
 Vandigo, DougMember
 Ware, JodyMember

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK AD HOC COMMISSION

(meeting dates TBD)

Hannon, GaryChair
 Kosco, MarkBoard Liaison
 Harris, MikeMember
 Ware, JodySecretary
 Janssen, JulieStaff
 Meusel, SueMember

FLOOD MITIGATION AD HOC

(meeting dates TBD, 4:00 - 6:00 pm)

Hannon, GaryChair
 Pratt, LauraBoard Liaison
 Marek, AngieSecretary
 Cammack, MikeMember
 Carpenter, RonMember
 Cleary, JimMember
 Doden, HenryMember
 Krasula, RichMember
 Kren, BarryMember
 Rice, JeffMember

GOLF COMMISSION

(2nd Tuesday of each month, April-Oct., 1:30 pm)

Killeen, JohnChair
 Hannon, MarySecretary
 Buesing, BobMember
 Burton, JeanMember
 Carr, DarrellMember
 Finley, JackMember
 Frieri, AnthonyMember
 Kosco, MarkBoard Liaison
 Rice, JeffMember
 Schmidt, RichardMember
 Steifel, TerriStaff

GM SEARCH AD HOC COMMISSION

Yorke, MikeChair
 Cook, BobMember
 Harris, MikeMember
 Krasula, RichMember
 Lopez, KenMember
 Pratt, LauraMember
 Tribbey, SteveSecretary

LAKE MONITORING COMMISSION

(meeting dates TBD)

Hannon, GaryMember
 Greenlaw, RogerMember
 Kren, BarryMember
 Tribbey, FernMember
 Tribbey, SteveMember
 Ware, BillMember
 Hesselbacher, TylerStaff

LEGAL COMMISSION

(meeting dates TBD)

Doran, WilliamChair
 Cottrell, SeanVice Chair
 Duddles, JonMember
 McNamee, DebBoard Liaison
 Smith, KevinMember
 Wilson, AustinMember

MAINTENANCE COMMISSION

(last Thursday or each month, 4:00 pm)

Cottrell, CarmelChair/Board Liaison
 Drogosz, GeorgeVice Chair
 Becker, BillMember
 Doden, HenryMember
 Reich, EdMember
 Vandigo, NormanMember
 Ziarko, EdStaff

MEMORIAL PAVILION AD HOC COMMISSION

(3rd Wednesday of each month, 9:30am)

Cottrell, CarmelChair/Secretary
 Hannon, MaryVice Chair
 Nelson, ThereseMember
 Pratt, LauraBoard Liaison
 Witt, MaryMember

MULTI-SPORT COMPLEX AD HOC

(meeting dates TBD)

MULTI-SPORT COMPLEX AD HOC COMMISSION

(meeting dates TBD)

Blentlinger, RyanMember
 Hannon, GaryMember
 Anderson, JohnBoard Liaison
 LoSasso, ScottMember
 LoSasso, SuzanneMember
 McDermott, PhilMember
 Ziarko, EdStaff

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

(meeting dates TBD)

Yorke, MikeChair
 Bourell, BillVice Chair
 Erdenberger, CrystalSecretary
 Becker, BillBoard Liaison
 McDonald, SusanMember
 Tribbey, SteveMember
 Wiener, PaulaMember

RECREATION COMMISSION

(3rd Thursday of each month, 9:00am)

Misichko, EmilChair
 Killeen, LeAnneSecretary
 Anderson, JohnBoard Liaison
 Becker, MickiMember
 Cousero, LeeMember
 Diehl, JohnMember
 Brokl, TimStaff

RULES & REGULATIONS COMMISSION

(1st Friday of each month, 10:00am)

Homb, DaveChair
 Drogosz, GeorgeVice Chair
 Cook, BobMember
 Cottrell, SeanMember
 Drogosz, KarenRecorder
 Fitzjerralls, BobMember

Holt, BrianBoard Liaison
 Menconi, KenMember
 Pfeiffer, FredMember
 Smith, KevinMember
 Swedberg, LynetteMember
 Winter, JoshMember
 Anderson, StacyStaff
 Janssen, JulieStaff

SAFETY & EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMISSION

(meeting dates TBD)

Cammack, MikeChair
 Beckel, RonVice Chair
 Ware, JodySecretary
 Cook, RobertMember
 Hannon, GaryMember
 Pratt, LauraBoard Liaison
 Winter, JoshMember
 Janssen, JulieStaff
 Ziarko, EdStaff

STRATEGIC/LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMISSION

(meeting dates TBD, usually weekdays)

Beals, KatieChair/Secretary
 Cottrell, CarmelBoard Liaison
 Ford, DonMember
 Williams, GordonMember

TELLERS COMMISSION

(meets for Annual Meeting)

Reese, PatriciaChair
 Brandenburg, RosanneMember
 Cousero, LeeMember
 Detwiler, MarilynMember
 Hendren, EugeneMember
 Makar, KathyMember
 Pratt, LauraBoard Liaison
 Sershon, VickieMember

TRAILS COMMISSION

(last Sat. of each month, 8:00am)

Meyer, RandyChair
 Diehl, PennySecretary
 Becker, BillBoard Liaison
 Doden, HenryMember
 Gardner, SueMember
 Gouskos, NickMember
 Hannon, GaryMember
 Laethem, DebMember
 Laethem, RobertMember
 Manderschied, RonMember
 Rice, JeffMember
 Tyson, MikeMember
 Woznicki, MichaelMember

ZEBRA MUSSELS AD-HOC COMMISSION

(meeting dates TBD)

Zobjeck, AlChair
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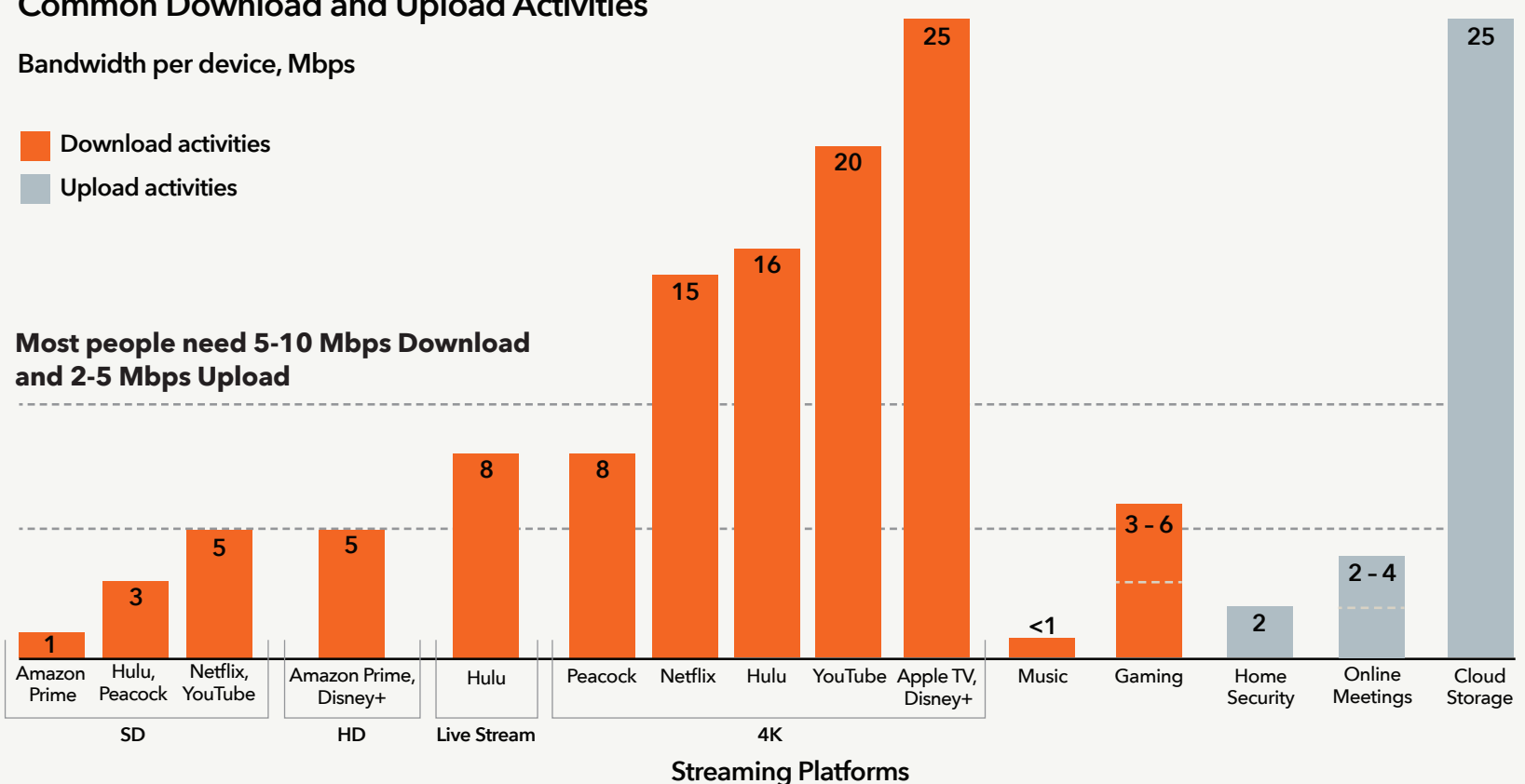


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RECREATION RE-CAP: PINEWOOD DERBY

BY TIM BROKL, *Communications Manager*

On Saturday, February 17, members of all ages gathered at the clubhouse to compete in the 2024 ACL All-age Pinewood Derby, sponsored by Strictly Shingles. Members spent countless hours carving and painting their cars in preparation for race day.

In total we had 26 racers in attendance. Ryker Cline took home 1st place with an average time of 2.6116 seconds. Gwen Maki came in 2nd place with an average time of 2.6212 seconds. Carson Yorke took home 3rd with an average time of 2.6289 seconds.

This year Woodland Guge's car won "Best Design", while brother Jedi Guge took home the title of "Most Original"!

Congratulations to our top racers and thank you to everyone who participated in this awesome event. We hope to see you next year!



RECREATION RE-CAP: PINEWOOD DERBY



OBITUARIES



Elizabeth Louise Finnegan (Swift)

Date of Birth: 01/16/1939
Date of Death: 12/01/2023

Elizabeth Louise Finnegan, age 84, passed away at her home in Apple Canyon Lake and is now in Heaven with her family.

She was a loving and devoted wife and companion to John (Jack, Jackson, or Finn to her and he called her Betty Boop). They had just celebrated their 66th Anniversary. They retired in Apple

Canyon Lake on the golf course. Jack and Betty loved to travel, fish and play golf from Arizona to Hot Springs Village to Texas...

Loving mother to Debbie, Tracy (Bryan), Rick, Laurie and Tiger. Grandma to Danny, Jennifer (Ben), Alex (Jordan), Bri, Erin, Kelli and Jack. Great Grandma to McKenzie (Braden) and Colten and another one coming soon. Betty had numerous nieces and nephews spread across the country who will dearly miss Aunt Betty.

She was predeceased by her parents, John and Julia Swift, her sister Jean Ansonia, and her Aunt Lou and Uncle Mac. Betty leaves behind her sister Kathleen Metevier, brothers-in-law Jim Metevier and John Ansonia (Marilyn).

Betty spent her life caring for those around her, her family, her friends and those in her community. She never missed the opportunity to care for the birds, squirrels and stray cats in her yard. She enjoyed watching their antics. She was known as "Betty Bank" during her career at West Suburban Bank. She was not just a banker, but a helpful friend to all her customers.

She gave without counting the cost, and she gave with grace and love and with the most contagious and beautiful smile.

She was passionate about her faith, passing along her devotions and beliefs to those around her- and she never missed an opportunity to pray

for any one in need.

Betty loved with an open heart as those loved by her will tell you. She loved with her joy, laughter, humor and compassion. The stories, laughter and memories she made are cherished by all who were blessed to know her, and they will carry on her legacy of love for years and years to come.

Betty left her loving touch on all those around her and she will be greatly missed by all her family and friends. She would lovingly say "last tag" any time she had to say goodbye because goodbyes were hard for her. She tried not to cry by playing this loving game. Betty shared her contagious energy with everyone she met and she's dancing in the kitchen in Heaven forever now.

"Last Tag" to our beloved Betty... We will cherish your memory and your love forever.

Many 4th of July celebrations with nieces and nephews - Dan (Beverly), Julie (Mike), Ken (Kristi), Tom, Joe and Kathy (Ron) and their kids always ended with the finale countdown at the lake. 1.2...3 This is it!!

There will be a small service at Holy Cross Catholic Church on January 16th (her Birthday). It will be streamed as well.

In lieu of flowers, any donations may be made in Betty Finnegan's name to her Church-Holy Cross Catholic Church in Stockton, IL.

Memories and tributes may be left on this website:

Hermann Funeral Home <https://www.hermannfuneralhome.com>



Charlie (Sonny) Hicks (86) of Stockton, IL and long time staff member of Apple Canyon Lake passed away on February 3, 2024.

On behalf of all of Apple Canyon Lake, we extend our deepest condolences to the Hicks Family.

Charlie was a valued member of the ACL family, with nearly 13 years operating the Solid Waste & Recycling Center.

Charlie was a proud Navy veteran and enjoyed his many chats with ACL members. He will be greatly missed.

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Sub-License Boat Slips Accepted

If you have a Seasonal Boat Slip that you will not be using this year, please consider entering the slip into the ACL Sub-License Boat Slip Program. We will accept Sub-License signups at any time, but please consider signing up prior to the Slip Assignment Day on April 2. This will allow another property owner to use the slip for the year (all sub-license program agreements terminate December 31), and you would be refunded a portion of your fee, if the slip is successfully sublicensed. We always have more demand for these slips than slips available. Forms are available at the Association Office or on the website.

Learn More About Board of Directors Candidates

Please take a few minutes to read the bios and questionnaire answers from each Board candidate within this issue of *The Apple Core*. The candidates will be available at the May 18 Meet the Candidates forum to answer questions submitted by property owners. If you are unable to come and would like a question read on your behalf, email it to mike.york@applecanyonlake.org by 3:00 pm on Friday, May 17. The ballot and election materials will be mailed in early May to each Voting Member for the election held at the June 18 Annual Meeting.

Tags, stickers, etc. can be mailed to your home for \$11 postage
Don't want to stand in line to pick up your amenity tags & stickers? You don't have to! For \$11 postage, we will mail the amenity tags, stickers, etc. to your home! The form and payment for postage may be submitted on the website.

Pontoon Rentals available

Monday through Thursday	PO Rate	Guest Rate
Half Day (8am-Noon or 12:30-4:30pm)	\$100	\$175
Full Day (8am-4:30pm)	\$175	\$250
Weekends and Holidays	PO & Guest Rate	
Half Day (8am-Noon or 12:30-4:30pm)	\$230	
Full Day (8am-4:30pm)	\$325	
Security Deposit \$300		
Gas Fee	Half Day \$15	Full Day \$25

The Association has three pontoon boats available for rent on a daily or half-day basis. All reservations must be made by a property owner or authorized guest. Property Owners must contact the Association Office to give their permission for a guest to make a reservation. Property Owners are reminded that they are responsible for the activities of their guests, and any violation of the rules by a guest or the cost of damages in excess of the security deposit will be charged against the Property Owner. All boats will be checked in and out of the Marina. An Amenity Tag must be presented to the Marina staff by the lessee. Each boat has a capacity of ten (10) persons. Ten (10) adult-size life jackets are provided. Lessees must provide their own life jackets for children and infants. Anyone who leaves the boat to access Nixon Beach, the Marina Bay Trail, etc. must have an Amenity Tag.

Effective January 1, 2016, the Illinois Boat Registration & Safety Act has been amended and now requires that any person operating a rental boat submit a valid Boating Safety Certificate or complete an abbreviated safety course prior to operating the watercraft. A copy of a valid Boating Safety Certificate must be provided to the Association Office by the rental boat operator at least 24 hours in advance of the rental, or completion of the abbreviated safety course will be required. The renter may take the safety course at home and provide a copy of the completion certificate to the Marina or may take the course at the Marina before the start of the rental. The link to take the course at home is <https://www.rentalboatsafety.com/power-boats>. Rentals will not be extended if the rental boat operator fails to complete the course prior to rental start time. Anyone taking the abbreviated safety instruction course must provide the Association with a copy of their driver's license and complete course paperwork, per the IDNR Watercraft Rental Safety Policy. Upon completion of the abbreviated course, a completion receipt valid for one year will be issued.

Reservations for rental boats will be accepted during normal Association Office hours in person or by calling 815-492-2238. Reservations should be made at least 24 hours in advance of the rental. When the reservation is made, payment for the rental must be made in full. A credit card used for the Security Deposit will be taken as a guarantee at the time the reservation is made. An authorization of the Security Deposit amount will be placed on the card the week of the rental. If a reservation is being made for the same week, the authorization will be placed at the time the reservation is made. The authorization will be released if the boat is returned in same condition. A \$50 fee will be retained from the security deposit if the boat is returned after hours, the renter fails to have the boat inspected, or the renter fails to refuel the boat. The Association will make every attempt to process releases within 72 hours of the rental completion. Please be advised that the credit card company may not process the release immediately.

Cancellation policy: In the event of severe weather on the day of the rental, the rental amount will be returned to the credit card on which it was paid. If a rental is cancelled for any other reason with less than 24 hours' notice, including no shows, the rental fee will not be refunded. Any rentals cancelled with at least 24 hours' notice will be refunded the rental amount in the form of an ACL Gift Card which can be used at the Association Office, Pro Shop, Pro Shop Bar & Grill, and the Marina. ACL Gift Cards cannot be used at The Cove restaurant.

Lots for Sale

as of February 19, 2024

The lots below are available for purchase directly from Apple Canyon Lake. **To purchase one of these properties, the buyer will complete all required paperwork and submit payment as outlined below in full. The Winning Bidder Form and PTAX will be submitted to ACL's attorney for deed preparation and recording.**

ACL Fees

- \$250 purchase price (includes PTAX/deed preparation and recording fees)
- \$655 (50% proration of Annual Assessment!!)
- \$110 Owner Amenity Registration Fee (per owner on the deed, up to three owners)

Jo Daviess County Taxes

- Past due (if any) and current taxes must be paid to Jo Daviess County. For information on current taxes, please contact the Jo Daviess County Assessor's Office at (815) 777-1016. For back taxes owed, please contact the Jo Daviess County Clerk's Office at (815) 777-0161.

02-043 Pioneer Dr	PIN 18-002-043-00	07-168 Coyote Ln	PIN 18-007-168-00
03-006 General Grant Dr	PIN 18-003-006-00	07-173 Coyote Ln	PIN 18-007-173-00
03-123 Admiral Farragut Ct	PIN 18-003-123-00	07-186 Butte Ct	PIN 18-007-186-00
03-133 Admiral Farragut Ct	PIN 18-003-133-00	07-193 Butte Ct	PIN 18-007-193-00
03-152 General Jackson Ct	PIN 18-003-152-00	08-020 Franklin Ln	PIN 18-008-020-00
03-185 General Jackson Dr	PIN 18-003-185-00	08-174 Concord Ln	PIN 18-008-174-00
03-197 General Bragg Ct	PIN 18-003-197-00	09-001 White Birch Ln	PIN 18-009-001-00
04-022 Colt Dr	PIN 18-004-022-00	09-017 E Apple Canyon Rd	PIN 18-009-017-00
04-087 Springfield Dr	PIN 18-004-087-00	09-087 Evergreen Dr	PIN 18-009-087-00
05-013 White Buffalo Dr	PIN 18-005-013-00	09-088 Evergreen Dr	PIN 18-009-088-00
06-032 Wilderness Ct	PIN 18-006-032-00	09-091 Plum Ln	PIN 18-009-091-00
06-033 Wilderness Ct	PIN 18-006-033-00	11-233 Driver Ln	PIN 18-011-233-00
05-136 N Apple Canyon Rd	PIN 18-005-136-00	11-317 Nelson Ct	PIN 18-011-317-00
06-085 Appomattox Dr	PIN 18-006-085-00	12-003 W Apple Canyon Rd	PIN 18-012-003-00
06-101 Appomattox Dr	PIN 18-006-085-00		



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2024 RECREATION EVENT REGISTRATION FORMS



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FAX: 815.492.2160

29th Annual Community Garage Sales
Saturday, June 1, 2024
8:00am – 2:00pm

The sale will be advertised on the website on our Facebook page (@AppleCanyonLake), in both *The Apple Core*, and *The Apple Seed*, and in local papers prior to June 1.

Posted hours are 8:00am - 2:00pm on Saturday, but it's your choice to be open earlier or longer or to host your sale on Friday and Sunday. Please note your extra hours in your listing if you choose to do so.

The map and detailed item list will be available on the website - www.applecanyonlake.org, at the Association Office, and information kiosk (located in the parking lot above the Marina) beginning Wednesday, May 29.

For further information, please contact us at recreation@applecanyonlake.org or call (815) 492-2238.

Complete the form below and submit with your \$15 payment (for promotion and signage) by Monday, May 27. **Make checks payable to ACLPOA, and mail to:**

ACL Community Garage Sale, 14A157 Canyon Club Dr.,
Apple River, IL 61001

NOTE: Registrations submitted after 3:00pm, Monday, May 27 will NOI make it on the map or listing.

29th Annual Community Garage Sales
Saturday, June 1, 2024
8:00am – 2:00pm

Name: _____
Full Address (not just lot #): _____
Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____
Include a list of items of interest for us to include on the handouts. Please print clearly & keep your listing under 35 words.

Laminated garage sale signs will be available to registrants as early as May 1. For better exposure, place signs at the perimeter road too, as well as the intersections leading to your home, so shoppers can find you. You are welcome to take additional maps for shoppers who come to your home before getting to the Association Office.

*Please be conscientious and remove all signs by Sunday evening.
Keep costs down for next year by returning your laminated signs to the office for re-use!*



14A157 CANYON CLUB DRIVE
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Fall Craft Fair
Sunday, September 1, 2024, 10:00am – 4:00pm

Inside Space: \$75 (6' x 10') **Outside Space: \$50 (10' x 14')** **Food Truck Vendor: \$75**
Please join us for our Fall Craft Fair on Sunday, September 1! We hope you can be a part of it. Please see the details below and submit your application soon.

We are not able to guarantee specific spaces; all booths will be assigned. A map will be located at the entry to the parking lot for **outside spaces**; **indoor spaces** will be marked with vendor's name. **Only 12 indoor spaces are available. A limited number of tables are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Tables are \$10 each and are for inside booths only. Requesting a table will not necessarily guarantee you one. Registration and fee must be received by Sunday, August 25** for promotional purposes. No stakes are allowed at outside booths; please use pop-up awnings/tents.

All vendors (indoor, outdoor & food truck) **must submit a \$15 quality item (one for each space booked)** for the raffle. Items for the raffle must be listed on the registration form. These items must be tagged and placed on the designated table no later than 9:00am on Sunday morning, September 1. *The Clubhouse will be open from 2:00 – 4:00pm on Saturday, August 31 and by 7:00am Sunday, September 1 for set-up. The Clubhouse is locked promptly at 4:00pm on Saturday.*
No outdoor setups on Saturday permitted. See reverse side for FAQs.

Please complete this registration form, make checks payable to ACLPOA and mail to:
ACLPOA, 14A157 Canyon Club Dr., Apple River IL 61001. *All registration fees are non-refundable.*
For further information, or additional forms for your friends, please contact:
The Recreation Department at recreation@applecanyonlake.org or call (815) 492-2769.

SUBMIT BOTTOM PORTION ONLY - KEEP TOP FOR IMPORTANT FAQs (more on back)

Fall Craft Fair
Sunday, September 1, 2024, 10:00am – 4:00pm

Name: _____ Phone: _____
Address: _____
Email Address: (This is how we will contact you, send your confirmation, and set-up information for next year's show.) _____

Craft Description: _____
Item for Raffle: Minimum \$15 (per booth) value _____
Circle one: Inside - \$75 **Outside - \$50** **Food Truck - \$75**
of Outdoor Spaces Requested: _____
Table Requested at \$10? **Circle one: YES NO**
Total Amount Paid: \$ _____ Check #: _____

ACL GARDEN CLUB



It will sure "bee" sweet to see you at the
ACL Garden Club
Spring Luncheon
Friday, May 17, 2024
11:30 am - 2:00 pm
ACL Clubhouse
Please "bee" kind, and bring a dish to pass.
"Bee" nice and RSVP to:
 luanndimonte@gmail.com
 or 815-685-5906 by: 5/3/24

Get Involved

It's so hard to believe that Spring is right around the corner. The Garden Club friends are busy getting ready for their 2024 events. We want to let the ACL Community know how to get involved with the Apple Canyon Lake Garden Club. Your time, talent, and interests are embraced in this wonderful and fun club. Some of us are not gardeners but enjoy the beauty all around us at ACL including the common areas that enhance our surroundings. You can help maintain and plant the common areas of ACL on the Islanders Committee. Some of us enjoy planning trips or events, you could be our field trip coordinator and plan some local fun field trips for a group of us to attend. Last year, we enjoyed wonderful events at local Clara Joyce Flowers and Quad Cities Greenhouses. Other individuals love teaching children about nature, flowers, trees and birds. Our Children's Garden committee plans two events each year and has a beautiful garden near the ACL pool. If you love taking photos of nature, you can post them on the Garden Club social media page. You can get involved as little or as much as you desire.

Below is a calendar of planned 2024 events. In addition, we will organize a few field trips, home garden walks, floral demonstrations or other events that come up this year. While our goal for the Garden Club is education for our members, children, grandchildren and the community; we also love learning, growing and experiencing new opportunities together as a group.

For current Garden Club members, if you have been enjoying your time in the sun out-of-town or haven't had a chance to pay your 2024 dues, please send your \$20 to our treasurer, Rosemary Pope, 7A100 Warrior Court, Apple River, IL 61001 or Venmo to Kathy Rogers at @Kathy-Rogers-65 at your earliest convenience. If you are interested in learning more about joining the Garden Club, please contact Kathy Rogers at katnkev1984@gmail.com.

Garden Club of Apple Canyon Lake 2024 Calendar of Events

- Friday, May 17 ■ 11:30 am ■ Spring Luncheon ■ ACL Clubhouse
- Sunday, May 27 ■ 8:00 am - Noon ■ Plant Sale ■ Clubhouse Exterior
- Saturday, June 29 ■ 10:00 am - Noon ■ Bee Happy ■ Children's Garden Event
- Dubuque Arboretum & Botanical Gardens ■ Dubuque, Iowa ■ Summer Field Trip ■ (Date TBD)
- Friday, October 4 ■ 11:30 am ■ Fall Luncheon ■ ACL Clubhouse
- Saturday, October 5 ■ 10:00 am ■ Noon ■ Fall Festival Children's Garden Event
- Edwards Apple Orchard ■ West Winnebago, IL ■ Fall Field Trip ■ (Date TBD)

Brambles: From Raspberries to Blackberries

Join University of Illinois Extension as they kick off their Spring Break Gardening Series with "Brambles: From Raspberries to Blackberries" on Thursday, March 21, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. This program is being held at the Jo Daviess County Extension Office, 204 N. Vine St. Elizabeth, IL 61028. This program is being offered free of charge, but pre-registration is requested. To register or for more information call the Jo Daviess County Extension Office at 815-858-2273 or visit us online at go.illinois.edu/jsw.

Raspberries and blackberries can be an essential small fruit to grow when you have limited space. With management and selection, you can have a patch consistently producing for you each year. This course will provide you with information on selection, pruning, general management, and integrated pest management. Illinois Extension Local Foods and Small Farms Educator, Grant McCarty will delve into all these topics and more.

Other programs in the series include: Spring Flower Arranging, Native Shrubs, Herb Planters, and Vining Through Pumpkin Production. Look for more information coming soon on these programs, or give us a call at 815-858-2273 or visit us online at go.illinois.edu/jsw.

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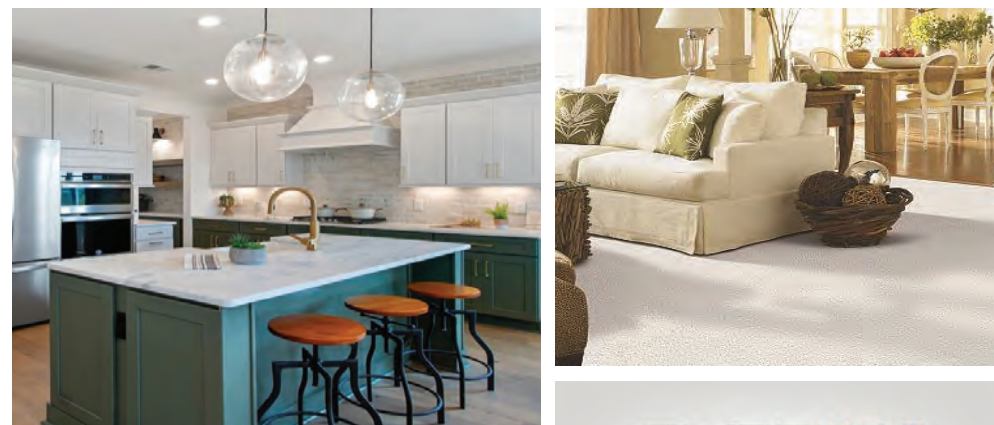
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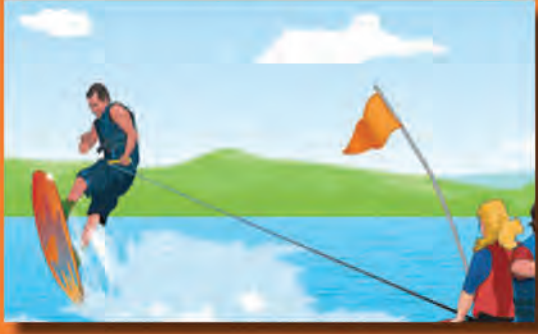
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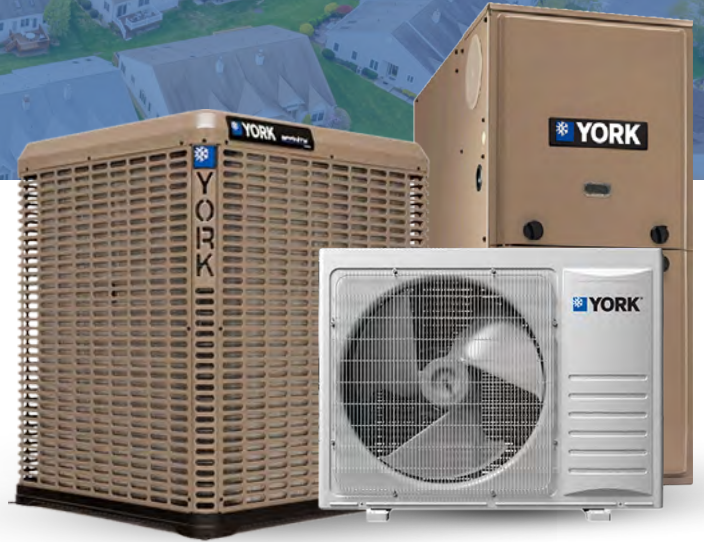
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NOTES FROM NATURAL RESOURCES

TYLER HESSELBACHER, *Natural Resource Manager*

While the winter is still hanging around, warmer weather is coming, don't worry. The snow will soon be melting, and warm breezes will sweep across the lake. Grasses will start to green and grow, along with nature's first sign of spring, spring ephemerals. These early but short-lived flowers give the signal that we can see the finish line for winter and can get ready for the spring season to begin.

These tough little flowers know exactly what to do when they feel the warm breeze of spring. With not much time to flower and produce seed, these flowers need to act quick before the rest of the plants start to wake up from their slumber. They will be the first to bloom and attract any pollinators in the area, including ants. However, since these flowers are early bloomers and some April's experience winter chills, they may not have much help from our favorite pollinator, the bumble bee.

Spring ephemerals tend to stay in the more wooded and forested areas, where they can enjoy the moist and nutrient rich soil. Though this is not always the case, there are ephemerals that live in more arid environments or even areas that are usually flooded. An ephemeral is a plant that spends most of its time in a dormant state until the right conditions come along. That is why they are called spring ephemerals; they know that winter is leaving but that summer is still a few months away.

However, spring ephemerals can have trouble getting a foot hold in the environment. They tend to be in small colonies since the pollinators at this time of year tend to stay in the general area as well. Many of them may resemble a blanket or small pockets along the wooded areas and forest floors. This gives a sight to see, but if they are removed or severely damaged, they may take years to reestablish. If you are lucky enough to find an area that has been undisturbed for many years, you will find a beautiful mosaic of these blooms stretching across the landscape.

For those of you that are out and about this spring, here are some popular ones to keep an eye out for.



Virginia Bluebell



Dutchman's Breeches



Bloodroot



Wood Anemones

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Fish Location Count!

TYLER HESSELBACHER, *Natural Resource Manager*

This year I am trying to help our fishery by gathering data on where fish are being caught, but I need your help. This data will help me identify different areas where our fishery is flourishing and others that need our assistance. However, this data will not be published to help keep some of your favorite fishing areas a secret. This is all on a voluntary basis, so by all means if you do not want to participate that is fine, but if you do please send a picture of the fish caught and a general location to naturalresources@applecanyonlake.org. The location noted can be as simple as "We caught this catfish in Washington Cove" or as specific as "This hefty muskie was caught near dock 1-96." I look forward to reading all the fish tales this year. Happy fishing!

Pasture Management: Recovering from 2023

"Pasture Management: Recovering from 2023," hosted by the University of Illinois Extension, will focus on recovering from the 2023 growing season drought and short forage supply in three evening sessions. The sessions are intended to build upon each other by looking at options and management practices to make the most of existing resources, consider overlooked resources, and build future forage resources. The sessions will be held on consecutive Tuesday nights, March 12, 19, and 26, starting at 6:30 pm each evening at the Lena Community Center, 497 Lions Drive, Lena, IL.

The Pasture Management series is designed to help experienced and new livestock managers define a successful path forward. The focus of the individual 1.5-hour sessions will be:

- **March 12: Pasture Options and Economics:** Bill Halfman and Jay Solomon will kick the series off with presentations and discussion on evaluating current situations, forage options, and management opportunities. With an eye on short term economics and long-term success, they will share ideas and tools to help livestock owners to better evaluate the current situation and consider options to help meet the immediate forage needs. Bill Halfman brings a focus on the cost and benefit considerations based on his experience of working with individual producers. This will be a chance to step back and think about: Are you putting all the options on the table?
- **March 19: Pasture Recovery and Weed Control:** The second night will focus on making the most of existing pastures. Managing pastures for recovery from a dry year can be challenging. There are questions and decisions to be made: Do you overseed the pasture? When should you turn the animal back out on to the pasture? Do you do a complete renovation? Have or will weeds take over? How to manage the weed pressure? Sarah and Kathryn will be delving into these and other issues.
- **March 26: Keeping the Pasture Working:** Travis Meteer and Jay Solomon will bring all the concepts presented together into a plan to maximize pasture production/ forage availability throughout the year. Active pasture management and incorporating other forage supplies can help ensure adequate feed supply even during tough years. Travis will discuss the forage quality and quantity needs of the animals during different life stages. Jay will discuss how to physically accomplish better pasture management and rotations with low inputs for internal fencing and water systems.

"Regionally, we have trended dry to moderate drought for much of the last three years. These long-term dry conditions have negatively impacted forage production in pasture and hayfields," commented Jay Solomon, Illinois Extension Natural Resources, Environment, and Energy Educator. Fall and winter rains and snow have brought sufficient moisture to mitigate the surface drought conditions experienced during the 2023 growing season, as indicated on the recent Midwest Drought Monitor map. Has this been enough to recharge the surface groundwater tables? Will the timely rains continue into the 2024 growing season? While those questions can't be definitively answered at this point, now is the time to start planning for sufficient forage and feed supply to carry our livestock through the year.

To register or for more information, call (815) 858-2273 or visit us online at go.illinois.edu/jsw; registration is required to attend. If you need a reasonable accommodation to attend this program please call the Jo Daviess County Extension Office at (815) 858-2273. Early request are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time to meet your needs.

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March 29th & 30th

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ACL BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATES



DAVID ALLGOOD

Tell us about yourself; i.e. family, hobbies, etc. I'm a father of four and grandfather of thirteen. Currently working at AAR as an inspector working with United Airlines. Education: Westminster College, Rock Valley College, McHenry County College
Public service: Trustee for Lake Carroll Planning and zoning commissioner, Poplar Grove, Trustee village of Poplar Grove Chairman Apple Canyon Legal Commission Chairman Apple Canyon AECC

Why are you interested in becoming a Board member? I'm interested in becoming a board member so I can share my knowledge and experience to help strengthen the foundation of our community.

Have you served on any other committees or boards? Please explain. I've had the pleasure of serving as a Planning and Zoning Commissioner and as a Trustee for a municipality. I have also served as a Trustee and on committees for another lake community. I have had the wonderful experience of working with our Legal Committee as the Chair and AECC as the Chair currently.

Explain how your background would benefit the Association. My background could help add a driving force to bring better transparency and logic to guide us, and help prepare for the future.

In your opinion, what are the most important issues facing ACLPOA? The biggest issues we are facing right now are commutation and consistency.

Which capital projects do you feel need to be addressed over the next three years? All the capital projects we have are important! We need to look at everything as a whole and set priorities. You can't focus on some or just part. Even the small projects have a big impact.



JOHN ANDERSON

Tell us about yourself; i.e. family, hobbies, etc. I am 61 years old, and I reside in North Aurora, IL. I am married with a wife, four children, and four grandchildren. I am a business owner of A Touch of Glass & Mirror for residential and commercial needs in Chicago and the western suburbs. I've worked in the glass industry for over 45 years, and I've owned my own business for over 20 years. I love sports, especially baseball, Go Cubbies. I have played and coached my own softball team for over 30 years in Aurora, IL where I am a dedicated member at Aurora Turners Club. My wife, Michele, and I enjoy travelling together, riding our boat out on the lake in the summer, attending Chicago sporting events, golfing on the weekends, and spending time here at ACL in the summer with family and friends. I am a natural born leader, and I enjoy working with others. I put others first and a down-to-earth man. I have enjoyed being on the ACL Board for the last few years, and I hope I can hold my position to help to continue to impact this community positively.

Why are you interested in becoming a Board Member? I have thoroughly enjoyed serving on this board for the last few years. While not all the projects are completed, I want to be able to continue to see through on some of the community-changing projects the board and I have in mind. I have appreciated being a part of this board, attending meetings, and helping to guide this community in a positive direction. I have also spent the last three years getting not only myself but my family involved in many ACL events such as The Ice Cream Social, Summer Kick-Off

Events, and 4th of July events to name a few.

Have you ever served on other committees or boards? Please explain. As mentioned above, I have been on the ACL Board for the last few years, and I have been an integral part of the decision-making process on projects and change implemented here at Apple Canyon Lake. I have also served on the following committees at ACL: Reqs Commission, Golf Commission, Sports Commission, and AECC. I've enjoyed being a part of the ACL Board and being a part of the process to get the spillway underway (2024), tennis courts underway (2024), and an ice rink completed (2023).

Explain how your background would benefit the Board. I've owned my own business for over 45 years. I know how to effectively make decisions that impact a collective group of people. I've had experience with making cost effective decisions to help the bottom line of a business. I have experience in team-building, hiring, project management, decision making, amongst other things in my business. I have been a part of the ACL Board for the last few years, and it's been a great opportunity to get to know more residents, hear their thoughts, and bring that to monthly meetings to be a voice for the community on important decisions that need to be made.

In your opinion, what are the most important issues facing ACLPOA? -Owner Engagement: We still need to do better on hearing from the community in other outlets besides the Facebook page. I think sending out monthly newsletters via email in conjunction with the monthly newspaper with info straight from the board will be beneficial. I also want to work on getting surveys sent out to hear straight from the residents on concerns they may have, besides the use of social media. Once we get a GM in place, we need to ensure weekly or bi-weekly informational letters, emails, or posts on our website through the Apple Seed are sent out to residents. At the beginning of meetings, I would like owners to be able to address their comments and concerns so that the board can address them at the forefront.

-Owner Retention: There are still opportunities in keeping our residents up here at ACL. We have seen a lot of homes on the market, and I want to make sure that when new residents come in that they feel welcomed and can communicate openly with the board. With the implementation of a monthly newsletter, homeowners can also spread the word on land and property sales. We also can get better retention with our owners through engagement at our meetings and addressing their concerns at the start of meetings.

-Owner Rules & Regulations: We have seen some improvement on this in the last few years. I want to continue to bridge the gap between the board and homeowners on rules/regulations and fees for our community. We want to ensure that the new GM is in communication with the community as soon as possible. At this time, we are in the process of finalizing a candidate.

Which capital projects do you feel need to be addressed? I listed above some of the completed projects over the last few years, but there is still work left to be done. We still need to work on getting the back patio at the golf course enclosed. This is something that can be completed sooner rather than later now that we know that the golf course will be staying open. I would also like to look at the budget to address getting better internet service for the community if North Star ends up not being the best option. I would also like to ensure there is more communication sent out regarding the budget and projects on there. We also need to bring a focus on getting the new GM acclimated to the community. I would like the board to be in partnership with the new restaurant owners that is taking the space that is The Cove.



BOB BALLENGER

Tell us about yourself; i.e. family, hobbies, etc. My wife Cris and I like to boat on the lake and tow our 3 grandchildren behind the boat. I love to golf and do woodworking.

Why are you interested in becoming a Board member? I am currently the longest serving active Board member having served 15 years. I am committed to making ACL even better than it already was when I came here 22 years ago.

Have you served on any other committees or boards? I have served as Board Vice President and have been President twice. I am also currently the longest serving member of AECC. Over the past 15 years I have served on every standing commission and have also served on boards back home in Wheaton. Most recently serving as President of the DuPage Pastoral Counseling Center.

Explain how your background would benefit the Board. I was a teacher and school administrator for 35 years. I enjoy working with people.

In your opinion, what is the most important issue facing ACLPOA? I think inflation and much needed major projects have driven up our dues to the point that some owners are becoming discouraged. We need to be more financially conservative as we plan for future improvements. We made a major dent in our zebra mussel problem but we must not let our guard down and continue to fund and treat the zebra mussel infestation.

Which capital projects do you feel need to be addressed over the next three years? As previously stated, the zebra mussel infestation needs continued funding and treatment. Now that we have new Cove Restaurant operators we need to support them and improve the physical facility. The lay of the restaurant and bar are inadequate and need updating and need renovation.



NOLAN MULLEN

Tell us about yourself; i.e. family, hobbies, etc. I am a lifelong resident of JoDavies County and am the manager of a local wind farm. My wife Amanda and I are raising three children ages fourteen, ten, and eight. I started experiencing ACL in the early 90's as a kid and my wife and I became owners at ACL in 2012. We enjoy boating, swimming, and riding the UTV.

Why are you interested in becoming a Board member? I am finishing up my first term as a Board member and have served as your Board President for going on 2 years now. I believe the current Board has this association headed in a positive direction and would like to continue what we have started. I also have experience serving on other boards and I want to help make ACL the best place it can be for all its membership without losing sight of the mission statement.

Have you served on any other committees or boards? Please explain. Yes. I have served multiple terms on a village board of trustees and currently sit on our school's board of education as well as our local youth sports board.

Explain how your background would benefit the Board. My background as both a manager and a board member allow me to bring valuable experience in working within budgets, prioritizing projects, long range planning, complying with local & state regulations, etc. to the board. It is important that the members of the board are aware of

their revenue stream and make conscious financial decisions to ensure the preservation of the future of ACL.

In your opinion, what are the most important issues facing ACLPOA?

- Improving the quality of all aspects of the lake (ecosystem, flood mitigation, zebra mussels, dredging, weed control, etc.), the lake is the most important amenity.
- Maintain & improve the current amenities we already have.
- Keeping dues increases in check to reduce the number of lots that people are defaulting on annually.

Which capital projects do you feel need to be addressed over the next three years?

- Adding additional campsites and boat slips. Every year thousands of dollars in revenue are left on waiting lists.
- Contrary to some, I do not really have a huge list of capital projects I would like to see addressed just for the sake of spending money. I would like to prioritize any open items that have been on the plan for the previous years and look to work within the budget to complete those based on needs instead of wants.



MARA OKERMAN

Tell us about yourself; i.e. family, hobbies, etc. Hi! Thanks for giving me the chance to introduce myself. I'm a wife, a mom of two, and a high school science teacher. When I'm not in the classroom, I'm all about getting involved in my community and supporting causes that are important to me. I'm a big believer in making memories and building relationships, which is why I want to be more involved at Apple Canyon Lake. ACL is a place where families and friends can come together and create lifelong memories.

I'm also a huge fan of the outdoors. I've spent over 20 summers as a whitewater instructor and wilderness guide, and I can't wait to share that love of nature with my kids and the community here at the lake. My family and I chose Apple Canyon Lake because we wanted a place where we could make memories and enjoy the activities we love. I'm passionate about ensuring that future generations have the same opportunities, which is why I'm interested in joining the board.

Why are you interested in becoming a Board member? I'm really interested in becoming a board member because I want to be a part of ensuring that Apple Canyon Lake continues to flourish for generations to come. I truly believe in the importance of stability and growth within our community. Serving my community is a priority for me, and I see joining the board as a way to contribute to its well-being. Additionally, I'm passionate about creating spaces where people can come together to share in the enjoyment of life and create lasting memories. Being on the board would give me the opportunity to help foster these experiences and make our community an even better place to live.

Have you served on any other committees or boards? Please explain. I have been a member of multiple licensing boards and am most actively involved in my school community. Over the last two decades I have been a member of committees in both non-profit and public sectors. I'm currently involved as an elected official on a teacher board that helps facilitate communication, relationships and binding agreements between teachers, administration, the community and the Board of Education.

Explain how your background would benefit the Association. My background as an educator with a scientific and analytical mindset, coupled with a keen interest in numbers and finance, uniquely positions me to contribute to the association in several ways. As an educator, I am adept at breaking down complex concepts and facilitating

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understanding with my students, which will be invaluable in communicating important information to members of the association. My scientific background instills in me a commitment to evidence-based decision-making, ensuring that proposals and initiatives are thoroughly evaluated before implementation. Furthermore, my analytical skills enable me to scrutinize financial data and budgets critically, ensuring fiscal responsibility and effective resource allocation. I also have a multicultural background and a commitment to diversity from traveling extensively and living in other countries for a number of years. Overall, these multifaceted skill sets and broad thinking will greatly benefit the association in strategic planning, financial management, and fostering an inclusive community so all can create memories for a lifetime.

In your opinion, what are the most important issues facing ACLPOA?

Apple Canyon Lake is grappling with several pressing issues, ranging from environmental preservation, like the invasive zebra mussels infestation, to vital infrastructure projects such as the dam renovation. The sustainability of The Cove is a key concern; addressing the rising dues and fees effectively is crucial to maintaining affordability for residents. Budgeting and long-term planning are essential to ensure prudent financial management and strategic investment in the community's future. Amidst these challenges, the overarching goal remains constant: cultivating a vibrant and sustainable community where families can thrive and create cherished memories together. By addressing these issues collaboratively and with foresight, we can ensure that Apple Canyon Lake remains a beloved and resilient community.

Which capital projects do you feel need to be addressed over the next three years?

It's challenging for me to prioritize specific capital projects for the next three years because I believe in taking a balanced approach to addressing all the pressing issues, including potential ones that may come up unexpectedly. For instance, stopping the interventions being done to tackle the spread of zebra mussels could result in significant damage to our members' and association property. A failure to address dam maintenance could jeopardize the existence of our lake altogether. Additionally, the increasing cost of living presents a widespread challenge for everyone in our community and we want to have a budget that is affordable for our members. I also look forward to the chance to discuss some smaller projects that are not yet on the table (like a viewing platform for the waterfall to increase safety or a water slide at the beach) but I need time to learn and understand where some of my ideas fit in the grand scheme of the needs of ACL as a whole.

Although there are urgent matters that require immediate attention, I believe in taking a proactive stance to address as many issues as possible while simultaneously working to prevent any current challenges from escalating into emergencies.



SUZYN PRICE

Tell us about yourself; i.e. family, hobbies, etc.

I am a lifelong Illinois resident, born in Normal, raised in Evanston, educated in Carbondale, raised my family in Naperville, and retiring in Apple River. I spent my professional career in social services and education, working to generate resources and build policy infrastructure to support, over the course of my career, houseless populations, ex-offenders, pregnant and parenting teens, early learners and academically talented high school students.

My husband Derke and I met and married in Evanston and lived for bit in Chicago before moving to his hometown, Naperville, where we raised our two kids, who are now adults, our eldest in Chicago and our youngest in Oregon.

Why are you interested in becoming a Board member? I believe in the role of Board in reflecting the values and interests of the community

Have you served on any other committees or boards? Please explain. I served on the Board of Education for Naperville 203 for 13 years, a local government elected position, as well as on the board of my professional association, Association of Fundraising Professionals, and local community social service organizations. In District 203 we undertook several large projects when I was on the Board, including successful operating and building referenda, new construction and extensive reconstruction on a high school and several elementary school buildings.

Explain how your background would benefit the Association. My professional experience is in community building and resource development, skills that translate well to the role in a community association. My volunteer elected position on a board of education gave me extensive experience in collaborating with diverse communities with diverse needs to accomplish ambitious goals for students and the district as a whole. These skills translate well to appreciating the diverse expectations of our membership.

In your opinion, what are the most important issues facing ACLPOA?

- Effectively managing the resources, the lake and lands, of our community
- Ensuring a safe and accessible area
- Recruiting and supporting staff leadership
- Boosting communication with membership, both in method and substance

Which capital projects do you feel need to be addressed over the next three years?

- Continuing the flood mitigation efforts and athletic court as needed

- Explore capital projects that would increase recreational capacity that also provides additional opportunities for revenue.
- But it seems that capital projects currently underway are headed for successful completion, and as of writing this in mid-February there's a vendor to take over the Cove and finalists for the GM, which are big priorities to accomplish. While I would certainly entertain necessary projects, perhaps taking time to build reserves and our relationships with applicable public funding agencies to help us with future projects.



MIKE WARD

Tell us about yourself; i.e. family, hobbies, etc.

My name is Mike Ward (12-229 Jefferson Ct - Presidential Cove). I have been married to my wife Terri for 43 years. We have 2 children (Cody & Chelsea) and 5 grandchildren. We are originally from Michigan and have lived in several states throughout the Midwest. We have been in Illinois (Chicagoland area) for 33 years. We have been ACL property owners for over 25 years and a permanent resident for 3 years. I love to water ski, play ice hockey, fly drones, read, travel, listen to music, and do special projects. Prior to becoming a permanent resident at ACL, we would come out almost every weekend and holiday. Over the past 3 years we have explored the area in a whole new way: finding new towns to visit, meeting new people, volunteering, and spending more time enjoying the beauty of the area. My wife is retired and is on the Garden Club, utilizing her gifts and spending time with friends.

Why are you interested in becoming a Board member?

I love ACL and want to help make it all it can be by giving back any way that I can. Based on my experience and background (shared in #4), I believe that I can contribute in a significant way. I most recently co-lead the Cove Ad-Hoc Committee to have the Cove, Pro Shop, and Marina operated by the Association and would like to contribute in other ways. As a part-time and permanent resident for 25+ years, I feel that I can represent the ACL Property Owners very well, looking out for their best interest as well as the overall Association. I strongly feel that the Board needs more members that will listen to the property owners and implement best practices for operating ACL.

Have you served on any other committees or boards? Please explain.

I have been on dozens of committees that span from non-for-profits to multi-billion dollar organizations. This includes Churches, NFP's, start-up companies, cross-functional committees, and many other organizations. I understand the role of committees & boards and can provide a practical perspective on issues that will

drive the values, health, safety, welfare and enjoyment of the community. Although this is a volunteer role, it is vital that Board Members understand that it is an elected position and the needs of the Property Owners are top priority.

Explain how your background would benefit the Association.

I have an Engineering Degree (Michigan State University) and an MBA (University of Dayton). I have held many positions including CEO, president, head of sales, director of marketing, director of talent management (HR), chief revenue officer, and individual contributor. My strengths are strategy, systems, processes, technology, talent management and leadership. I have worked in many industries, with very large organizations and have founded several organizations, including an NFP, software company, construction company, and two restaurants. My background lends itself to the healthy growth of an organization, focused on results that support the vision and mission of the organization. My engineering, construction, and technical knowledge are also relevant to this role. For more information about Mike, please go to <https://mikeward58.wixsite.com/mikeward>

In your opinion, what are the most important issues facing ACLPOA?

- The voice of Property Owners needs to be heard!
- The Cove, Pro Shop, and Marina - financially & operationally
- Lake Preservation & Health, including the dam
- Fiscal Responsibility - budget management and impact on dues
- Covenant Compliance - relevant, fair and consistent
- Growth Management - both short-term and long-term
- Leverage Expertise outside of the BOD & Committees
- Better Communication (the truth) to ACL Property Owners

Which capital projects do you feel need to be addressed over the next three years?

- ACL Lake - health and surrounding property improvement. The condition of the lake and green space is top priority for ACL members. This includes weed control, better drainage by the dam and other areas that wash out regularly, and general landscaping.
- The Dam - need to explore all the options, costs and risks related to flood mitigation.
- Facility improvement - some of our facilities (the Clubhouse in particular) are starting to look run down and require some upgrades.
- The Cove, Pro Shop, and Marina - need to re-vitalized and operated much more effectively and efficiently. These are our second most important assets behind the lake and require an investment in the facilities and personnel. We cannot give up on the option to operate ourselves - the Food & Beverage Committee has proven that The Cove can be a great amenity and profitable.

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COMMUNICATION CONNECTIONS

BY TIM BROKL, *Communication Manager*

It's March, which means spring is just around the corner. I am sure all our members are just eager to take to the trails, hit the green, and get out on the lake next month, me included!

SERVICE DIRECTORY: This month, the department is hard at work putting together the 2024 Business "Service" Directory. We appreciate all the businesses that advertise in this handy booklet. It is a great resource for our owners to refer to when looking for goods and services in the area. Currently, the directory is on track to be completed and mailed to our owners by April 1.

REGISTRATIONS OPEN: Looking ahead, several event registrations are now open! Garage Sale and Craft Fair registration forms are available, as well as Trail Trekker 5K for a Cause registration and sponsorship forms. Rumble & Roll Ball Race Tickets are also now on sale at the Association Office and online at www.applecanyonlake.org! Don't wait to start planning your summer at ACL!

EASTER EGG HUNT: After many requests, the ACL Pro Shop staff will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt outside of the Pro Shop and on hole #1 of the Golf Course on Sunday, March 24th. Registration/Check-In will open at 10:00am and the Hunt will begin at 10:30am. The forecast has still not changed since December, and the week leading up to the hunt is calling for several days of rain and low temperatures. However, the forecast for the day of the hunt does show a clear sunny day with a low of 22 and a high of 38. Fingers crossed, that the forecast changes and we have a dry course and warm weather for kids to hunt on. There is no rain date for this event, so please watch the Apple Canyon Lake Golf Course Facebook page at Facebook.com/AppleCanyonLakeGolfCourse for updates, including possible cancellation leading up to the event.

SOCIAL CLUB: Lastly, I am excited to announce a new Social Club coming to Apple Canyon Lake! Member Leah Holt has taken charge in the creation of the Apple Canyon Lake Social Club! Members can look for to meeting and mingling with other members over fun games such as: Trivia Nights, Casino Night, Murder Mysteries and more!

The Social Club will meet on the 4th Wednesday of the month beginning in March. Some nights will be held at the Pro Shop, and some will be held at the Clubhouse, so watch for details each month on where the club will meet and what activities they have planned. Their first gathering will feature Trivia Night and will be held at the ACL Pro Shop on Wednesday, March 27 from 6:30 to 8:30pm. For more information on the club, to join, or to assist with planning contact Leah Holt at (815) 415-1113.




Join us each month at the Clubhouse or Pro Shop for Trivia Nights, Murder Mysteries, "Casino" Nights, Board Game Nights, & More!

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GALENA, IL— Turner Hall in Galena was packed on Wednesday, January 31 with participants ready to bid quarters to win prizes. The event raised over \$6,400 for the Midwest Medical Center Auxiliary Foundation—funds that will be used on projects at the hospital or senior care to benefit patients and residents.

“Thank you to all the businesses and Auxiliary members who attended, participated, donated auction items, set up, tore down, worked the event, baked and assembled cookies, donated snacks, and in any way helped make the 25-Cent Event a success. Your support for the Midwest Medical Center Auxiliary is very much appreciated,” said Connie Wiene, event coordinator.

Wiene shared that 173 bidding paddles were sold and more than 60 rounds of auctioning was done with one, two, or three items per round. Participants purchased a bidding paddle for \$20 and then contributed the set “bidding price” of one, two, or three quarters for each item presented. To win, the participant’s paddle number would need to be drawn randomly, and the participant would have had to bid on the item.

The Midwest Medical Center Auxiliary is comprised of more than 100 volunteers who meet the first Tuesday of every month, except in the summer. The group organizes fundraising events, operates the gift shop, and helps with other tasks for the hospital

and Senior Care. The Auxiliary sponsors fundraising activities that enable the Auxiliary to donate items that directly enhance patient care to various departments. Fundraising events include the annual Tree of Love Event, Dinner Events, Gift Basket Raffles, and Bake Sales. The Auxiliary is currently selling tickets for a Basketball Brackets Sweepstakes through the first week of March.

If you would like to learn more about the Midwest Medical Center Auxiliary or become a member, please visit: www.MMCGalena.org/Auxiliary.

Midwest Medical Center is a not-for-profit Illinois Critical Access Hospital. It serves the communities in northwestern Illinois, southwestern Wisconsin, and eastern Iowa through its health clinics, hospital and emergency care, fitness and rehabilitation center, and senior care—assisted living and nursing home.

PHOTO CAPTION: The Midwest Medical Center Auxiliary Foundation hosted their second annual “25-Cent Event” at Galena’s historic Turner Hall on January 31. The group raised \$6,435 for projects to enhance patient care at Midwest Medical Center and Midwest Senior Care Community.

Members of Midwest Medical Center Auxiliary auctioned off donated items at the 25-Cent Event held at Turner Hall on January 31, left to right: Mary Bronson, Sharon Westenfelder, Connie Wiene, Sharon Hansen, Judy Jackson, Lynn Gaber, and Teresa White.



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Registration for the Northern Illinois 4-H Summer Camp 2024 is now open! The camp will be held from June 9-13, 2024, at Rock River Christian Camp, Polo, IL. This five-day, four-night residential camping experience is conducted cooperatively by University of Illinois Extension staff in Boone, Carroll, DeKalb, Jo Daviess, Lee, Ogle, Stephenson, Whiteside, and Winnebago Counties and the professional staff at RRCC.

4-H Camp is an excellent opportunity for children to have fun, make new friends, develop new skills, be physically active, and appreciate nature. It is more than just a week of fun; it allows children to create memories that they will carry with them through adulthood. 4-H camp teaches youth to make good decisions, build their self-confidence, become independent, and gain the ability to work well with others. These skills will help youth develop into strong adult leaders. In addition, 4-H camp counselors devote much of their personal time to ensure today’s campers have the same great experience they did as children.

Campers will check in from 6:00-6:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 9, 2024, and check out from 6:00-6:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 13, 2024. During camp week, youth will engage in a variety of activities designed to challenge, educate, and entertain. Two or three free-choice periods will be offered daily, including hiking, shooting sports, arts and crafts, crate stacking, team-building challenges, zip-lining, swimming, and more. Evening activities will be provided by the 4-H camp counselors and include campfires, a games night, and a dance. It is guaranteed to be a blast!

The camp is open to ALL boys and girls, ages 8-14 by June 9, 2024. 4-H membership is not required; however, all participants will be expected to comply with the same high behavior standards expected of 4-Hers. Youth need to be interested and excited to have a week of outdoor fun, away from television and technology. The cost is \$300 for 4-H members and \$320 for non-4-H members until March 1. After that date, the price goes up \$50.00. All camp fees must be paid in full by May 15, 2024. Download a camper application online at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/bdo/northern-illinois-4-h-camp> or you can register online at go.illinois.edu/4HSummerCamp. You may also call an office near you: Jo Daviess County at 815-858-2273; Stephenson County at 815-235-4125; Ogle County at 815-732-2191; or Whiteside County at 815-632-3611. Slots for boys' and girls' cabins will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity to change your child's life!

Plan Now to Attend!

Make your voice heard - Send in your ballots



ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE MEMBERSHIP

2024

Saturday, June 8
1:00pm



The Clubhouse
14A157 Canyon Club Dr.



Votes for Board of Directors candidates must be cast by **1:00pm on Saturday, June 8.**

Mailed ballots must arrive at the Association Office by **Friday, June 7.**

2024 RECREATION EVENT REGISTRATION FORMS



14A157 CANYON CLUB DRIVE
APPLE RIVER, IL 61001
OFFICE: 815.492.2238
FAX: 815.492.2160

Trail Trekker 5k

Run/Walk for a Cause
Saturday, July 27, 2024* - Start time 8:30am
*If extreme weather, postpone until Sunday, July 28



Our scenic course starts at the old firehouse, winds around Marina Trail to the Harold Bathum Walking Trail, follows Hell's Branch Creek, and returns the same way. (Marina & HBW Trail are not paved.) This is a fun run/walk; there is no timing. The registration fee includes a commemorative t-shirt.

We ask that you register early, as we cannot guarantee a t-shirt to registrants after Monday, July 1.
Registration Fees: \$25 ages 13 & over (\$30 after July 1)
\$15 kids 12 & under (\$25 after July 1)

Packet Pick Up: Friday, July 26, 8:00am - 3:00pm at the Association Clubhouse
14A157 Canyon Club Dr., Apple River, IL 61001 OR
Saturday, July 27, 7:30 - 8:20am

Check-in: Saturday, July 27, 7:30 - 8:20am Firehouse Fitness Parking Lot

Checks payable to ACLPOA. Mail registration & entry fee(s) to:
ACLPOA, 14A157 Canyon Club Dr., Apple River, IL 61001

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SUBMIT BOTTOM PORTION ONLY - KEEP TOP FOR IMPORTANT FAQs (more on back).

Trail Trekker 5k Run/Walk for a Cause
Saturday, July 27, 2024 - Start time 8:30am
One registration form per person.



Name: _____ Phone: _____
Lot #: _____ Address: _____
Email: _____
T-Shirt Size (circle one): Child — S M L Adult — S M L XL 2XL 3XL
Total Paid: \$ _____ Check #: _____

WAIVER: In consideration of being permitted to participate in this event, I hereby for myself, my heirs, and personal representatives assume any and all risks which might be associated with the event. I further waive, release, discharge and covenant not to sue ACLPOA, its officers, employees, sponsors, organizers, volunteers, or other representatives, or their successors and assigns, for any and all injuries or damage of any kind whatsoever suffered as a result of taking part in the event or related activities. I also agree to the use of any photo, film, or videotape of event for any purpose.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(Guardian's signature for participants under 18)



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Trail Trekker 5k Run/Walk for a Cause
Sponsorships



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What's Included:

- Your logo will appear on the back of the commemorative event t-shirts, and on a banner displayed at the event
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- With your sponsorship, you will receive two complimentary race entries, complete with commemorative event shirts and swag bags!

Golden Apple Sponsorship - \$250 (due July 1, 2024)

What's Included:

- Includes everything in the Red Apple Sponsorship + Your own booth/table space at the event and Sizzling Summer Concert that evening (must supply your own canopy/table).

Trail Trekker 5K for a Cause Donation - Any amount is appreciated and will go directly to support the American Cancer Society | Relay for Life

Prize Donations - If you have any item(s) that you would like to donate, please check here, and list the items for donation below:

Business Name: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Contact Person: _____ Email: _____
Check #: _____ Total: _____

For more information, please call (815) 492-2769.

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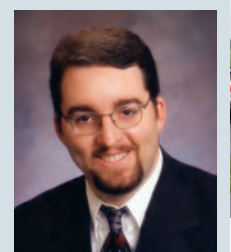
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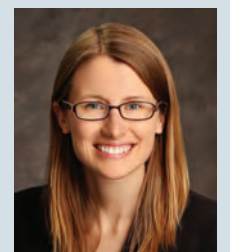
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Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays
9 – 10 am at the Firehouse Fitness Center

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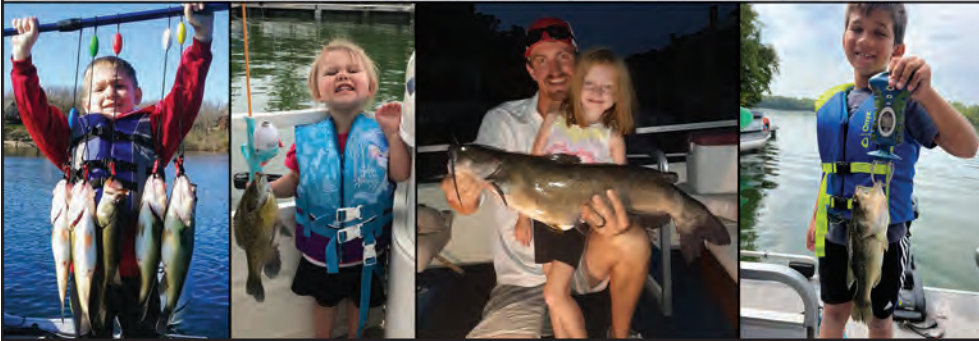
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EARTH DAY SPRING CLEANUP

HOSTED BY THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

SATURDAY, APRIL 20
AT NIXON BEACH 1:00PM

RAIN DATE: SUNDAY, APRIL 21 AT 9:00AM

ANNUAL PLANT SALE

MAY 26 | 8:00AM - 12:00PM

OUTSIDE OF THE CLUBHOUSE

Apple Canyon Lake

SUMMER Kick-off

SATURDAY, MAY 25
1:00 - 8:00 PM

Bands playing from
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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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COMMUNITY GARAGE SALES

Saturday, June 1 from 8:00am - 2:00pm
 Maps and listings will be available at the Association Office, information kiosk, or you can download a copy at: www.applecanyonlake.org by Wednesday, May 29. Check listings for special hours.

Are you having a sale?
 Pickup an application at the Association Office, or apply online at www.applecanyonlake.org. Applications must be received by 3:00pm Monday, May 27 to get your sale on the map & listing.

FARM FUN DAY

SATURDAY, June 22

CLUBHOUSE PARKING LOT
10:00AM - 1:00PM

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CATCH & RELEASE!

KIDS BLUEGILL TOURNAMENT

Saturday, July 13
8:30 - 10:30am
AT THE MARINA

\$10 ENTRY 17 & Under

www.applecanyonlake.org

Registration deadline is Thursday, July 11

Register on the ACL website, or fill out a form at the Association Office.

See tournament rules on the entry form.

All children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

Competitors must bring their own equipment. Fish baskets recommended.

TROPHIES AWARDED TO:
 1st - 3rd Largest Bluegill &
 1st - 3rd Most Caught (Total Weight)

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TT5K RUN/WALK FOR A CAUSE

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

PROFITS FROM THE TT5K WILL BENEFIT THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

SAT. JULY 27 CHECK-IN: 7:30 - 8:20AM
 START: 8:30AM

Registration Fee:
 13 & over \$25 (\$30 after July 1)
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