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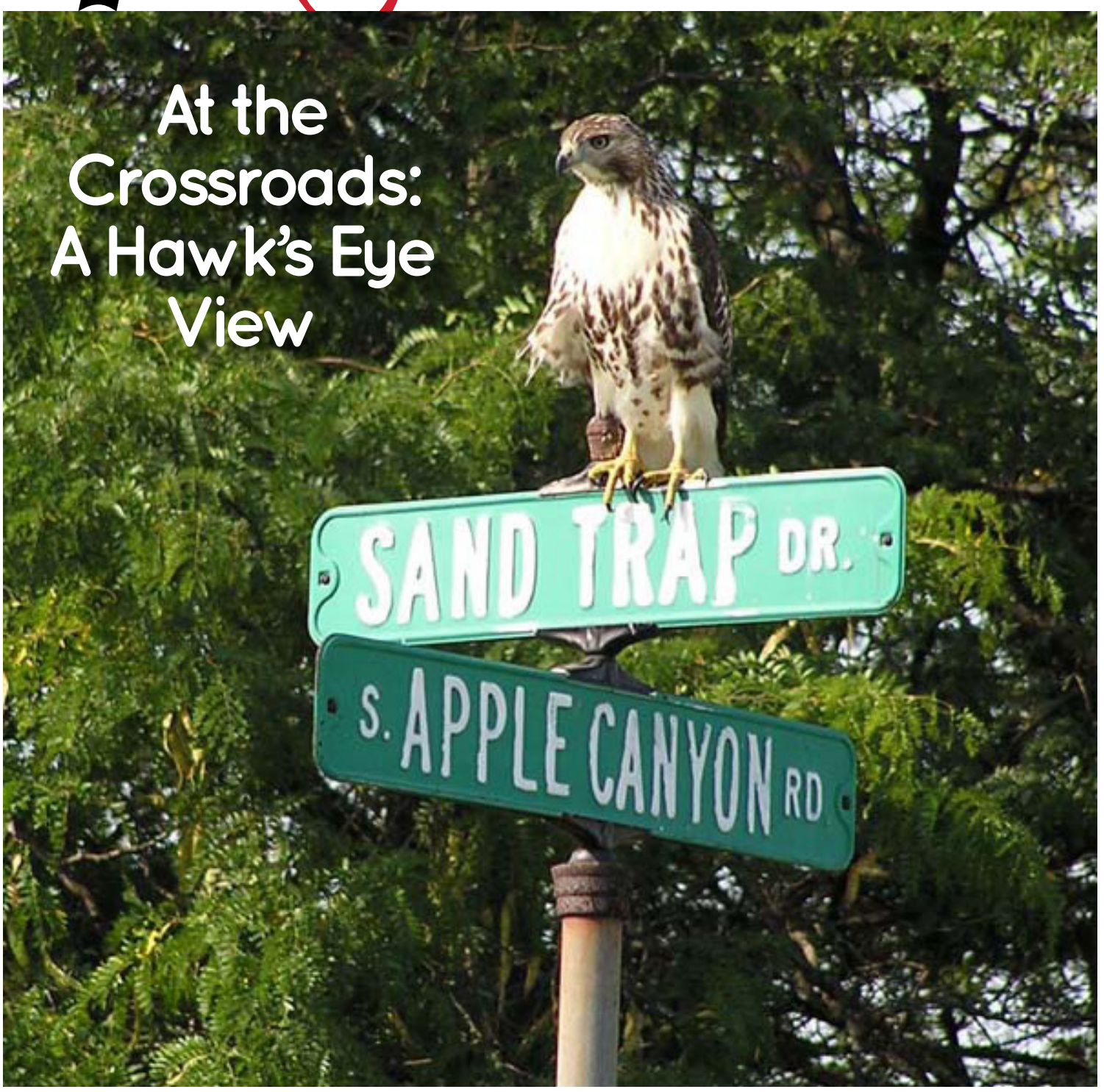
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SUBMIT YOUR QUESTIONS TO: APPLECORE@APPLECANYONLAKE.ORG BY 3PM ON APRIL 15, 2026

MEET THE CANDIDATES

RUNNING FOR ACL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Saturday, April 18th starting at 1pm in the ACL Clubhouse

Meet all the candidates at once and hear their thoughts and opinions regarding poressing issues at the Lake.

Candidate Bios and Photos are on pages 17 & 18 of this issue.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY NOLAN MULLEN

Happy Spring to Everyone!!!

In this month's message, I want to share with everyone the Boards vision for The Cove. It is a very important asset for our Association especially during the warm summer months. As most of you are aware, the Operators who were previously running The Cove decided to discontinue operations last October. Therefore, a team of Board Members began a search last Fall for a new Operator with a goal of re-opening The Cove in the Spring/Summer of this year. Numerous local restaurantuers were contacted and ACL advertised for Operators on the internet.

As a result of the search effort, several interested parties came forward. Discussions began and progressed to a very detailed level with at least two of the interested parties. ACL offered very favorable terms in the 2-year lease that was proposed to the potential Operators. Ultimately, and contrary to ACL wishes, the discussions did not proceed. In March of this year, despite continued search activities, ACL had no interested parties who wanted to lease The Cove.

One of the principal goals of the Board has been, and continues to be, to open The Cove in the Spring/Summer of this year. However, with no interested Operators to lease it , the Board has decided to change that strategy and begin to explore the concept of running The Cove ourselves. We will know more in the weeks ahead, but at the present time, the Board is making every effort to enable ACL to open and enjoy this important amenity as soon as practical.



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MESSAGE FROM THE GM

BY A.J. SCHUCHART

Over the past 30 days at Apple Canyon Lake, I've found myself continually inspired by the beauty of this property and grateful for the opportunity to come to work each day surrounded by a stunning lake view, meaningful projects, and truly wonderful people. It's been a rewarding first month, and there is already so much to celebrate.

Highlights from the Month

1. A supportive, dedicated team The staff has been incredibly welcoming and encouraging. It's energizing to work alongside people who pour their heart and soul into this organization, and I'm excited for what we'll accomplish together.
2. A healthier, more costeffective lake management plan For 2026, we've developed a new lake chemicals plan that reduces treatments for Zebra Mussels from two to one—each previously costing $25K. This is a major win for both the health of the lake and our longterm efforts to reduce Zebra Mussels while balancing ecological needs.
3. Significant savings on credit card fees We successfully renegotiated our credit card processing fees, resulting in meaningful cost reductions that will strengthen our budget in 2026 and beyond.
4. Progress on clubhouse audio upgrades As some of you may know, we have replaced the flooring and painted the ceiling. It looks great! We're moving forward with multiple bids for the clubhouse audio system improvements. Including assistance for those who have lost some of their hearing, I'm excited to bring these upgrades to life so future board meetings and events can start off on the right foot.
5. Welcoming back Kandi Swanson to lead the Pro Shop Kandi has agreed to return as Pro Shop Manager, and I'm looking forward to partnering with her to enhance profitability and deliver even more value to our community.

There are many more bright spots ahead, and I'm eager to continue learning, listening, and finding new ways to elevate the Apple Canyon Lake experience for everyone.

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: ACCEPTANCE OF MATERIAL

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.

The Editorial Review Committee shall consist of a member of the Board, who shall be the Chair; the General Manager, who shall be Vice-Chair; the Editor of The Apple Core, who shall be the Secretary; and such other members as the Board may appoint from time to time. This Committee shall prepare policies for the acceptance of material to be printed in The Apple Core, including, but not limited to, letters to the editor and policies for advertising material printed, which policies shall be submitted to the Board for approval annually.

The General Manager is responsible for having the paper produced. The Communications Director is the Editor. Any and all editorial material (copy other than paid advertising) must be submitted to the Editor's office.

The Editorial Review Committee will determine whether or not letters, advertising material or any other material submitted for publication should be rejected. If material is rejected, property owners will be notified and told cause of rejection.

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Letters from Property Owners are welcome.
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.

The following guidelines for treatment of letters have been adopted for the purpose of encouraging expression of views with the focus on discussion of issues not people. Publication of letters does not necessarily imply agreement or endorsement by the Association or the Board of Directors.

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- Letters must be in good taste. Those containing offensive or derogatory language, libelous statements or expressing personal grievances or conflicts will not be published.
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- Editorial comments will be limited to factual clarification or update on the matter at issue. No point of view will be expressed.

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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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5 EASTER	**6**	**7**	**8**	**9**	**10** Marina Opens, Weather Permitting	**11** Appeals (as needed) 8:30 am Kayak Locker Swap & Assignment Day 9 am Slip Assignment Day & Sub-License Slip Assignments 10 am
12 Buddy Bass Tournament	**13**	**14**	**15** TAX DAY Apple Core Deadline	**16**	**17**	**18** Board Meeting 9 am Meet The Candidates 1 pm
19	**20**	**21** Potluck 5:30 pm	**22** Building Permit Deadline	**23**	**24**	**25** Spring Clean-Up 9 am NEW TIME 10AM - NOON
26	**27**	**28**	**29**	**30**		

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 $125 Delinquent Dues Fee Assessed on Unpaid Assessments	**2** AECC 8 am May Day Auction 5 pm
3 Buddy Bass Tournament	**4**	**5**	**6**	**7**	**8**	**9** Appeals (as needed) 8:30 am
10 MOTHER'S DAY	**11**	**12**	**13**	**14**	**15** Apple Core Deadline Payment Plan Installment Withdrawn Garden Club Spring Luncheon 11:30 am	**16** Board Meeting 9 am
17	**18**	**19** Potluck 5:30 pm	**20**	**21**	**22**	**23** Summer Kick-Off 4 pm – 8 pm
24 Garden Club Annual Plant Sale 8 am – 12 pm Campground Commission Pancake Breakfast 8 am – 12 pm	**25** MEMORIAL DAY **Association Office Closed**	**26**	**27** Building Permit Deadline	**28**	**29**	**30** Pickleball Tournament
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MARCH POTLUCK IN THE CLUBHOUSE









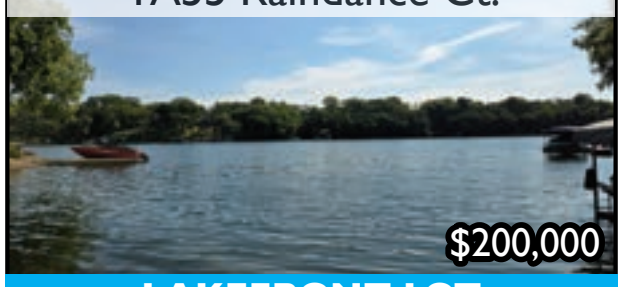


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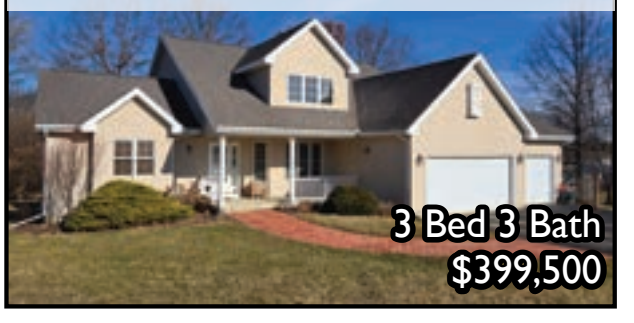
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MEETING MINUTES

Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2026

APPROVED

1.0 Call to Order

Meeting **called to order** by President Nolan Mullen at 6:07pm. Brian Holt in attendance as secretary. A quorum was present with the following Directors in attendance via Zoom: Nolan Mullen, Carmel Cottrell, Crystal Erdenberger, Brian Holt, Mark Kosco, and Mike Ward.

2.0 New Business

2.1. Approving the Hiring of a new General Manager for ACLPOA

Mark Kosco **moved to approve** the hiring of AJ Schuchart as General Manager, per the terms of the employment agreement, with a start date of Feb 16, 2026.

Seconded by Carmel Cottrell.

Motion carried unanimously.

3.0 Property Owner Comments

There were no comments from Property Owners.

4.0 Adjourn

Carmel Cottrell **moved to adjourn** at 6:09 pm.

Seconded by Mark Kosco.

Motion carried unanimously.

Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2026

APPROVED

1.0 Call to Order

Meeting **called to order** by President Nolan Mullen at 10:09 am. Brian Holt in attendance as secretary. Directors in attendance: Nolan Mullen (via Zoom), Bob Ballenger (via Zoom), Carmel Cottrell, Crystal Erdenberger (via Zoom), Brian Holt (via Zoom), Mark Kosco, Brett Livengood (via Zoom), and Mike Ward. General Manager AJ Schuchart was also present.

2.0 Executive Session

Mark Kosco **moved to proceed to executive session** made at 10:10 am. **Seconded** by Bob Ballenger.

3.0 Return to Open Session

Bob Ballenger **moved to return to open session** at 11:39 am. **Seconded** by Brian Holt.

Motion carried unanimously.

4.0 Pledge of Allegiance

After the Pledge of Allegiance, a quorum was present with the following Directors in attendance: Nolan Mullen (via Zoom), Bob Ballenger (via Zoom), Carmel Cottrell, Crystal Erdenberger (via Zoom), Brian Holt (via Zoom), Mark Kosco, Brett Livengood (via Zoom), and Mike Ward. General Manager AJ Schuchart was also present.

5.0 Cove Discussion

Mark Kosco **moved to direct the General Manager to hire an Executive Chef** for The Cove and the Pro Shop operations, to include back of house operations for both restaurants.

Seconded by Bob Ballenger.

Motion carried unanimously.

6.0 Property Owner Comments

The Board received comments from several property owners.

7.0 Adjourn

Mark Kosco **moved to adjourn** at 12:22. **Seconded** by Carmel Cottrell.

Motion carried unanimously.

2026 Board Meeting Dates

BOARD MEETINGS (3rd Saturday of each month) at 9:00 am in the Clubhouse.

- **APRIL 18**
- **MAY 16**
- **JUNE 20**
- **JULY 18**
- **AUGUST 15**
- **SEPTEMBER 19**
- **OCTOBER 17**
- **NOVEMBER 21**
- **DECEMBER 19**



Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
February 21, 2026

APPROVED

1.0 Call to Order

Meeting **called to order** by President Nolan Mullen at 8:00 am. Brian Holt in attendance as secretary via Zoom. All Directors were present. General Manager AJ Schuchart was also present.

2.0 Executive Session

Mark Kosco **moved to proceed to executive session** made at 8:01 am.

Seconded by Bob Ballenger.

Motion carried unanimously.

3.0 Return to Open Session

Mark Kosco **moved to return to open session** at 9:13 am.

Seconded by Carmel Cottrell.

Motion carried unanimously.

4.0 Pledge of Allegiance

After the Pledge of Allegiance, a quorum was present with the following Directors in attendance: Nolan Mullen, Bob Ballenger, Carmel Cottrell, Crystal Erdenberger, Brian Holt (via Zoom), Mark Kosco, Brett Livengood, Deb McNamee, and Mike Ward. General Manager AJ Schuchart was also present.

5.0 Committee/Commission Reports

AECC / Building Inspector

Joe Weiner reported on the work of the committee, including permits and fines issued by the committee.

Legal Commission

Carmel Cottrell reported the commission is working on final edits to the proposed updates to the governing documents, so the Board should expect to see the proposals in the coming months.

Maintenance Commission

Carmel Cottrell reported the commission canceled their February meeting and will next meet in March.

[redacted]

11.0 Unfinished Business

11.1. XII. Motorized Vehicles—Recreational: 2nd Reading

Carmel Cottrell **moved to approve** the updates to the Recreational Vehicle Rules & Regulations as recommended by the Rules and Regulations Commission.

Seconded by Crystal Erdenberger.

Motion fails 3–3–1.

12.0 New Business

12.1. XXIII. Rental Homes: 1st Reading

Mark Kosco **moved to suspend** Roberts Rules to discuss the proposal.

Seconded by Bob Ballenger.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed the proposed changes from the Rules & Regulations Commission.

Brian Holt **moved to reinstate** Roberts Rules.

Seconded by Carmel Cottrell.

Motion carried unanimously.

12.2. Watershed Plan: Update of 5–10 Year Goals

Crystal Erdenberger **moved to accept the recommendation of the Conservation Commission** to update the Watershed Plan as presented.

Seconded by Carmel Cottrell.

Motion carried unanimously.

12.3. Employment of Personnel: Hiring of a GM

No action was required.

12.4. Zebra Mussel RFP

Crystal Erdenberger **moved to accept the recommendation of the Conservation Commission** and **award the Zebra Mussel control contract to McCloud Aquatics** for a single early-season treatment at a cost of $19,450.

Seconded by Carmel Cottrell.

Motion carried unanimously.

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MEETING MINUTES

Strategic Long-Range Plan for 2026 Exhibit 1

CATEGORY (Subject)	VISION (Desired State)	LONG RANGE GOALS (5 Years)	STRATEGY (Path to Success)	ACTION PLAN * (GM Yearly Objectives)	%
Financial: Revenue Generation, Expense Management, Profitability, and Funding	**Property Owner's cost (dues & fees) are controlled by optimizing each amenity's financial contribution against the value it provides and via prudent spending.**	Retail amenities (Cove, Pro Shop, Golf, and Marina) are operating at a breakeven or better, providing a positive financial contribution to ACL finances.	*How to achieve vision and long range goals*	1.	4%
		Provide more fund raising events to build up designated funds to help finance (future) new projects.		2.	4%
		The Foundation is supported by the Board, GM & Property Owners and reaches their endowment goals.		3.	4%
		The campground is self-sustaining (e.g. pays for electrical usage) and continues to provide a positive finanical contribution.		4.	4%
		Provide incentives for lake front shore line preservation and maintenance.		5.	4%
Operations, Communication & Management: Resources, Systems, Processes, and Tools	**The ACL Community (Board of Directors, Staff, Commissions, Committess, Clubs, and Property Owners) work together and are accountable for all aspects of the ACLPOA operation, including resources, leadership, strategic planning, processes, systems, and tools.**	Board and GM collaborate with commissions/committees to establish, and review frequently, annual strategies & action plans that support the ACL Vision and Long-Range Goals.	*How to achieve vision and long range goals*	1.	4%
		All leaders, managers, and staff are trained, coached, and provided with the tools they need to succeed.		2.	4%
		Single POS system used by Golf/Pro Shop, Marina, Office, and Cove, for consistency, efficiency and analytics.		4.	4%
		Human Resources (Staff & Volunteers) are sized to meet ongoing needs and enable the GM/Board to focus on planning & strategizing and to drive community involvement.		5.	4%
Infrastructure Maintenance & Preservation: lake, land, roads, trails, and facilities	**The lake, land, roads, and trails are maintained and preserved, to optimize the beauty and health of ACL Property.**	Build and maintain walking trails and green paths to scenic spots to view the lake (e.g. clubhouse point, mud bog water crossing, spillway look out, etc.).	*How to achieve vision and long range goals*	1.	4%
		Add and maintain trails so that every section has easy access to the main trail without driving on the roads and/or in the greenway.		2.	4%
		Greenways are maintained on a schedule to reduce invasives and encourage native plants.		3.	4%
		Greenway is defined by geographical zones of ecosystem types (forest, oak savanna, and prairie) and preserved as much as possible, with minimal removal of 50' shoreline tree buffer.		4.	4%
		Execute existing Watershed Plan (separate document) to optimize lake health (fish, chemicals, nutrients, algae, weeds, zebra mussels, etc.).		5.	4%

CATEGORY (Subject)	VISION (Desired State)	LONG RANGE GOALS (5 Years)	STRATEGY (Path to Success)	ACTION PLAN * (GM Yearly Objectives)	%
Amenities & Services: financial & service evaluation and improvement	**Amenities are well maintained, updated, and improved to optimize property owner utilization, experience, and property value.**	Nixon Beach area is expanded, enhanced, and hosts more activities & events embraced by Property Owners.	*How to achieve vision and long range goals*	1.	4%
		Facilities, amenities & assets are routinely evaluated and the R&R (Replacement & Renovation) fund is fully funded, to be able to maintain them.		2.	4%
		Retail amenities (Cove, Pro Shop, Golf, and Marina) are managed efficiently and effectively to optimize service levels.		3.	4%
		Marine Services provides quality services, including: sales, maintenance, repair, winterization, and storage.		4.	4%
Growth & Property Owner Value: population control & property value	**Population (Property Owner's, Guests, Renters & Public) growth is controlled, to optimize demand for property and manage amenity capacity & enjoyment.**	Managed home growth to align with, and minimize the strain on, our existing infrastructure (roads, lake, trails, amenities, etc) and resources.	*How to achieve vision and long range goals*	1.	4%
		Implement enhanced security measures (e.g. electronic amenity tracking via Fob) to reduce non-owner authorized access.		2.	4%
		Tighter controls and regulations on RENTAL properties (limit the quantity & guests, members only, higher fees, amenity access, etc.) to reduce security resources.		3.	5%
Governance: rules, regulations, and compliance	**Compliant Rules & Reguations are established and enforced to protect property owners, and their guest, mitigating personal and property risks.**	Rules (including Greenway Program, trespassing, etc.) are enforced, fines are collected, and violation & appeal stats are published.	*How to achieve vision and long range goals*	1.	5%
		UTVs are allowed on road (lobby with township) to expand recreational usage and reduce ACLPOA's liability.		2.	5%
		Rules & Regs are updated, easy to understand, and fair, based on changing patterns (e.g. trail structure and vehicle types).		3.	5%

Note* - see GM Action Plan document for details

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TREASURER'S REPORT - JANUARY 2026

OPERATING FUND

	CURRENT MONTH ACTUAL	CURRENT MONTH BUDGET	CURRENT MONTH OVER/ (UNDER)	YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL	YEAR TO DATE BUDGET	YEAR TO DATE OVER/ (UNDER)	ANNUAL BUDGET
REVENUES	$ 714,588	765,796	$ (51,208)	$ 714,588	765,796	$ (51,208)	$ 4,799,390
EXPENSES	$ (280,304)	(341,230)	$ 60,926	$ (280,304)	(341,230)	$ 60,926	(4,933,528)
rior Year Surplus	-	-	-	-	-	-	134,458
INCOME (LOSS)	$ 434,284	424,566	$ 9,718	$ 434,284	424,566	$ 9,718	$ 320

Note1: Operating Income (Loss) is reflected before Depreciation.

DESIGNATED FUNDS 1/31/2026

Recreation	$ 11,157.28
Golf	12,793.79
Campground	5,834.56
Memorial Pavilion	4,265.87
Fireworks	4,672.67
Deer Mgmt	4,562.66
Trails	16.62
Security Donations	1,470.00
TOTAL	$ 44,773.45

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION BY FUND

ASSETS	Operating Fund	Capital Projects Fund	R&R Fund	COMBINED
CASH RESERVE ACCOUNTS	$ 1,009,444	-	1,105,495	$ 2,114,939
OTHER CASH	560,183	-	-	560,183
INVESTMENTS-Certificates of Deposit (CD's)	142,775	-	211,794	354,569
CASH AND INVESTMENTS	$ 1,712,402	-	1,317,289	$ 3,029,691
RECEIVABLES	2,226,444	700,000	621,117	3,547,561
INVENTORY and PREPAIDS	111,122	-	-	111,122
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS & INVESTMENTS	$ 4,049,968	700,000	1,938,406	$ 6,688,374
DUE FROM (TO) OTHER FUNDS	-	(956,727)	956,727	-
PROPERTY and EQUIPMENT, NET	6,810,896	-	152,161	6,963,057
TOTAL ASSETS	**$ 10,860,864**	**(256,727)**	**3,047,294**	**$ 13,651,431**
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE				
PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS	$ 322,517	-	-	$ 322,517
DEPOSITS - Refundable, incl Gift Certificates	28,420	-	-	28,420
DEFERRED INCOME	2,617,755	-	-	2,617,755
CONTRACT LIABILITY - CURRENT	16,500	-	1,169,987	1,186,487
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	$ 2,985,192	-	1,169,987	4,155,179
NONCURRENT CONTRACT LIABILITY	49,500	700,000	1,344,796	2,094,296
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$ 3,034,692	700,000	2,514,783	$ 6,249,475
FUND BALANCE	7,826,172	(956,727)	532,511	7,401,956
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE	**$ 10,860,864**	**(256,727)**	**3,047,294**	**$ 13,651,431**

OPERATING FUND - PROPERTY and EQUIPMENT DETAIL

DESCRIPTION	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Book Value
LAND & LAKE	$ 7,667,523	(3,577,592)	$ 4,089,931
BUILDINGS	4,275,917	(2,193,877)	2,082,040
MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT	2,259,410	(1,764,218)	495,192
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	322,041	(281,455)	40,586
VEHICLES	540,610	(503,463)	37,147
RIGHT OF USE ASSET	66,000	-	66,000
TOTALS	**$ 15,131,501**	**(8,320,605)**	**$ 6,810,896**



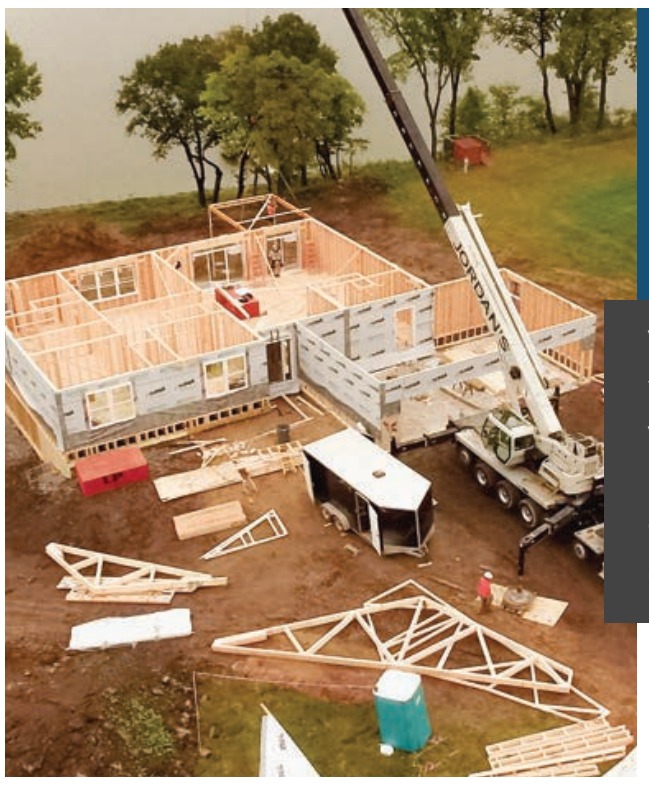
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REPLACEMENT & RENOVATION (R&R) FUND

	Month	Year To Date	Fiscal Year Budget *	Remaining Budget
BALANCE, Beginning	$ 1,348,562	$ 1,348,562		
INTEREST EARNED	3,472	3,472		
GRANTS		-		
ANNUAL ASSESSMENT	621,117	621,117		
LOANS FROM (TO) OTHER FUNDS	-	-		
AVAILABLE FUNDS, Beginning	**$ 1,973,151**	**$ 1,973,151**		
EXPENDITURES				
LAND & LAKE	$ 1,783	1,783	569,500	$ 567,717
BUILDING - MultiSC & Firehouse	21,754	21,754	55,000	$ 33,246
MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT	11,208	11,208	99,148	$ 87,940
VEHICLE	-	-	150,000	$ 150,000
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	-	-	-	$ -
PRIOR YEAR CARRYOVERS*	-	-	331,084	$ 331,084
	-	-	-	$ -
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**$ 34,745**	**$ 34,745**	**1,204,732**	**$ 1,169,987**
AVAILABLE FUNDS, Ending	**$ 1,938,406**	**$ 1,938,406**		

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

	Month	Year To Date
BALANCE, Beginning	$ -	$ -
INTEREST/GRANT EARNED	-	-
ANNUAL ASSESSMENT	700,000	700,000
LOANS FROM (TO) OTHER FUNDS	-	-
LOAN PAYDOWN	-	-
AVAILABLE FUNDS, Beginning	**$ 700,000**	**$ 700,000**
EXPENDITURES		
DREDGING	$ -	$ -
ENGINEERING - incl CMT	-	-
CONTRACTOR PAYMENTS	-	-
LAND IMPROVEMENT - Winchester Bay	-	-
BUILDING	-	-
SUPPLIES	-	-
OTHER	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$ -	$ -
AVAILABLE FUNDS, Ending	**$ 700,000**	**$ 700,000**



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

Sheehan, Tom ..... Chair
VanDerLeest, Roger ..... Vice Chair
Helgason, Janet ..... Secretary
Blackmore, Richard ..... Member
Petelle, Edie ..... Member

ARCHITECTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL COMMITTEE
(1st Sat. of each month, 8 am}

Frank, Jim ..... Chair
Ware, Bill ..... Secretary
Allgood, David ..... Member
Ballenger, Robert ..... Board Liaison
Holt, Brian ..... Board Liaison
Kosco, Mark ..... Board Liaison
McNamee, Deb ..... Board Liaison
Mullen, Nolan ..... Board Liaison
Rogers, Kevin ..... Member
Wiener, Joe ..... Staff

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
(3rd Sat. of each month, 9 am}

Mullen, Nolan ..... President
Kosco, Mark ..... Vice President
Erdenberger, Crystal ..... Treasurer
Holt, Brian ..... Secretary
Ballenger, Robert ..... Member
Cottrell, Carmel ..... Member
Livengood, Brett ..... Member
McNamee, Deb ..... Member
Ward, Mike ..... Member
Perry, Rhonda ..... Recording Secretary

BOARD POLICY AD HOC COMMISSIONS
(Meeting dates TBD}

Pratt, Laura ..... Chair & Secretary
Cottrell, Carmel ..... Member
Holt, Brian ..... Board Liaison
Kosco, Mark ..... Member

BUDGET/AUDIT COMMISSION
(Meeting dates TBD}

Erdenberger, Crystal .. Board Treasurer/Chair
Borst, Steve ..... Secretary
Brennan, Thomas ..... Member
Cottrell, Carmel ..... Member
Gouskos, Nick ..... Member
Harris, Mike ..... Interim GM
Kosco, Mark ..... Board Liaison
Livengood, Brett ..... Member
Malone, Steve ..... Member
Miller, Ashlee ..... Member
Nelson, Steve ..... Member
Witt, Mary ..... Member

CAMPGROUND COMMISSION
(Last Sat. of each month, April - Oct., 8:00 am}

Schaschwary, Rick ..... Chair
Szczypta, Chris ..... Vice Chair/Secretary
Bluhm, Mary ..... Member
Kohl, Sue ..... Member
Mullen, Nolan ..... Board Liaison
Smith, Candice ..... Member
Winter, Josh ..... Member

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
(2nd Sat. of each month, Feb. - Nov., 9:00 am}

Opyd, Pam ..... Chair
Parages, Melissa ..... Vice Chair
Marek, Angie ..... Secretary
Bourell, William ..... Member
Cammack, Mike ..... Member
Conley, Brian ..... Member
Doden, Henry ..... Member
Hannon, Gary ..... Member
Holt, Michael ..... Member
Johnson, Ken ..... Member
Kren, Barry ..... Member
Nelson, Steve ..... Member
Ward, Mike ..... Board Liaison
Wiener, Paula ..... Member
Hesselbacher, Tyler ..... Staff

DAM ADVISORY AD-HOC COMMISSION
(Meet as needed)

Rice, Jeff ..... Chair
Ballenger, Bob ..... Board Liaison
Cammack, Mike ..... Member
Diehl, John ..... Member
Kren, Barry ..... Member
Nelson, Steve ..... Member
Yorke, Mike ..... Member
Hesselbacher, Tyler ..... Staff
Jannssen, Julie ..... Staff
Schubert, Kirsten ..... Staff/Secretary
Ziarko, Ed ..... Staff

DEER MANAGEMENT COMMISSION
(Last Sat. of each month, April - Aug., 9:30 am}

Williams, Gordon ..... Chair
Mamlic, Dan ..... Vice Chair
Rees, Kim ..... Secretary
Beegle, Rob ..... Member
Bluhm, Ted ..... Member
Finley, Jack ..... Member
Gouskos, Nick ..... Member
Kosco, Mark ..... Board Liaison
Lutz, Al ..... Member
Schaschwary, Rick ..... Member
Spolum, Don ..... Member

EDITORIAL REVIEW COMMISSION
(Meet as needed)

Mullen, Nolan ..... Board Liaison/Chair
Schuchart, AJ ..... Vice Chair
Vandigo, Doug ..... Member
Ware, Jody ..... Member

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK AD HOC COMMISSION
(Meeting dates TBD}

Ware, Jody ..... Chair
Hannon, Gary ..... Vice Chair
Meusel, Sue ..... Secretary
Erdenberger, Crystal ..... Board Liaison
Janssen, Julie ..... Staff

GOLF COMMISSION
(2nd Tues. of each month, March-Oct., 1:30 pm}

Rice, Jeff ..... Acting Chair
Hewitt, Lori ..... Secretary
Buesing, Bob ..... Member
Fill, Mark ..... Member
Hannon, Mary ..... Member
Hewitt, Kevin ..... Member
Hively, Kristian ..... Member
Jenkins, Joseph ..... Member
Killeen, John ..... Member
Kosco, Mark ..... Board Liaison
Kren, Barry ..... Member
Stiefel, Terri ..... Staff

LAKE MONITORING COMMISSION
(Meeting dates TBD}

Clausen, Mark ..... Member
Hannon, Gary ..... Member
Greenlaw, Roger ..... Member
Kren, Barry ..... Member
McCabe, Doug ..... Member
Tribbey, Fern ..... Member
Tribbey, Steve ..... Member
Hesselbacher, Tyler ..... Staff

LEGAL COMMISSION
(Meeting dates TBD)

Doran, William ..... Chair
Smith, Kevin ..... Vice Chair
Conley, Sandra ..... Member
Cottrell, Carmel ..... Board Liaison
Cottrell, Sean ..... Member
Duddles, Jon ..... Member
Gonzalez, Ruben ..... Member
Holt, Brian ..... Member
Pratt, Laura ..... Member
Wilson, Austin ..... Member
Wooley, Charlene ..... Member

MAINTENANCE COMMISSION
(Last Thursday or each month, 3:00 pm}

Drogosz, George ..... Chair
Cottrell, Carmel ..... Board Liaison
Doden, Henry ..... Member
Reich, Ed ..... Member
Vandigo, Norman ..... Member
Ziarko, Ed ..... Staff

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
(Meeting dates TBD}

Yorke, Mike ..... Chair
Erdenberger, Crystal ..... Secretary
Bohnenkamp, Dave ..... Member
Jenkins, Joseph ..... Member
Livengood, Brett ..... Board Liaison
McDonald, Susan ..... Member
Tribbey, Steve ..... Member

RECREATION COMMISSION
(3rd Thurs. of each month, Jan. – Nov., 9:00 am}

Misichko, Emil ..... Chair
Killeen, LeAnne ..... Secretary
Borst, Steve ..... Member
Causero, Lee ..... Member
Conley, Sandra ..... Member
Hannon, Mary ..... Member
Holt, Leah ..... Member
Ward, Mike ..... Board Liaison

RULES & REGULATIONS COMMISSION
(1st Friday of each month, 10:00am}

Homb, Dave ..... Chair
Cook, Bob ..... Member
Holt, Brian ..... Board Liaison
Nyhuis, Jon ..... Member
Smith, Kevin ..... Member
Swedberg, Lynette ..... Member
Winter, Josh ..... Member
Anderson, Stacy ..... Staff
Janssen, Julie ..... Staff

SAFETY & EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMISSION
(Meeting dates TBD)

Cammack, Mike ..... Chair
Ware, Jody ..... Secretary
Cook, Robert ..... Member
Cottrell, Carmel ..... Board Liaison
Hannon, Gary ..... Member
Rice, Jeff ..... Member
Winter, Josh ..... Member
Janssen, Julie ..... Staff
Ziarko, Ed ..... Staff

STRATEGIC/LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMISSION
(Meeting dates TBD, usually weekdays}

Beals, Katie ..... Chair/Secretary
Erdenberger, Crystal ..... Member
Ford, Don ..... Member
Opyd, Pam ..... Member
Ward, Mike ..... Board Liaison
Williams, Gordon ..... Member

TELLERS COMMISSION
(Meet for Annual Meeting}

Reese, Patricia ..... Chair
Brandenburg, Rosanne ..... Member
Causero, Lee ..... Member
Gardner, Sue ..... Member
Hendren, Rugene ..... Member
Makar, Kathy ..... Member
Sershon, Vickie ..... Member
Wooley, Charlene ..... Member

TRAILS COMMISSION
(4th Fri. of each month, Mar. – Oct., 9:00 am}

Rice, Jeff ..... Chair
Meyer, Randy ..... Vice Chair
Diehl, Penny ..... Secretary
Doden, Henry ..... Member
Erdenberger, Crystal ..... Board Liaison
Fill, Mark ..... Member
Gouskos, Nick ..... Member
Hannon, Gary ..... Member
Laethem, Deb ..... Member
Opyd, Pam ..... Member
Shisler, Wayne ..... Member
Tyson, Mike ..... Member
Woznicki, Michael ..... Member

FEBRUARY 2026 BOARD ACTIONS

10.0 CONSENT AGENDA – APPROVE/ADOPT MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 17, 2026 BOARD MEETING, APPROVE COMMITTEE/COMMISSION CHANGES – APPROVED
11.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS
11.1 XII. MOTORIZED VEHICLES – RECREATIONAL – 2ND READING
12.0 NEW BUSINESS
12.1 XXIII. RENTAL HOMES – 1ST READING
12.2 WATERSHED PLAN – UPDATE OF 5-10 YEAR GOALS – APPROVED
12.3 EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL – HIRING OF A GM – APPROVED
12.4 ZEBRA MUSSELS RFP – APPROVED
12.5 LAKE SHOCKING RFP – APPROVED
12.6 SUBMERGED VEGETATION RFP – APPROVED

MARCH 2026 BOARD ACTIONS

10.0 CONSENT AGENDA – APPROVE/ADOPT MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 21, 2026 BOARD MEETING, APPROVE/ADOPT MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 10, 2026 BOARD MEETING, APPROVE COMMITTEE/COMMISSION CHANGES – APPROVED
11.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS
11.1 XII. MOTORIZED VEHICLES – RECREATIONAL – 3RD READING
11.2 XXIII. RENTAL HOMES – 2ND READING
12.0 NEW BUSINESS
12.1 RECREATION – FOOD TRUCKS FOR SUMMER OF 2026 – APPROVED
12.2 NEW AUDIO SYSTEM BIDS – TABLED
12.3 GRANT FUNDING FOR MARINA WETLAND GARDEN – APPROVED
12.4 GRANT FUNDING FOR NATURE'S DISCOVERY AREA – APPROVED
12.5 GRANT FUNDING FOR DIGITAL WATER LEVELING SYSTEM & SUPPLIES – APPROVED
12.6 ACL/AMERICAN MARINE LEASE AGREEMENT – APPROVED
12.7 COVE PRESENTATION
12.8 CITATION APPEAL – APPROVED

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2026 Slip Assignment Day & Sub-License Assignments Announced

The annual Slip Assignment Day will be held Saturday, April 11 at 10:00 a.m. Available boat slips will be posted on the website and in the Association Office lobby after the Slip Swap on March 28. Both the No Boat Slip Waiting List and the Sub-License Slip Waiting List will close at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, April 10. All property owners in good standing on the No Boat Slip Waiting List and/or Sub-License Slip Waiting List are eligible and encouraged to participate.

Anyone wishing to pick up their amenity tags, stickers, etc. is asked to set this up prior to April 10 so your materials can be prepared and brought out to the Clubhouse for pickup before or after the meeting. Please be courteous and respect these guidelines.

At the Slip Assignment Day, the first property owner on the No Boat Slip Waiting List will be offered first choice of the available slips; the second property owner on the list will have a choice of the remaining slips; etc.; proceeding down the list until all available slips are assigned. After all licensed slips have been assigned, property owners who have submitted an application for the Sub-License Slip Waiting List and who have sub-licensed a slip in past year(s) will be given the opportunity to retain the same slip, if it is available. After all prior-year assignments have been made, the first property owner on the Sub-License Slip Waiting List will be offered first choice of the remaining sub-license slips; the second property owner on the list will have a choice of the remaining sub-license slips; etc.; proceeding down the list. Any sub-license slips remaining after the event will be available for assignment on a first come, first served basis.

If you are not able to attend but would still like the opportunity to receive a trade or assignment, they must submit a Representative Request Form to pre-register another individual to select a slip on their behalf. These forms will be mailed to everyone on each waiting list prior to the event. The form must be received in the Association Office by the end of business on the Friday, April 10. The proxy must also present a copy of the Representative Request Form the day of the event to participate. If the proxy does not present a copy of the Representative Request Form the day of the event, or the form is not submitted to the Association Office in advance, the individual will not be allowed to participate.

All slip assignments and sub-license assignments made at the Slip Assignment Day are final and cannot be rescinded. Those individuals accepting a No Boat Slip Waiting List assignment will have until March 2 , 2026 to register a boat to the slip. Payment for both types of slip assignments must be received within 7 days of the Assignment Day. Staff will be accepting payments in the Clubhouse. Checks or exact cash are preferred, but we will be able to run card payments with a 4% convenience fee. Those slip license holders seeking a different licensed assignment may submit a Boat Slip to Trade Waiting List application after the current slip has been paid for.

If a property owner accepts an assignment at the event, they are removed from the respective No Boat Slip Waiting List or Sub-License Slip Waiting List. If an assignment is not accepted, the property owner maintains their position on the waiting list.

Pontoon Boat Rentals: What Property Owners Need to Know

Enjoying time on the water is one of the highlights of our community, and pontoon boat rentals are a great way to make the most of the season. To ensure a smooth and enjoyable experience for everyone, please review the updated guidelines and requirements for rentals.

Who Can Rent

Pontoon boats are available exclusively to property owners and their guests. All reservations must be made through the Association Office during normal business hours by calling (815) 492-2238. Please note that calls made directly to the Marina will not be accepted.

If a guest wishes to reserve a boat, the property owner must first contact the Association Office to grant permission. Property owners are responsible for their guests' conduct, including any rule violations or damages that exceed the security deposit.

Rental Details

The Association offers three pontoon boats, available for full-day or half-day rental. Each boat accommodates up to 10 passengers and includes 10 adult-sized life jackets. Renters must provide their own life jackets for children and infants.

All boats must be checked in and out through the Marina. Renters are required to present a valid Amenity Tag at check-in, and anyone leaving the boat to access areas such as Nixon Beach or the Marina Bay Trail must also carry an Amenity Tag.

Boating Safety Requirements

In compliance with Illinois law, all rental boat operators must either:

- Provide a valid Boating Safety Certificate at least 24 hours prior to the rental, or
- Complete a brief safety course before operating the boat

Those opting for the abbreviated safety course must arrive at the Marina at least 30 minutes before their scheduled rental time. Failure to complete the course on time will result in a shortened rental period, as extensions will not be granted.

Participants in the safety course must present a valid driver's license and complete the required paperwork. Upon completion, a certificate valid for one year will be issued.

Reservations and Payment

Reservations should be made at least 24 hours in advance and require full payment at the time of booking. A credit card is also required for the security deposit. An authorization hold will be placed on the card during the week of the rental (or immediately for same-week bookings).

The hold will be released if the boat is returned in proper condition. Please allow up to 72 hours for processing, though your credit card company may take additional time to reflect the release.

A $50 fee will be deducted from the security deposit if:

- The boat is returned after hours, or
- The renter does not complete the required inspection

Plan Ahead for a Great Day on the Water

We encourage all property owners and guests to plan ahead, follow safety guidelines, and respect community rules. By doing so, everyone can enjoy a safe and memorable boating experience.

For reservations or questions, please contact the Association Office during regular business hours.

Monday through Thursday	PO Rate	Guest Rate
Half Day (8:00 am - Noon or Noon - 4:00 pm)	$150	$225
Full Day (8:00 am - 4:00 pm)	$225	$350

Weekends and Holidays	PO & Guest Rate
Half Day (8:00 am - Noon or Noon - 4:00 pm)	$300
Full Day (8:00 - 4:00 pm)	$400

Security Deposit $300

Gas Fee: Renters will be charged for the fuel used at the current fuel dock rate.

Renters must also complete the Rental Boat Safety Course prior to their rental. The course can be completed online.

Cancelation 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 canceled for any other reason with less than 24 hours' notice, including no shows, the rental fee will not be refunded. Any rentals canceled with at least 24 hours' notice will be refunded the rental amount in the form of a credit card refund or issued check.

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ACL Fees

- $250 purchase price (includes PTAX/deed preparation and recording fees)
- $110 Owner Amenity Registration Fee (per owner on the deed, up to three owners)
- $1396 annual dues

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.

03-111 E Apple Canyon Rd	PIN 18-003-111-00
03-120 Adm Farragut Ct	PIN 18-003-120-00
03-144 General Jackson Dr	PIN 18-003-144-00
03-203 General Jackson Dr	PIN 18-003-203-00
04-075 Marlin Dr	PIN 18-004-075-00
04-091 Springfield Dr	PIN 18-004-091-00
04-100 – Springfield Dr	PIN 18-004-100-00
04-102 Springfield Dr	PIN 18-004-102-00
05-027 Thunder Ct	PIN 18-005-027-00
05-136 N Apple Canyon Rd	PIN 18-005-136-00
07-186 Butte Ct	PIN 18-007-186-00
08-092 Hamiliton Dr	PIN 18-008-092-00
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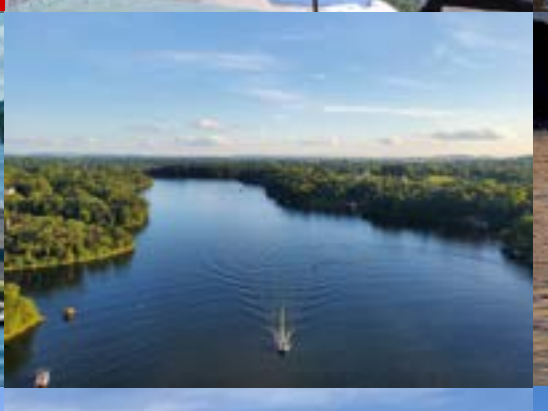
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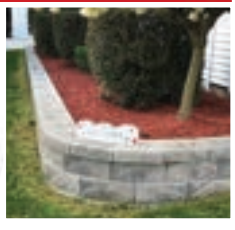
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NATURAL RESOURCES

From Fishbowls to Lakes: Simple Ways to Keep Apple Canyon Lake Healthy



BY TYLER HESSELBACHER, *Natural Resource Manager*

This lake has been around for more than fifty years, and some of you remember what it looked like when it was new. Since then, a few more houses have been added, and some erosion has occurred along the shorelines. Lakes can manage themselves if left alone and free from human interaction, though that's not the case here. Apple Canyon Lake is a man-made lake that sits in the middle of a rural setting. This means that along with our input, nearby farms have also been adding nutrients to the lake.

Nutrients are good, we all know we need them to survive. But what happens when there is an abundance of these nutrients? Too much of a good thing can lead to something bad or unwanted. Fortunately, luck is still on our side, and we can move toward a healthier lake if we focus on what needs to be done. Let's go over a few ways we can help the lake, while trying to stay on the more chemical-free side of things.

We have all seen fish tanks and probably know they need to stay clean. Why is this? Fish tanks have systems that help keep the water clean, whether it is manually wiping grime off the glass, using bubblers, filters, and additives, adding living plants, or some combination of these. Lakes can have similar ways of staying clean, though some require our help. This lake may never be crystal clear again like it was when it was first built, but that's okay. Natural lakes often have some color to them if they contain nutrients or are more eutrophic.

- Let's start with manually wiping off the grime. This can be the most labor-intensive way to help keep a lake healthy. By physically removing algae and excess weeds, you are essentially removing a source of future nutrients. Plants are good for the lake because they remove nutrients, but when they die, they sink to the bottom and release those nutrients back into the system. Algae can be one of the biggest contributors to excess nutrients because it grows quickly and can outcompete rooted plants. That's why we tend to see algae before we see plants in many bodies of water. Managing certain plants and harvesting excess vegetation can help. Increasing native plants, both along the shoreline and in the water, can help keep nutrients in check and improve lake health. In some cases, chemicals may also be used to help control invasive or aggressive plants, along with equipment like a weed harvester that can cut and remove weeds and algae efficiently.
- Bubblers are another helpful tool. Who doesn't enjoy watching fish swim around them? Bubblers do exactly what the name suggests—they add air to the water. By pushing air into the water, they create a mixing effect and increase dissolved oxygen (DO) levels for fish. Dissolved oxygen is important because it helps keep fish healthy and assists in breaking down organic muck so it can be filtered or naturally decomposed. Lakes don't typically have natural bubblers, but water moving through rocky streams or wind mixing the surface can add oxygen. We can help this process by installing electric or wind-powered bubblers, commonly called aerators, to keep water moving more efficiently. These systems can also help maintain healthier oxygen levels during the warmer temperatures of late summer.
- Filters and additives are a bit trickier when it comes to lakes. With fish tanks, the process is straightforward: a pump pushes water through a screen or filter that catches debris, or a small additive is used to keep the water healthy for the fish. In lakes, there are a few different approaches. For example, screens can be placed on drains to prevent debris from entering the lake. Nets can also be placed on the outlet of a drainpipe or in a stream to catch debris before it reaches the lake. Planting native plants along the shoreline can also act as a natural filter by trapping debris and absorbing nutrients.
- Additives can sometimes fall into a gray area when it comes to whether they are considered chemicals. Some are human-made, but many are designed to mimic natural processes and reduce the use of harsher chemicals. One additive that has been used here at the lake is a nutrient binder, typically a phosphate binder. These bind to nutrients, sink to the bottom, and make those nutrients unavailable to plants and algae. Another option is biochar. Biochar can both bind nutrients and filter harmful contaminants, allowing it to function as both a nutrient control and a filtering material.
- Last but not least are living plants. Plants provide many benefits, and helping keep a lake healthy is one of the most important. Having the proper native plants both in and around the water allows them to absorb nutrients and limit the growth of unwanted aquatic plants and algae. These plants are typically called wetland plants because they thrive with their roots in wet soil or water.

In addition to planting along the shoreline or in shallow water, a newer approach is to place plants directly on the water's surface. These are known as floating wetland islands. As the name suggests, they are floating structures that support wetland plants. They typically resemble a large sponge or mat with plants rooted directly into the material. As the plants mature, their roots grow down through the structure and into the water below. This allows the plants to absorb additional nutrients while also creating habitat that provides fish with extra places to hide from anglers.

Hopefully this provides some insight into what we can do to help keep the lake healthier for future generations. It's important to remember that none of these methods are a silver bullet, and some approaches may work better than others. This is a great lake, and we can make it even better if we can get our nutrient levels under control and determine what solutions work best for this lake.





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The cleanup is an important part of our ACL Watershed plan. Not only does it help return the natural beauty of our community, but the number of participants is tracked and used when applying for grants like the one that helped us complete the Winchester project. Our number of volunteers has fallen since the COVID outbreak and we need to get those numbers back up. If we aren't willing to invest some of our time into improving the watershed, we can't expect outside entities to invest their funds.

Our cleanup day is officially registered on the Earth Day site in the section about World Cleanup Day. Check us out. And thank you in advance to everyone who volunteers this year. A relatively small investment of your time in our community can bring big returns for all of us. It is our power, our community.

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2026 BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEET THE CANDIDATES



The following candidates are running for ACL Board of Directors: **Bob Cook**, **Carmel Cottrell**, **Brian Holt**, **Mike Hodge**, and **Darren Wellman**. We asked each candidate to share a bit about themselves, their experiences, and their vision for the community.

CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE:

1. **Tell us about yourself, including your family, hobbies and personal interests**
2. **Why are you interested in becoming an ACL board member?**
3. **Have you served on any ACL committees or other boards?**
4. **How would your background and experience benefit ACL?**
5. **In your opinion, what are the most important issues facing ACL POA and what actions would you take to address them?**
6. **Which key projects do you believe ACL POA should focus on over the next three years**



ABOUT ME | BOB COOK

My name is Bob, and I have been a proud property owner at ACL for the past 30 years. I was raised on the south side of Chicago as the oldest of four children. After losing my father at a young age, my family faced significant challenges, and we did not have the opportunity to experience places as special as ACL. That upbringing instilled in me a deep appreciation for this community and everything it represents.

I raised two sons, Billy and TJ, who were fortunate to grow up enjoying ACL and sharing the many wonderful memories we created there as a family. Watching them experience the kind of opportunities I did not have as a child has been one of my greatest blessings.

I served 29 years with the Chicago Fire Department, beginning my career as a firefighter and later serving as an officer. Twenty years ago, I also founded a family real estate business. Together, my sons and I purchased and remodeled homes, completing all the work ourselves and building a successful rental business. More importantly, it gave us invaluable time together and allowed me to teach them the importance of hard work, responsibility, and what dedication can achieve.

Community service has always been a core part of who I am. I have been an active volunteer since my teenage years and continue to give back whenever I can.

2. I looked around for years to buy property and never expected to find something as beautiful as ACL. The moment I saw it, I knew this was the place where my family would build lasting memories, and I purchased a lot within hours. ACL has been the perfect setting for time with family and friends, and it has meant more to us than I can fully express.

When my children were young, I focused on enjoying everything ACL had to offer because of the time and effort of dedicated members who volunteered to keep this community strong. Now that my children are grown, I believe it is my turn to give back.

The reason I am running is simple: to help ensure the next generation has a place just as wonderful as the one I found all those years ago.

3. I have served on several ACL and community boards and commissions over the years.

General Manager Search Commission – Served twice, participating in the process of identifying and selecting leadership for ACL.

Co-Chair of the Rules and Regulations Committee – Currently serving, helping review and uphold the standards that protect and strengthen our community.

Member of the Safety and Emergency Planning Commission – Currently serving, focused on preparedness and the safety of our members.

Local School Council – Served three terms, supporting school leadership and working on behalf of students, families, and the broader community.

4. My experience with the Chicago Fire Department taught me that organizational structure, critical thinking, clear communication, and teamwork are essential to success. After every incident, we reviewed what we did well and identified areas for improvement, a process that ensured continuous growth and better outcomes. I see a strong parallel at ACL, where property owners, staff, board members, and committee members must work together for our community to thrive.

Through my personal business experience, I have learned the importance of staying on budget and spending with accountability to eliminate waste. Fiscal responsibility is critical to maintaining a strong and stable community.

At the same time, I understand that creating new sources of revenue is equally important. I believe ACL has opportunities to explore additional revenue streams that could help offset constant dues increases while continuing to maintain the quality of our community.

5. Below are several key areas that I believe deserve continued focus and thoughtful leadership to ensure ACL remains strong for years to come.

Lake Health – We face ongoing challenges, including water quality concerns, blue green algae, and invasive species such as zebra mussels. While current efforts are addressing these issues, we must remain vigilant and be prepared to explore new solutions if necessary to protect this vital resource.

Budget, Financial Reserve, and Spending – It is important to take a fresh look at ACL's finances and spending. We need to carefully evaluate where we can reduce costs while still maintaining the quality our members expect. At the same time, we should explore ways to increase revenue, whether by strengthening existing sources or identifying new opportunities. Doing so can help minimize future dues increases.

Staff and Volunteers – We are fortunate to have outstanding employees and volunteers at ACL with many years of experience and knowledge. Retaining the dedicated people we have is essential. At the same time, it is equally important to continue attracting new talent and expertise to ensure the continued success and growth of our community.

6. Over the next three years, I believe these areas should be our focus to strengthen ACL, enhance member experiences, and ensure the long-term health and sustainability of our community.

- Continue to monitor and improve the health of our lake – Protecting the lake from water quality issues, algae, and invasive species is essential for all members.
- Maintain and improve our facilities, with a priority on Nixon Beach – Keeping our facilities safe, functional, and welcoming is critical, with special attention to Nixon Beach as a central gathering place.
- Create additional revenue while decreasing spending to help minimize dues increases – We should find new revenue opportunities, improve existing sources, and reduce unnecessary spending without sacrificing quality.
- Improve communication between property owners and the Board – Clear and timely communication helps build trust and keeps property owners informed and engaged.



ABOUT ME | CARMEL COTTRELL

My name is Carmel (Griffin) Cottrell, and I am seeking re-election to the ACLPOA Board of Directors. My husband, Alan, and I have three children, two grandchildren, and one grand dog. Growing up in Hickory Hills, Illinois, I was the youngest of eight siblings. In 2008, Alan and I chose to purchase a home at Apple Canyon Lake because it was the ideal place for our family to enjoy and create lasting memories for future generations.

Being retired, we split our time between Schaumburg and Apple Canyon Lake, enjoying the lake amenities and community. We have truly found that life is best at the lake.

I have two master's degrees and a doctoral degree in Education from Roosevelt University, with a concentration in Organizational Change.

In my professional career, I have held roles as an adjunct university professor, author, consultant, entrepreneur, and retired education administrator. My experience also extends into communication, food and beverage industry, mediations, and public safety, reflecting a diverse and adaptable skill set.

2. As a present board member, that experience is positive. It will continue to help me focus and share learned information while continuing to drive organizational change through problem-solving, responsible fiscal management, accountability, communication, and building relationships. I continually review all relevant research before voting to represent your interests. I value diverse perspectives as opportunities for creative solutions. My priorities continue to include maintaining lake health, upgrading infrastructure, improving transparency and communication.

3. Current ACL Commission Involvement:

ACL Board Member, Budget, Legal (Board Liaison)**, Maintenance** (former chair/Board Liaison) **and Policy Commission**

Previous ACL Commission Roles:

ACL Board Treasurer, Strategic Long-Range Planning (former chair), **Recreation** (former chair), **Cove Ad Hoc, Memorial Pavilion** (former chair), and **50th Anniversary Ad Hoc Commission**.

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4. For the past three years serving on the Board, I have dedicated myself to ensuring that property owners' concerns are listened to and addressed. I have actively engaged with ACL Commission members, boaters, fishermen, and historians, listening to their perspectives and using their feedback to help improve Apple Canyon Lake.

During my ACL tenure, I oversaw important ACL projects. One notable accomplishment was the successful sale of an unused dredge that had been sitting at Nixon Beach forover a decade, generating $272,000 for ACL's funds. The monitoring of the new spillway over the last few years. I also assisted in making the Memorial Pavilion possible, overseeing its construction with $69,000 in generous donations so the association incurred no expenses. The pavilion is now open to all members at no charge. All theseprojects were successfully initiated, monitored, and completed.

Most recently, I participated in the hiring of our new General Manager, who began on 02/16/26. After careful evaluation, the Board selected AJ Schuchart, whose extensive business experience, reliability, and strong integrity made him an asset to the ACL community. He will deal with operations, HR, and execution of day to day. While the board will get back to dealing with governance and strategy. I continue to bring a diverse perspective, a collaborative approach, and a strong dedication to my role within the ACL community. I am committed to continuing this tradition of service as a member of the ACLPOA Board of Directors where all members are heard.

5. Apple Canyon Lake faces several significant challenges and opportunities, such as highlighted by recent association records and environmental reports. The most pressing concerns include maintaining water quality, ensuring the health of the lake, addressing aging infrastructure and improving communication. Maintaining Apple Canyon Lake's Health requires ongoing monitoring and management. We must stay initiative-taking against threats such as algae and invasive species to sustain its recreational value.

As Apple Canyon Lake expands, its aging infrastructure presents challenges that require strategic planning and prompt action. Effective management is essential to keep amenities safe, functional, and financially secure. Most importantly, we must communicate clearly, setting realistic funding strategies, understanding risks, prioritize reserve funding and leverage professional expertise. And we must follow through.

Clear communication is essential for our organization, enabling strong relationships and transparency. Adopting modern technology can boost productivity, streamline processes, and ensure business continuity with fewer resources.

Proposed Solutions for improving ACL communication:

- Install updated audio-visual equipment for clearer Board meetings.
- Use improved media channels for timely updates.
- Make information more easily accessible to members.
- Recreate the website for better usability.

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- Introduce electronic voting to simplify decisions and increase participation.

These initiatives aim to enhance communication, improve operations, and empower members through better access and modernized processes. Our approach: Plan, implement, evaluate, move forward.

6. Rather than new capital projects, we should upgrade existing Apple Canyon Lake amenities to support our growing population. Priorities include investing in outdoor spaces, technology improvements, social areas, and activities such as playgrounds, community classes, events, and organized gatherings—all aimed at enhancing community engagement and quality of life. Please take the time to VOTE. Thank you! Carmel



ABOUT ME | MIKE HODGE

My name is Mike Hodge. My wife, Annette, and I have owned a place on the lake since 2017. We call it "the cabin" because of its log design, and that name has pretty much stuck with the whole family. Even before we bought the cabin, my brother and I owned a lot here so we could come out and enjoy the great fishing this lake has to offer.

Annette and I have four adult children and three granddaughters. One of my favorite stories is when our oldest granddaughter was asked at school where her favorite place was. Her answer? "My cabin." I'd say that tells you everything you need to know about how special this place is to our family.

Our full-time home is in Dubuque, but the cabin is our year-round getaway. It's where we come to slow down, spend time with family, and enjoy the laid-back lake life that makes Apple Canyon Lake such a great community.

I spent my career working in our family business, Hodge Company, until retiring in 2023. My grandfather and father started the business back in 1958. What began as a small operation with about 20 employees in Dubuque grew over the years to more than 1,000 employees across four states. My brother Tim and I were fortunate to work alongside many great people to help grow the company, and today the fourth generation of our family is running the business and doing very well.

These days, you'll usually find me fishing, hunting, golfing, or doing just about anything that gets me out on the water. Annette and I used to be serious runners, and one of our highlights was running the Boston Marathon together. Now we stick to activities that are a little easier on the knees.

2. The reason I'm interested in serving on the ACL Board is simple — I love this place. I'd like to do my part to help make sure future generations can enjoy the same things we do today: great fishing, time with family, and the relaxed lake lifestyle that makes this community so special.

3. While I haven't served on any ACL committees yet, I have served on several boards over the years, including the Red Cross of Eastern Iowa, Pheasants Forever, and Run4Troops. My business experience has taught me the importance of listening, working together, and making thoughtful decisions that benefit the long-term health of an organization.

4. When I submitted my application to run for the Board of Directors, I received a packet that listed "Traits of a Successful Board Member" and "Major Responsibilities of Board Members." I was particularly drawn to the outlined "Traits of a Successful Board Member," including honesty, enthusiasm, open-mindedness, and being a team player. These are qualities I have consistently demonstrated throughout both my professional and personal life.

One responsibility that especially resonated with me was the ability to work through growing pains. In my role as President of a company that expanded from 20 to over 1,000 employees, I gained firsthand experience navigating the challenges that come with rapid growth—balancing strategic vision with operational realities and supporting people through periods of change.

I believe these experiences have prepared me to contribute thoughtfully and effectively as a member of the Board.

5. If elected, the things I care most about are keeping our association financially strong, protecting the health and quality of our lake, and making sure our residents, guests, and employees are safe. I also hope we can accomplish those things in ways that don't take away from the lake experience we all came here for.

6. Over the next few years, there will no doubt be challenges and opportunities. In my experience, you don't always get to pick the priorities — sometimes they show up whether you planned for them or not. The important thing is handling them with common sense and keeping the long-term interests of our community in mind.



ABOUT ME | BRIAN P. HOLT

My name is Brian P. Holt. My wife Leah and I have been property owners since 2020 and full-time residents since 2021. My family has been a part of the Apple Canyon Lake community since I was a child—my grandparents bought a cabin here in the late 80s and it was always a dream of mine to have a place here myself. Many of my extended family are also property owners, several of whom live here full time as well.

I am Principal Software Engineer at Dwolla, a financial technology company headquartered in Des Moines, Iowa. Before Dwolla, I spent 10 years in roles of increasing responsibility at John Deere. I have a BS in Computer Science from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

My wife and I enjoy boating, swimming, cooking and barbecuing, and golfing (when we get the chance). I'm also an avid photographer, so you might catch me photographing the sunsets, landscapes, or night sky of Jo Daviess County and beyond.

2. I have been on the Board for the past three years, serving as Corporate Secretary for the last year, and have found it to have been very fulfilling. Apple Canyon Lake is a great place because of the tireless efforts of countless board members and volunteers throughout its history. I feel my contributions have positively shaped the state of the lake, and would be honored to continue to serve in that capacity.

3. I am Board Liaison to the ACL Rules & Regulations and Board Policy commissions and the Architecture & Environmental Control committee, and am a member of the Legal commission.

I serve on our Software Architecture board at my company, which is responsible for ensuring consistent and scalable architecture decisions by our myriad development teams. We have influence but not always direct authority, so when we feel change is necessary, we must build the necessary consensus with everyone involved.

Outside my day job, I volunteer my time maintaining several open source libraries as a part of the Typelevel project, an open source software group of volunteers dedicated to delivering excellent open source software libraries in the Scala programming language in an welcoming environment. I am also one of three members of the Typelevel security team, which receives reports of security issues for Typelevel projects and triages them in a responsible way, working with project maintainers to mitigate, correct, and document the issues before public disclosure.

In addition, I volunteer as needed for the Foreshadow Foundation, a 501c3 organization cofounded by my wife that is dedicated to improving literacy in rural, low-income schools.

4. I have a thoughtful, common-sense, consensus-based approach to problem solving that has served me very well professionally. I ask questions before forming an opinion, and work well with the current Board of Directors. As part of an upcoming generation of property owners, I want to see our community thrive, and I feel that I can work thoughtfully and responsibly with all members to see that happen.

5. I continue to believe the most important issue is maintaining the health of the lake itself, whether that's regarding zebra mussel mitigation, maintaining the excellence of our fishery, ensuring the safety and longevity of the dam and spillway, dredging, or any other issue that may come up over time. I was a strong supporter of the project to expand and enhance our spillway, which was completed ahead of schedule and under budget and significantly improved our ability to handle storm water.

We also need to see improved stability in our staff leadership. The Board recently hired a new General Manager with whom I am excited to start working. We have numerous opportunities for streamlining and improving processes, something I'm eager to be a part of.

6. One project I am passionate about is improving the audio/visual facilities in the Clubhouse. Currently it can be very difficult to participate in meetings remotely or for those members who are hard of hearing. We can make big improvements for a reasonable price by upgrading some hardware and using a more modern system, which will allow everyone to better understand what is happening in the moment. It's just the right thing to do.

Otherwise, I feel stability is critical for the Board and our staff. This will allow us to continue improving the processes and systems that make up the way that our members interact with the Association to make ACL the best it can be.



ABOUT ME | DARREN WELLMAN

I am married with two children and a stepson, and family means everything to me. I have a deep appreciation for the outdoors, where I feel most at home.

I am a retired volunteer firefighter for the town of Cedarville, and serving my community has been one of the greatest honors of my life. In my younger years, I earned the rank of Eagle Scout and was inducted into the Order of the Arrow at Canyon Camp. Those experiences helped shape my values of service, leadership, and dedication.

The outdoors, family, and community, that is what I am all about.

2. I believe I have the skills and experience to contribute to the progress and goals of Apple Canyon Lake. I am outgoing and approachable, and I genuinely enjoy engaging with people, listening to their concerns, and hearing their ideas about the lake.

3. I currently serve as a Trustee for the Township of Cedarville, Illinois, where I have gained experience in governance, community engagement, and working toward local goals.

4. My background in construction, camping, hunting, and fishing gives me practical knowledge of the outdoors, and my experience in negotiations helps me work toward the best outcomes for all participants.

5. I believe the most important issues are maintaining safe conditions on the trails and the lake, and ensuring that rules are consistently enforced. Taking proactive steps to address safety and enforcement will help protect the community and preserve the enjoyment of the lake for all members.

6. Over the next three years, I believe ACLPOA should focus on careful budget management to ensure financial stability, as well as maintaining and improving safety on the trails and the lake. Prioritizing these areas will help protect both the community and our natural resources, while supporting enjoyable and secure experiences for all members.





U.S. 20 over Rush Creek west of Stockton.
This bridge will be replaced with another structure just north of here.

Work underway on U.S. 20 in Jo Daviess County

$31.8 million project will realign highway from Stockton to Logemann Road

STOCKTON – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced last Fall that a multiyear project was underway on U.S. 20 in Jo Daviess County. The work zone wass located from Rush Street in Stockton to Logemann Road west of the village.

The $31.6 million project includes the construction of a new alignment of U.S. 20 north of the current roadway that will include a truck climbing lane and a new bridge over Rush Creek. Portions of the existing road will be reconstructed to include left turn lanes and paved shoulders.

Work last year involved earthwork and rock blasting to create the new alignment. Construction did not have direct impact on traffic on U.S. 20, but trucks and construction crews were periodically entering and leaving the highway.

Construction will continue in 2026 and 2027 on the new alignment, including the new Rush Creek bridge. Work also will be done on U.S. 20, including culvert replacement and other drainage improvements, construction of left turn lanes and shoulders, and patching and resurfacing. This work will be done in sections, with one lane of traffic open and controlled by temporary signals. Some side roads will be closed for reconstruction during this phase. The entire project is anticipated to be completed in November 2027.

The DOT announced in March 2026 that plans to temporarily close the 4-mile section of US 20 from Park Street in Stockton to east of Logeman Road to all through traccif. THis closure will start April 13, 2026 and will remain closed for 12 calendar days from Monday to the following Friday. The closure sis necessary to ensure meeting the planned project completion date and will significantly reduce impacts to traffic over the next two years during construction. All north-south roadways will remain open through US 20 during the closure.

The roadways open include: Logeman Road, Park Street/Rush Street, Canyon Park Road, Massbach Road/Funston Road and Mapes Road/Golf Road. There will be access for local traffic for residents and businesses in this affected corridor.

A marked detour with changeable message boards will be provided for all truck traffic. If you have any questions, please contact District 2 at 815-284-227q and ask to be connected to Kristopher Owens, Communications Outreach Liaison.

Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zone areas, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices and be alert for workers and equipment.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,200 miles of highway and nearly 9 million square feet of bridge deck as part of Rebuild Illinois, which is investing $33.2 billion into all modes of transportation. Accomplishments through Year Six of Rebuild Illinois include almost $20.8 billion of improvements statewide on 7,897 miles of highway, 815 bridges and 1,181 additional safety improvements.

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Northwest Illinois Economic Development Celebrates 2026 Annual Meeting

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HANOVER, ILLINOIS – Northwest Illinois Economic Development (NWILED) held their 2026 Annual Meeting the evening of Thursday, Feb. 26, 2026. The event marked the organization's 17th year of service to the business community of northwest Illinois and was held at the Marina Pavilion in The Galena Territory.

Over 120 members and supporters from over 35 organizations were present for the evening that featured a cocktail reception, dinner and short program. Opening remarks were made by NWILED Board Chair William Jahnke who stated, "All of us at NWILED thank all of you for your continued support of our efforts to make Northwest Illinois a great place to live and conduct business." David Schmit, NWILED Regional Director, also addressed the group, confirming the release of the organization's 2025 Annual Report, and the announcement of the upcoming 2026 NWILED Executive Committee: William Jahnke of Napcor as Chair, Mike Casper of JCE Co-op as Vice Chair, Amy Baker of Citizens State Bank as Secretary, and Amiee Schoenhaar of Riverport Railroad as Treasure. During his remarks, Schmit also commented on the organization's Build It Grow It small business boot camp, the annual Manufacturing and Trades Day event, Genz Small Business Development Fund program, and formation of new advisory committees to better involve members in the workings of the organization.

The highlight of the evening was the announcement of NWILED's 2026 Collaboration Awards! There were four awards presented.

- First, for their regional mock-interview workshops, marketing efforts around apprenticeships, workplace training outreach, and overall efforts to improve northwest Illinois's regional workforce, **the 2026 Collaborator of the Year award went to Business Employment Skills Team!**
- Second, for their above and beyond financial and professional services support of NWILED, commitment of their staff to annual programing, the regional fiberoptic rollout that is underway, and their instrumental role in helping attract Jungbunzlauer to Thomson, Illinois, **the 2026 Member of the Year award went to JCE Co-op!**
- Third, for her efforts to launch the new Northwest Illinois Pooled Retirement Plan program for area small businesses, service on NWILED's Executive Committee, and abundant efforts in the community working with our area chambers of commerce, foundations, and fellow economic development organizations, **the 2026 Board Member of the Year award went to Amy Baker!**
- And fourth, last year this community debuted a First Time Homebuyer Assistance Loan Program, approved a $25,000 Revolving Loan to an East Dubuque manufacturer, completed their first ever County Transit Comprehensive Ridership Analysis, and advocated for new industrial acreage. And don't forget, their new Small Business Development Grant initiative gave out $100,000 in small business grants. **The 2026 Community of the Year award went to Jo Daviess County!**

ABOUT NWILED:

Northwest Illinois Economic Development was created by the Jo-Carroll Energy Board of Directors to spearhead economic development structures, funding and progress in Jo Daviess, Carroll, and Whiteside counties in Northwest Illinois. Founded in 2008 and now in its 17th year of successful service, NWILED continues to be a regional development entity concentrating on growing the economy and public/private partnerships.

NWILED promotes economic development by fostering business growth and assisting expanding and relocating businesses. The organization aids in determining these needs for growth with cooperation from government and business partners. NWILED encourages entrepreneurs by assisting with access to resources to begin and grow their businesses and employs all available resources to create a welcoming business environment, aligning the skills of the available workforce with the needs of businesses, and building political and economic capital. NWILED's commitment to success also produces programs, ventures and events that nurture educational business growth and overall business community involvement.

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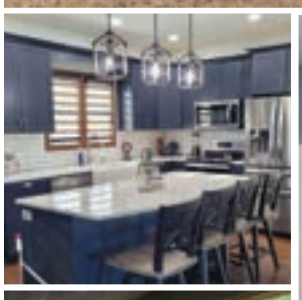
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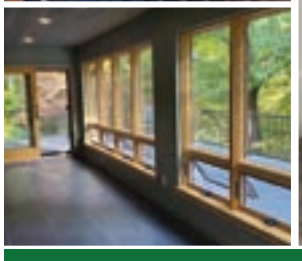
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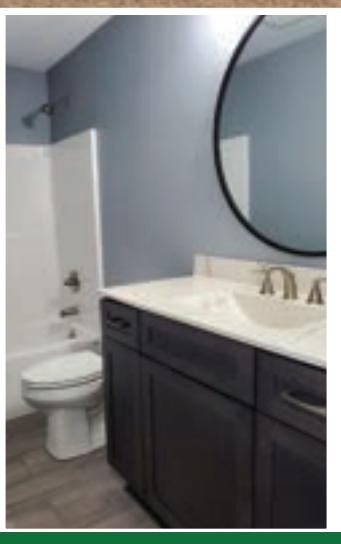
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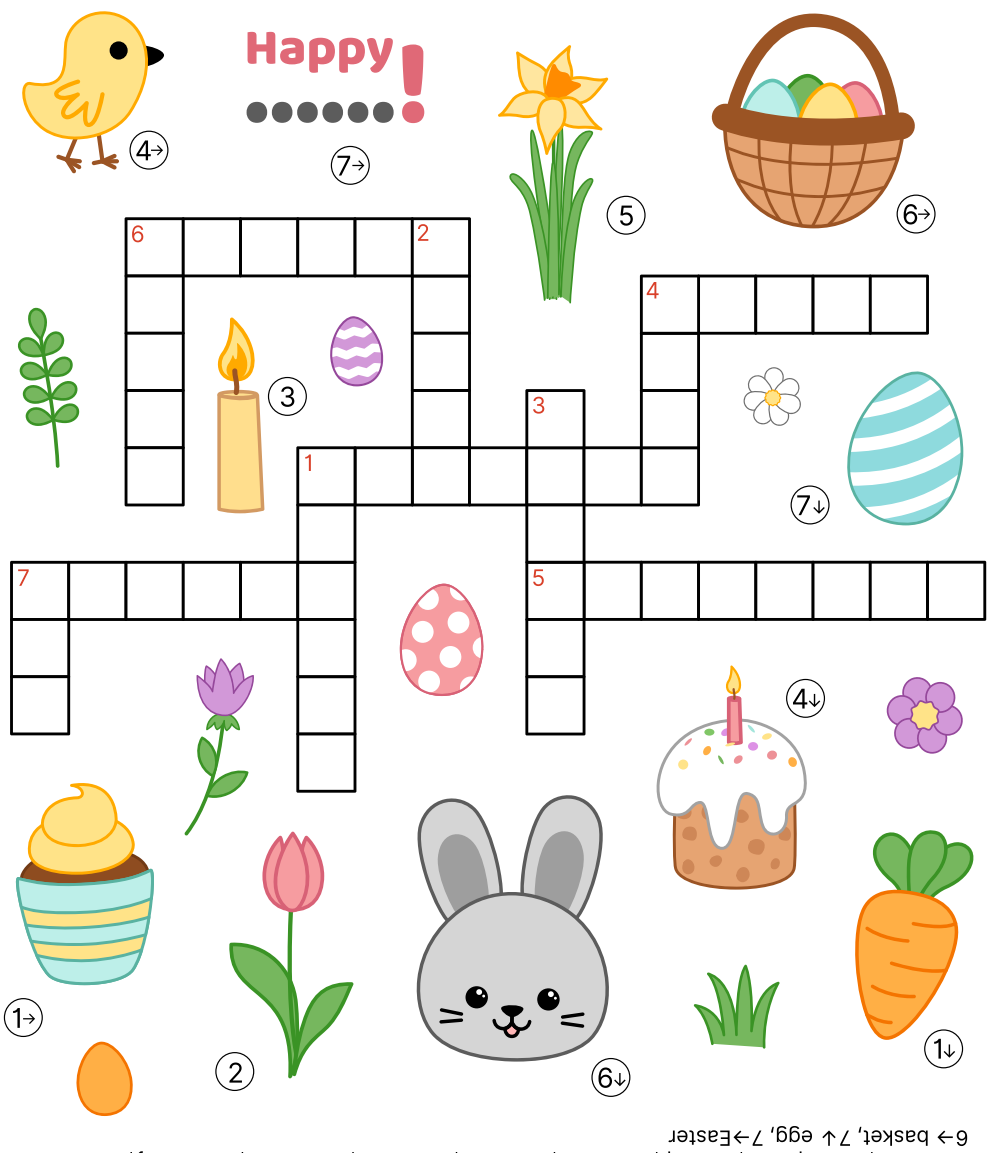
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Oral Shingles

BY DR. STEPHEN PETRAS, *An Illinois Licensed General Dentist*

Shingles is caused by the reactivation of the varicella-zoster virus (VZV), the same virus responsible for chickenpox. After an individual recovers from chickenpox, the virus remains dormant in nerve tissues near the spinal cord and brain. Certain conditions, such as a weakened immune system or use of immunosuppressive drugs, chronic inflammation, acute or chronic disease, lack of or routinely disturbed sleep, acute stress, aging, and extended exposure to the sun or extremely cold temperatures, can reactivate the virus, which then travels down the nerve to the skin or mucosa.

While shingles is commonly associated with a painful rash on the torso, oral shingles involves the development of these painful, fluid-filled blisters in the mouth and surrounding tissues. Since the oral cavity is primarily innervated by the maxillary and mandibular divisions of the trigeminal nerve, trigeminal nerve involvement is the most common cause of oral shingles. When the reactivation involves the maxillary (upper jaw) nerve, painful shingle blisters may appear on the upper gums and palate. Reactivation in the mandibular (lower jaw) nerve can lead to blisters formation on the tongue, lower gums, and the floor of the mouth.

When the virus is reactivated in the facial nerve, blisters may appear on the palate and anterior of the tongue and in or around the ear. You may also develop alterations to taste, dry mouth and eyes, ringing in the ear (tinnitus), hearing loss, vertigo, and facial paralysis (Ramsey Hunt Syndrome). If the facial nerve is damaged, it may regrow in the wrong location (synkinesis) and send signals to the wrong facial muscles. These misdirected signals may result in such aberrant motions as eye closure while smiling or tear production while chewing.

While it is rare, reactivation in the glossopharyngeal nerve can lead to blisters on the posterior one-third of the tongue, as well as on the uvula and the oropharynx. In addition, it is often accompanied by reactivation of the virus in the vagus nerve. Other symptoms include sore throat, difficult and/or painful swallowing, and hoarseness. Potential complications include vocal cord paralysis, aspiration pneumonia and encephalitis.

Once you are diagnosed with oral shingles, your physician will prescribe an antiviral medication. While there is no cure for shingles, antiviral medications can help reduce the severity and duration of the illness and reduce the risk of complications. Do not put off filling your prescription, as antivirals are most effective when started within 72 hours of the rash appearing.

To assist with the pain and inflammation, alternate Tylenol with ibuprofen, rinse with warm salt rinses and stay hydrated with fluoridated tap water. Hydration not only combats dry mouth, but it is also critical to your immune system in the healing process. Using a humidifier in your home will increase the moisture in the air, especially in your bedroom while you sleep. This can also help to soothe your dry throat. No matter how miserable you may be feeling, keep your mouth healthy by flossing and brushing gently with a soft-bristled toothbrush. Unfortunately, bacteria are opportunistic and will invade any area in your mouth where food and plaque have not been removed. Poor oral hygiene also makes you more vulnerable to fungal infections. Fighting both a viral infection and a bacterial or fungal infection in your oral cavity weakens your immune response to both.

Pain and sensitivity in the mouth can make chewing, swallowing, and speaking difficult. A diet of soft, unseasoned, and nutrient-rich foods minimizes irritation to your mouth and gums and supports recovery. Your doctor may order an oral lidocaine rinse to numb painful sores in the mouth and throat to aid you in eating, drinking and oral hygiene. Do not use mouthwash containing alcohol, tobacco products in any form or eat spicy, acidic, or crunchy foods as all of these will irritate the blisters.

Some things to consider: While shingles itself is not contagious (you can't "catch" shingles), you can spread the varicella-zoster virus (VZV) that causes it to someone who has never had chickenpox. In other words, they could develop chickenpox, not shingles. This means you should avoid contact with people with weakened immune systems, newborns, any child who has not had chicken pox or been vaccinated against it, and pregnant women. To avoid spreading the virus, all elective dental procedures will be cancelled until the shingle blisters have been fully resolved.

The most common complication of shingles is postherpetic neuralgia (PHN), which is persistent nerve pain that can last for months or even years after the rash has healed. This pain can be severe and debilitating. Some of the other long-term, adverse effects include vision, hearing, tooth and bone loss, vertigo, post-viral fatigue, long term to permanent facial paralysis and/or changes to facial appearance.

Currently, one in three Americans will develop shingles at some point in their life and this risk increases significantly with age. Fortunately, thanks to the development of Shingrix, a highly effective, two-dose vaccine against shingles, healthy adults over the age of fifty and immunocompromised adults over the age of 19, have the opportunity to lower their risk of suffering from this virus and its complications by proactively getting vaccinated.





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Is Your Family Prepared for a Natural Disaster?

The Midwest's springtime severe weather season is underway, and many communities have already been affected. The forecast for March will feature significant weather volatility across the US, with increased severe thunderstorm risk, including hail and tornadoes, from the Plains to the Ohio Valley.

Although thunderstorms and tornadoes can occur at any time of year, most occur during the warmer months. April, May, and June are the most active months for tornadoes across the US, and in Illinois, nearly 80% of all tornadoes occur during this time. Thunderstorms are commonly seen from April into the early fall; however, the most significant activity occurs from May through July.

A natural disaster can strike at any moment and anywhere. You could be at home or work. It could even happen while traveling or, worse yet, while on vacation. While it may seem that severe weather has become an inevitable part of our lives, taking steps to reduce its stress will benefit you and your loved ones.

Being prepared for a natural disaster is essential to successfully navigating the many challenges that can arise during an emergency. Having conversations with friends and family about what to do and why preparation matters can reduce confusion and help everyone respond more calmly in an already stressful situation. Creating an emergency plan, assembling a disaster supply kit, and practicing your plan in advance ensures that each person understands their role and knows what steps to take. Taking these proactive measures can make a significant difference in protecting you, your loved ones, and your property in the event of a disaster.

To help you be better prepared if a disaster strikes, the Senior Resouce Center and Midwest Medical Center is teaming up with University of Illinois Extension to offer a disaster preparedness program on Thursday, April 16, from 1-3 p.m., at Midwest Medical Center, 1 Medical Drive, Galena, IL.

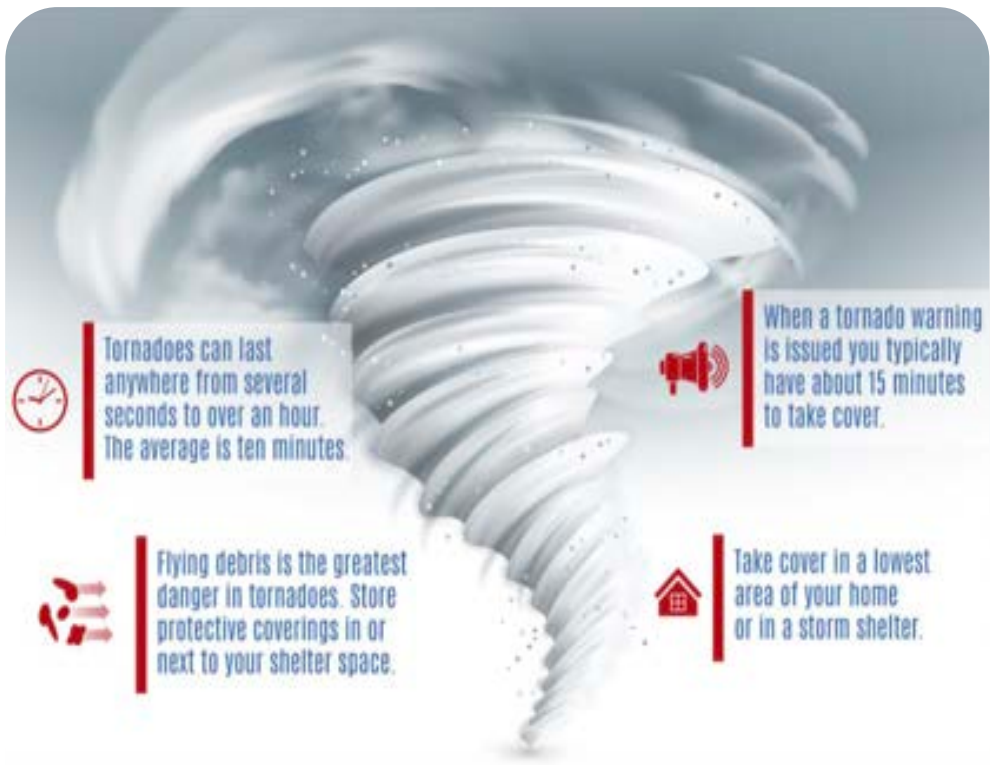
Nutrition and Wellness Educator Diane Reinhold will discuss the importance of creating a culture of preparedness for you and your family. Topics discussed will include understanding weather warning terminology, recognizing common types of disasters, and knowing what steps to take before and after an emergency. Participants will also learn about fire and food safety considerations during disasters and the value of developing a personalized disaster plan to ensure everyone knows how to respond when it matters most.

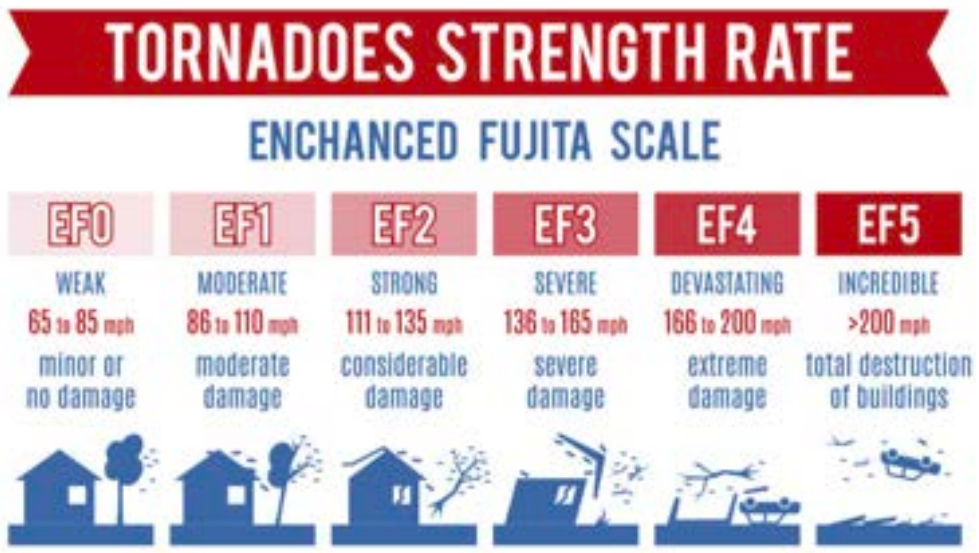
To register for ***Emergency Preparedness Essentials***, call the Extension office at (815) 858-2273 or visit us online at go.illinois.edu/jsw. There is no fee to register. However, preregistration is requested.

If you need accommodations to participate, please let our office know when you register. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time to meet your access needs.

SOURCE: Diane Reinhold, Nutrition and Wellness Educator, University of Illinois Extension

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Low Maintenance Landscaping

Join University of Illinois Extension Jo Daviess County Master Gardener, Madelynn Wilharm, for this program on "Low Maintenance Landscaping" as part of the Spring Break Gardening Series. The program will be held on Thursday, April 16 at 1:30 p.m. at the Jo Daviess County Extension Office, 204 N. Vine Street, Elizabeth, IL. There will be a $5 fee to attend and pre-registration is requested. To register or for more information please call the Extension Office at 815-858-2273 or visit us online at go.illinois.edu/jsw.

Whether you find yourself wanting to garden but don't have a lot of time or have a brown thumb, want to add low maintenance plant options to your landscape, or are realizing that you can't do it all like you used too, then this program is for you!

Madelynn will talk about plant options, tools, garden design, and other considerations that all lead to having a low maintenance landscape in your yard or on your acreage.

Other programs in the series include Spring Centerpieces on April 2, Creative Container Gardens on April 30, Trees in Your Landscape: Benefits and Functions on May 7 and Tomatoes on May 14 with more to come. For more information or to register for any of these programs call the Extension Office at 815-858-2273 or call us online at go.illinois.edu/jsw.

If you need a reasonable accommodation to attend this program please contact the Extension Office at 815-858-2273. Early requests are strongly encouraged to allow sufficient time to meet your needs.



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Annual Community Garage Sales

Saturday, June 6, 2026
8:00am – 2:00pm

The Community Garage Sales will be advertised on the website, on our Facebook page (@AppleCanyonLake), in *The Apple Core, The Apple Seed*, and in local papers prior to June 6.

Posted hours are **8:00am - 2:00pm** on Saturday, but it's your choice to be open earlier, 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 and at the Association Office beginning Thursday, June 4.

Questions? Please contact us at recreation@applecanyonlake.org or call (815) 492-4051.

Complete the form below and submit it with your $15 payment for promotion & advertising by **Monday, June 1**.

Make checks payable to ACLPOA, and mail to:
ACL Community Garage Sales, 14A157 Canyon Club Dr.,
Apple River, IL 61001

NOTE: Registrations submitted after 3:00pm, Monday, June 1 will NOT be included on the map or listing.

Annual Community Garage Sales

Saturday, June 6, 2026
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. Listings longer than 35 words will be modified to fit.

_____
_____
_____
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NOTE: Laminated garage sale signs will not be provided at the Association Office. If additional signage is needed, please purchase your own.

Please be conscientious and remove all garage sale related signage by Sunday evening.



TICKETS GOING ON SALE EARLY
VISIT THE OFFICE OR SCAN THE QR CODE



NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN. TICKETS WILL BE SOLD FOR A LIMITED TIME AND ONLY 1,200 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD. THE DEADLINE TO PURCHASE TICKETS IS FRIDAY, JUNE 26 AT 3:00 PM. TICKETS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT.

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Fall Craft Fair

Sunday, September 6, 2026, 10:00am – 4:00pm

Inside Space: $75 (10' x 10') **Outside Space: $50** (10' x 10') **Food Truck Vendor: $75**

Please join us for our Fall Craft Fair on Sunday, September 6, 2026! 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 staff member will greet you upon arrival and show you your assigned location.
Only 12 indoor spaces are available. A limited number of tables are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Tables are $10 each. Requesting a table will not necessarily guarantee you one.
Registration and fee must be received by Friday, August 28, 2026. 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 Sunday, September 6, 2026.

The *Clubhouse will be open from 2:00 – 4:00pm on Saturday, September 5, 2026, and by 7:00am Sunday, September 6, 2026,* for inside space 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 6, 2026, 10:00am – 4:00pm

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: (This is how we will communicate with you and provide your confirmation.)

_____

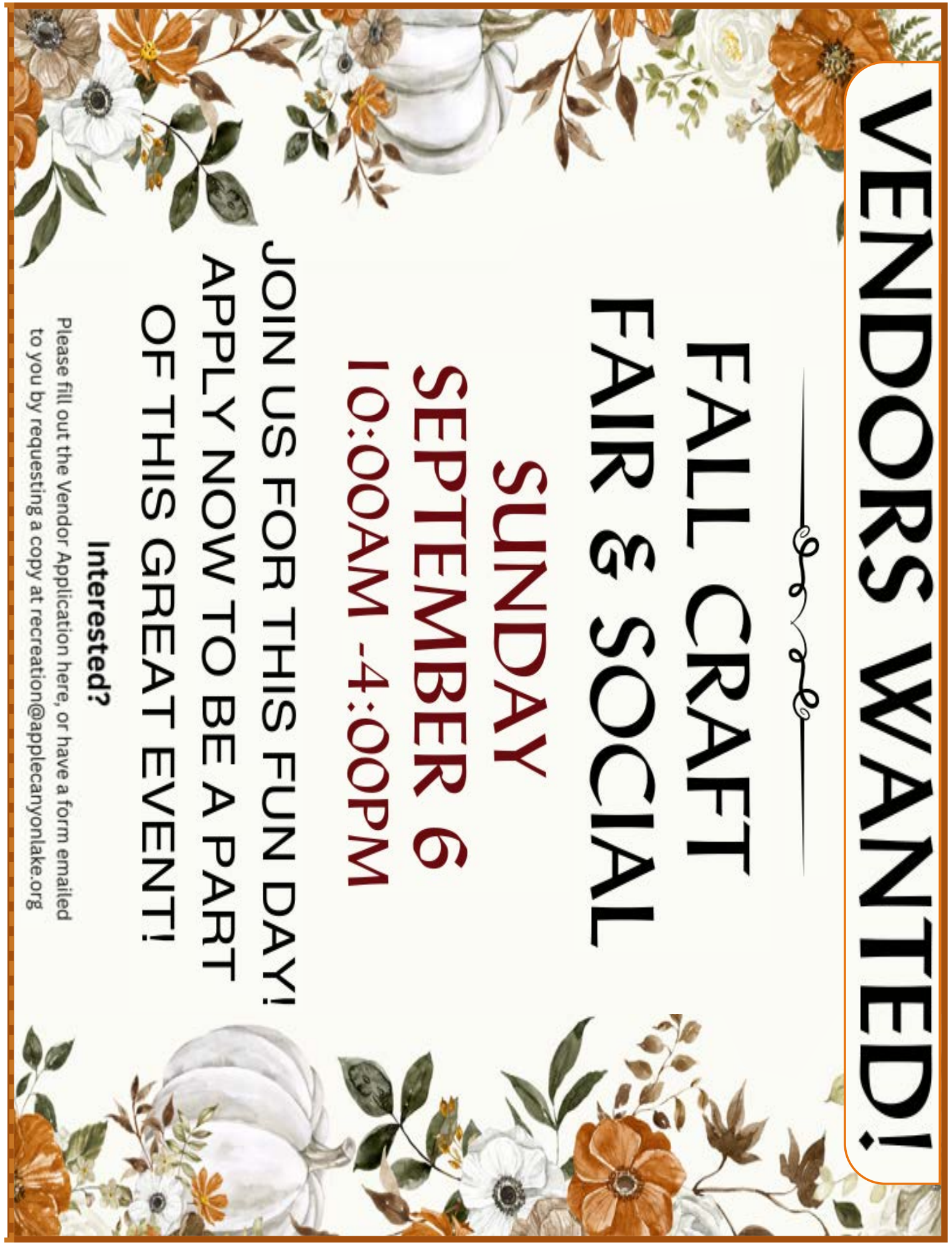
Craft Description: _____

Item for Raffle: Minimum $15 (per booth) value_____

Circle one: Inside - **$75** Outside - **$50** Food Truck - **$75**
# of Spaces Requested: _____

Table Requested at $10? **Circle one: YES NO**

Total Amount Paid: $_____ Check #: _____



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Savor Summer All Year: Learn Safe Freezing Practices



Spring is just around the corner, and before long, summer gardens will be overflowing with fresh fruits and vegetables. With a bit of planning, you can enjoy those garden-fresh flavors long after the growing season ends.

Home food preservation remains a popular way to reduce food waste, stretch your grocery budget, and make the most of seasonal produce. A great way to preserve your produce is to freeze it. Freezing is one of the simplest and most time-efficient methods of preserving food. When done correctly, it helps maintain a food's natural color, fresh flavor, and nutritional value better than many other preservation methods.

However, if you have ever frozen berries or tender fruits and vegetables only to be disappointed by changes in texture or flavor, you are not alone. Freezing slows enzyme activity in fruits and vegetables, but it does not entirely stop it. If these enzymes are not adequately inactivated before freezing, they can cause undesirable changes in flavor, color, and texture over time.

Therefore, learning the proper techniques to ensure high-quality results and safe food storage is a must. Successful freezing requires more than just placing food in the freezer. Understanding the science behind freezing can make the difference between an average product and one that tastes garden-fresh months later.

Join us for ***Yes, You Can: Freezing Your Summer Harvest*** to learn research-based methods for freezing fruits and vegetables successfully. You'll gain practical tips and the confidence to preserve your summer harvest with excellent results. Class will be held on Thursday, April 16, from 6-8 PM at the Jo Daviess Extension office, located at 204 N. Vine Street, Elizabeth, IL.

To register for ***Yes, You Can: Freezing Your Summer Harvest,*** call the Extension office at (815) 858-2273 or visit us online at go.illinois.edu/jsw. There is a $5.00 fee for this program, which includes all educational materials. Pre-registration is requested. We hope to see you there!

University of Illinois Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment. If you need reasonable accommodations to participate in this program, please call (815) 858-2273.

SOURCE: Diane Reinhold, Nutrition and Wellness Educator, University of Illinois Extension



April Update

ROOTED IN COMMUNITY

BY TINA MUCCIANTE, *Communications & Recreation Administrator*

Communications and April is shaping up to be a busy and exciting month as we welcome the return of spring and the energy it brings to our community. As the weather begins to warm and the days grow longer, we have several events that invite everyone to reconnect, get involved, and enjoy the season together.

One of the most anticipated signs of spring is the opening of the marina, scheduled for **April 10, weather permitting**. Boaters and lake lovers alike look forward to this annual milestone, marking the unofficial start of another season on the water.

Just a couple of days later, anglers will have their chance to kick things off with the **Buddy Bass Tournament on April 12**. This friendly competition is always a favorite, bringing together fishing enthusiasts for a day of camaraderie, great catches, and time outdoors.

Community involvement continues on **April 18**, when members will have the opportunity to **meet our Board candidates**. This is a great chance to learn more about the individuals who are stepping forward to help guide the future of our community, ask questions, and engage in the process that keeps our organization strong and member driven.

We will wrap up the month with one of our most meaningful traditions, our **Spring Clean Up**. This event is a wonderful opportunity for neighbors to come together, lend a hand, and help keep our shared spaces looking their best as we head into the busy summer months.

April truly reflects what it means to be rooted in community. It is about connecting with neighbors, participating in shared traditions, and taking pride in the place you all call home. We look forward to seeing you at these events and appreciate everyone who helps make our community vibrant and welcoming.








Annual
Earth Day
Spring Clean-up
Hosted by the Conservation Commission
New Start Time
SATURDAY, APRIL 25
10:00AM TO NOON
Meet at the Maintenance Driveway to pick up your area assignment and trash bag!
We depend on Volunteers to put the SHINE back on the APPLE!
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6th ANNUAL
MAY DAY AUCTION
Sponsored by:
The Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners' Foundation
WHEN:
Saturday, May 2, 2026
WHERE:
ACL CLUBHOUSE
TIME:
5:00pm - Happy Hour, Silent Auction, Bucket Auction
6:00pm - Live Auction
THE FOUNDATION'S GRANT PROGRAM HAS GIVEN OUT OVER $52,000 TO ACL PROJECTS
* CHILDREN'S GARDEN
* TREES AT BOCCE BALL COURTS
* WETLAND GARDEN AT THE MARINA
* OAK/HICKORY SAVANNA
* NATURE SIGNS AROUND LAKE
* MEMORIAL PAVILION
*TREES AT ACL GOLF COURSE
*DIGITAL WATER LEVELING SYSTEM
*CHILDREN'S DISCOVERY NATURE AREA
Join us for a fun filled evening to raise funds that will support ACLPO Foundation projects! Silent, bucket, and live auctions, 50/50 raffle, and bonus games, all for a great cause!
PLUS, IT'S A REALLY FUN TIME!
"Like" the ACL Property Owner's Foundation page on FACEBOOK for updates!
Items and cash donations may be dropped off at:
ACL OFFICE
-Or -
Contact a Foundation Member to Arrange Pickup.
CASH AND CREDIT CARDS WILL BE ACCEPTED
HELP US CELEBRATE OUR 6TH AUCTION!


TUESDAY
LADIES GOLF
KICK-OFF MEETING & BRUNCH
FOLLOWED BY GOLF
TUESDAY, MAY 5 AT 10 AM
AT THE PRO SHOP & GOLF COURSE
ALL LEVELS ARE WELCOME
COME ANY TUESDAY YOU CAN
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QUESTIONS?
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Garden Club
Where Flowers Flourish & Dragonflies Play
Spring
LUNCHEON
FRIDAY | MAY 15
11:30AM TO 2:00PM
Let's make our spring luncheon bloom with flavors!
Bring a dish to share and spread the joy.
RSVP to: luanndimonte@gmail.com
or 815-685-5906 by: May 1st


MASS
UNDER THE PAVILION
Saturday, May 23 | 6:00pm
Saturday, June 20 | 6:00pm
Sunday, July 5 | 11:30am
Sunday, July 26 | 11:30am
Saturday, August 8 | 6:00pm
Saturday, September 5 | 6:00pm
GATHER WITH US UNDER THE PAVILION FOR MASS AND FELLOWSHIP!
ALL ARE WELCOME!


Apple Canyon Lake
BAND SCHEDULE
2026
MAY 23
ROLLIN' WHISKEY
Event: Summer Kick Off
10 GALLON HAT
JUNE 27
Event: Fireworks @ Nixon Beach
JULY 25
HILLBILLY ROCKSTARZ
Event: Sizzling Concert
SUNSHINE
SEPT 6
Event: Fall Craft Fair

3rd Annual MEMORIAL DAY TRIBUTE

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

SATURDAY, MAY 23 AT 9:00AM

PRESIDENTS BAY PICNIC AREA
(AT THE END OF PRESIDENTS BAY)

A $20 MINIMUM DONATION TO THE WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT INCLUDES:
A blank wooden plaque to decorate in remembrance of your loved one or our heroes. The plaque can be hung on one of the 65 crosses displayed at the Tribute. The Tribute will remain up through Memorial Day.

A complimentary UTV shuttle service will be running from Calico Lane to the Event beginning at 8:30am.

IN HONOR OF OUR 250TH ANNIVERSARY WE WILL HAVE A 21 GUN SALUTE!

KIDS MILITARY OBSTACLE COURSE



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Summer Kick-Off

May 23, 2026

Bounce Houses for the Kids!

Concert | Starting at 5:00pm
Music by Rollin' Whiskey



Food Trucks
JJ & Freddies
Pulido's Tacos
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Apple Canyon Lake Garden Club

Annual Plant Sale

Sunday | May 24
8:00am - 12:00pm



OUTSIDE THE CLUBHOUSE



FUEL YOUR MORNING AT THE MARINA WITH FRESH COFFEE AND FEW TASTY BREAKFAST BITS

FRIDAY, JUNE 25

Apple Canyon Lake

Independence Day Celebration

OPEN TO PROPERTY OWNERS & THEIR GUESTS ONLY.
CURRENT YEAR STICKERS REQUIRED TO ACCESS NIXON BEACH & TO PARTICIPATE IN PARADE.

10:30 AM — Golf Cart Parade Line-up

Rumble & Roll Raffle — 11:00 AM

JUNE 27TH | 5:00PM

LIVE MUSIC | 10 GALLON HAT

FOOD TRUCKS
JJ & FREDDIES - BIRDS CHICKEN - HANGRY HOBO

ICE CREAM TRUCK
UDDERLY DELICIOUS

FIREWORKS AT DUSK

ALL THE ABOVE AT NIXON BEACH

Dazzling Dragonflies & Damselflies

Learn all about dragonflies and damselflies!
Have fun with games, enjoy snacks, make crafts and create your own dragonfly!

Saturday, July 25
10 am - noon
at the ACL Children's Garden
located behind the clubhouse and pool

Free event sponsored by the ACL GARDEN CLUB