

# THE Apple Core

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## SLEDDING PARTY SUCCESS

PHOTO BY TOM SHEPHERD

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## CANDIDATES FOR 2022 BOARD ELECTION ANNOUNCED

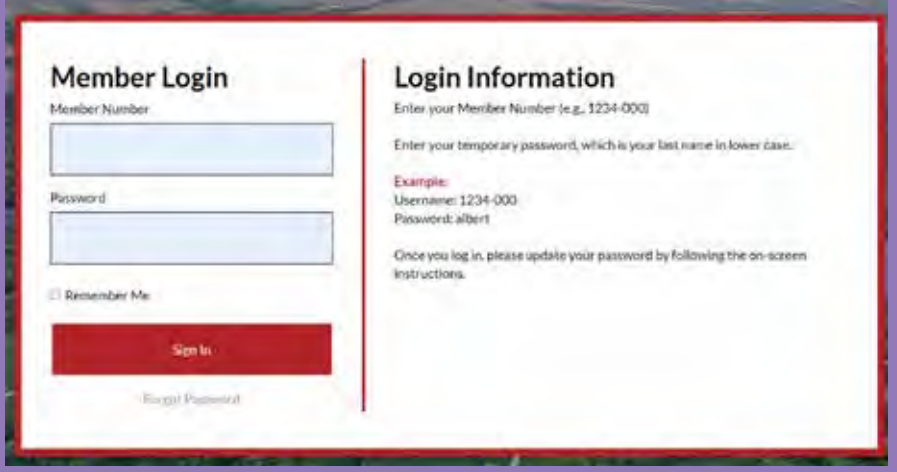
The following property owners have filed applications to run for the three seats on the ACLPOA Board of Directors. The election will take place at the Annual Meeting of the Members on Saturday, June 11, 2022.

- WILLIAM BECKER** ..... 11-024
- SEAN COTTRELL** ..... 01-082
- GEORGE DROGOSZ** ..... 08-048
- MARK KOSCO** ..... 01-074
- LAURA PRATT** ..... 09-129

Watch for candidate bios and answers to Nominating Committee questions in the March Apple Core.

## NEW YEAR, NEW NORTHSTAR SYSTEM!

SEE PAGES 21-26 FOR INSTRUCTIONS



# STATELINE SOLAR

# GENERAL MANAGER'S MESSAGE



BY SHAUN NORDLIE

This month I wanted to update owners on the Zebra Mussels (ZM) since there were a few meetings regarding ZM in January.

Last month we had two discussions about ZM and what the plan is for 2022 and beyond. The first discussion was on January 5th with Dr. David Hammond of Earth Science Labs. ACL Owner, Al Zobjeck set up this zoom meeting for the Board, Conservation Commission members and any other owners interested in learning more about ZM and what options

we have to reduce or eliminate ZM from our lake. Dr. Hammond discussed his product EarthTec QZ which has worked to eliminate ZM from other lakes and ponds. Although Dr. Hammond has never worked with a lake our size, he feels that his product would work to eradicate ZM. The cost could be high, he estimated anywhere from \$400,000 - \$700,000. Since Dr. Hammond does not have experience with a lake our size that has constant flow in and out of the lake, it is difficult to know how much product is necessary and what rates would be needed to be applied to be affective. There are also concerns with the fishery if we applied this much chemical to the lake, would those rates affect the fishery and create a fish kill. Dr. Hammond did say he had a small fish kill on one of the lakes he worked on. He also stated that EarthTec would affect the zooplankton that fish feed on for a short time after application but doesn't know the affects of that on the fishery. The other concern is that if the Association is going to pay to eradicate ZM from the lake, what will keep out ZM in the future. We don't want to pay \$700,000 in 2022 and eliminate ZM, but then find them back in the lake in 2025 and have to do this again. Dr. Hammond stressed that we would need to take measures to make sure ZM did not get back in the lake. This would be done by having staff checking boats that entered the lake, making sure that they did not have ZM on them that could reinfect the lake. This would require 2 staff members to be stationed at the launch seven days a week for 10-12 hours per day – which is not feasible. Dr. Hammond did say in 2022 he is working on three different lakes around the country, all three are similar to our lake in size. So, he will have some comparable lake details at the end of this year. These comparables would tell us what rates of chemical application were needed on a lake of 450 acres, how much chemical product was estimated and actually used on a lake our size, what affects did the EarthTec have on the fishery and were the treatments affective in reducing or eradicating ZM.

The Board of Directors met on January 15th and discussed ZM further. The feeling was that we would like to eradicate ZM, but it would be almost impossible to keep ZM out of the lake in the future so spending up to \$700,000 is most likely not feasible. We need to do something though. The EarthTec works on the ZM, so we

need to investigate using EarthTec to spot treat areas of the lake in 2022. I have asked Joe Rush, our Lake Consultant to research using EarthTec as our algaecide this year, so we receive two benefits from the chemical. We would use EarthTec in the beach area and around the jumping rock. We could also pick some coves and do some spot treatments in those areas and then monitor the affects of the EarthTec on the ZM in those areas. We also discussed purchasing monitoring disks so we can see if the ZM are more abundant in certain coves or areas of the lake. Also, are the spot treatments eliminating ZM in those areas. We discussed adding Redeared sunfish to the lake since they eat ZM. This might still be an option, but I don't think it is one that will show us a visible reduction in ZM. I have also discussed with Joe Rush the possibility of starting a private shoreline owner program where these owners could hire Joe to apply chemical around their shoreline to help reduce algae and possibly also ZM. We must also educate owners on ZM and what they can do to their boats before they put them in the water to help reduce the amount of ZM that attached to their boats, docks, and shore stations. We also want to educate owners on how to clean their boats, the importance of cleaning their boats after they leave the lake and before they bring their boat into the lake.

All of these details will be discussed more and shared with the owners in the next few months so you know what the Association is doing about ZM and what you can and should be doing with your boat. If you have further questions about zebra mussels, please contact me through my email or the administrative office.

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT



BY BARB HENDREN

Last month, I wrote about progress the Association made in 2021 on Flood Mitigation. This month I would like to recap progress on our preparations for contract dredging to remove excess silt from the lake.

Contract dredging has been under discussion by the board for some time, since our current dredging program is just not keeping up with the amount of silt that comes into the lake.

At the May 2021 Board of Directors' meeting, Shaun Nordlie conducted a workshop on contract dredging. The board learned about the preparations needed before we could be ready to hire a company to perform the dredging. The board had discussions at the July and August 2021 meetings on priorities for capital projects. At the August meeting, the board moved contract dredging up on the priority list for capital projects to the number 2 spot (Flood Mitigation being #1).

Toward that effort, we need to accomplish the following:

Dredge ponds cleaned to capacity and tested for proper drainage.

Determination of where dredge material will be dredged from the lake and whether the dredge ponds' capacity will be sufficient. There are options if the capacity is not sufficient (use of polymers or pump to larger ponds using booster pumps on the lake).

Shaun Nordlie started working on these items with our lake consultant at the end of July to evaluate our dredge ponds. They walked each pond and evaluated the drainage systems to determine what repairs and cleaning were needed.

Shaun then met with a representative from Fehr Graham, the civil engineering firm which assists us in dam inspections, in early August to do a second evaluation of the dredge ponds and ask for a quote for surveying the ponds. Shaun also met with a representative from Frentress Lake to get ideas on how to accomplish our goal of removing silt to a depth of 1 foot and handle dredging the smaller bays. They studied maps and our bathymetric study of 2017. The Frentress representative advised that hydraulic dredging would be the best option for us due to the size of our lake and the distance to Nixon Beach for offloading of dredge material. Further, Frentress told us that they would need distances and elevation changes from each cove to the dredge pond. We are in the process of drawing up a map of the lake with these measurements. Shaun will be meeting with Frentress again this winter to continue this discussion.

Due to the dry conditions in September, cleaning work on the dredge ponds at Independence, President's, North Bay and Winchester was largely completed by the end of the month. There is still some work to be completed in the spring by our excavator, but we got a real head start in our preparations.

This spring, we hope to finalize the next steps required to get contract dredging in place. This will include meeting with Frentress again to determine the best way to dredge the northern part of the lake and hiring a third-party engineer to oversee the dredge project and determine how much material is being taken from the lake. Another bathymetric study is needed to determine the current amount of silt to be removed from the lake before we can move forward. When the time comes, we will follow our standard process of writing an IFP and obtaining 3 bids. Also, any necessary permitting with government authorities will be obtained. There is still a lot of work to be done, but we are getting closer to our goal of contract dredging to remove silt from the lake.

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# Mark Your Calendars!

**Saturday, March 26**

Campsite Swap & Assignment Day—10 a.m.

**Saturday, March 26**

Slip Swap—1 p.m.

**Saturday, April 2**

Slip Assignment Day & Sublicense Assignments—10 a.m.



## TO NEW ACL OWNERS

- |                                |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Scott & Kathryn Zerega         | Jennifer Bishop                            |
| Mark & Mandi Dolson            | Trevor Shimkus                             |
| Christopher & Agnieszka Hansen | Daniel Misischia & Renee Sanders-Misischia |
| James & Renae Pinter           | Gary Pickard                               |
| Eric & Janet Nowak             | Steven Anderson                            |
| Nicola Roady                   |  |

## UPCOMING LOCAL DELIVERY DATES

The Apple Core reaches local homes and is posted in its entirety at [www.applecanyonlake.org](http://www.applecanyonlake.org) on the following dates.

**Mar 3 • Apr 7 • May 5**

PHOTO BY TOM SHEPHERD



# AMENITY HOURS

See Amenity Hours at: [www.AppleCanyonLake.org/hours](http://www.AppleCanyonLake.org/hours)

**Office Hours:**

**Monday –Saturday: 8am to 3pm; Sunday: CLOSED**

**Special Office Hours:**

**Sunday, February 20 & 27: 8am to 3pm**

**Not getting the Apple Seed e-blasts?**

If you are not receiving the Apple Seed e-blasts, call the office at 815-492-2238 or email us to make sure we have your correct email address on file.

**2022 Office Guidelines**

The lobby is open for owners to come in and pay their dues & fees; appointments are not required. Owners are asked to wear masks when inside the building; please keep in mind 6' social distancing is not possible in the lobby or at the window.

# 2022 CALENDAR

## REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

Please consult the Apple Canyon Lake website or weekly Apple Seed eblast for the most recent updates.

## SPECIAL EVENTS – SUBJECT TO CHANGE

### MARCH

12..... Pinewood Derby ..... 12:30pm

### APRIL

10..... Easter Egg Hunt ..... 10:30am  
 22-24 ..... Spring Clean Up ..... freeform  
 29..... Garden Club Spring Luncheon ..... 11:30am

### MAY

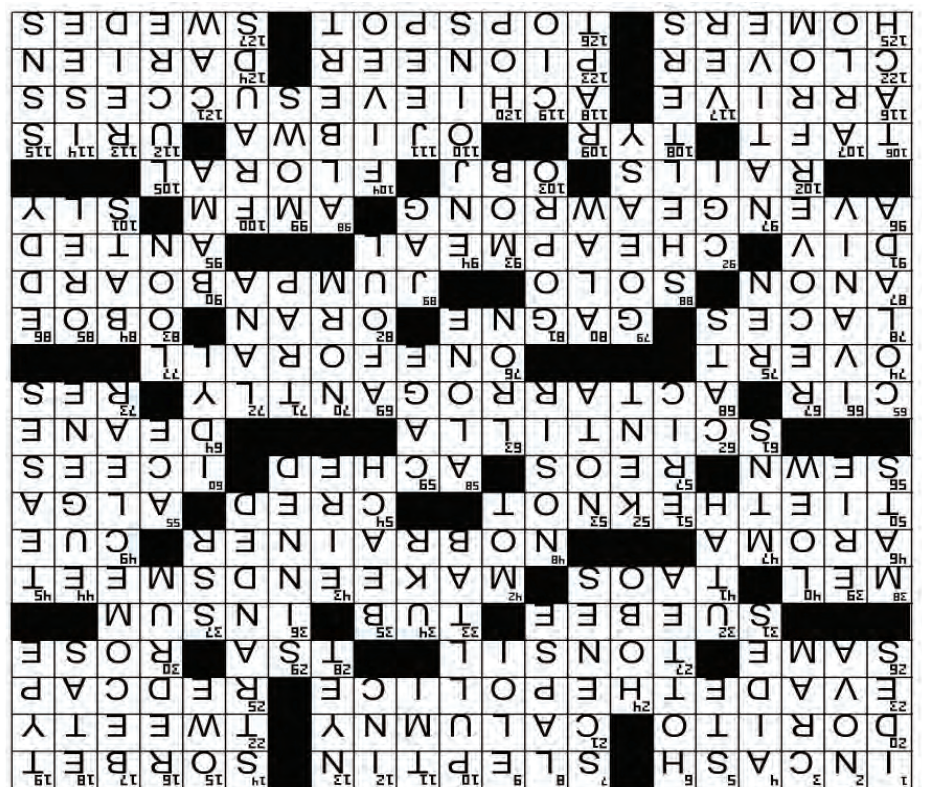
28 ..... Summer Kick-off ..... TBA  
 29 ..... Campground Commission Pancake Breakfast ..... 8am-12pm  
 29 ..... Garden Club Annual Plant Sale ..... 8am-12pm

### JUNE

4 ..... ACL Garage Sales ..... 8am-2pm  
 25 ..... Try Scuba ..... TBD  
 25 ..... Farm Fun Days ..... 10am-1pm

### JULY

2 ..... Golf Cart Parade ..... 10:30am check-in  
 2 ..... Rumble & Roll Ball Race ..... 11am  
 2 ..... Fireworks ..... Dusk  
 6-8 ..... Canyon Kids Camp ..... 1-3pm  
 9 ..... Open-Air Concert ..... 7pm  
 14 ..... World's Largest Swim Lesson ..... TBD  
 23 ..... Kids Fishing Tournament ..... TBD  
 30 ..... TT5k for a Cause ..... 7:30am  
 30 ..... Sizzling Summer Concert ..... 7pm



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# ACL PROPERTY OWNERS' FOUNDATION



The Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners' Foundation is a not-for-profit organization with the mission to provide for the preservation, conservation and beautification of the properties owned by the Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners' Association.

The Corporation will raise and expend funds to be used for environmental improvements, lake restoration, educational programs, and conservation projects that are intended to preserve and enhance the natural beauty, safety, and function of the properties for current and future generations.

Its Board of Trustees initiates and supports the mission of the Foundation. The generous gifts of donors will be invested and distributed in compliance with the Foundation's governing bylaws.

## HOW YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE

All contributions, immediate or planned, make a difference now and in the future.

### GENERAL DONATIONS

No donation is too small and will make a positive impact on the Foundation. Cash, stocks, bonds, and real estate are ways to contribute.

### PLANNED GIVING

Planned gifts can be made through a will or trust as part of your estate planning. By naming the Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners' Foundation as beneficiary, you express your values to family and friends, and extend your legacy to future generations.

### TRIBUTE/MEMORIAL GIFT

A Tribute or Memorial Gift is a special way to celebrate a birthday, accomplishment, or provide a unique thank-you to honor or memorialize a family member, friend, or associate.

### BENCH PROGRAM

The ACLPO Foundation Bench Program provides an opportunity to honor, celebrate, pay tribute, or memorialize. Funds raised through the Apple Canyon Lake Bench Program go directly to the Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Foundation. It's a meaningful way to make a lasting impression on the community by supporting the Foundation.

### UTV RAFFLE

Donate to the ACLPO Foundation while also being entered for a chance to win a 2021 Polaris Ranger! Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. Tickets can be purchased from a Foundation Member, the Association Office, or online at: [www.applecanyonlake.org/Win](http://www.applecanyonlake.org/Win)

### POKER RUN

Join the ACLPO Foundation for the Annual Foundation Poker Run in September. Ride the Trails to (5) Different Stations Around the Lake and pick up a Card at Each

Station. Participants then meet back at the Clubhouse for Dinner, Music and Prizes! All proceeds from the event benefit the Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners' Foundation!

## YOUR GENEROUS GIFT WILL GO TOWARDS:

- environmental improvements
- lake restoration
- educational programs
- conservation projects intended to preserve and enhance the natural beauty, safety, and function of the properties for current and future generations.

## QUESTIONS?

If you have questions regarding the Foundation, please contact the General Manager at 815-492-2292.

## 2nd ANNUAL MAY DAY AUCTION

SAVE THE DATE!

Sponsored by:  
**The Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners' Foundation**

**WHEN:**  
Saturday, April 30, 2022

**WHERE:**  
ACL Clubhouse

**TIME:**  
5:00pm - Happy Hour, Silent Auction, Bucket Auction  
6:00pm - Live Auction

## THE ACLPO FOUNDATION BENCH PROGRAM: A GIFT THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

The ACLPO Foundation Bench Program provides an opportunity to honor, celebrate, pay tribute or memorialize.

Funds raised through the Apple Canyon Lake Bench Program go directly to the Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Foundation to enhance and beautify Apple Canyon Lake properties for owners and their guests to enjoy. It's a meaningful way to make a lasting impression on the community by supporting the Foundation.

### ADOPT A BENCH, \$1,500

- A new bench with a traditional plaque will be purchased and installed in your choice of available locations throughout the Apple Canyon Lake properties. This total includes the bench, installation, commemorative plaque, and 10 years of maintenance.
- Benches are installed at approved sites in the order requests are received.
- Installation depends on the time of year received and the number of preceding orders.
- Choose the specific location for your bench donation from the map of locations, however the bench's exact location will be determined by ACLPOA staff based on the needs of the Association.
- The Association will order and install the bench at the location of your choice.
- Once the bench is installed, the contact person will receive a letter notifying them that the bench has been placed, and a map showing the location of the bench. If the donor wishes, a card of acknowledgement will be sent to the recipient's family advising that their loved one has been honored or commemorated in this special way.
- A donation period will last 10 years. Within this time, ACLPOF will replace the bench, in the event of damage, at no cost to the donor.

- After 10 years, the bench will be available for renewal for the cost of a new donation, with the first right of refusal given to the original donor. If the original donor opts not to renew, the donated bench and plaque may be removed or rededicated at any time.
- Guidelines for donation, memorial, and sponsorship contributions are available from the ACL Office upon request.



*Carol Malone on Jean L. Malone memorial bench. "In Loving Memory of Jean L. Malone Wife - Mother - Friend"*

# THE YEAR IS YOURS, WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH IT?

BY SHAUN NORDLIE, GENERAL MANAGER

With a new year comes a new dashboard. I present to you the 2022 Plan-on-a-Page dashboard. The 2022 version was approved by the Board of Directors at their August meeting. You will see a few similar items in the dashboard for 2022, but also some new ideas and directions that the Strategic Planning Commission and the Board want to explore for the new year. This month I will introduce the new dashboard and then throughout the year, I will give updates on the progress, explain the projects, and detail any issues or concerns that we are experiencing.

## High Performing Operations and Management –

- The Northstar property management will allow owners more access to their account online. 2022 is the first year that owners can pay their assessment online, fill out and submit their forms online and access their accounts. With this new technology, comes training and education. Tutorials are already in place for logging into the system and paying online, more will be coming in the upcoming months for booking tee times and events, registering for activities and ordering Pro Shop food online. We are excited that Northstar is finally ready for owners to use and take advantage of all the new technology it offers.
- The Illinois Association of Lake Communities (IALC) is a group of Lake

Associations just like Apple Canyon. All the communities have lakes and either HOA or Condo Associations. IALC meets every other month and discusses topics that are affecting all the Associations. The communities also work together on issues in Springfield and Washington that impact us either positively or negatively. Now that Springfield is getting back to normal, this group will be monitoring bills and giving input where necessary to make sure that Lake Associations have a say in statute that affects how we operate.

- When the Plan-on-a-Page was approved, voting for the Declaration was still ongoing. In November the Voting Members stopped the voting. In 2022, the Legal Commission will start working again on the Declaration and Bylaws to determine how we proceed with proposed changes and bringing these documents back to the members for a new vote.

## Improvement of Infrastructure –

- We will be receiving a report from the engineering firm we retained for Flood Mitigation by the end of January. This report will give us guidance on how to proceed with the spillway so that the lake is better prepared for the next 100-year flood. The Board of Directors and the Flood Mitigation Ad Hoc Commission will review the plan so that construction plans can be drawn, and we can start working on scheduling this project for the lake.

### APPLE CANYON LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION PLAN-ON-A-PAGE

HIGH PERFORMING OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT													
2022 ACTION STEPS - One Year Action Plans												RESPONSIBLE PARTY	
Develop training programs to promote, educate, and support the membership on options for allowing each property owner to create a digital file using Northstar property management system.													Association Management Team
Through an IALC collaboration, monitor and challenge USI on utility pricing													Shaun Nordlie
Cooperate with other lake associations on common interest issues, legislation, or events by lobbying on issues not appropriate for ACLPOA													Shaun Nordlie
Communicate with membership on voting on changes in 2021 Declaration and reach a quorum													Shaun Nordlie; Legal Commission
IMPROVEMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE													
2022 ACTION STEPS - One Year Action Plans												RESPONSIBLE PARTY	
Retain and utilize consulting services for lake, dam and watershed management													Shaun Nordlie; Natural Resources Manager
Develop the engineering concept, plan of action and implementation timeline for flood mitigation													Shaun Nordlie; Flood Mitigation Ad Hoc Commission
Continue with implementation of the watershed plan of action													Shaun Nordlie; Natural Resources Manager
Continue dry dam action plan for sub-watersheds surrounding the lake													Shaun Nordlie; Natural Resources Manager
Continue with dredging program and explore commercial dredging options													Shaun Nordlie
Develop plan for disposing of silt from our dredge ponds, including promotional campaign to raise awareness													Shaun Nordlie; Ed Ziarko
Increase capacity of cellular service to members													Shaun Nordlie
Improve and maintain existing trail system													Ed Ziarko
AMENITIES AND SERVICES													
2022 ACTION STEPS - One Year Action Plans												RESPONSIBLE PARTY	
Conduct member surveys to find interest levels of all current and any future amenities													Shaun Nordlie; Tim Brokl
Add additional upgraded campground sites with water and sewer hook-ups													Ed Ziarko
Study location options for additional Association docks													Shaun Nordlie; Ed Ziarko
Study the membership and local vendor interest in holding a seasonal farmer's market at Apple Canyon Lake													Tim Brokl
GROWTH AND VALUE ENHANCEMENT OF ASSOCIATION													
2022 ACTION STEPS - One Year Action Plans												RESPONSIBLE PARTY	
Develop plan of action for image and branding of Apple Canyon Lake													Shaun Nordlie; Tim Brokl
Study and assess the viability of land acquisition or partnership in the surrounding area													Shaun Nordlie; BOD
Support and promote ACL Charitable Foundation and their fundraising activities for ACL enhancements													Shaun Nordlie; ACLPO Foundation

**KEY:**

- On Track
- Issues
- Off Track
- Pending
- Complete

- The Conservation Commission graded ACL on the watershed plan's first five years and presented these grades to the Board in November. In 2022, Conservation will be looking at the 5–10-year goals, adjusting any that need to be realigned and then tracking those goals. The Winchester area is our next area of concern for watershed projects. We will be receiving design plans in February for this project so we can start preliminary work and prepare for beginning the work in 2023.
- We have been preparing for contract dredging for the past two years. Conversations with a local dredge company regarding how to tackle our lake, preparing the dredge ponds and working with our lake consultant have all taken place recently. In 2022, we will finalize the dredge ponds, sell the dirt that we have already removed from the ponds, and set a timeline for when the Association wants to start contract dredging.
- In 2020 Verizon applied for and received a permit from the county to build a cellular tower next to our maintenance facility. During COVID-19, they shifted their focus on new towers back to the city and suburbs to handle the increase in people working from home. At the time they said they hoped to get back to focusing on rural areas and increasing their signal in areas like ACL. Unfortunately, last summer their county permit expired, and Verizon told me that they were still focusing on urban and did not see a change coming in the foreseeable future, so the tower project has been canceled. I am going to continue to push for a new tower and explore other options for ACL, but right now, there are no plans for a tower.
- 2022 will be a year for improving the pathways to boat docks. The Maintenance Department started reworking some of these pathways at the end of 2021 and this year they will finish this project. Maintenance is also looking into ideas for improving some safety area on the trail and hopefully adding more areas for dust control.

## Amenities and Services –

- During the budget process last summer, I asked the Commission if we were ready to start exploring new amenities for the Association. At the time, it was decided that we needed to wait another year before starting to discuss ideas. I didn't have in mind large capital projects, but rather smaller ideas that can be budgeted for, but still offer owners new areas to use. Possibly a new playground, exercise equipment on the Bathum trail or new features at the beach. In 2022, we want to start preparing so the Association is ready when the time comes to add some new amenities. We will be doing this through surveys of the owners to find out what they would like to be considered for new amenities.
- We are converting five campsites from tent to electric/water sites that will be available in 2022. We are also adding 32 new docks in the Winchester area this year. If weather permits, these will be ready for renting prior to the summer season. We will keep everyone updated on their progress.

- Last year we asked if owners wanted a community garden, feedback was a definite no. So now we are exploring the idea of a farmers' market at ACL. The Recreation Department has been contacting vendors to gauge interest and availability to see if this is something we can offer owners during the growing season.

## Growth and Value Enhancement of Association –

- Branding has been on the Strategic plan for many years. In 2021 the process started for getting closer to a plan of action for the lake. We are working with an owner who specializes in branding to help us get started and develop our plan.
- The Foundation is now three years old and growing each year. They have four established fund raisers: The Poker Run, UTV Raffle, May Day Auction, and the Memorial Bench program. In 2021 the Foundation granted money to the Garden Club to help purchase plants for the Children's Garden and purchased dog waste stations for the Bathum Trail and President's Cove area.

It is going to be a busy year, as the title above asks *What will we do with our new year?* For Apple Canyon Lake, 2021 was a year of planning and researching, all that work will lead us to decisions in 2022 on how to proceed with projects in the dashboard. It will be a fun, interesting year as we continue to move forward on the lake, spillway, watershed plan and exploration of new amenities.

If you have any questions regarding the Dashboard or Strategic Planning, please contact me through my email or call the office. I am happy to answer any questions or explain our ideas.

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

Following are UNAPPROVED MINUTES of the January 15, 2022 regular Board of Directors' Meeting. Minutes are in unapproved draft format for informational purposes only, pending approval at the January 22, 2022 Board of Directors' Meeting.

- 2.0 Call to Order – President Barb Hendren called the meeting of the Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Association to order at 9:00 am on Saturday, January 15, 2022.
- 3.0 Pledge of Allegiance – After the Pledge of Allegiance, a quorum was present with the following Directors in attendance: Barb Hendren, Gordon Williams, Bob Ballenger (via Zoom), Henry Doden (via Zoom), Tom Ohms, Steve Borst, John Anderson, Mike Harris and Nolan Mullen. Shaun Nordlie was also in attendance.
- 4.0 Approve/Adopt Minutes from the December 18, 2021 Executive Session & Regular Meeting - Tom Ohms motioned “to approve the minutes from the December 18, 2021 Executive Session and December 18, 2021 Regular Meeting.” Seconded by Mike Harris. Steve Borst noted misspelling of Tom’s last name in 12.1 and in 12.3, eighth line, should be Legal meeting instead of Board meeting. Motion with corrections carried unanimously.
- 5.0 Treasurer’s Report – Treasurer’s Report will be in *The Apple Core*.
- 6.0 Committee/Commission Reports
  - Deer Management – Gordon Williams – harvest report: eleven bucks, twenty-eight does, real close to last year’s numbers. Season ends this weekend.
  - ACL Foundation – did not meet but Gordon Williams reported that he, along with Tom Ohms, brought the 2022 Polaris home for the raffle. Robust 4x4 machine!
  - Legal – Steve Borst reported they met on January 6. Hoping, after the February Legal meeting, to bring solid advice to the Board on how to move forward. Practice follows policy – will hear quite a bit from now on. Accurate policies and then start following the practice. Parliamentarians reading governing documents and giving their opinion – something starting to discuss. Next meeting is February 3.
  - Board Policy – Barb Hendren reported they met December 21, working on the 6000 section and moving ahead with the 8000 section.
  - Nominating – Barb Hendren reported they met on January 13, discussing the Meet the Candidates event. Email forum for property owners to ask questions of candidates was also discussed. As of last night, we have five applicants for the Board. January 20 is the deadline.
  - Safety and Emergency Planning – Barb Hendren reported they met on December 20. Dam Emergency Action Plan was discussed, adding a checklist. Also discussed the Lake Emergency Action Plan. Some changes will be coming to the Board.
- 7.0 General Manager’s Report - Shaun Nordlie reported that assessments went out last week. Online payment and online forms are out there.
- 8.0 President’s Report – will be in *The Apple Core*.
- 9.0 Property Owner Comments
- 10.0 Consent Agenda
- 10.1 Committee/Commission Changes – Gordon Williams motioned “to appoint Carmel Cottrell to the Budget and Strategic/Long Range Planning Commissions.” Seconded by Steve Borst, motion carried unanimously.
- 11.0 Unfinished Business
- 11.1 Rules & Regulations: Snowmobiles – Tom Ohms motioned “to approve the Rules & Regulations section Snowmobiles as included in the January Board packet.” Seconded by Gordon Williams. Discussion: Section 13 title – do we see any complications with that? Shaun Nordlie – talked about including in recreation vehicles section too. Motion carried unanimously.
- 12.0 New Business
- 12.1 Dissolve CAMP Financing & Marketing Ad Hoc Commission - Nolan Mullen motioned “to dissolve the CAMP Financing & Marketing Ad Hoc Commission.” Seconded by John Anderson, motion carried unanimously.
- 12.2 Dissolve CAMP Architecture & Design Ad Hoc Commission – John Anderson motioned “to dissolve the CAMP Architecture & Design Ad Hoc Commission.” Seconded by Bob Ballenger. Discussion: We still have the plans and can use them if needed, we own the design plans. Motion carried unanimously.
- 12.3 Board Liaisons to Committees/Commissions – Tom Ohms motioned “to appoint the following Board Liaisons to Commissions: AECC – Bob Ballenger, Barb Hendren, Tom Ohms, Gordon Williams, and Nolan Mullen. Recreation – John Anderson. Rules & Regulations – Barb Hendren. Seconded by Gordon Williams. Discussion: Sean Cottrell – quorum of the Board is five members; five members on AECC would constitute a meeting of the Board, has that been considered? Also – when the Board President is sitting on the committee, the President is an ex-officio member without vote. Is that okay with having that vote not count. Barb Hendren – as a member of AECC, can vote. Shaun Nordlie will discuss further. Motion carried, with Henry Doden abstaining.
- 12.4 Capital Projects Update – Mike Harris motioned “to suspend Roberts Rule of Order.” Seconded by John Anderson, motion carried unanimously. Shaun Nordlie – flood mitigation, no updates since

December Board meeting. Possible workshop next month with engineer here. Same with dredging, will be meeting with Frentress. Winchester, that report is due at end of this month. Memorial Pavilion – money in the designated fund, now that CAMP has been dissolved, even though the pavilion was never a part of CAMP, how do we want to move forward? Where is it going to go, how do you want it to look? Need input from Board – start looking at, talking about or not quite ready? Bob Ballenger – Board allocated \$34,000 to this project, but later withdrew this due to budget crisis? Shaun Nordlie – yes, 2012 was budgeted but pulled the project. Bob Ballenger – we should discuss if we want to recommit that money or not. Shaun Nordlie – \$32,500 is this enough to get a pavilion? May have to have some Association money involved. Don’t know that for sure. Campground pavilion was just under \$40,000. Would want to see the drawings. Lumber market is very volatile right now. Shaun will gather some information on this. Bathum Trail – would give us a place to do Kids Camp activities in that area.

Tom Ohms motioned “to reinstate Roberts Rule of Order.” Seconded by Mike Harris, motion carried unanimously.

Mike Harris motioned to adjourn at 9:49 am.

Recording Secretary, Rhonda Perry  
 President, Barb Hendren  
 Corporate Secretary, Tom Ohms

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**APPEALS BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
 JANUARY 8, 2022  
 UNAPPROVED**

- 1.0 Call to Order - Chairperson Edie Petelle opened the meeting at 8:38 am. Members present: Ron Beckel, Roger VanDerLeest, Janet Helgason, Edie Petelle, Tom Sheehan. Security: Julie Janssen, Julia Spinhirne.
  - 2.0 Approve September 11, 2021 Minutes – The minutes of the previous meeting were voted on by a motion to accept by Roger and seconded by Tom. Motion passed.
  - 3.0 New Business
  - 3.1 Other New Business – None.
  - 4.0 Hearings
  - 4.1 Hearing for Volpe (via Zoom) – Chairperson Petelle explained the procedure of the hearing. Citations were issued to Cash Volpe, Tony Savino, and Jim O’Conner. Security Julia Spinhirne described the September 4, 2021 citations to property owner Alisa Volpe. Property owner Volpe and her son Cash spoke and presented their appeal to the citations. Then the meeting was open to questions from the Appeals Board members and Safety & Security officers. The Appeals Board went into executive session. The Appeals Board’s decision was to uphold the citations. It was explained that she had the right to appeal the upheld citations to the Board of Directors. Ms. Volpe decided to pay the fines.
  - 4.2 Any additional cases not listed – None.
  - 5.0 Next Meeting Date – To be determined.
  - 6.0 Adjournment – Motion to adjourn by Jan Helgason, second by Ron Beckel. Meeting adjourned at 9:16.
- Respectfully submitted, Janet Helgason, Secretary

**BOARD POLICY AD HOC COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
 DECEMBER 21, 2021**

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## AS OF 1-15-2022

### Appeals

2nd Saturday of each month, if needed  
 Petelle, Edie ..... Chair  
 VanDerLeest, Roger ..... Vice Chair  
 Helgason, Janet ..... Secretary  
 Beckel, Ron ..... Member  
 Sheehan, Tom ..... Member

### Architectural & Environmental Control

1st Saturday of each month, 8am  
 Zophy, Cindy ..... Chair  
 Frank, Jim ..... Vice Chair  
 Algood, David ..... Secretary

Ballenger, Robert ..... Board Liaison  
 Hendren, Barb ..... Board Liaison  
 Mullen, Nolan ..... Board Liaison  
 Ohms, Tom ..... Board Liaison  
 Ware, William ..... Member  
 Williams, Gordon ..... Board Liaison  
 Wiener, Joe ..... Staff

### Board of Directors

3rd Saturday of each month, 9am  
 Hendren, Barb ..... President  
 Harris, Mike ..... Vice President  
 Borst, Steve ..... Treasurer  
 Ohms, Tom ..... Corporate Secretary  
 Anderson, John ..... Member

Ballenger, Robert ..... Member  
 Doden, Henry ..... Member  
 Mullen, Nolan ..... Member  
 Williams, Gordon ..... Member

### Board Policy Ad Hoc

meeting dates TBD  
 Ware, Jody ..... Chair  
 Clark, Marge ..... Secretary  
 Harris, Mike ..... Board Liaison  
 Hendren, Barb ..... Member  
 Pratt, Laura ..... Member  
 Miller, Ashlee ..... Staff  
 Nordlie, Shaun ..... Staff  
 Shamp, Megan ..... Staff

### Budget/Audit

meeting dates TBD  
 Borst, Steve ..... Board Treasurer/Liaison/Chair  
 Brennan, Thomas ..... Member  
 Carpenter, Ron ..... Member  
 Clark, Marge ..... Member  
 Cottrell, Carmel ..... Member  
 Finn, John ..... Member  
 Gouskos, Nick ..... Member  
 Livengood, Brett ..... Member  
 Malone, Steve ..... Member  
 Nelson, Steve ..... Member  
 Witt, Mary ..... Member  
 Miller, Ashlee ..... Staff  
 Borst, Nancy ..... Recorder

### Campground

2nd Saturday of each month, 8:30 am  
 Carpenter, Ron ..... Chair  
 Szczypta, Chris ..... Vice Chair/Secretary  
 Bluhm, Mary ..... Member  
 Mullen, Nolan ..... Board Liaison  
 Reifsteck, Joseph ..... Member  
 Ruffolo, Ric ..... Member

### Financing & Marketing

meeting dates TBD  
 Nelson, Steve ..... Chair  
 Hendren, Barb ..... Secretary  
 Brennan, Thomas ..... Member  
 Hannon, Gary ..... Member  
 Harris, Mike ..... Board Liaison  
 Reed, George ..... Member  
 Miller, Ashlee ..... Staff

### Conservation

1st Saturday of each month, 9am  
 Wiener, Paula ..... Chair  
 Yorke, Michael ..... Co-Chair  
 Bohnenkamp, Dave ..... Member  
 Cady, Phyllis ..... Member  
 Cammack, Mike ..... Member  
 Doden, Henry ..... Board Liaison  
 Hannon, Gary ..... Member  
 Legg, Jim ..... Member  
 Marek, Angie ..... Member  
 Nelson, Steve ..... Member  
 Ohms, Tom ..... Member  
 Swedberg, Steve ..... Member  
 Drogosz, Karen ..... Recorder

### Deer Management

last Saturday of each month  
 Sonntag, Jon ..... Chair  
 Ostrander, Gordon ..... Vice Chair  
 Rees, Kim ..... Secretary  
 Bluhm, Ted ..... Member  
 Finley, Jack ..... Member  
 Gouskos, Nick ..... Member  
 Hendren, Allen ..... Member  
 Lutz, Al ..... Member  
 Mamlie, Dan ..... Member  
 Williams, Gordon ..... Board Liaison

### Editorial Review

Brokl, Tim ..... Apple Core Managing Editor/Secretary  
 Finn, John ..... Member  
 Hendren, Barb ..... Board Liaison/Chair  
 Nordlie, Shaun ..... General Manager/Vice Chair  
 Vandigo, Doug ..... Member  
 Ware, Jody ..... Member

### Employee Handbook Ad Hoc

meeting dates TBD  
 Hannon, Gary ..... Chair  
 Clark, Marge ..... Member  
 Harris, Mike ..... Board Liaison  
 Ware, Jody ..... Member  
 Miller, Carrie ..... Staff

### Flood Mitigation Ad Hoc

meeting dates TBD  
 Hannon, Gary ..... Co-Chair  
 Nelson, Steve ..... Co-Chair  
 Marek, Angie ..... Secretary  
 Ballenger, Robert ..... Board Liaison  
 Cammack, Mike ..... Member  
 Carpenter, Ron ..... Member  
 Doden, Henry ..... Member

Krasula, Rich ..... Member

### Golf

1st Tuesday of each month, 1:30pm, Apr-Oct  
 Killeen, John ..... Chair  
 Mannix, Pat ..... Vice Chair  
 Hannon, Mary ..... Secretary  
 Anderson, John ..... Board Liaison  
 Buesing, Bob ..... Member  
 Burton, Jean ..... Member  
 Carr, Darrell ..... Member  
 Finley, Jack ..... Member  
 Reese, Pat ..... Member  
 Reese, Tim ..... Member  
 Schmidt, Richard ..... Member

### Lake Monitoring

meeting dates TBD  
 Hannon, Gary ..... Member  
 Kren, Barry ..... Member  
 Rees, Kim ..... Member  
 Tribbey, Fern ..... Member  
 Tribbey, Steve ..... Member  
 Ware, Bill ..... Member

### Legal

meeting dates TBD  
 Cottrell, Sean ..... Chair  
 Doran, William ..... Vice Chair  
 Gibson, Jill ..... Secretary  
 Borst, Steve ..... Board Liaison

### Multi-Sport Complex Ad Hoc

meeting dates TBD  
 Ziakro, Ed ..... Staff

### Nominating

meeting dates TBD  
 Yorke, Mike ..... Chair  
 Bourell, Bill ..... Vice Chair  
 Bohnenkamp, Dave ..... Secretary  
 Blackmore, JoAnn ..... Member  
 Hendren, Barb ..... Board Liaison  
 Sheehan, Tom ..... Member  
 Zophy, Cindy ..... Member

### Recreation

3rd Thursday of each month, 9am  
 Anderson, John ..... Board Liaison  
 Causero, Lee ..... Member  
 Diehl, John ..... Member  
 Killeen, LeAnne ..... Member  
 Misichko, Emil ..... Member  
 Brokl, Tim ..... Staff  
 Heim, Kirsten ..... Staff & Secretary

### Rules & Regulations

1st Friday of each month, 10am  
 Sershon, Vickie ..... Chair  
 Homb, Dave ..... Vice Chair  
 Cottrell, Sean ..... Member  
 Drogosz, George ..... Member  
 Fitzjerrells, Bob ..... Member  
 Pfeiffer, Fred ..... Member  
 Drogosz, Karen ..... Recorder

### Safety and Emergency Planning

meeting dates TBD  
 Cammack, Mike ..... Chair  
 Beckel, Ron ..... Vice Chair  
 Ware, Jody ..... Secretary  
 Hannon, Gary ..... Member  
 Hendren, Barb ..... Board Liaison  
 Janssen, Julie ..... Staff  
 Ziarko, Ed ..... Staff

### Strategic/Long Range Planning

meeting dates TBD, usually weekdays  
 Borst, Steve ..... Co-Chair/Board Liaison  
 Williams, Gordon ..... Co-Chair  
 Ware, Jody ..... Secretary  
 Cottrell, Carmel ..... Member  
 Ford, Don ..... Vice Chair

### Tellers

meets for Annual Meeting  
 Reese, Patricia ..... Chair  
 Brandenburg, Rosanne ..... Member  
 Causero, Lee ..... Member  
 Detwiler, Marilyn ..... Member  
 Hendren, Rugene ..... Member  
 Makar, Kathy ..... Member  
 Sershon, Vickie ..... Member

### Trails

last Saturday of each month, 8am  
 Ohms, Tom ..... Co-Chair/Board Liaison  
 Diehl, Penny ..... Secretary  
 Doden, Henry ..... Member  
 Drogosz, George ..... Member  
 Hannon, Gary ..... Member  
 Hendren, Allen ..... Member  
 Laethem, Deb ..... Member  
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 Manderschied, Ron ..... Member  
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## BOARD ACTIONS

### NOVEMBER 2021

- 10.1 Committee/Commission changes – AMENDED & APPROVED
- 11.1 Adoption of the 2022 R & R Budget – FAILED
- Adoption of the 2022 R & R Budget - APPROVED
- 12.1 Property Owner citation appeal – APPEALS BOARD DECISION UPHELD
- 12.2 Lake level monitoring system purchase – APPROVED
- 12.3 Campsite conversions - APPROVED
- 12.4 Multi-Sport Complex Ad Hoc Commission - APPROVED
- 12.5 Lower 80 lease – APPROVED
- 12.6 Rules & Regulations: Campground – 1st Reading – NO MOTION REQUIRED
- 12.7 Energy Policy Update – 1st Reading – NO MOTION REQUIRED
- 12.8 Employee Handbook – 1st Reading – NO MOTION REQUIRED
- 12.9 Board Policy 6000's – 1st Reading – NO MOTION REQUIRED
- 12.10 Vote counting procedures discussion - NO MOTION REQUIRED
- 12.11 Capital Projects update – NO MOTION REQUIRED

### DECEMBER 2021

- 10.1 Committee/Commission changes – APPROVED
- 11.1 Rules & Regulations: Campground Winter Storage – APPROVED
- 11.2 Energy Policy Update – TABLED
- 11.3 Employee Handbook – APPROVED
- 11.4 Board Policy 6000's - TABLED
- 12.1 General Manager's Compensation Package – APPROVED
- 12.2 General Manager's Performance Goals 2022 – APPROVED
- 12.3 Recording of the Amended and Restated Bylaws (2020 Version) – WITHDRAWN
- 12.3 Deem Ballots Null and Void - APPROVED
- 12.4 Rules & Regulations: Snowmobiles – 1st Reading – NO MOTION REQUIRED
- 12.5 Discussion on the recording of Board meetings – NO MOTION REQUIRED
- 12.6 Discussion on the Tellers Commission updating their Guidelines to accommodate electronic voting – NO MOTION REQUIRED
- 12.7 Discussion on the process used to approve policies - NO MOTION REQUIRED
- 12.8 Capital Projects update – NO MOTION REQUIRED

### JANUARY 2022

- 10.1 Committee/Commission changes – APPROVED
- 11.1 Rules & Regulations: Snowmobiles – APPROVED
- 12.1 Dissolve CAMP Financing & Marketing Ad Hoc Commission – APPROVED
- 12.2 Dissolve CAMP Architecture & Design Ad Hoc Commission – APPROVED
- 12.3 Board Liaisons to Committees/Commissions – APPROVED
- 12.4 Capital Projects Update - NO MOTION REQUIRED



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## UNAPPROVED

Members Present: Chairwoman Jody Ware, Board Liaison Mike Harris, Barb Hendren, Laura Pratt by Zoom, and Marge Clark. Also present was General Manager Shaun Nordlie.

Call to Order: Chair Jody Ware called the meeting to order at 9:59 a.m. in the Clubhouse.

- 2.0 Approve the Minutes of the December 14, 2021, Meeting: Barb Hendren made a motion seconded by Mike Harris to approve the December 14, 2021, minutes. Minutes were approved unanimously.
- 3.0 Edit Policies:
  - 3.1 Edit Suggestions from December 14, 2021 Meeting: Discussion focused on the procedures for establishing policy for ACLPOA. With a recommendation made at the previous Board of Directors' meeting to involve the Legal Commission in policy language to be recommended for Board approval, consideration was given to the merits of the Legal Commission's involvement, the additional time factor needed for this additional step, and the overall procedural steps to follow to accomplish this goal.
  - 3.1.1 Policy 6108 – Authorization to Make Electronic Transfer and Sign Checks: Some language changes were made. Bring back at next meeting.
  - 3.1.2 Introduction for Policy Book: Approved as is.
  - 3.1.3 Policy 8120 – Volunteers: Part B – Insurance will cover as stated. Shaun will check on youth age requirement for participation. Bring back at next meeting.
  - 3.1.4 Policy 8210 – Association Calendar: Shaun reviewed the process and language revisions were made. Bring back at next meeting.
  - 3.1.5 Policy 8220 – Association Work Day: Approved as is.
- 4.0 Policies – Section 8000 Operations:
  - 4.1 Policy 8210 - Association Calendar: No further discussion at this time. Bring back at next meeting.
  - 4.2 Policy 8309 - Open Meetings for Committees/Commissions: Marge to provide some resource information. Bring back at next meeting.
  - 4.3 – 4.6 Agenda Items: All postponed to next meeting.
- 5.0 Next Meeting Date: January 18, 2021.
- 6.0 Adjournment: Laura Pratt made a motion to adjourn at 11:49 a.m. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Marge Clark

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**LEGAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**JANUARY 6, 2022**  
**UNAPPROVED**

- 1.0 Call to Order – Sean Cottrell called the meeting to order at 5:30pm CST.  
 Members present: Bill Doran-BD, Steve Borst-SB, Sean Cottrell-SC  
 Member absent: Jillian Gibson  
 Guests: Shaun Nordlie-SN, Rich Krasula-RK, Bob Ballenger-BA, Bill Becker, Edie Patelle
- 2.0 Approve the agenda and Minutes of December 2, 2021 Meetings
- 2.1 Move to approve agenda and Minutes from 12/2, Steve Borst, second Bill Doran
- 2.2 Vote to approve passed unanimously
- 3.0 New Business
  - 3.1 Administrative updates to governing documents related to Committee vs Commission
    - 3.1.1 SC-Housekeeping issue. Raised question previously as distinction between committee and commission is not found in the ACL governing documents. The IL Not For Profit Act makes distinction between both groups.  
 BD-The change in practice to align with CICAA differences came 3-4 years ago. Intent was to update with the latest round of bylaws. If just housekeeping changes, then could the Board make this change?  
 SN-Committee Procedures Manual also needs updating. Could change that as we change with the bylaws, but Board decision to change all those changes  
 BD-Not CICA driven, IL Not For Profit thing. Question of efficiency to align things. One thought is to assemble a package of things for the

Board to consider.

RK-Point of clarification, is this just changing the name in the documents from committee to commission?

SC-No, need to identify what else this change will impact, and where in the documents. Also may need to add new definitions to the term Commission, and make a distinction between both clearly.

SC-So far we have only done a superficial change to the website to identify "commission" but no supporting documentation or processes/procedures.

RK-Believe we can go ahead and make changes to Bylaws to incorporate Commission instead of Committee where appropriate because based on a law in IL.

SN-Need to double check, to make sure the Board can do that.

SC-Declarations include a section in the preamble Section 1-60(a) of the Common Interest Community Association Act (CICAA) (765 ILCA 160/160) which states: "(a) If a provision of the community instruments does not conform to this Act or to another applicable law because of an error, omission, or inconsistency in the community instruments of the association, the association may correct the error, omission, or inconsistency to conform the community instruments to this Act or to another applicable law by an amendment adopted by vote of two-thirds of the board of directors, without a membership vote."

"Community instruments" means all documents and authorized amendments thereto recorded by a common interest community association, including, but not limited to, the declaration, bylaws, operating agreement, plat of survey, and rules and regulations.

SC-This was the mechanism the Board used to approve the Amendment to the Declarations under the IL Energy Policy Statement Act. Is it in the Legal Commission purview to change?

SN- This is under the Legal Commission charge, so can take that upon themselves to change.

SB- As a Board member, I like when something comes through a commission. Like appeals, it would be nice if more things were resolved at appeals instead of jumping to the Board. I like when a commission is advising on how best to act for certain things. Like where we are going, don't want to change things back to committees. Someone discovered we should be calling committees commissions, we started doing that on the website, but never changed the governing documents. Governing documents should have been changed first and then started doing it.

BD- That's right, before the practice.

SB- I like the direction you are going, I think the board would be very receptive to that recommendation. Getting our documents changed to reflect practice is a great idea.

SC- That makes sense. Recommendation to bring bylaws into compliance with legal req's. Move forward with identifying what changes are needed. Jan meeting, heads up, Feb meeting would have changes in hand.

3.1.2. Heads up that the Legal will be making: Recommendation to the Board to update governing documents, policies and related documents accordingly to identify where laws indicate a change is required.

3.2 Voting Requirements Analysis for ACL Governing Documents

3.2.1(refer to this presentation to guide our discussion, ([https://youtu.be/J4lcQNCNX\\_g](https://youtu.be/J4lcQNCNX_g)))

3.2.2 SC - overview of amendment requirements for ACL Governing Documents, Articles, Declarations and Bylaws specifically. Articles and Bylaws require affirmative vote of two thirds of the members present where a quorum exists. Declarations have additional caveats, eligibility, voting on written ballot and in person, with a Quorum of 20%. Robert's Rules talks about "supremacy of governing documents, "RR 56:54 If there is a constitution separate from the bylaws, the requirement for amendment of the constitution should be made more difficult than that for the amendment of the bylaws; otherwise there would be no purpose in having separate documents." When we think of these documents, it should be harder to change the declarations than Bylaws, because Declarations are superior to Bylaws, Articles should be harder to amend

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than both, as Articles are supreme Governing Document at ACL and should be hardest to change. Only 125 members are required to be present to change the articles of incorporation and bylaws. This differs significantly from the K&C interpretation of requiring a supermajority of members to change the declarations, 2743 total votes, needing 1829 votes needed to amend Declarations. When we talked to Marge Clarke, her interpretation was, if there is a Supermajority Requirement, then we must also accommodate the CICA imposed 20% quorum. CICA only permits a smaller number for quorum.

SC- there needs to be a deeper review, documented with case law support. To make this decision, does it make sense to go with a Parliamentarian who can provide the rationale for 2/3 with the quorum requirement? Outside input because K&C gave us A, Marge Clarke gave us option B, Sean Cottrell option C. Question to members, questions, thoughts, reactions?

SB- liked the video, helps explain, and makes sense. Way I wish it was. When I review and apply logic, it makes sense that the needed votes to pass governing documents would be C. it logics out and has merit. So what you are suggesting then, is if there is a parliamentary opinion, what if people challenge that opinion? Lots of times we get our lawyers, and when they tell us one thing, then how do we get it to be binding? I would vote to accept the stance, and then we could redo the declaration, put out to vote and easier to pass. As Board Liaison to LEgal, old legal people said dont want just 500 people. Again, I wouldn't want 50 people, but if 20% of 2700, that's 600 people involved, understand reading it. If I chose not to vote, but 600 people did then I can live with that.

BD- then the new declarations would have passed. That would be a much better option. If we could get support for that interpretation of current covenants, its nio0n impossible to get 2/3 of the entire membership to read something let alone get them to vote. Which brought about the quandary we were in, as far as how to keep questions open long enough to pile up 2/3 of everybody. So what parliamentarians would support, is it something the board can rely upon as a basis for moving forward with what our document means and we are sticking to it. Does the Board get enough cover from a parliamentarian opinion vs law firm legal opinion?

SB- this may be a first step, outside independent person to say, you have a basis here. Then go on to document and support that decision with legal backing.

SC- direction I was going with outside analysis. We have 3 different interpretations so far. Unable to get clarification from K&C as far as how to apply the supermajority interpretation with the CICA imposed 20% quorum requirement. We don't have that answer. If there is a legal answer that supports how you can get a 20% quorum requirement and still seek a supermajority to pass, that would bolster that interpretation. But when we use the tools that Robert's Rules prescribe, the concept of the proportion that must concur, and the set of members to which the proportion applies. That is a documented basis for determining voting requirements. Agree we need to be on firm ground legally, need to be able to support how supermajority and 20% quorum work. But when we had a conversation with Keith Jones, he only stated it was his interpretation, and my interpretation was based on requirements in Articles, and Bylaws, 2/3 of members at meetings where quorum was met. Does it make sense to seek outside opinion to support one view. PPresent all three options to parliamentarians and ask, how do these all work within ACL guidelines. Which one is the actual requirement. This is also about Bylaws, when we get into making recommendations to change declarations, straightening out this language is critical. Language is unchanged in new versions, so there is a possibility of

future conflicts. Agree with Steve, I'm in a party of 2/3 of members at a meeting with 20%.

BD- if we can back that liberal interpretation of the current covenants, I personally think that would be a very positive development. Would allow Association to be more nimble in presenting things to the membership and know they have a shot of getting passed in a reasonable timetable. Whatever we need to do to get definitive guidance on which the Board and Members can rely. There won't be some challenge that a document approved under that standard wasn't approved, avoid challenge in the future. Would be fantastic if we could get that a number of things could be done quicker.

RK-The current version of covenants, don't they say we need 2/3 of total voting membership. The quorum req is unfortunate. But doesnt current language still require 2V3 majority of all voting members?

SC- Sharing screen with language from Declarations, Article IX Section 1, reviewed language. That is my question as well, how to handle 20% quorum. Marges interpretation, vote is official once 20% of votes cast, but unless 2/3 affirmative of all members, then vote automatically fails. To me, this is the same concept to amend articles and bylaws. 2/3 of members present at the meeting once quorum is met. If it is just 2/3 of members at a meeting, then you need plain language. IF 2/3 of all members it should say that. Accounting for eligibility of voting members. The supermajority interpretation does not hold muster against other amendment processes at ACL. It would be easier to change Articles to refer to something other than Declaration.

RK- Not sure why Articles were set up that way, there hasn't been an attempt to change those.

BD- so this language is not an example of clarity, so to clarify this is a priority. To be clear, it would say 2/3 of voting members eligible to vote, and present at a meeting. Clear that people who showed up, and ballots that were cast. As long as the batch represents a quorum, then it could be clearer next time. What is the intent of the original language? This language carried over from

RK - the only thing that changed was quorum went from 40% to 20%.

BD- Maybe we could get a hold of Dick Brennan. He was deeply involved. Would he be able to shed light on the intent behind this, very helpful. If we go back to original covenants by Branigar, it was virtually impossible to change them. Intent was to sell lots under marketing appeal, unlike Condos in Chicago, only to change Dues was to amend covenants. I understood the intent to make it easier to amend the covenants periodically, and not harder. It turns out in practice getting 2/3 of the members to pay attention seems harder than old Branigar rules. Clearly intent and spirit. It isn't artful, but legislative history would be very helpful.

SN- will contact Dick Brennan to see if he would attend and provide clarity.

SC- Legislative intent, and knowledge transfer, documentation, is a great idea.

RK- May be better to go with one vote to just update the Voting language, then separate vote

SC- for this conversation, nothing to act on today. Need to gather more information, legislative intent.

3.2.3 , this will be tabled until February

3.3 Discuss Next Steps for Declaration Bylaws

3.3.1 SC - Bill had mentioned earlier, not taking a piecemeal approach.

What all is needed to update the document in entirety, good up to clarify voting requirements. Do we ask K&C to review 2017 Covenants and identify what compliance changes are needed to bring to legal muster. Board met with K&C on 12/2/21, asked them to tell us the conflicts



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between the 2017 declaration and proposed 2020 bylaws.

SN- couldn't record bylaws with conflicts.

SC- agree, instead of comparing Bylaws to 2017 Covenants, what is out of compliance in Covenants, so we can propose changes to the Board to amend errors, omissions, and inconsistencies.

SN- I agree, that needs to happen. Are we going to start with one doc, or with both.

SC- I'd prefer we do Covenants now, during analysis and changes, that will roll down to bylaws later. That would give us some time to identify what other pieces need to be addressed, committee/commission, other things.

BD- 2017 declarations are the place to start. It was previously aligned, but CICAA has been amended since then.

SN- Board can make those changes. Because CICAA, do both?

SC- Not just CICAA compliance, we know changes to IL Not For Profit may require changes as well.

3.3.2 Recommendation to board to have 2017 Covenants to go through Legal Review, and identify changes to bring documents into legal compliance.

SN- Legal didn't go to the Board for changes, the Legal Commission made changes themselves.

SC- its the GM and Board Prez who can work with Legal Counsel.

RK- are we just looking to make whatever legal changes are needed, and throwing out the changes the Legal Commission has made to the covenants.

SC- I am looking at a fork in the road, and to move down both paths at the same time. I understand many changes were for compliance reasons, but other changes were added on. So if out of compliance, then let's move on that quickly, and engage members with other changes to vote on.

RK- the 2017 version was indeed to take into account CICAA and NFPA

BD- yes recollection, but incremental CICAA changes and NFPA changes as well. Worthy exercise. Broader changes did not pass muster with members, so why not let the Board do what they can in the meantime to reconcile back to the laws.

SB- to say it a different way, when we do go back to membership to revise a Declaration, the simpler we can make that revision the better. Some people didn't vote at all because they didn't understand. A marketing plan would help people understand what they are voting on.

RK- After we make changes as required by CICAA and IL NFPA through the Board, make only 1 change to Covenants, and that is the approval process. To make it easier to approve. Then go through all changes.

SB- Can I second that?

SC- like that very much.

BD- are we conceding the conservative interpretation, and get a vote from 2/3 of everybody for it?

SC- Would like to get the clarification on the amendment requirement before that happens, so we know how many votes are definitely needed. With plain and very clear language. Worthy step.

RK- But I think what it says is clearly that that is not the case. Current language reads as supermajority

SC- And that is why clarification is needed before proceeding forward. As well as what we want the language to reflect.

### 3.4 ACL Policy Review Process

3.4.1 SC- during review of Board Approved policies 6000, there were some flags raised; using net earned income for bonuses, Re Energy Policy, new section-X is redundant to existing section-S. Some flags were potential non-compliant languages. This raised the question, what is the process for approving policies at ACL? Review example of a Policy Approval Process looks like. Documented, and graphic to portray flow of the process. IT group out of University of Iowa, policy development and approval process. Identifies role of author, sponsor group, review group, and approving body. Follows standard policy approval process. Where Author never submits directly to the approving body, but a system of checks and balances. Also criteria is needed to accompany policy to understand things like; is this a new policy or update to existing policy, what other impacts does this have, does this affect any existing documents? What type of burden does this policy create? This would be completed at committee level, then goes to the Policy review process groups. Having a Legal Committee fulfill the role of intermediary. The Authoring Committee answers criteria questions, then the Review Committee confirms and reviews. But before moving forward, what does the current process look like? Board wanted to know what the new process would look like. Best to align to existing processes.

BD- up to this point, 2 other sources of rulemaking, Board Policies and Rules and Regs. Both have had enactment channels that don't involve Legal commission. This would look like a Q/C, and expand workload. Historically we have not been involved in it.

SB- Have all of those gone to Legal Counsel?

SN- Yes Board Policy goes to K&C, and Rules and Regs are reviewed every year. In my tenure, the Legal Commission has been busy with Bylaws and Declarations. My concern is timing. Deer management

has a rules change they would like implemented next year. Already a 3 month process, if this is added to the process, then what does that review entail from the Legal Commission; is it a brief review, and potential send backs, or does Legal want to rewrite everything?

SC- Not advocating for rewriting. Rather, identifying a consistent policy process, easy as a checklist, is the policy needed because of new legal requirements. Burden on a group who is developing the policy to articulate why policy is needed. Then like Bill said, benchmarks to make sure ACL governance is being accommodated. K&C makes sure not outside bounds of law, but we have seen some that don't accommodate requirements embodied in ACL governing documents. Looking at voting requirements. We want to make sure those changes are accommodated in other ACL governance. We don't want new policies to conflict with governing documents. I don't see why this process would introduce a lengthy time burden. Looking for succinct charge, with consistent process. Sounds like Rules and Regs have 1 process, Board Ad hoc policy has another process. Lets use those processes to see where this step would fit best. Do we have those types of artifacts for how the current process works, documented steps and possibly a flow diagram? Need better understanding for why some things go to Legal, and

SN- prior has been, what can Legal handle? For the Board Energy policy Legal Commission was busy with Declarations and Bylaws, limited bandwidth. Now the Board says go through Legal for everything, and fine with that. Now a matter of, these are ready for Legal, what does that look like. Energy Policy, and Board policies 6000s, they need to be reviewed on the first thursday of month with Legal, and if fine, on agenda for BoD meeting 2 weeks later. If it's an issue, then back to the group who wrote it. If we talk about Committee procedures, then the Board just needs to say, the Legal Commission does this, and fits into the schedule. Not a written description of how this works, but understood by commissions to get approval.

SB- I reviewed minutes, and Sean Cottrell mentioned Asynchronously. The Legal Commission would make recommendations to tweak accordingly. If during the first reading of a policy, then second page is the Legal Commission recommendation, now can say, like to incorporate these into that during first reading. Once policy is on agenda, then Legal would need to turn around. How to turn around recommendations quickly? Can we do it by email? Assume Chair would always want to be somewhere in it. If only 4 on it now.


BD- could probably charge through email. To review during commission meetings would cloud other business to be conducted. Have a process where we all look at it, then email consensus votes, check off and move on.

SB- then the recommendation has Legal commission

RK- dont most changes that go to the Board require 2 readings?

SN- Yes


RK- that would give Legal time to review after the first reading.




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SN- would like to have it for first reading, rather than something not reviewed by the Legal commission yet making it to the board. Better to know recommendations when first discussing. Second meeting would be approval, and answering any questions. There may be times when the Legal Commission needs to meet more than once per month. Commissions want these approved ASAP. but not really many things like this in the usual course of business.

SC- In hearing discussion, along lines of what I am thinking. When Deer Management develops policy/rule, don't need to develop in isolation. I don't see this review happening after presenting to the Board, worked in during the development phase, so what is read during 1st reading does not result in substantial changes. Key issues could be IDd during policy development. That would give a recommendation from Legal Commission Checks and balances

SN- clarification, Deer management makes recommendations to Rules and Regs, then Rules and Regs makes the policy (discuss and consider if changes are needed) then they would make recommendations to Legal wouldn't work directly with Deer Management. If conflicts, then Legal Commission would ID that

SC- having a clear picture of where those channels exist right now, would help apply consistent standards. We would know when to expect that document, and scheduled it in for review by email. Meet to review and discuss concerns, then could make the following Board meeting. I'm not sure what to ask here. Would be helpful to understand the documented current process.

SN- Yes, I can get that written at a high level for these different processes.

SC- if we look at these main processes, then yes, review before 1st Board reading.

SN- what are we doing with Energy Policy and 6000s.

3.4.2 SC- Tabling this until review process flow that Shaun will follow up with. At the next meeting, we can put together a recommendation to the Board for what this Q?C process looks like.

SC- noting we have a future process to design, and also current work on the table.

3.5 Discuss collaboration with the ACL Tellers Committee to develop updated guidelines accommodating electronic voting.

3.5.1 SN- nothing right now, and Nominating said no online voting for 2022, but look at for 2023.

3.5.2 SC- happy to table until later.

3.6 Discuss Approach (on policies currently at Board for approval)

3.6.1 ACL Energy Policy

3.6.1.2 SC- Nuanced issue, was originally approved under Boards authority in CICAA to correct errors, omissions or inconsistencies. IL Energy Policy Statement Act required Association to develop policy after first request received. Was approved by the Board in March of 2020. Last

month we heard the 1st reading of amendments to that policy. The ACL Energy Policy is an Amendment to DEclarations. Lives outside Declarations. Would be nice if all amendments lived within the printed pages of the declarations. Also, when the first version, in 2020 was approved, it has some pieces that are outside what the IL Solar Policy Act permits. It is a bit nebulous. Didn't seem like it fit within Board authority under 765 ILCS 160/1-60. If erring on the side of caution, to make additional changes, seems like a vote of members is needed because it was more than prescribed by law. Also, amendments read last month, variances were removed, and ground based solar arrays removed.

BD- Rich may remember, came when working on the Declaration that the original energy policy was put in, and filed as a separate addendum under that authority. I for one, said since we are updating Declaration, and fold it into 1 single document. My view was not the consensus of the Legal commission. I wasn't aware that amendments were proposed. The law said that a policy was needed, does the IL Energy law say that the Board has power to keep tweaking the policy and changing without member approval if that is what is being done?

SN- Some changes are because of Energy Act passed last summer, ground arrays was something that could be changed, I understand not needed to go to board. Cant have restrictions on roof arrays, but ground, wind, we chose not to go with wind. Certain things can and can't be done under the Energy policy changed by the Board.

BD- because the energy policy act provides authority to update the policy?

SN- understanding from Counsel is to put in DEclarations so people see it. Only in Declarations so people can see it.

BD- Energy policy a board authority only, and law dictates it be published as part of declaration, but not a part of the declaration.

SN- need to have a policy, and must say certain things.

BD- talking about the evolution of policy. Putting policy in place seems fine for the Board to do, but to maintain seems like something probably more appropriate for members to vote on. Hopefully something just in Boards authority not just to adopt, but to modify as time and circumstance say.

SN- like CICAA, if the Energy policy act says changes are needed, and members want change. Then heard and considered, because of a variance.

RK- Was that something in the new IL Energy Policy Act, says can't have ground based arrays?

SN- never did from beginning. AECC from the beginning said, lets allow ground based arrays as a variance. But it wasn't a requirement in the first energy policy. Option of ACL.

RK- now we are deciding to change that, and not because of a change in the law.

SN- that is correct, yes.

RK- That doesn't sound kosher to me.

SC- Why I raised it for discussion. My concern, ground based arrays are not permitted under IL Energy statement act. Did the Board have the authority to approve that as an amendment to the Declarations in the first place. If more was in the policy than what was permitted by law in the first place? Unique quandary, something doesn't seem like it fits, current process is out of whack.

BB- AECC policy did not allow ground arrays, unless variance. Bob motioned to remove part of policy because variances cannot be created solely due to financial need. You can't get a variance for something you personally created. Bob removed the loophole. Barring ground arrays was there in the first place.

SC- Don't see where variances were permitted in the first place with IL Energy policy statement act. Did BoD overstep authority when approving it? Not second guessing things, just want firm footing when making recommendations on this amendment. 2020 Energy policy not recorded with the county, and only effective once recorded. Weird quagmire, so how to proceed forward?

BD- I'm not personally familiar with the policy statement act, but anecdotally, it gave the Board authority and mandate to institute policy. But beyond that did it give the BoD mandate of authority to make further changes to the policy? If, initial policy was inconsistent with law, it seems like that would be something the Board could do. Rather than making changes to policy for things felt to be optional, or in best interest. Does BoD have discretion to keep modifying the policy for sake of doing or only to keep it up to date with that Energy law? No point of view if the first time was consistent with authority, and what has been done up to now is or is not. Not enough to know.

SC- Seems like a sticky situation, so how to move forward.

BD- trying to do the right thing. Members are anxious to put in certain ways. Last thing is for the Board to have rules on a hot button issue without firm legal footing. Someone could say, can't tell me not to do this, because the rule isn't legal.

SC- reflects the current situation. Lets review the ACL Energy policy. At top, text of amendment to declarations, only effective once recorded. Technically policy is not effective because it is not recorded. If the permit is denied, it could cause a headache. Is this something that a



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legal opinion is required to clarify murkiness? Important distinction. Board should correct errors, omissions, inconsistencies. If

SN- only in Declaration because of statute, not a matter that needs voting on by members. Was written by Legal counsel. Amendments were also written by counsel. Counsel was fine with ground arrays.

RK- were those ever recorded Shaun?

SN- no those were not. In hindsight they should have been recorded.

BD- First one was not recorded.

BB- if not recorded, still in pending state, not official.

SC- in the process to being made effective, flux

BD- on the president's desk but not yet signed. Pull up IL Energy Policy Statement act. See what it says. 765 ILCS 165/20, "statement shall be included in the statement in the Common Interest Declaration. So, K&C, just glancing at this. Seems like the BoD has authority to approve the policy statement. Have to have one, and certain things in law that can and cannot restrict. But this law does not say you can't modify it every week, as long as according to association rules and procedures. As long as whatever you do, put in that policy keeps up with law. Publication requirement to include statement in declaration, so people are aware of an official recorded copy.

RK- If included in declaration, must be recorded as part of declaration.

BD- must be recorded, but assuming can be adopted by board in the first instance, can be changed or done by BoD and redone continuously. Question of effective or not effective once recorded?

RK- if part of declaration, doesn't it need to be recorded?

BD- must be recorded in order to restrict a landowners ability to do something with their own real property. Question, is whether not recorded it can't bind a new purchaser of a property. Because not recorded probably cant bind any owners of the property. More likely the latter. K&C advise on this. In some ways the deck is like zoning. Declaration says it can't be taller, or a certain color. Only bound when declaration is official, to be official does it need to be recorded, or adopted? I think only once recorded. Then it is a restriction against land. So when buying and selling real estate, the title company looks to 1 place to ID liens, encumbrances here. Maybe an issue with Gap in recording. Can this get recorded Monday?

SN- was expecting to be approved last month. We can record the old one right away, then in a couple weeks record amendments.

BD- So what has happened in the year and a half since adopted by BoD. how many people had either. Say someone puts a solar array on property and I don't like the look, actually the winner in that fight is the person who put in the array. Until binding restriction, can do as see fit. So people who are prevented from doing something are going to have beef. Person who doesn't like something doesn't have beef. Restriction if anything, if no restriction can do whatever with land. If there is a risk element, around things that have been prevented while this hasn't been on record.

SN- talk to Legal Counsel and ask if there is a problem.

BD- if that was the case, or if it is binding once adopted, and recording is required by law to make it more visible to people, should get legal opinion on that one.

SC- Shaun Nordlie to ask K&C to look at the current version, if no conflicts, then can record right away. But still have questions, some of the amendments to the Energy Policy are outside what is required by the law. So, if declarations say the Board can approve an amendment due to error omission inconsistency, is the Board permitted to make other changes, outside correcting error omission inconsistencies as permitted? In the amended version, (x) AECC may consult with outside experts and require property owners to pay those fees. Wouldn't that change require a vote of the members?

SN- members don't vote on policy, BoD does. This is policy

S- Law requires this to be part of Declaration

BD- I think that is the fundamental question. Did the Board only have authority to adopt the policy once, or does the board have authority to adopt a policy and change from time to time? Making part of declaration is for notice. As opposed to it is now part of the declaration, and can only be changed when the law changes, or if the members vote to change it? I feel like the Board could continuously change on their own and record when changes are made. We know enough to assume. Sean are you saying once adopted once can never be changed ever again?

SC- No, I'm saying once adopted and recorded into DEclaration. Then if any amendment is to comply with change to law Boar can do that. If we wanted to say, you can install a commercial solar array, it seems to go beyond what the IL Solar Energy Act permits. Because beyond legal requirement would require a vote of members.

BD- that would mean BoD only has 1 shot to get it right. From there after, any and all changes not specifically mandated by law would require member vote. Or was it because the Board had to put policy in place in the first 90 days, and only recorded for publication purposes?

SC- example, (x) would permit AECC to require Owner to pay for 3rd party expert consultation as AECC requires. Not clear where imposing this financial burden

BD- Keith is attempting to fit all changes into reason and rationality driven by changes in law. Supports interpretation that once policy is enacted and made part of declaration, future changes have to be approved by members or have to be dictated by changes in the Energy act itself. Worth confirming. Looks like trying to fit chang

RK- Redundant paragraph, when a homeowner gets a plan to get solar, must interact with licensed professionals. Seems like a duplicative charge new section (x) mirror of existing section (s).

BD- what is directive here, we want to advise the board to act legally when it passes rules and restrictions

SC- using this as a testbed for what future processes would look like. Would this type of thing be something to look at in future. Realistically if AECC needed it, once it goes through, then it should be maintained like the rest of the declaration.

BD- thought number of provisions internally inconsistent and could have used work. At that point it was too late, BoD already adopted, so too late. Was convinced at times, Ok so be it. That was the original policy. But was never recorded.

SC- where to go from here with this policy? Getting more information seems appropriate before taking next steps.

BD- opportunity then. If the board adopted this policy over a year ago, in keeping with the 90 day rule, but never recorded. Does that create an opportunity to get one that is recorded done right? (whatever done right means?) is there an opportunity to adopt a policy that is up to date, more coherent, more balanced, more input. If one isn't trapped in declaration because it is not recorded.

SC- Agree, well said.

SN- so will I get 3 points on Monday?

SC- Yes. Going down that road if there was an opportunity, I think technically the Board could

SN- it's not that, that's not the case.

SC- I respectfully disagree. The document says how it can be amended. Law says it must be part of the Declaration. Every community must have a policy in their declarations. Our declarations provide mechanisms for amending.

BD- If that is the legal interpretation that this is a board approved policy, and required to be part of declaration so has the enforcement of a declaration, but can come and go, and be amended periodically by the board. It is basically an aspect of the declaration that affects your property, and can come in and out of the declaration when the board sees fit to change the policy from time to time. Do we have guidance from counsel on that one?

SN- Yes.

SC- Can you send that to members of Legal ?

SN- Sure.

BD- Want something recorded to meet legal requirements, but not limited by that recordation requirement.

## 3.6.2 ACL Board Policies

3.6.2.1 SC- Similar vein to Energy Policy. There was a policy talking about "earned net income" and does that raise potential issues with ACL being a Not for Profit? How to steer clear from potential issues?

SB- Policy 6510 has to do with recognition of exceptional staff performance, performance bonus being a percentage of earned net income. Paragraph 5. So, Board Policy is writing all these policies, and 1 was the finance section. They gave it to me to read as treasurer. Read through it, and recommend a lot of changes. This sticks out as one that caught my attention. Odd thing is that I felt like why am I the only proofreader. In BoD meetings they say, this was reviewed by Steve, so it's OK. In favor of Legal to review from a legal standpoint. Most don't cause major issues, in the 6000s. But something like this is in favor. Earned Net Income, got by me. Recommend to just remove language and change wording.

BD- talked about earlier, a streamlined Q/C function that we would discharge on Board policies and potentially Rules and Regs. This is an example of that.

SC- yes, using as a trial to see how in depth we should be looking into this. I know enough to raise the question, I am not saying we need to find the answer, we should send it back to the authoring commission, or seek Legal counsel review.



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BD- what is our line item for a not for profit? Where is the bucket of incentive to provide for incentive compensation by staff. What is that operating bottom line?

SB- I probably wouldn't go down that road, would probably just say... I don't know why it is defined in such detail. Would just say "paid out of the operating fund".

BD- example of what we would do, is a NFP, so revise this.

SB- a lot of the policies were taken from boilerplate, and tweaked. I would have said just take out of the operating fund, and figure it out in the next budget year..

SC- that is exactly the type of input, not a good or bad policy. It comes to us because we want to be approved. What are the criteria that can be applied consistently so these questions can be asked?

SB- Quick question Shaun Nordlie. When we talk about policy it is always a rush to get these approved. The 7000s packet is huge. Most people on the Board don't read to the level of detail I do. If given 1 policy on weapons, easy to consider. But a huge book of policies will take a while to get approved. It took the commission years to get to this point, why a rush to approve?

SN- The Board policy committee is losing a person in 3-4 months, so I want to get this approved.

BD- anything to expedite the Solar Energy policy quandary, we want to try to find solutions to any identified solutions.

SC- I don't know that it would be in march to get policy approved. To prioritize the solar policy, aim for the Feb meeting to make a recommendation to the Board. Seems like the board can hear a second reading in February for approval.

3.6.2 more discussion in february.

3.7 Procedure for Handling Complaints

3.7.1 tabled until February

3.8 Membership/Recruiting

3.8.1 SC- continuing to seek growth in membership on ACL Legal

5.0 Next Scheduled Meeting Date - Thursday, 2/3/22, 5:30pm

6.0 Adjourn – the meeting was motioned to adjourn by Bill Doran adjourned at approximately 8:07 pm

Respectfully submitted, Sean Cottrell, Chair

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## NOMINATING COMMITTEE MINUTES

JANUARY 13, 2022

UNAPPROVED

1.0 Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by Chair Mike Yorke at 9:00 am.

Members present: Chair Mike Yorke, Vice Chair Bill Bourell (via Zoom), JoAnn Blackmore, Cindy Zophy (via Zoom), Barb Hendren, General Manager Shaun Nordlie. Members absent: Dave Bohnenkamp and Tom Sheehan.

Mike Yorke announced that Dave Bohnenkamp will be resigning from the committee. Barb Hendren volunteered to fill in as Secretary due to Dave's departure.

2.0 Approve minutes of December 2, 2021 – Barb Hendren moved, and JoAnn Blackmore seconded, to approve with one correction in item 3.4: correct spelling of CICAA. Motion carried unanimously.

3.1 & 3.2 Candidate Applications & Outreach – Discussion on four candidate submissions and recruitment efforts to get more submissions before the January 20 deadline.

3.3 Group E-mail for Candidates – Shaun met with Paul, who will put together the group e-mail address for candidates after the January 20 application deadline. Shaun also met with the Communications Department to go over the plan. We want to allow property owners to be able to ask questions of the candidates via e-mail separate from the Meet the Candidates event. Discussion on timeframe of question period for candidates, how the questions will be handled by the committee, how to categorize the questions. Decided that we need to set guidelines for the questions and publish. Since this is a new experience, we need to let owners know. Will also need to train candidates on the new procedures.

Bill Bourell offered to draft guidelines so that we can revise as a group

at the next meeting. Our intent for this new procedure is to give property owners more access to candidates so they can get a better idea of their platform. If the process becomes overwhelming, we reserve the right to manage the process in an appropriate and timely manner. Need to use some elements from the Social Media Policy in the guidelines. Property owner name and lot # will be included and published. Our goal is to get every question to the candidates answered before the election. No duplicate questions will be answered. One question per owner per week. The timeframe for questions will be the nine weeks after Meet the Candidates event to the election. Categories will be chosen each week based on the questions that come in. The last couple of weeks will be given over to miscellaneous questions. The committee will manage the questions and send to candidates each week. We want to be sure not to overwhelm candidates.

3.4 Meet the Candidates Event – Set for April 9 at 1:00 pm, separate from the April BOD meeting. Will be a similar setup as for past events. Zoom will be included. Mike Yorke will be the moderator. Shaun will ask Rhonda Perry if she would take minutes. The event will be recorded. A time limit of two hours for the event was agreed upon. The Nominating Committee will come up with questions as a group. Property owners present at the meeting will be asked to submit questions at the beginning of the event, and also will have that opportunity via e-mail beforehand, with a deadline for e-mail questions of 3:00 pm on the 8th. Questions can also be submitted via chat on Zoom.

4.0 New Topics – Shaun will mention the January 20 deadline for applications in the Apple Seed and will have Communications make an announcement on the Association Facebook page.

Next Meeting – Thursday, February 3 at 9:00 am.

5.0 Adjournment - Motion by Cindy Zophy at 10:20 am.

Respectfully submitted, Barb Hendren, Secretary

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## RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 20, 2022

UNAPPROVED

1.0 Call to Order – Emil called the meeting to order at 9:00am. Members present: John Diehl, Emil Misichko, Lee Causero and Board Liaison, John Anderson. Guests: Tim Brokl, Kirsten Heim. Members Absent: LeAnne Killeen.

2.0 Approve November 18, 2021 Minutes - John motions to approve the minutes. Emil seconds. The minutes are approved.

3.0 Unfinished Business

3.1 Holly Jolly Winter Wonderland Re-cap (Sat. Dec 4) – LeAnne presented the Commission with a handout with some suggestions to help improve this event. Many of the topics covered were discussed with members of the Commission the night of the event like combining tents, closing off the patio and changing the timeframe the event is offered. A few notes touched on the Jingle Bell Brunch and what we can do to help improve this event as well.

3.2 Family Fun Weekend Re-cap (Sat. Jan 15) – Around 50 sledders attended. All the cookies & cocoa were enjoyed by Property Owners and their families. The Potluck Movie Night was canceled due to COVID-19 concerns.

3.3 Pinewood Derby Update (Orig Date: Sat. Feb 19, R/S date: Sat. Mar 12) – The Derby was pushed back due to COVID-19 concerns. Typically, we have two volunteers to help run the concession stand. At the February meeting we will be discussing the concession stand and the volunteers needed further. John Anderson expressed interest in volunteering for this event.

3.4 NiceRink – We would like to keep this in mind for the coming winter and will be reviewing the information at future meetings.

4.0 New Business

4.1 Election of New Officers – Chair & Secretary. This will be continued at the February meeting.

4.2 Other New Business – As of January 4, 2022, our Recreation Assistant, Meranda, left her position with us at ACL. This puts the Recreation Department back to square one with needing additional help. Another topic of new business is that Tim reached back out to Jon Sonntag & Mike Harris regarding the BBQ Cook-off. Jon offered to teach the judges and other officials for the event how to do the scoring, but the Commission needs help the day of to ensure the event is offered. Where we are now without a Recreation Assistant and little interest from the Commission to take the event over from the Planning Group, the Commission is looking at alternative options to ensure the Property Owners and their families have a great holiday weekend. We could offer a band, a beer tent, possibly food trucks, a bounce house, etc. Emil moves that we do not offer the BBQ Cook-off, but instead we look at planning other options. Lee seconds. John – aye, the motion is approved. The 2022 BBQ Cook-off has been canceled – watch for updates regarding what is offered Memorial Weekend in the Apple Core, Apple Seed, ACL Weekly Update, website, and Facebook.

5.0 Next Meeting Date – February 17, 2022

6.0 Adjournment - John motioned to adjourn at 9:33am.

Respectfully submitted, OKirsten Heim

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- Withdrawn on May 15**

  - \$220 1/5 of the Annual Dues
  - \$20 1/5 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$40, if three owners \$60)
- Withdrawn on June 15**

  - \$220 1/5 of the Annual Dues
  - \$20 1/5 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$40, if three owners \$60)
- Withdrawn on July 15**

  - \$220 1/5 of the Annual Dues
  - \$20 1/5 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$40, if three owners \$60)
- Withdrawn on August 15**

  - \$220 1/5 of the Annual Dues
  - \$20 1/5 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$40, if three owners \$60)

To sign up for the ACLPOA Payment Plan, property owners must do the following:

**PRIOR TO JANUARY 31, 2022, SEND A VOIDED CHECK AND THE PAYMENT PLAN ACH FORM TO THE ACLPOA OFFICE.** Any incomplete forms or forms returned without a voided check will not be included in the payment plan for 2022. Payment Plans set up after January 31, 2022 will also be subject to a Late Signup Fee of \$25 per lot. Payment Plan submissions cannot be accepted after February 25, 2022.

**DO NOT SEND A CHECK FOR PAYMENT IF USING THE PAYMENT PLAN.** Make sure all of the owners on the lot are aware the lot is on the payment plan. Duplicate payments will be applied to the balance due unless everything is paid in full. Overpayments will be refunded via check.

**MAKE SURE THERE IS ENOUGH MONEY TO COVER EACH WITHDRAWAL.** All insufficient funds for ACH will be charged a \$35 fee. If there are two NSF, the lot will be removed from the Payment Plan, and payment in full by cashier's check, money order, cash, or valid credit card (4% convenience fee applies) will be required within 10 days, or a lien will be filed. The Delinquent Dues Fee and Interest will be assessed immediately. If a property owner has had one or more payments returned NSF (non-sufficient funds) or otherwise been removed from the payment plan in past years, the General Manager may, at his/her discretion, prohibit a property owner from participating in the payment plan for up to three (3) years and/or from receiving amenity tags, auto stickers, etc. until the final payment has been completed successfully.

Please call the Association Office at (815) 492-2238 if you have any questions about the payment plan.

## ACLPOA Payment Plans

The Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Association is offering two payment plan options for those property owners needing assistance paying their annual assessment (dues) and fees. There is a \$35 Payment Plan Processing Fee per lot entered on the Payment Plan. All payments will be automatic ACH withdrawals initiated by ACL; other payment types are not offered as part of the Payment Plan. The terms for the three installment ACLPOA Payment Plan are as follows:

- Withdrawn on March 1**

  - \$368 1/3 of the Annual Assessment [Dues]
  - \$34 1/3 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$68, if three owners \$102)
  - \$35 Payment Plan Processing Fee
  - \$120 Trash Fee (if applicable)
  - \$200 Seasonal Boat Slip (if applicable) plus corresponding boat registration fee
  - \$785 Seasonal Campsite/Camper Registration (if applicable)
  - \$25 Outdoor Golf Storage (if applicable)
  - \$125 Inside Golf Storage (if applicable)
  - \$25 Kayak Locker (if applicable)

\*All other recreational vehicles such as ATVs, golf carts, boats, non-motorized boats, and snowmobiles, Heat Light Program, Camper Storage, etc., must be paid with the payment plan or removed from the account until used. These fees will be included in the March payment unless staff are instructed to remove them from the account at the time of signup.

- Withdrawn on May 15**

  - \$366 1/3 of the Annual Dues
  - \$33 1/3 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$66, if three owners \$99)
- Withdrawn on July 15**

  - \$366 1/3 of the Annual Dues
  - \$33 1/3 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$66, if three owners \$99)

The terms for the five installment ACLPOA Payment Plan are as follows:

- Withdrawn on March 1**

  - \$220 1/5 of the Annual Assessment [Dues]
  - \$20 1/5 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$40, if three owners \$60)
  - \$35 Payment Plan Processing Fee
  - \$120 Trash Fee (if applicable)
  - \$200 Seasonal Boat Slip (if applicable) plus corresponding boat registration fee
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# 2022 PAYMENT PLAN INFORMATION

**Late signups being accepted until February 25, 2022**

**Payment Plan ACH Debit Authorization Form**

I (we) hereby authorize ACLPOA, hereinafter called COMPANY, to initiate debit entry to my (our) account indicated below and the financial institution named below, hereafter called FINANCIAL INSTITUTION, to debit the same account for (Application). I (we) acknowledge that the origination of ACH transactions to my (our) account must comply with the provisions of the US Law.

The debit to my (our) account will be made on (mark one):  Checking  Savings

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 (Routing Number) \_\_\_\_\_ (Account Number) \_\_\_\_\_ (Name (s) on Account) \_\_\_\_\_

The COMPANY has my permission to initiate a debit entry to my (our) account for the total amount assessed to my (our) lot listed below, plus any applicable Processing Fees, including Late Fees. The Processing Fees, including Late Fees, and payment installments will be calculated by Association staff in accordance with the Board-approved ACL Payment Plan. The authority/permission granted herein to ACLPOA shall remain in full force and effect until ACLPOA has received payment in full or ACLPOA has received written notification from the undersigned of its termination, in such time and in such manner as to afford ACLPOA and the Financial Institution a reasonable opportunity to act upon it.

(Lot(s)) \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_ (Date) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Phone #) \_\_\_\_\_ (Email Address) \_\_\_\_\_

ACLPOA can only accept ACH payments initiated by ACL. This form must be completed in full.

VOIDED CHECK MUST BE ATTACHED HERE IF USING A CHECKING ACCOUNT.  
 DEPOSIT TICKET MUST BE ATTACHED HERE IF USING A SAVINGS ACCOUNT.

3 Installments <input type="checkbox"/>	For Office Use Only:	March 1 _____ May 15 _____ July 15 _____	Lot(s) _____	Total Amount Owed: \$ _____
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**Dues and fees are due March 1!**

Remember, the Annual Assessment (Dues) and all required fees are due March 1, 2022. A Delinquent Dues Fee of \$125 per lot will be assessed March 2.

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The 2022 Boat Slip License and 2022 Campsite License are both due March 1. A completed license, current insurance, and current state watercraft registration/non-motorized watercraft information or state recreational vehicle license/title are required by March 1 to complete the Boat Slip License and Campsite License respectively. Failure to complete any of these requirements will result in a \$100 late fee assessed March 2 and forfeiture of the boat slip or campsite if not complete by March 15! Documents can be emailed to [customerservice@applecanyonlake.org](mailto:customerservice@applecanyonlake.org) or faxed to (815) 492-2160.

**Late Payment Plan signups accepted until February 25**

The early signup deadline for the ACL Payment Plan has passed, but late signups can still be accepted through February 25. There is an additional \$25 Late Signup Fee per lot entered on the Payment Plan in addition to the \$35 per lot Payment Plan Processing Fee. The Payment Plan allows payment of the dues and fees to be broken into three installments, paid March 1, May 15, and July 15; or five installments, paid March 1, May 15, June 15, July 15, and August 15. All payment plan payments are made via automatic withdrawal from a checking or savings account. The form and complete details are available in this issue of the *Apple Core*, on the ACL website, or can be picked up from the Association Office. The Payment Plan Processing Fee and Late Signup Fee are both paid in the first installment, no payment is required at signup.

**Online payments & forms are here!**

All owners are strongly encouraged to pay online, by mail, or via one of the two Payment Plan options ACL is offering in 2022. We can accept credit or debit card payments online or over the phone, but a 4% convenience fee does apply. Online payments made from a checking or savings account do not incur a fee. Any owner wishing to pay online may do so by logging in to the website using their member ID and password. The member ID is printed on the billing statement, and if you have not logged in yet, the first-time password is your last name in lowercase letters. You will be prompted to change your password and set up security questions when logging in the first time.

Owners can also submit all 2022 forms through the website at <https://www.applecanyonlake.org/group/pages/forms-resources> under the Online Forms dropdown. Please note that you do need to scroll down (the page will appear blank) after

selecting the form and then click the green “Start Filling” button.

A step-by-step tutorial for paying online or submitting online forms is available on the website under Announcements. If you need assistance, please contact the Association Office.

**Tags, stickers, etc. can be mailed to your home for \$9 postage**

For \$9 postage, we will mail the amenity tags, stickers, etc. to your home! The bright pink 2022 Property Owner Information form included in the statement packet must be filled out and returned with the postage fee to have your items mailed. The form and payment for postage can also be submitted online at <https://www.applecanyonlake.org/group/pages/postage>.

**Campsite & Boat Slip assignment dates announced**

- Saturday, March 26 - Campsite Swap & Assignment Day – 10 a.m.
- Saturday, March 26 - Slip Swap – 1 p.m.
- Saturday, April 2 - Slip Assignment Day & Sublicense Assignments – 10 a.m.

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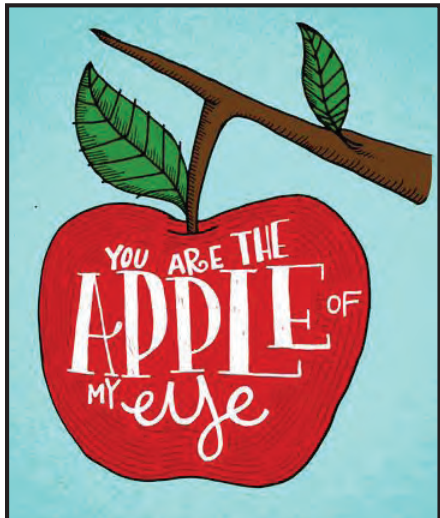
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PLASTIC	milk, soda and detergent bottles; other bottles #1-#7	rinse clean, flatten gallon jugs	plastic cups, film, hard plastics (toys, pails, etc.); medicine bottles, syringes
NEWSPAPERS & MAGAZINES		place in plastic or paper bags	
CORRUGATED CARDBOARD		flatten boxes	

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- ELECTRONICS-PERMIT REQUIRED** — Electronics are not to be deposited into the dumpster. These items will be placed in the shed. Permits available at the Association Office.
- NO BUILDING MATERIALS** — Materials from a construction or renovation project should be disposed of by requesting your contractor to supply a dumpster on site. Contact our Building Inspector for information.
- NO TIRES OR BATTERIES**
- NO YARD WASTE** — Branches, leaves, etc. Burning of these items is permitted on your lot. However, the Property Owner must call the SSD (Safety and Security Department), (815) 492-2436, 24 hours in advance.

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water heaters, water softeners, swing sets (unless broken down)	VCR/DVD players
carpeting (more than 1' diameter and rolled)	computers
kitchen tables, bath tubs, shower stalls, grills, rider mowers	stereos
stoves, refrigerators, freezers, washers/dryers, dishwashers, dehumidifiers	microwaves
small boats/motors	other electronic items as determined by staff
box springs	
other large items as determined by staff	
mattresses require a \$30 permit	

**PERMITS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE IN ACL OFFICE**

# ACL ID Numbers & Current Year Stickers

ID number and current year ACL sticker placement was clarified as part of the Rules & Regulations housekeeping changes approved at the November 2019 Board of Directors meeting. Please take the time to make sure all current 2022 decals and ID numbers are correctly placed before launching your boat or taking your UTV out on the trails. The appropriate decal and ID number locations for each toy type are outlined below. If you have mistakenly placed them any other place, you will be asked to remove the decal and have a new sticker issued by the Office and placed in the correct location. It does not matter if the sticker is damaged; if it is turned in to the Office; there will be no charge for the replacement. ID numbers, license plates, and zip ties are also available at the Office at no charge. Failure to display ID numbers and/or a current year ACL sticker will result in fine(s).

**GOLF CARTS, ATVS, UTVS**

- Display ID numbers as follows:
- A. front center hood or front license plate
  - B. rear license plate

Place the current year trail sticker on the center front of the vehicle (front roll bar, windshield or front of hood panel so that sticker may be clearly seen from another approaching vehicle or trail walker).

**BOATS & CAMPERS**

**Boats** – Display ID numbers on both the right and left sides of the watercraft near the rear of the boat and on the RIGHT side of boat trailer tongue. Place the current year ACL watercraft sticker on the starboard side (driver's side, right) of the watercraft next to the ID numbers.

**Campers** – the current year ACL camper sticker and ID numbers are to be displayed on the side of the camper trailer tongue that faces the road.

**VEHICLE STICKERS**

The vehicle sticker must be affixed to the driver's side lower windshield of the auto for access to or when vehicle is parked on any ACL "members only" property. These decals may NOT be used on a golf cart, ATV, UTV, etc. Vehicle sticker violations are subject to a \$250 fine for the first offense.

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 Tests must be performed by Friday, May 27.

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## BOATING RULES & REGULATIONS AMENDED

The Board of Directors approved amendments to the Rules & Regulations, section V Boating, C. Boat Size/Horsepower at their October 19 meeting. Association staff must measure EVERY newly registered motorized watercraft. How staff measures tri-toons was also clarified. If you are considering a new boat, please pay close attention to the measurements! We had several boats registered this summer that were just a hair under the maximum allowed and one brand new pontoon was rejected for being over the allowable measurement.

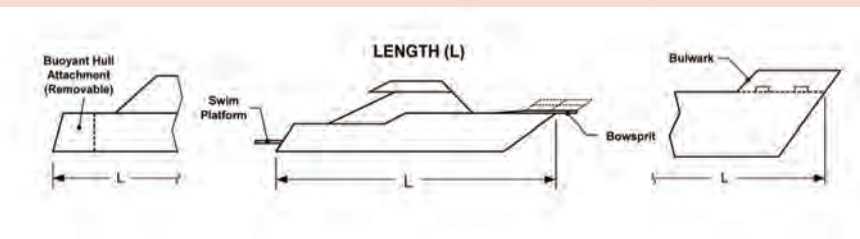
### C. BOAT SIZE/HORSEPOWER

1. Effective July 15, 2017, any newly registered motorized boat must be measured by ACL staff prior to registration. Any boat registered prior to July 15, 2017 that was not measured will be exempt. These “grandfathered” boats shall be exempt as long as these boats remain under present ownership.
2. Powered boats, with the exception of pontoon boats, shall be no more than 21 ft. in length from bow to stern in length overall (LOA), as measured by the ACL staff.

#### LENGTH OVERALL DEFINED:

USCG Enclosure (4) to MTN 01-99 CH5, Tonnage Technical Policy, Simplified Measurement 69.203 Definitions, Page 4:

OVERALL LENGTH means the horizontal distance between the outboard side of the foremost part of the bow and the outboard side of the aftermost part of the stern, excluding rudders, outboard motor brackets, and other similar fittings and attachments. Also excluded from length are non-buoyant attachments such as bulwarks, bowsprits, overhanging decks, swim platforms and stern-wheel supports. Buoyant hull structures both fixed and removable are included in the overall length.



3. Pontoon boats shall not exceed 25 ft. as measured from the forward most point of the pontoon(s) to the aft most point of the outside pontoon(s).

All measurements will be taken by ACL staff at the Association Office before a decal will be issued. If a property owner is unable to reach the office prior to closing, the office staff will make reasonable arrangements for that property owner to meet with the Safety and Security Department to have the watercraft measured and the decal given, provided all paperwork is on file, and the registration fee has been paid in advance. The Safety and Security Department will not accept any paperwork or payments. Please allow extra time for staff to complete these measurements. If the office staff is occupied with other owners, the Safety and Security Department will be called to assist.



## New Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources Website for Watercraft Renewals

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources launched a new website for watercraft renewals on March 1. They are still working out the bugs in the new website but hope to have it up and running again by April 1. Individuals will have an account where they can renew watercraft registrations, purchase hunting and fishing licenses, etc. Anyone who has registered a watercraft or purchased a license before can look up their account using a combination of information.

If your State Watercraft Registration is expired, or will expire in 2022, you need to renew online at <https://www.exploremoreil.com/> (only for Illinois registrations). When renewing online, there is a printable temporary registration card that is valid for 60 days. The ACL Association Office accepts copies of this temporary registration card for that 60-day period. Once the actual registration card is received, the Association will need a copy of it. The registration cards are valid for three years.

If you do not have a printer, but do have a computer with internet access, you can print the temporary registration card as a PDF (this will allow you to save the file on your computer – that file can then be emailed to ACL). The support number for the renewal website is 1-866-716-6550. If you do not have internet access or a computer, or are just not tech savvy, bring your credit card (to pay IDNR for the renewal) to the ACL Association Office and we will do our best to assist you with setting up an account and completing the renewal.

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**ABOUT THE PROGRAM:** This program monitors the temperature in your home while you're away, ensuring that nothing will freeze or be damaged by the cold. Once you sign up, you will receive a strobe light and a temperature monitoring device. A member of the ACL Safety & Security staff will help set up the strobe light in a location where it will be seen from the road. Should the temperature inside your home drop below 45°, the strobe will start flashing. If this happens, Security staff will access the home and determine the cause of the temperature drop. They will then take the necessary steps to fix the issue, whether that be calling your designated furnace repair company or the propane company to fill your tank.

**HOW TO SIGN-UP:** To sign up, please provide the following to the ACL Safety and Security Department: Your name, address, phone number, propane supplier, furnace repair company, and a spare key to your home. The spare key provided will be safely stored in a lockbox. The initial set up fee is \$250 (includes all equipment), and then \$100 each year after.

**Questions?** Contact the ACL Safety & Security Department  
(815)492-2436 | [security@applecanyonlake.org](mailto:security@applecanyonlake.org)



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### Heat Light Program

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Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

ACL Address \_\_\_\_\_ ACL Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

**IN CASE OF A FURNACE FAILURE OR PROPANE SHORTAGE, THE SAFETY AND SECURITY DEPARTMENT WILL NOTIFY YOUR DESIGNATED FURNACE REPAIR COMPANY/PROPANE SUPPLIER AS PROVIDED BELOW. PLEASE NOTIFY YOUR PROVIDERS THAT YOU HAVE PROVIDED THE ACL SAFETY AND SECURITY DEPARTMENT WITH INFORMATION TO CONTACT THEM ON YOUR BEHALF.**

Repair Company \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ After Hours Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Heating System (circle type) Electric Propane

If propane, your supplier's name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ After Hours Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Apple Canyon Lake POA cannot guarantee that the Safety and Security staff will get to your home if your heat light alarm is activated. Apple Canyon Lake POA cannot guarantee the equipment will function, even when set up properly. The Safety and Security Department performs many functions which may inhibit follow-up on a Heat Light call. In addition, heavy snows or ice storms may prohibit the department from getting to your home. As a result, Apple Canyon Lake must notify you that it will not be held liable for damage to homes in the heat light program because the Safety and Security staff is unable to respond when the heat light is activated or the equipment fails to activate. Of course, they have and will continue to make every possible effort to do so but, cannot guarantee it. Apple Canyon Lake Security staff will not perform any type of furnace repairs or adjustments due to liability concerns.

I \_\_\_\_\_ have read all statements pertaining to the program and agree not to hold Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners' Association liable for any damage that may occur due to the Safety and Security department not being unable to get to my home or due to the equipment's failure to activate.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner Signature

## Is your Association Boat Slip in danger of forfeiture?

If you have an Association-licensed boat slip, March 1 is the 2022 deadline for more than just your dues payment. Dues and fees must be paid on all lots owned, and a signed 2022 Annual Boat Slip License, current watercraft insurance and current state registration or non-motorized watercraft information must be submitted to the office by March 1 for each slip. Failure to complete any of these requirements will result in a \$100 Boat Slip Late Fee assessed March 2, and revocation of the previous License and forfeiture of the boat slip if not completed by March 15. All slips forfeited will be placed in the pool and assigned to another property owner at the Slip Swap or Slip Assignment Day.

**In order to maintain a boat slip assignment from year to year all of the following must be completed by March 1 for each slip:**

- All assessments and fees must be paid on all lots owned by all owners, designated members or occupants associated with all their properties.
- A boat must be registered to the slip by providing current insurance and a current State Watercraft Registration Card for a motorized boat, or non-motorized watercraft information, as defined in the Rules and Regulations, to the Office.
- A completed and signed Boat Slip License must be provided to the Office.

If your Watercraft Registration is expired, you need to apply for a renewal online. A temporary watercraft registration card valid for 60 days will be generated when renewing online. The new IDNR website is <https://www.exploremoreil.com/>.

The minimum required amount of liability insurance coverage is \$500,000 for bodily injury and property damage combined. Acceptable proof of liability insurance documents must meet the following requirements: the policyholder/named insured is the property owner of record; the insured watercraft must be described, and the policy term expiration date and liability coverage amounts must be listed. Continuous until canceled policies will not be accepted.

Please do not wait until the last minute to submit your insurance and registration information! I promise you; you do not want to tear through shrink wrap on an icy February day to get a copy of the State Watercraft Registration to the office by the March 1 deadline! All insurance and registration documents can be emailed to [customerservice@applecanyonlake.org](mailto:customerservice@applecanyonlake.org) or faxed to (815) 492-2160.

## Is your Seasonal Campsite in danger of forfeiture?

If you have an Association-licensed Seasonal Campsite, March 1 is the 2022 deadline for more than just your dues payment. Dues and fees must be paid on all lots owned, and a signed 2022 Annual Campsite License, current liability insurance and current state registration or title must be submitted to the office by March 1. Failure to complete any of these requirements will result in a \$100 Campsite Late Fee assessed March 2, and revocation of the previous License and forfeiture of the Seasonal Campsite if not completed by March 15. All campsites forfeited will be placed in the pool and assigned to another property owner at the Campsite Swap & Assignment Day.

**In order to maintain a seasonal campsite assignment from year to year, all of the following must be completed by March 1 for each campsite:**

- All assessments and fees must be paid on all lots owned by all owners, designated members or occupants associated with all their properties.
- A camper must be registered to the campsite by providing current liability insurance and a current State Recreational Vehicle Registration or title, as defined in the Rules and Regulations, to the Association Office.
- A completed and signed Campsite License must be provided to the Association Office.

A current State Recreational Vehicle Registration must be provided if the camper is transported to/from the Campground. A current State Recreational Vehicle Registration or Title will be accepted if Camper Storage fee is paid. The Camper Storage fee must be paid by March 1 if only a Title is provided. If the owner chooses not to store the camper at the Campground over winter, the camper must be removed prior to the Campground closing date and the Camper Storage fee will be refunded after a current State Recreational Vehicle Registration is provided.

Acceptable proof of liability insurance documents must meet the following the requirements: the policyholder/named insured is the property owner of record; the insured camping unit must be described, and the policy term expiration date and liability coverage amounts must be listed. The minimum required amount of liability insurance coverage is \$500,000 for bodily injury and property damage combined. Continuous until canceled policies will not be accepted.

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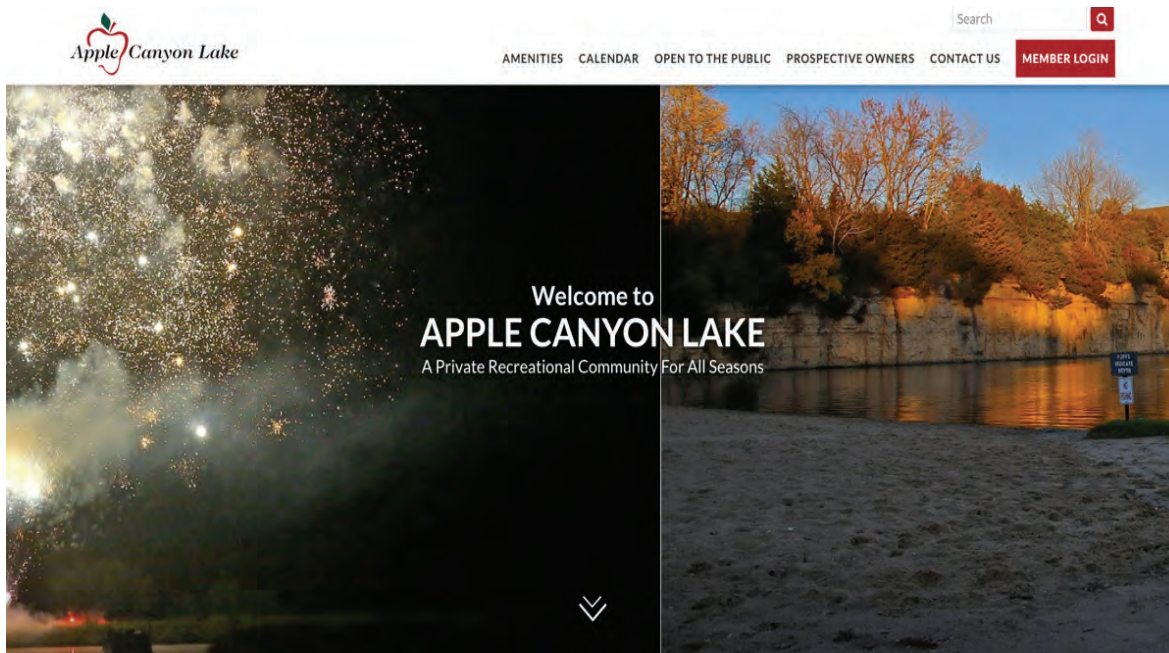
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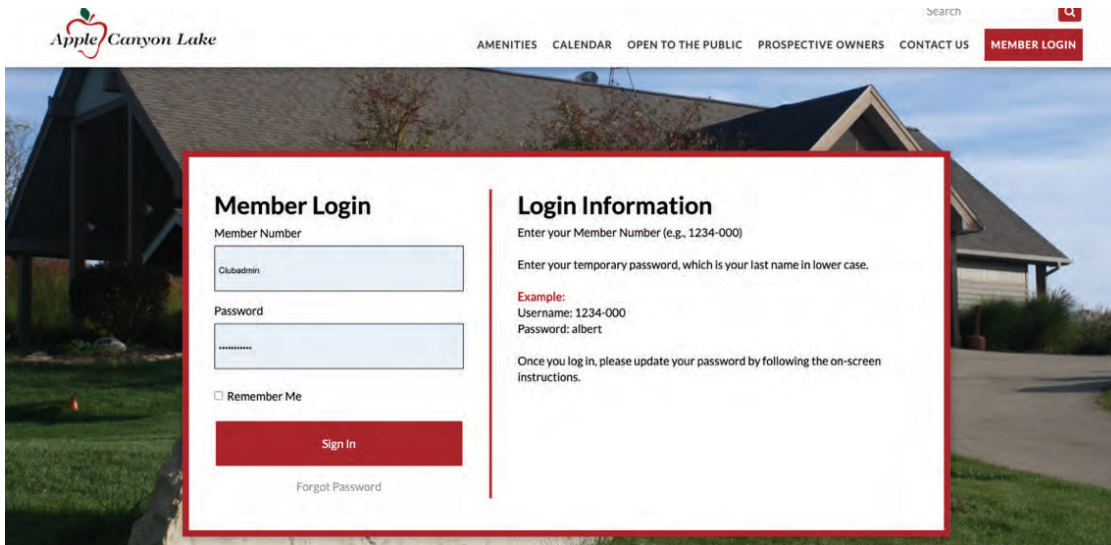
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**Step 3:** Enter your Member ID and Password then click “Sign-In”.

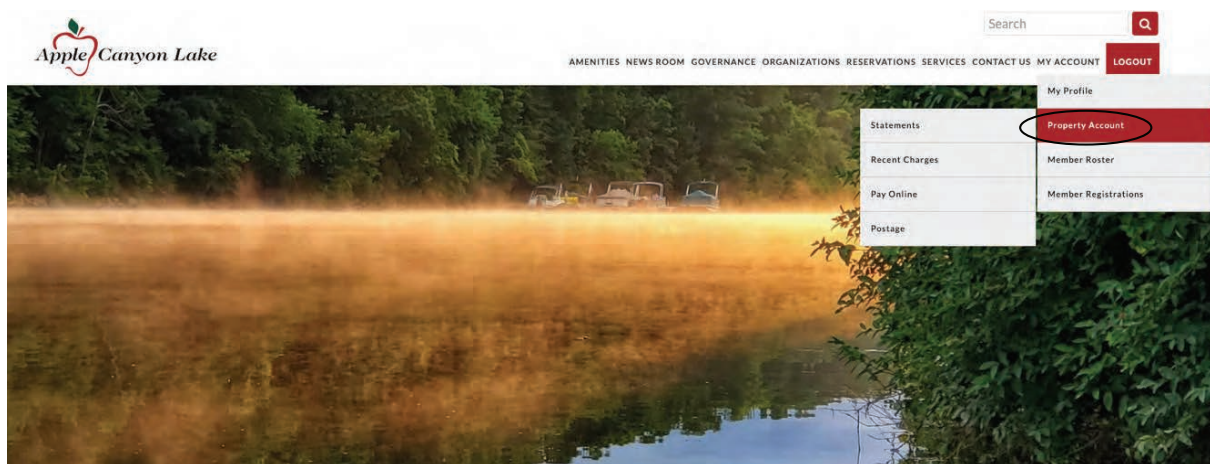
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**Step 4:** Hover over the “MY ACCOUNT” tab.

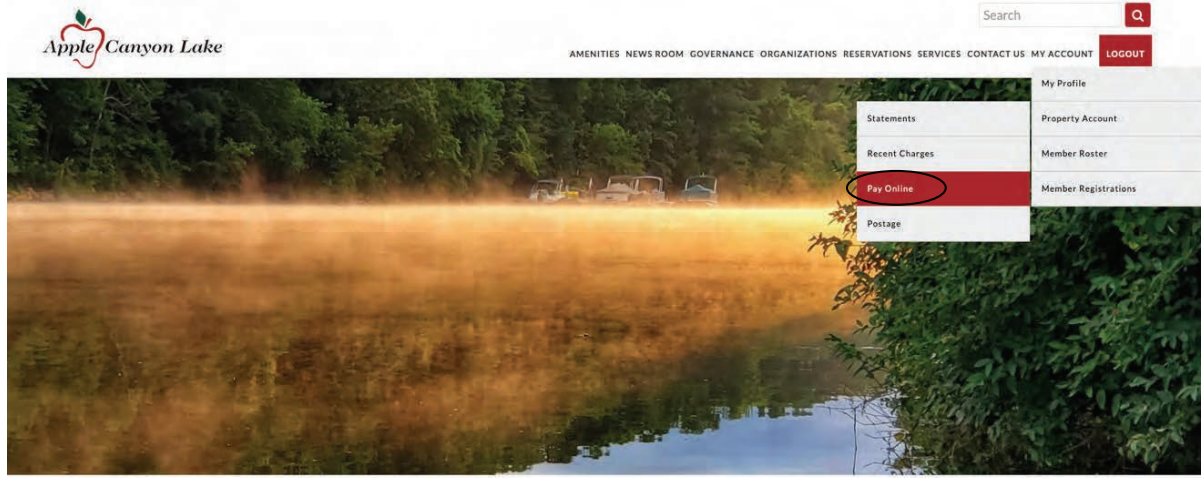
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**Step 5:** Hover over “Property Account”



**Step 6:** Click “Pay Online”



**Step 7:** Select your payment type and fill out your payment information accordingly. Click the “Save” button at the button once your payment information has been entered. Please note that a 4% convenience fees does apply to any credit or debit card payments. There is no fee to pay by ACH from your checking or savings account.

If property owner has more than one payment type saved in their account, they can choose here which one they prefer to use. The amount the property owner wants to pay must be edited on this screen. It will default to the total amount due.

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Ln Member Account

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Please select Payment Option

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Routing Number: \*  
Bank Account Number: \*  
Account Description:

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Save Reset

Once your payment info is saved, and the amount you wish to pay has been entered, click the “Make Payment” Button.

Payment Summary - Your Account as of: 01/07/2022

**Make Payment**

LAST STATEMENT DATE	LAST STATEMENT BALANCE DUE	RECENT PAYMENTS	LAST PAYMENT DATE	CURRENT AMOUNT DUE	ENTER PAYMENT AMOUNT
01/31/2022	\$1,460.00	\$0.02	01/07/2022	\$1,459.98	1459.98

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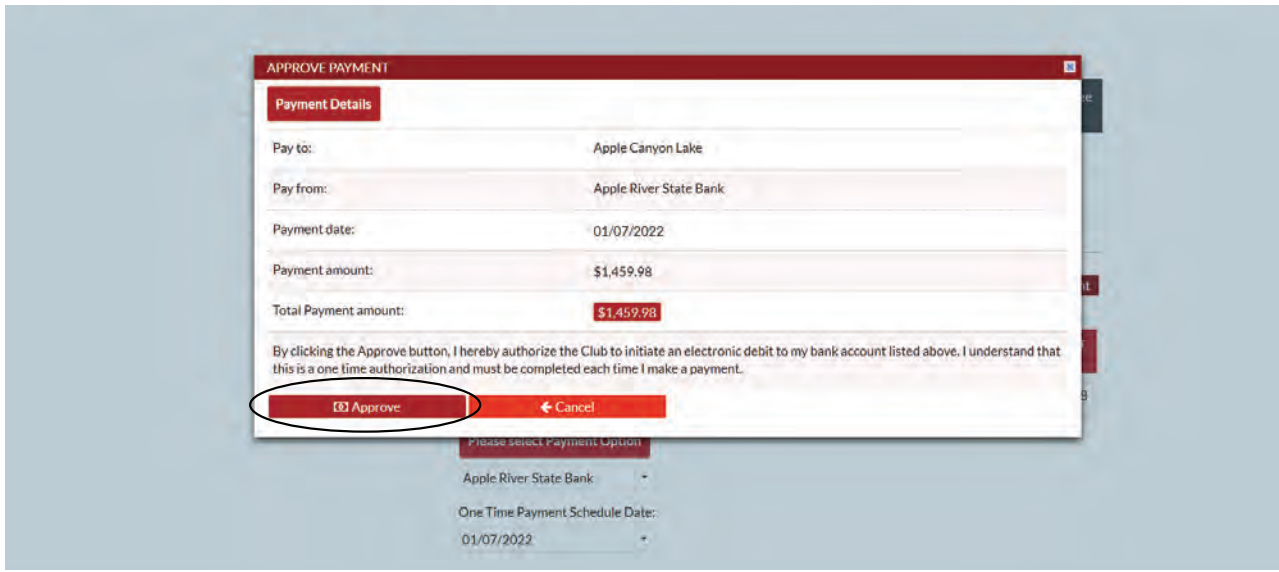
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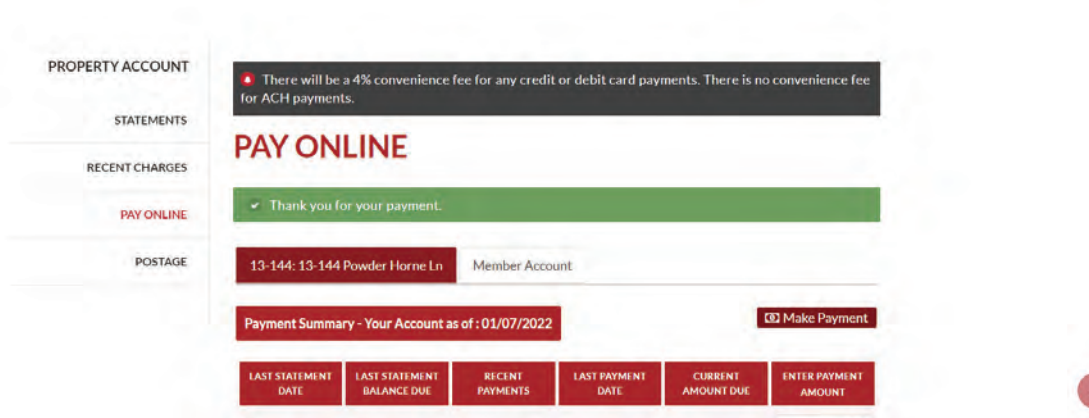
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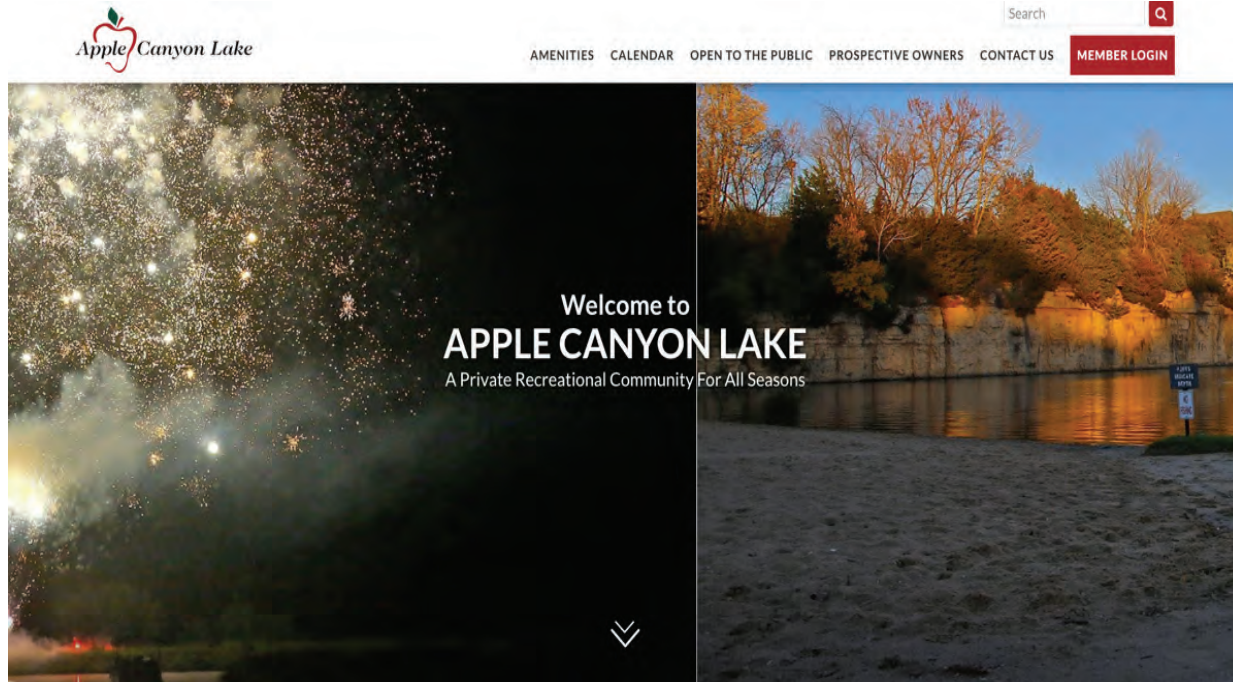
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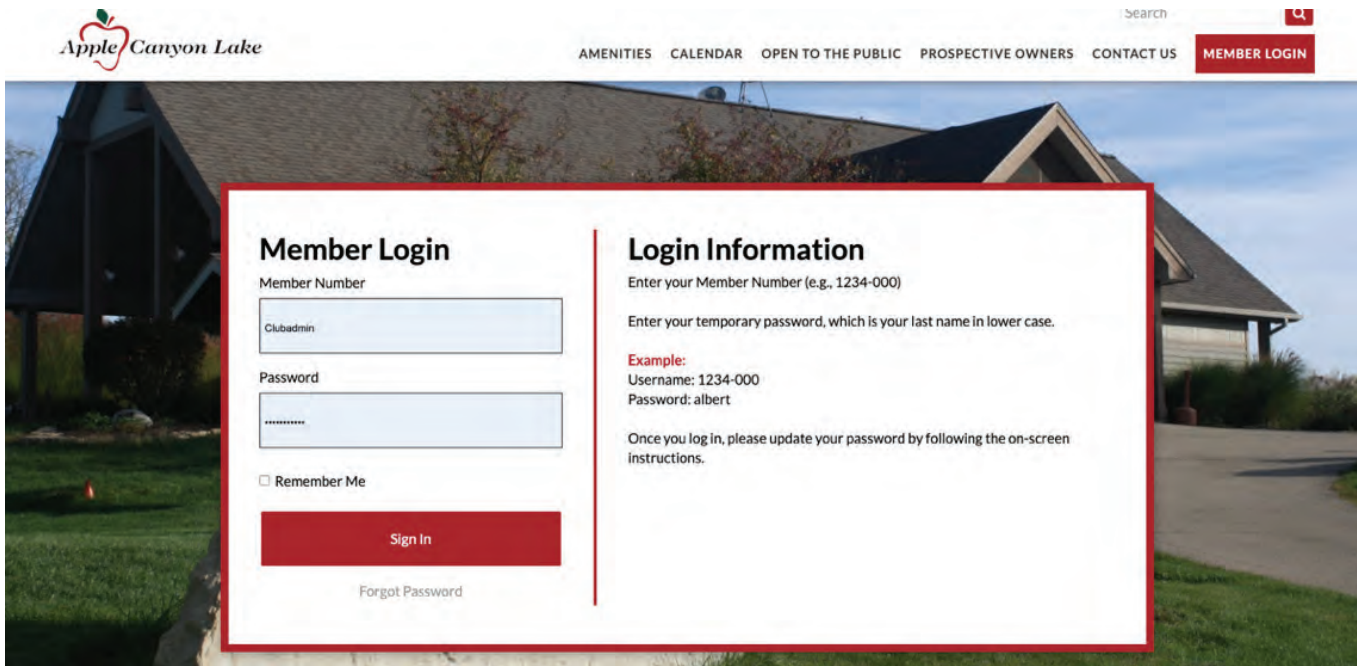
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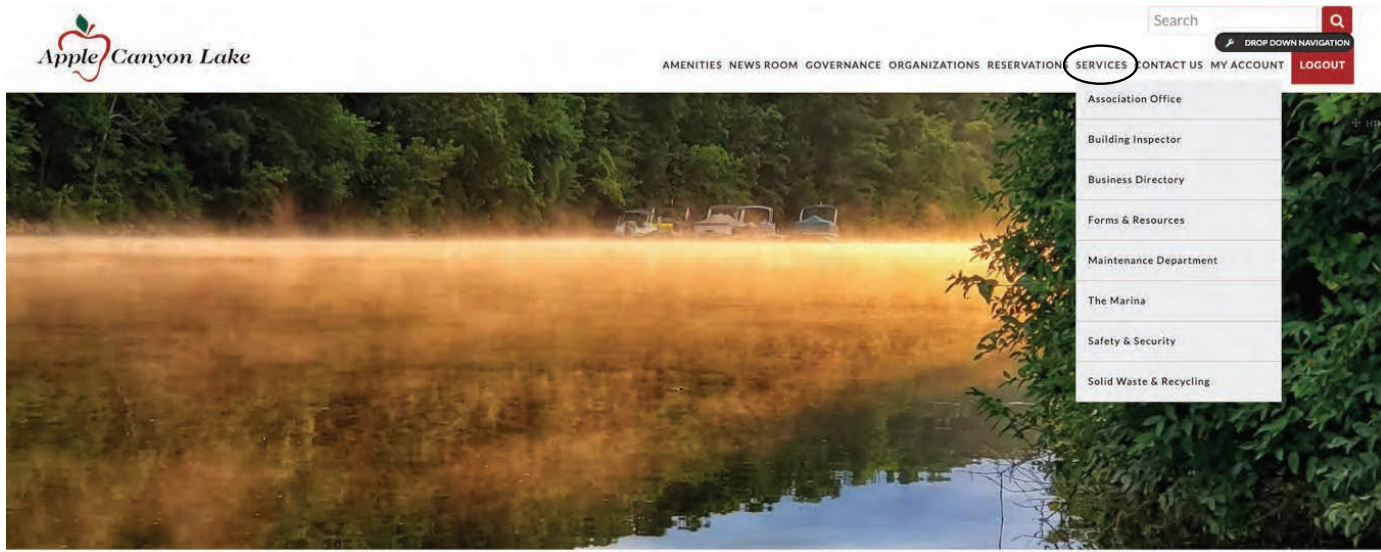
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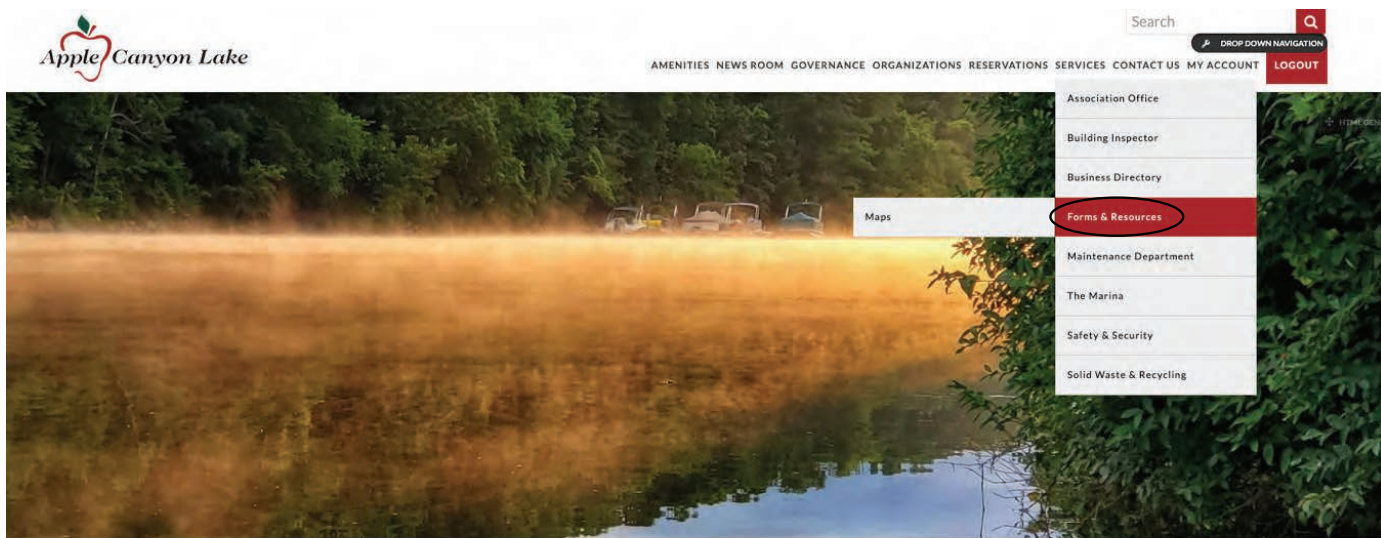
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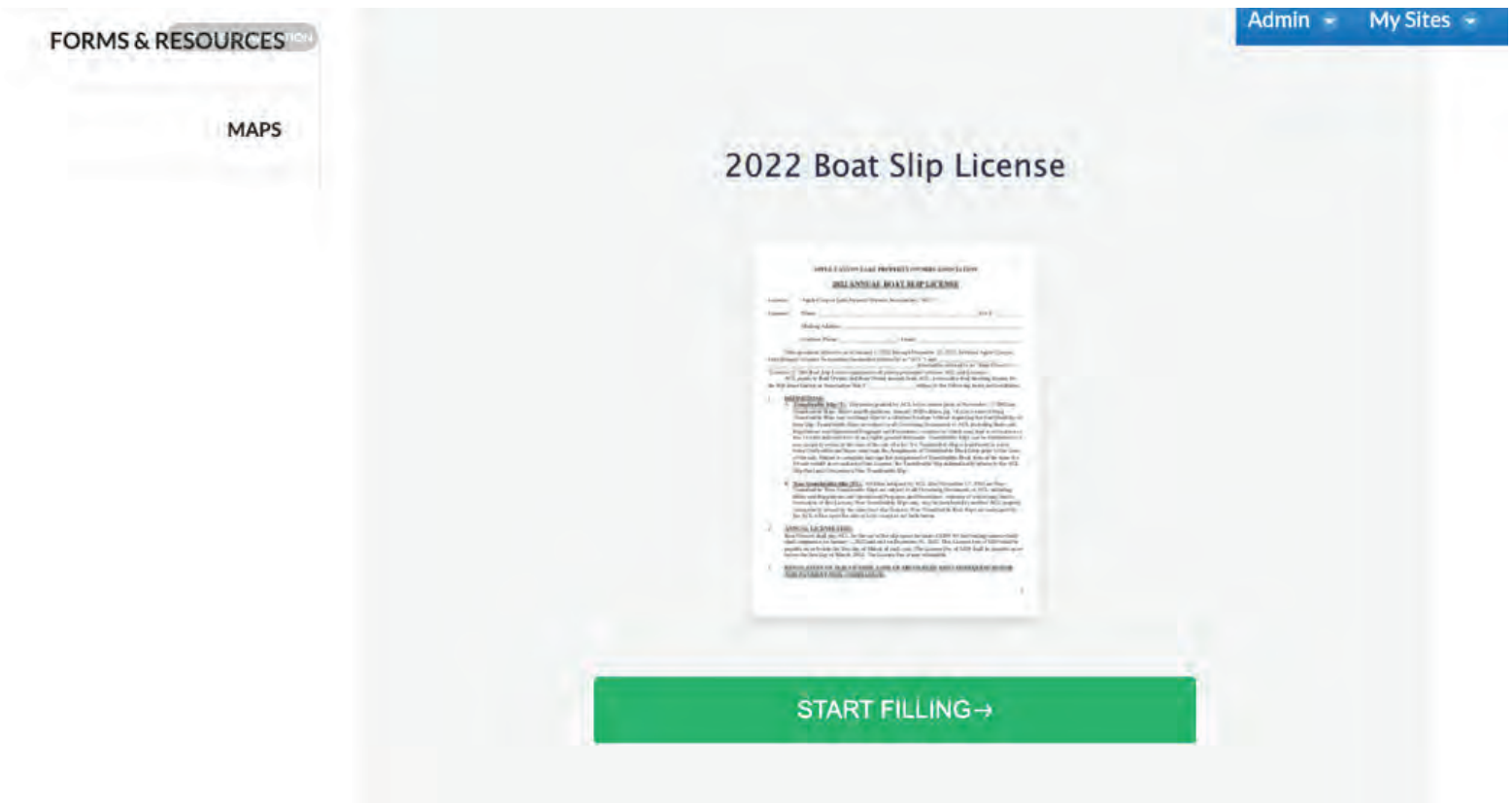
**Step 4:** Hover over the “Services” tab




**Step 5:** Click “Forms & Resources” in the dropdown menu.



**Step 6:** click “Online Forms” to expand the list. Select the form you wish to fill out.



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MAPS

Apple Canyon Lake

2022 Annual Boat Slip License

Licensor:  
Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Association (\"ACL\")

Name \*

Lot # \*

Mailing Address \*

Street Address

City State / Province

**Step 8:** Fill out the form with your information.

**Final Step:** Once the form has been completed, click “Submit”.

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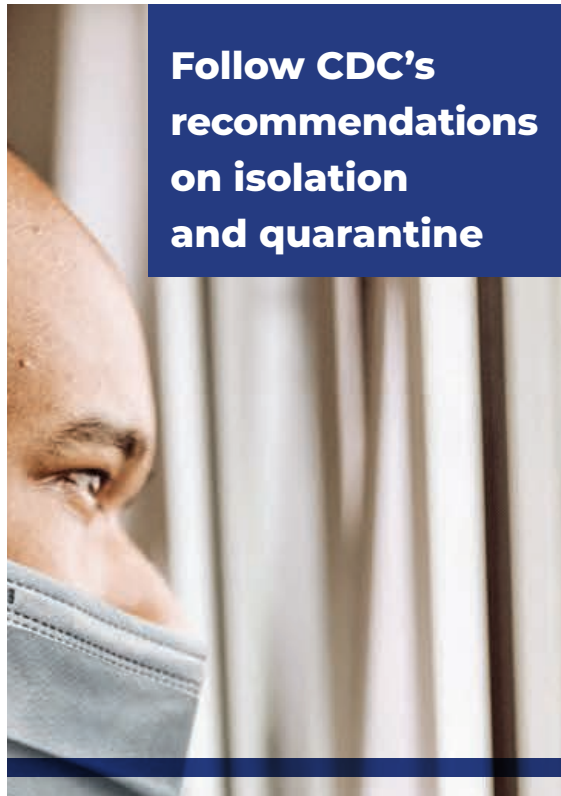
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The COVID-19 Operating Guidance that the Association developed and regularly updates continues to carry vetted recommendations for safe operation during the coronavirus.

However, one recent change to guidance related to isolation and quarantine should be noted so you can adjust and update your policies accordingly.

On December 27, 2021, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention made the following recommendations:

 **ISOLATION**  
IF YOU *HAVE* THE VIRUS

**If you have been diagnosed with COVID-19** (either through a rapid antigen test or PCR test) you should ISOLATE for 5 days. If at that time, or when you reach the following: you are either asymptomatic or the symptoms are resolving—described as having no fever (101.4°F) for 24 hours—you should consider a COVID-19 Rapid Test.

**If the test is positive**, you are advised to continue your isolation for 10 days from the day your symptoms started.

**If the test is negative**, you can end your isolation but are advised to wear a mask around other people until day 10 and then wear a [properly fitted mask](#) for 5 additional days.

**If you cannot get a test**, you should wait to end your isolation until you are fever-free and other symptoms have improved. Continue to wear a properly fitted mask.

 **QUARANTINE**  
IF YOU HAVE BEEN *EXPOSED* TO THE VIRUS

**If you have been**

**1. Exposed to the virus** (defined as in close contact—within 6-ft.—for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period with someone who has COVID-19) and

**2. Are either unvaccinated or more than 6 months out** from either the second Pfizer or Moderna vaccine dose or more than 2 months past the J&J dose, and

**3. Not yet boosted**, you should QUARANTINE for 5 days and wear a properly fitted mask for an additional 5 days in any location.

**If you have been fully vaccinated and boosted**, you do not need to quarantine but should wear a properly fitted mask for 10 days after exposure.

**To quarantine**, stay home and away from other people for at least 5 days after your last contact with a person who has COVID-19. The date of your exposure is considered day 0. Wear a properly fitted mask when around others at home, if possible.

**If symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath) occur** at any point during the quarantine, you should obtain a COVID-19 test to determine if the symptoms are COVID-19 or an unrelated illness.

**If you test negative**, you can leave your home, but continue to wear a properly fitted mask when around others at home and in public until 10 days after your last close contact with someone with COVID-19.

**If you are diagnosed with COVID-19**, refer to the ISOLATION protocol.

Check out the CDC's guidance on Isolation vs. Quarantine [here](#).



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# CONSERVATION CONVERSATIONS

## A Bird's Eye View of Some Bird Facts



**BY PAULA WIENER,**  
*Conservation Commission Chair*

Due to a change in the deadline for *Apple Core* articles I'm writing this in the first week of January. When I got up this morning our digital thermometer read four degrees. As I sat drinking my first cup of coffee and watching a variety of birds fight for feeder time I wondered how such little creatures managed to survive this frigid temperature. My Master Naturalist instructor always told us that the best way to observe and learn about nature is to start with a question, so here we go.

According to the Department of Natural Resources, birds have a number of ways to stay warm when the temperature drops. Like us, birds shiver when they are cold. Also, like humans who cuddle when the temperature dips, birds crowd together in shrubs, vines, and evergreens to share body heat.

Another tactic is to fluff their feathers creating air pockets around their bodies. Their feathers need to be clean, dry and flexible for this to work. Birds have a gland at the base of their tail feathers that produces oil. During the preening process they spread this oil on their feathers to weatherproof them.

But what about those skinny legs and bare toes? The special scales on birds' feet and legs reduce heat loss. Water birds like ducks and geese often stand on one foot or sit down. They also tuck their bills under their back feathers, keeping them warm and using the warm air to increase the efficiency of their breathing.

During winter birds need high energy foods such as suet, peanuts, and black-oil sunflower seeds. Birch bark is another high energy option to offer your birds. I've included a recipe for it in the sidebar and a picture of how I offer it.

This month offers an opportunity to not only observe birds, but to count them as well. The Great American Bird Count occurs this year the weekend of February 18-21. For instructions on how to participate in the count and for using the Merlin bird ID app or eBird website to record your count, visit the website [www.birdcount.org](http://www.birdcount.org).

One of the most common birds seen at our feeders all year around is the house finch, but it is not an Illinois native. Introduced illegally in New York City in the 1940's, the house finch was originally native to Mexico and the southwestern United States. It was billed as a "Hollywood Finch" in a clever marketing ploy. They were released into the wild by owners and sellers to avoid being prosecuted under the Migratory Bird Treaty of 1918. They quickly became naturalized across the eastern half of the country, displacing the native purple finch.

And then there's another Illinois intruder, the European starling. Every single one of these birds now in existence is a descent of the 100 birds released in Central Park in the early 1890's. The group who released the birds wanted the United States to have every bird Shakespeare ever mentioned in his works. Those Victorian's had some interesting ideas, didn't they?



*Because deep snow can make it hard to spread the butter on tree trunks, my husband made this little platform that slips over a shepherds hook on our deck.*

### SIDEBAR – BIRCH BARK RECIPE

1 cup peanut butter

1 cup rolled oats

1 cup lard

1 cup sunflower seeds

Mix together and spread on the bark of your trees or make a holder like the one in the photo and hang it from a shepherds hook.

## APPLE CANYON LAKE GARDEN CLUB

### The Pope's Garden Planning Process

BY GARY POPE

About now I start receiving garden catalogs. In the depths of winter, I find it fun to start thinking of spring gardening. So here is the "process" I go through for fun and enjoyment.



#### Prerequisites from last year's garden adventure:

- A handwritten diagram of what I planted in the garden last year. Memory is not always 100% reliable. It is good to rotate crops.
- A list of notes as to what worked well last year and what didn't. For example, green beans went crazy, plant less next year. Smooth criminal hybrid yellow zucchini worked great. Plant no more than two plants. (Had way too many last year.) This list is usually 20-30 items long.
- A few notes on any other landscaping things I might like to do. For example, maybe I want to plant a flower near my fence post. Think about size, lighting, annual or perennial, color, height.

Then I start looking through the garden catalogs. Most companies will send them for free or you can order a catalog online for free or their products. I like the printed version as you have it for later reference. Often there are discounts for early ordering.

I enjoy going through the catalog page by page. I mark anything that interests me, even if I may not get that particular item. I get several catalogs including Jung's seeds and plants out of Madison, Gurneys, Burpee, Brecks (especially good for bulbs such as tulips and daffodils), Seeds n Such, Musser Forests Inc (good for small trees, bushes, and some flowering plants especially if you need quantities for hedges, are a Christmas tree farmer), Farmers, and others. You can find many by internet search and check out the site to see if you are interested.

Written catalogs are great as they show plants you never heard of and those you know. Plus, you get growth habits, sun requirements, cold hardiness, color, even animal interest. For example, deer won't touch daffodils. Side note, daffodils come back every year, multiply annually, and come in many dozens of varieties, sizes, and colors. Also, if using daffodils for the edge of forest or forest naturalizing, plant early season bloomers.

My next step is to decide what I want to plant in my garden this year (beets, carrots, tomatoes, etc.). What do I want to put on trellises, etc. Then I look at particular varieties and where to get them. Catalogs carry many more varieties than the home center. Plants I usually buy locally - Aunt Beez greenhouse, Cushmans and others locally. The FFA program at the Scales Mound High School also sells flowers and garden plants that they grow. Rose says you can order specific plants and they will grow them for you.

My favorite catalog order sources are Jung's and Gurneys. Jung also has a few garden centers in Madison WI. Often, the same plant varieties are in multiple catalogs. Another side note, HyVee has a pretty good garden plant selection, especially perennial flowers.

I usually try at least one thing new every year, just to see if it works. Ok, it's go time. Order free catalogs and have some fun.



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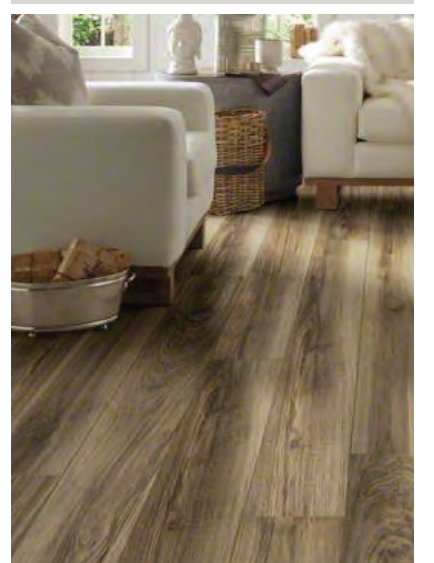
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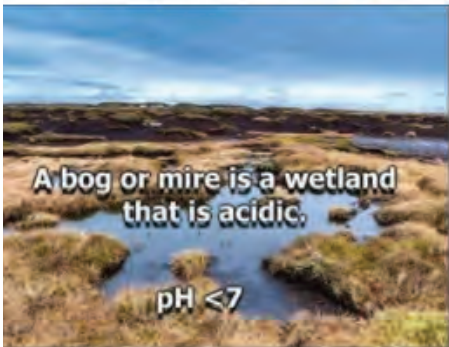
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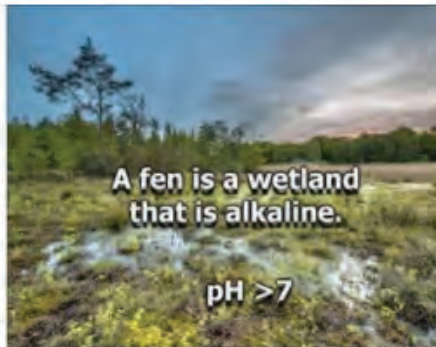
Lighting the candles at Open Hike Night at Casper Bluff Preserve.

Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation  
January 14 at 10:22 AM · 🌐

Some interesting facts from [Re-Wilding Iowa and Beyond!](#)



A bog or mire is a wetland that is acidic.  
pH <7



A fen is a wetland that is alkaline.  
pH >7



A swamp is a wetland whose dominant vegetation is trees and woody plants.



A marsh is a wetland with other forms of vegetation dominant.

Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation  
January 6 at 1:06 PM · 🌐

JDCF and the Friends of Valley of Eden would like to thank all of the individuals and businesses who participated in the Uncorked Wine Pull Fundraiser last month to support outdoor recreation at our Valley of Eden Preserve! We are so pleased to announce that we surpassed our goal and now have the equipment needed to maintain 3.5 miles of groomed cross country and snowshoe trails. Why not head out today? Valley of Eden is located at 5559 E Rush Creek Rd, Stockton, IL and is open daily dawn to dusk and free of charge. If you enjoy your visit, please consider leaving a donation in the brown tube next to the welcome kiosk to help support the preserve.



## MAINTENANCE MATTERS

BY ED ZIARKO, *Maintenance Manager*

Since there are frigid temps outside, we have been getting organized cleaning the shops, and waiting for our lumber and floats to arrive so we can start building the new docks. As with most of America, getting material in a timely fashion is unheard of this day and age. It may be available today, but tomorrow when you go to finalize your order it takes weeks to get. We also have been doing work orders and snow plowing when needed. We also started on the kayak rack located in Winchester. We are looking to have that completed early spring. The week of January 24<sup>th</sup> we will be receiving our new outdoor freezer and refrigerator for the Pro Shop. These are just a few projects that my maintenance team has been working on.

What we really need to study is how the world gets put back together. I'm not talking about the election of new officials or the release of new technologies, but rather the everyday work of maintenance, caretaking, and repair. Spring might be around the corner, but February can still bring plenty of harsh winter weather. Some of the harshest of the season, in fact. So that makes this month the perfect time to knock out some more of those indoor tasks to get your home ready for warmer times.

- Look for leaks
- Make sure your sump pump is ready for the rainy season
- Clean refrigerator coils
- Clean out dryer vents
- Make sure humidifier is operating properly

Hopefully everyone stays healthy, looking forward to another great year.

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## Free Cross-Country Ski & Snowshoeing Trails Open at Valley of Eden Bird Sanctuary in Stockton, Illinois

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: 1/4/22**  
**CONTACT: DEB KELLY 815-858-9100**

Now that the first snow of the season has arrived, the Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation (JDCF) invites the public to its Valley of Eden Bird Sanctuary for cross country skiing and snowshoeing. This year, the trails are open thanks to all of the

individuals and businesses that participated in the *Uncorked Wine Pull Fundraiser* held last month. We surpassed our goal and now have the needed equipment to maintain trails in the winter months.

Valley of Eden features 3.5 miles of groomed trails across hilly terrain. There are an additional 3.5 miles of ungroomed trails for those wishing to blaze their own path. Visitors will find directional signs along the way and a sledding hill near the viewing platform that is just up from the welcome kiosk. If you're walking or snowshoeing on the groomed trails, please avoid the ski tracks. Valley of Eden Bird Sanctuary is open daily from dawn to dusk free of charge and is located at 5559 E Rush Creek Road, Stockton, IL. If you enjoy your visit, please consider leaving a donation in the brown tube next to the kiosk to help support the preserve.

The Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation is a local, member supported non-profit whose mission is to preserve and steward land and water for the lasting well-being of all people and wildlife. JDCF owns several beautiful and unique preserves that are open to the public, free of charge, for hiking, wildlife viewing, and picnicking such as community favorites Casper Bluff, Wapello, and Horseshoe Mound. No tax dollars are used for the acquisition, restoration, or maintenance of JDCF properties. For more information, visit [www.jdcf.org](http://www.jdcf.org).

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## ENF ANNOUNCES 50/50 RAFFLE FOR 2022

(Apple River) The Eagle Nature Foundation (ENF) has just announced that it is sponsoring a new 50/50 Raffle with the tickets at \$5 each. The raffle is open to the general public for anyone who wishes to donate to the organization. The winner's name in this raffle will be drawn during ENF's Annual Meeting on March 26, 2022 at the Apple River Event Center in Apple River, IL. The winner does not have to be present to win. The full purse in past raffles has been as high as \$1,300.

50/50 raffles have been good money raisers for ENF in the past. This 50/50 raffle is one way that ENF has to raise the vital money needed to study the bald eagle to determine why there are not more immature eagles seen during the winter season. During ENF's 2021 Annual Midwinter Bald Eagle Count one dam on the Mississippi River had 250 adult eagles with no immatures. This follows a gradual decline in the number and percentage of immatures that have been recorded by this annual count over the past 10 years. Are the eggs not hatching, or are the young birds starving, or being killed by something else, such as a disease like West Nile Virus, or by some chemical poisons found in the environment. The reason for this decline has to be determined soon while the adults are still able to reproduce. We do not want to lose our National Symbol, because no one cared.

Anyone interested in entering this 50/50 raffle should send their checks, \$5 per ticket, to the Eagle Nature Foundation, 300 East Hickory Street, Apple River, IL 61001 before March 20th. There is no limit as to how many tickets one person can buy.



# CONSERVATION CONVERSATIONS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NOV 19, 2021

## Eagle Nature Foundation to Conduct Bald Eagle Bus Tours

(Apple River, IL) The Eagle Nature Foundation (ENF) has decided to once again offer 4-hr. winter Bald Eagle Bus Tours on Feb. 12, 2022. These tours will leave from the parking lot of the Ramada on Hwy. 20 on the west side of Galena, promptly at 8:00 am and return about noon on each of these days.

These tours are to be led by bald eagle researcher, author and speaker, Terrence N. Ingram, the President and Exec. Director of ENF. Mr. Ingram has led bald eagle bus tours ever since 1964, close to 60 years. He has probably seen more bald eagles in the wild than any other person. He has written two photographic eagle books, **The Plight of the Bald Eagle** and **EAGLE**, and the documentary environmental book, **Silent Fall**. All of these books will be for sale to participants on the bus tours.

In the past Mr. Ingram has been able to show tour participants from 30 more than 450 bald eagles during one of his 4-hr. tours. With the bald eagle population seemingly on the decline, seeing that many bald eagles will probably not be possible, but he will show participants as many bald eagles as possible.

The bus tours will visit five different historic wintering communities of bald eagles, each of which had over 60 bald eagles 30 to 40 years ago. Participants will see where bald eagles have had their nests in the past. It is truly doubtful if any of these historic nest sites will have any bald eagles present, but they will be checked for any bald eagles in the area.

To get a brochure for these tours, please contact the ENF office: ENF, 300 East Hickory Street, Apple River, IL 61001, or call 815-594-2306 and leave your name and address. The cost for the tours is \$65 per adult, \$60 for seniors and \$50 for children under 17. Groups of 4 or more: adults get the senior rate of \$60 and children get the rate of \$45.

**For more information contact:** Terrence N. Ingram, Exec. Director, Eagle Nature Foundation, 300 East Hickory St., Apple River, IL 61001 Phone 815-594-2306



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# LETTER TO THE EDITOR POLICY

## Swedberg

I congratulate the new board for their recent decisions regarding priorities at ACL. We all bought our properties because of this body of water and having the efforts of the organization primarily supporting the health and maintenance of the lake is so refreshing (and long overdue).

There is an ongoing battle about outsourcing the dredging of bays that should be returned to their original depth and length soon. The association have moved docks to deeper water as the bays silt up; this is not how to maintain ACL. I would strongly suggest we outsource to get this done quickly and use our dredge to maintain the bays in subsequent years on an adequate schedule. We have well-funded accounts now to make this happen.

To my knowledge there is no horsepower or speed limit on the lake, just boat length. Each year, the motors are getting bigger and the lake isn't (actually shrinking, see above). Should the association get ahead of this before we have twin 300's?

Not directly lake related, but an annoyance that occurred again today is that the recycling dumpster is overflowing. This is happening almost weekly and owners are told to throw their recycling into the trash compactor. I would like to suggest we get a second recycling dumpster and that property owners get notified when any ACL services (recycling center or otherwise) is not operational.

Just a few suggestions to support the otherwise good direction and life here at ACL.

Enjoy the lake, Ben Swedberg 8A51

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## ACLPOA Board Approved Policy

### THE APPLE CORE: ACCEPTANCE OF MATERIAL

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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.
- Nothing in these guidelines should be construed to prohibit references to people so long as an issue of importance is the focus of the letter.
- 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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## ACROSS

- 1) Using currency
- 7) Reacted to a late night out
- 14) Frozen dessert
- 20) Snack chip
- 21) Derogatory statement
- 22) Puddy tat's quarry
- 23) Away
- 25) Baggage porter
- 26) "\_ difference"
- 27) Throat tissue
- 28) Org. associated with long lines
- 30) 2016 Olympics golf gold medalist Justin
- 31) Honey brand
- 33) Something to soak in
- 36) "Recapping ..."
- 38) Blanc with many voices
- 41) Resort NE of Los Alamos
- 42) By
- 46) Pizza parlor lure
- 48) "Duh!" evoker
- 49) Stick in a parlor
- 50) Hitched
- 54) Street\_

- 55) Pond growth
- 56) Hanging on by a thread
- 57) Vintage autos
- 58) Throbbled
- 60) Frozen drinks
- 61) Ounce
- 64) Patriot Silas
- 65) Round fig.
- 68) Wise
- 73) In medias
- 74) In full vie-w
- 76) Literary motto words
- 78) Securing strings
- 79) See 51-Down
- 82) Setting of Camus' "The Plague"
- 83) Wind with keys
- 87) Soon, in verse
- 88) One way to fly
- 89) On
- 91) AFC South, e.g.
- 92) Typical fast-food offering
- 95) Tossed in a chip
- 96) Even
- 98) Bedside toggle switch
- 101) Crafty

- 102) Fence pieces
- 103) Case in Eng. class
- 104) Like some dress patterns
- 106) Only president who was also chief justice
- 108) Norse war god
- 110) Algonquin kin
- 112) "Exodus" novelist
- 116) Land, say
- 118) Ahead
- 122) Metaphor for the good life
- 123) Explorer of new territory
- 124) Connecticut town on Long Island Sound
- 125) Hits involving trots
- 126) Leading position

## DOWN

- 1) Middle March
- 2) Smoked salmon
- 3) Compensate for prior laziness, perhaps
- 4) Hill workers
- 5) Sault Marie
- 6) It maybe herbal

- 7) Discomfiting displays
- 8) Oversight
- 9) Fair-haired sci-fi race
- 10) Soda can feature
- 11) "That's more than enough!"
- 12) Business issue
- 13) Natasha's no
- 14) Broken down, say
- 15) Must pay
- 16) "The Shining" word with two mirror-image letters
- 17) Through
- 18) T-storms may delay them
- 19) Sort
- 24) Bindle carrier
- 29) Broke a Commandment
- 32) "Point Break" FBI agent Johnny
- 34) Former 37-Down
- 35) Vacation spot
- 37) Abbr. on Cold War maps
- 38) Shoes may be left on them
- 39) Lake that anagrams

- 43- Down
- 40) Movie mogul Marcus
- 42) Clever remark
- 43) Land that anagrams 39- Down
- 44) City south of Salem
- 45) Kids
- 47) Ozarks, e.g.: Abbr.
- 48) Polite refusal
- 51) With 79-Across, 2003 N.L. Cy Young Award winner
- 52) Lane co-worker
- 53) "It's\_ good sign"
- 55) Golfer's thrill
- 58) Unaccompanied
- 59) Put behind bars
- 60) Country poem
- 62) Scratching post users
- 63) Dianetics creator Hubbard
- 65) Pina\_
- 66) "Terrible" tsar
- 67) Over
- 69) On the bad side (of)
- 70) Expected result
- 71) Deceitful lure
- 72) Lois' "Superboy" counterpart
- 84) Nocturnal mammals
- 85) Russian city northeast of Kiev
- 86) Hot tub feature
- 88) Stray caretakers
- 89) Spree
- 90) Auburn rival, familiarly
- 92) Cinematic FX
- 93) Criminal element, with "the"
- 94) Legally prohibits
- 97) Indigenous
- 98) Uncle in a McCartney hit
- 99) Trims the lawn
- 100) Phonies
- 104) McGarrett's force, familiarly
- 105) Immoral profit
- 106) Dash instrument
- 107) Woody's son
- 109) Absorbed
- 111) "Go Anywhere. Do Anything" vehicle
- 113) Senate minority leader
- 114) "Of course"
- 115) Tax form IDs
- 117) Bible transl., e.g.
- 119) 1955 labor merger gp.
- 120) I follower
- 121) Cry close to the ears

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Lin Romano January 11 at 12:46 PM

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- Uncooked oats
- Cereal
- Cooked rice (ideally brown)
- Soaked dog kibble
- Wet dog or cat food
- Fresh coconut in the shell
- Baked potatoes
- Suet blocks / bird cake
- Raw peanuts / walnuts / others
- Raw sunflower seeds
- Wild birdseed
- Bread is better than nothing at all, but is very low in nutritional value.

Thank You for caring!

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Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Association  
Published by Kirsten Heim January 13 at 9:58 AM

Thank you, Josh the Otter, for this great Ice Safety Guide!

### ICE SAFETY GUIDE for clear, hard ice

Always be cautious and use good judgement when traveling across ice.

No ice is guaranteed to be safe. Proceed at your own risk!

0-3"	4"	5"	6"	9+"
Unsafe! Stay off!	1 person with gear	Small group. Spread out!	Single snowmobile or ATV*	Multiple snowmobiles and ATVs*

\*Not recommended. Shopped at your own risk!

Utah State Parks

Josh the Otter January 12 at 2:07 PM

Especially during the winter months, it's always good to know about proper water & ice safety!

Tom Shepherd January 15 at 2:07 PM

About 2:00 on Hole 9



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Stephanie Nicks Krok January 1 at 12:29 PM

Happy 2022 ACL!!!!  
Icy and bitter cold on this January 1st but still beautiful



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ACL Garden Club and Community Gardening shared a post. January 17 at 9:32 PM

APPLE CANYON LAKE decals are now available for purchase at the ProShop for \$5.00. Just look for the purple box next to the cash register, put \$5.00 in the box and take your decal.



Stephanie Nicks Krok January 8 at 7:54 PM

Frosty the snowman is still hiding.



Therese Plachetka Nelson shared a post. January 14 at 6:30 AM

### NASA: These 6 plants clean the air in your home

Ficus Ivy Spider Plant  
Aloe vera Lily Snakeplant

PLANTS IN THE HOUSE

ACL Garden Club and Community Gardening January 14 at 6:23 AM

Mike Harris shared a post. January 11 at 6:57 AM

# IF YOU'RE NOT HELPING TO MAKE IT RIGHT, THEN STOP COMPLAINING ABOUT IT BEING WRONG.

A String Of Hope is with Farooq Chuhan and 24 others.

TJ Gardner January 5 at 8:02 AM

Some incredible sunset colors from last night's brilliant sky! From Arrowhead Point



TJ Gardner January 3 at 7:24 AM

First icing-over of the north end...from Arrowhead Point.



Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Association  
Published by Kirsten Heim January 5 at 11:53 AM

It's never too early in the year to start thinking about warmer weather ☀️ & the ACLPO's Foundation May Day Auction on Saturday, April 30 🗓️!

## 2nd ANNUAL MAY DAY AUCTION

Sponsored by:  
The Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners' Foundation

WHEN: Saturday, April 30, 2022  
WHERE: ACL Clubhouse  
TIME: 5:00pm - Happy Hour, Silent Auction, Bucket Auction  
6:00pm - Live Auction

PROCEEDS TO BE USED TOWARDS ACL FOUNDATION PROJECTS SUCH AS:  
\* GARDEN CLUB "CHILDREN'S GARDEN"  
\* BATHUM TRAIL PAVILION  
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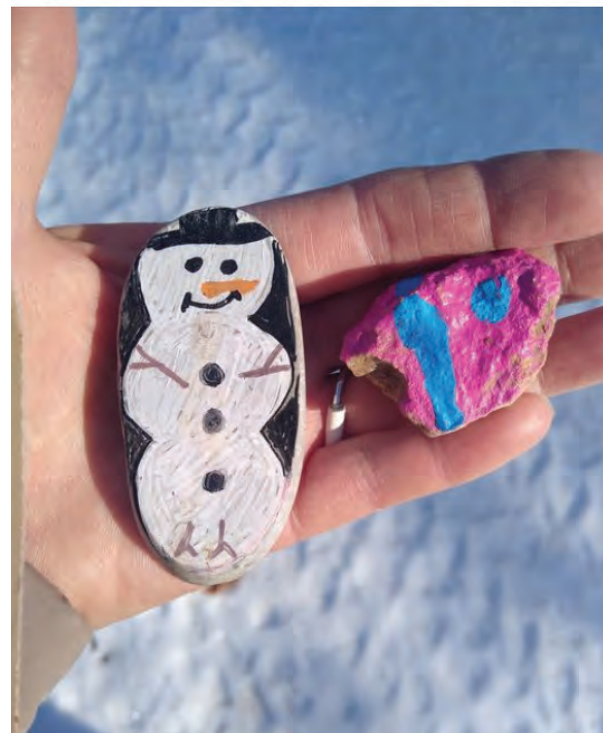
Join us for a fun filled evening to raise funds that will support ACL Foundation projects! Silent, bucket, and live auctions, 50/50 raffle, bonus games, all for a great cause! PLUS, IT'S A REALLY FUN TIME!

Items and cash donations may be dropped off at:  
- ACL OFFICE  
- ACL PRO SHOP  
Or contact Aaron Erdenberger @ 608-642-1012 to arrange pickup.

\*"Like" the ACL MAY DAY AUCTION page on FACEBOOK for updates!

Terry Gleeson January 13 at 12:33 PM

I found Frosty! And a cute little rock! I put them back for others to find. Thanks for doing that. It was fun!



ATTN: New Pinewood Derby Date Announced!  
> Saturday, March 12 <  
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### SATURDAY, APRIL 9

starting at 1:00pm  
ACL Clubhouse

Do you have questions for the candidates?  
Submit them to the office or email them to officemanager@applecanyonlake.org by 3:00pm on April 8.



# EASTER EGG HUNT

Sunday, April 10 at the Pro Shop  
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# COMMUNICATION CONNECTION



**BY TIM BROKL**  
**Communications & Recreation Manager**

It's February, which means spring is just around the corner and 2022 event planning is already underway. We are looking forward to many of our favorite events, in addition to being excited for the revamp and replacement of others.

In January, the Recreation Commission decided to discontinue the Smoke on the Water BBQ Cook-off. So, in its place we look forward to kicking the season off with an afternoon of live music, food trucks, a beer tent, and more.

The date will stay the same, May 28th, the Saturday before Memorial Day. So, mark your calendars and plan to kick the season off with us!

Another big event you can expect to see change to is the annual Ice Cream Social & Craft Fair. After 40+ years of the social, it has been decided to retire the event for something new – The ACL Fall Craft Fair! The Fall Craft Fair will take place over Labor Day weekend. While it will be similar to the Ice Cream Social & Craft Fair, the Fall Craft Fair, will include some new and exciting changes. Expect all your favorite crafters and vendors, in addition to food trucks, live music, a beer tent, entertainment for the kids, and more! Don't worry though, the Recreation Commission will still be running a dessert bar and both 50/50 and silent raffles.

Almost all the events at Apple Canyon Lake depend on our volunteer participation. The Recreation Department is made up of only two staff members

who also oversee the Communications Department. The Recreation Commission the last few years, has only had 4 members, and for a while, even fewer than that. Through June, & July of 2021, the Recreation Commission had only two members present, and no Commission shall conduct business without at least three members present. So, the Commission was able to meet and discuss the events but unable to record any motions or approvals. When the Commission is unable to conduct business, that also means that no funds can be allocated from the Recreation Commission's designated fund. Thankfully we were able to approve the Sport Box purchase for the Multi-Sport Complex early in the year otherwise it may not have made the cut for summer of 2021. So, we are a very limited when it comes to bodies, and people to work these events, and ultimately the level of volunteer participation will directly impact what events we are successfully able to hold.

In closing, I would like to encourage our members to think about volunteering some of their time this year towards recreation. Even if you set the intention to volunteer for just one event this year, the impact will be tremendous. Please also consider joining the Recreation Commission. The Commission meets the third Thursday of every month to discuss the recreational programming at the lake. While 2020 and 2021 were rough years for recreation, it wasn't all COVID-19's fault. We saw several of our events canceled in 2021 or altered due to lack of volunteer interest, such as, the Kids Fishing Tournament, BBQ Cook-off, and Haunted Trail.

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2020-2021 ACL Sales Comparison through December					
Single	# Sold	Lowest Price	Highest Price	Avg Price	
2020	55	\$71,000	\$855,000	\$293,664	
2021	41	\$96,500	\$620,000	\$279,860	
Multi	# Sold	Lowest Price	Highest Price	Avg Price	
2020	1	\$215,000	\$215,000	\$215,000	
2021	1	\$310,000	\$310,000	\$310,000	
Lots	# Sold	Lowest Price	Highest Price	Avg Price	
2020	13	\$350	\$66,000	\$13,546	
2021	11	\$550	\$212,000	\$28,739	
Total	SF	MF	Lots	Total	
2020	\$16,151,560	\$215,000	\$176,100	\$16,542,660	
2021	\$11,474,300	\$310,000	\$316,130	\$12,100,430	

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