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GENERAL MANAGER'S MESSAGE...



BY JEN CALLAGHAN

Member Services –

- The ladies are doing a great job balancing some additional duties with less help. We have also enhanced our usage of Northstar and are moving towards being paperless.
- With bringing Maddy into the office, we are making some modifications to the office to make things flow better while providing some privacy for focused tasks (like accounting and HR).
- As we approach the March deadline for payments, we want to continue to recommend completing forms online as well as paying online. By doing this, you help us eliminate a lot of extra steps in getting everything ready for the summer.
- To save some funds, we will not be sending out a second billing this year. If you have not received your bill, please contact us!

Accounting/Finance –

- Financial reports for 2022 are still getting cleaned up as we prepare for our annual audit in the first part of February. More information will be presented in the upcoming months.
- Ashlee will also be looking to implement some enhanced services offered by Apple River State Bank to help us improve workflow.

Human Resources –

- With the Cove endeavor, Carrie Miller's exclusive responsibilities will be with Human Resources. To start, we are transitioning payroll providers that will enable us to use an advanced scheduling function & improve communication & training with staff (Paylocity). It is on par cost wise to our current system, with many improvements.
- We will be doing a lot of hiring. If you know of someone who wants to join the team whether it's full-time or seasonal, we will be starting to take applications February 20th.

Communications/Marketing –

- The firehouse equipment has been installed.
- We have found a new printer that will bring us in line with the budget as far as costs go and will be delivering the Apple Core much earlier. The new printer also has additional advertising opportunities that can generate additional revenue (inserts, wraps, etc.).
- The Team met with our salesperson this week and will be raising rates for advertising in March.

...The Team also continues to plan some new and fun events for all our facilities... note the... Super Bowl Party and Trivia Night on the calendar for February!

Safety & Security –

- Julie will be hosting the Certified Pool Operator course for the area in March.

Maintenance –

- Maintenance has been focused on getting the Marina and Cove ready.

ProShop –

- We are seeing some improvement to the Pro Shop bottom line with some new expectations. Increased revenue, greater cost control, etc.
- With the hiring of our new Food & Beverage Manager (Kandi), we are working on some improvements using sales history and trends outside of ACL, as well as making what is offered at the Pro Shop “complementary” as opposed to “duplicative” to the new Cove. We will be launching a new Spring Menu March 1st.
- With Terri's departure, we have had multiple applicants for the supervisor role. Interviews are being held and we hope to have a replacement on board ASAP.

Natural Resources –

- Tyler continues to make great progress on the conservation grant area with the unseasonably nice weather we have had. So far, the south side of the trail is 80-85% clear of the trees planned to be removed and seed has been spread throughout the entire 20 acres.

Capital Projects:

Dredging –

- Proposals will be solicited for this month, with hopefully Board approval in February. The plan is to select a contractor and allow them to stage their equipment prior to the Spring thaw (due to road postings) so that they can get started as soon as the ice melts. The plan is to first dredge Independence and Presidents, followed by Winchester, then North Bay.

Spillway –

- Our project manager is soliciting for Geotech proposals to assist with the project. He still believes we should be able to kick off in the Fall. '23

Cove –

- Kitchen floor is done, next is cleaning and painting. The Facility subgroup has put together some nice plans for a color scheme.
- Menu redevelopment is in process, with local suppliers being sought out. If you know of local suppliers that might be a great fit food-wise or have a product we can use at the Marina, please let me know!
 - Marketing team is in full swing with ideas on swag, promotional items, and general marketing.
 - Hiring/HR starting this week. While we are starting with some key positions at first, we will be announcing all of the positions around February 20th.
 - We have created a webpage that will keep everyone up to date on our progress.

Last, but not least, thank you to everyone who attended my first Coffee with the General Manager. I look forward to hosting these monthly with possibly different topics that I hope are relevant. While they will be via zoom, for now, to make sure we can all participate, once the summer comes, I would like these to be in person. For now, save the date for Saturday, February 25.

FROM THE PRESIDENT...



BY NOLAN MULLEN

There was not a lot of action taken at the regular January board meeting. The agenda included Rules & Regulations and Board Policy items, most were either first readings or tabled until next month for further discussion.

Last month, I mentioned that discussion had been started on ACL operating The Cove in-house. On January 7, 2023, The Board approved The ACL Food Service Business Plan that will bring operations of The Cove in-house. In the past, ACL decided not to take on any of the risks of running The Cove. Instead outside operators came in and were not charged rent, which typically helped them make a profit, while ACL paid the property taxes, insurance, building maintenance, etc. The Board decided that the reward was worth the risk of running The Cove in-house. With proper management, The Cove can become a great full-service dining experience that generates enough revenue to create a positive budgetary impact to ACL. We have a great ad hoc commission that has already started working on getting The Cove ready to open this Spring.

The ACL Food Service Business Plan also includes the Pro Shop and Marina. Even though these are already operated in-house, historically they have lost money. They have been operated as more of an amenity than of a source of revenue generation. Under the new plan, changes in operations will be made in effort to meet the goal to at least break even at all ACL food and beverage locations.

The 2023 Board of Directors election should be a good one. As the deadline for candidate applications recently expired there were 10 property owners that applied to run for the 3 open seats. I encourage everyone to do your homework on the candidates and make sure you get your ballots turned in on time.



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Saturday, February 25 at 10:00am

Topic: The Lake

COMMISSION & COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY..

Cove Operator Ad Hoc Commission:

The commission created a new charge and elected new officers. Dave Lyng and Rick Blackmore were elected to Co-chair the commission. The Commission has created a subcommittee to create a Vision for the new Cove initiative. Once completed, the vision will be widely communicated to the owners via the Apple Core, Apple Seed, ACL website, and Facebook.

Memorial Pavilion Ad Hoc Commission:

Has reached out to additional contractors and concrete suppliers. A member of the Ad Hoc

Commission attended the Recreation Commission to discuss additional funding.

Recreation Commission:

Discussed the recap of the Holly Jolly Winter Wonderland, the status of the Winter Festival Charity Event, status of the Easter Egg Hunt, and Summer Kick-Off. Dr. Carmel Cottrell, member of the Memorial Pavilion Ad Hoc Commission presented the plans for the pavilion to the commission and discussed the possibility of a donation from the Recreation Commission designate fund. The Recreation department also discussed the Recreation Department taking on Golf events, and creating a Golf Events Planning Group prior to April 2023.

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Wednesday:

- 5:00am - Small Group Training
- 6:00am - Small Group Training
- 9:30am - Move Well, Feel Well
- 10:30am - Gentle Yoga

Thursday:

- 8:30am - Embodiment Yoga
- 9:40am - Just Move!
- 10:00am - Core Glute

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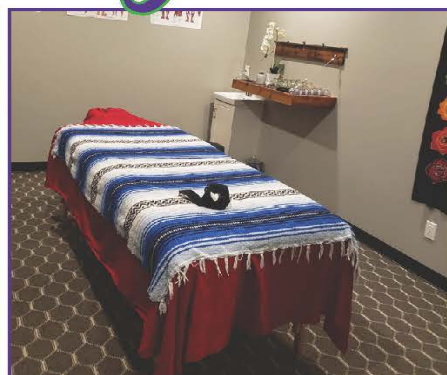
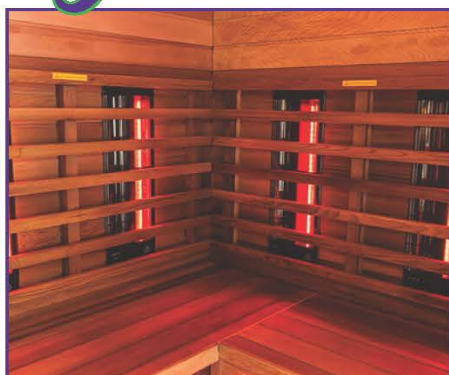
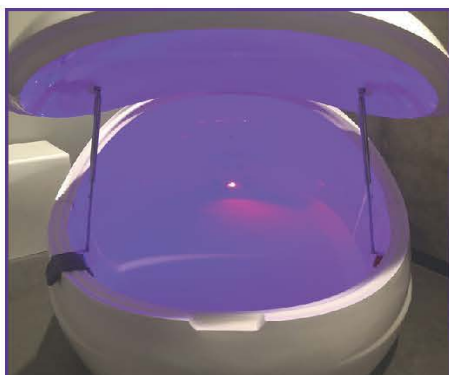
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Mary Tucker Hannon
3d · 🌐

After zooming in on another Board meeting- I would like to remind all board members to please use their microphones at all times and speak into them clearly and a little slower - it is sometimes very difficult to understand what is being said - thank you!

7 · 3 comments

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Write a comment...

Terry Gleeson
Why are they still doing zoom meetings?
Like Reply 3d

Mary Tucker Hannon replied · 1 Reply

George Drogosz
And move the board tables to the opposite side of the club house.
Like Reply 1d

Cheri Spillare-Zweep
4h · 🌐

Can an ACL Official comment on the status of the wifi in the campground? Wondering if it will be upgraded.

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Sue Endress Kohl

Therese Plachetka Nelson
22h · 🌐

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Stephanie Nicks Krok
3d · 🌐

Hello ACL
Just got off the meeting with the new GM. A family asked about ACL selling ice cream. I just wanted to let those that don't know, the Marina does sell lots of varieties of ice cream! It's not soft serve ice cream but the kids love the variety we do offer and it's always a fun trip to the ACL Marina! 🍦

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Bobbi Decker
The Lake has also been in touch with Udderly Delicious- Ice Cream on the Moosooove to come for some events and other things!
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Jennifer Heidenreich replied · 4 Replies

Peggy Murphy Kemp
Good to know!!!
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Admin · 1d · 🌐

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Admin · January 9 at 1:54 PM · 🌐

Update on the Cove: The Board approved a plan that brings the Cove operation in-house! This is an exciting opportunity for Apple Canyon Lake. Join the GM on Saturday at 10am Zoom Coffee with the Manager for information on the plan, ask questions, get answers! Zoom link will be sent out in this week's Apple Seed. Feel free to ask questions ahead of time by emailing Jen at jen.callaghan@applecanyonlake.org

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Sue Gardner
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNAPPROVED MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES...

BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNAPPROVED MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 17, 2022

- 2.0 Call to Order – President Nolan Mullen called the meeting of the Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Association to order at 9:03 am on Saturday, December 17, 2022.
- 3.0 Pledge of Allegiance – After the Pledge of Allegiance, a quorum was present with the following Directors in attendance: Nolan Mullen, Mike Harris (via Zoom), Henry Doden (via Zoom), Steve Borst, Bill Becker, Mark Kosco, Bob Ballenger, John Anderson (via Zoom) and Laura Pratt. General Manager Jen Callaghan was also present.
- 4.0 Approve/Adopt Minutes from the November 12 Executive Session and Regular Meeting - Laura Pratt motioned "to approve/adopt minutes from the November 12 Executive Session and Regular Meeting." Seconded by Mark Kosco, motion carried unanimously.
- 5.0 Treasurer's Report – Treasurer's Report will be in The Apple Core.
- 6.0 Committee/Commission Reports
 - Memorial Pavilion Ad Hoc - Laura Pratt reported they have met almost weekly since starting. Three possible locations are being discussed. The other side of the tower seems to be the best spot as it is the largest, can accommodate a lot of people, room for overflow, etc. Strategic/Long Range Planning – Steve Borst reported they met on December 2. Talked about our capital projects, next meeting is in February.
 - AECC – Joe Wiener reported they met on December 10. Approved 3 applications for permits, denied 1. Next meeting is January 7 and will focus on the building codes.
 - Cove Operator Search Ad Hoc – Tom Ohms reported there will be a presentation/workshop later today.
- 7.0 General Manager's Report – Jen Callaghan provided an update on all departments. Report will be in the Apple Core.
- 8.0 President's Report – will be in The Apple Core.
- 9.0 Property Owner Comments
- 10.0 Any Additions to the Agenda – no additions.
- 11.0 Consent Agenda
- 11.1 Committee/Commission Changes – Steve Borst motioned "to appoint Crystal Erdenberger as Secretary of the Nominating Committee; to appoint Carmel Cottrell as Chair & Secretary and Mary Hannon as Vice Chair of the Memorial Pavilion Ad Hoc Commission; and to appoint Mary Witt to the Memorial Pavilion Ad Hoc Commission." Seconded by Bob Ballenger, motion carried unanimously.
- 12.0 Unfinished Business
- 12.1 Assignment of Transferable Dock Form – Bob Ballenger motioned "to approve the revised Assignment of Transferable Dock Form as included in the December 17 Board packet." Seconded by Mark Kosco. Discussion: none, motion carried unanimously.
- 12.2 Rules & Regulations: Paddleboard Sticker and ID Number Placement – Bob Ballenger motioned "to table this agenda item." Seconded by Bill Becker, motion carried with one nay.
- 13.0 New Business
- 13.1 AECC Appeal – Majeski – Bob Ballenger motioned "to approve the request of Property Owner to extend 2 feet 6 inches into the 10-foot side yard setback for the purpose of installing a landing/stairs from side door." Seconded by Bill Becker. Discussion: Joe Wiener, Building Inspector, reported that the AECC has approved other permits that extend into the 10 foot setback. Side door of current home is unusable due to the distance from the ground. Want to put in a 4'x8' platform to safely exit the side door to get into the yard. Roll call: Mark Kosco – aye; Laura Pratt – aye; Steve Borst – aye; Bob Ballenger – aye; Bill Becker – aye; Henry Doden – nay; John Anderson – aye; Mike Harris – nay. Motion carried with six ayes, two nays.
- 13.2 Request to Restrict Lot – Maulding – Bob Ballenger motioned "to approve the request for the restriction of lot 05-047." Seconded by Laura Pratt. Discussion: This program is not a good idea for the Association as we lose money every time we approve restrictions. We have 107 mistakes on the books (approved Restricted Lots). All opposed, motion fails unanimously.
- 13.3 General Manager's Performance Goals – Mark Kosco motioned "to approve the 2023 Job Performance Goals for Jen Callaghan recommended by the Executive Committee for the General Manager." Seconded by Bob Ballenger, motion carried unanimously.
- 13.4 Recreation Commission Designated Fund Purchase – Nice Rink – Bob Ballenger motioned "to approve the purchase of a 44' x 88' Nice Rink ice rink, to be paid from the Recreation Commission Designated Fund, at a cost not to exceed \$6,200.00." Seconded by John Anderson. Discussion: how are they planning to fill the rink? Utility water or water from the lake? How long will this be up for? John Anderson – probably utilities water and would be taken down end of February, beginning of March. Build by the Marina for a warming place and restrooms. Maintenance Department has agreed with this, they can document the time commitment. Good amenity for the winter months. Motion carried with one nay.
- 13.5 Winter Festival - Mark Kosco motioned "to approve the 1st Inaugural Apple Canyon Lake Winter Festival to

be held in the Marina parking lot, in the Marina, and on the ice around the Marina, on February 4, 2023, with 100% of the proceeds to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Also, to budget in 2023 for the 2024 event, based on 1st year expenses." Seconded by Bob Ballenger. Discussion: donations requested by people attending? Yes, and local businesses. Trial for 2024. 100% of all donations for St. Jude this year. Main thing we would need is the Marina open as a warming center, place to serve food and restrooms. We have some donations already solicited, enough funding to get set up, etc. Concerns about budget portion of motion, would want to know numbers. Mark Kosco amended his motion to strike the last sentence (to budget in 2023 for the 2024 event, based on 1st year expenses). Seconded by Bob Ballenger, amended motion carried unanimously.

13.6 Concession Agreement – Remm Outdoors – Laura Pratt motioned "to approve Remm Outdoors to operate and sell fishing supplies in the Marina parking lot from December 18, 2022 to March 31, 2023." Seconded by Bob Ballenger. Discussion: proposed hours of operation? Have not set hours yet. Motion carried unanimously.

Bob Ballenger motioned "to suspend Roberts Rule of Order." Seconded by Bill Becker, motion carried unanimously.

13.7 Rules & Regulations and Operational Procedures: Indoor & Outdoor Storage – 1st Reading – Discussion: last page talking about indoor and outdoor storage. Saying assigned to the lot, not the person. Transfer with sale of lot section. Will automatically terminate (last sentence). How is it doing that being tied to the lot? Instead of saying transfer with sale of lot, should say terminate? Language needs cleaning up. Will take back to Rules & Regulations for clarification.

13.8 Operational Procedures: Terms of Long-Term Slip Assignment – 1st Reading – Discussion: current process is to charge all slips a motorized boat fee, even if the boat using the slip is non-motorized. Just asking to remove sentence: "All watercraft registered to an Association Slip shall pay the motorized fee on the current fee schedule."

13.9 Capital Projects Update - Dredging – ponds have been cleared; engineering will be out Monday to survey capacity of the silt ponds. Bathymetric should be completed early January. At that point, we can evaluate the capacity needs with requirements and determine next steps.

Motion to reinstate Roberts Rule of Order by Mark Kosco, seconded by Bill Becker, motion carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn by Mark Kosco at 10:42 a.m.

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

BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNAPPROVED EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES DECEMBER 17, 2022-

Call to Order: ACL BOD President Nolan Mullen called the meeting to order at 8:02 AM.

The following Board Members were present: Nolan Mullen, Bob Ballenger, Bill Becker, Stephen Borst, Mark Kosco and Laura Pratt. Available by Zoom: John Anderson, Henry Doden, Mike Harris. Also present: Jen Callaghan, General Manager.

- 2.0 Topics Discussed
 - 2.1 Pending, probable or imminent litigation
 - 2.2 Appointment, employment, engagement, or dismissal of an agent, employee, independent contractor, or provider of goods and services
 - 2.3 Interviews of agents, employees, independent contractors or other providers of goods and services
 - 2.4 Violations of Rules and Regulations
 - 2.5 Non-payment of a unit owner's share of common expenses
 - 2.6 Consultation of the Association's legal counsel
 - 3.0 Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:58 AM.
- Respectfully submitted, Laura Pratt

BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNAPPROVED MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 22, 2022

1.0 Call to Order – President Nolan Mullen called the meeting of the Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Association to order at 10:00 am on Thursday, December 22, 2022.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance – After the Pledge of Allegiance, a quorum was present with the following Directors in attendance: Nolan Mullen, Mike Harris, Steve Borst, Bill Becker, Mark Kosco, Bob Ballenger, John Anderson, Laura Pratt, and Henry Doden. General Manager Jen Callaghan was also present.

- 3.0 Property Owner Comments
- 4.0 Any Additions to the Agenda – no additions.
- 5.0 New Business
- 5.1 Adopt the 2023 Annual Assessment – Motion by Mark Kosco, second by Mike Harris to adopt the 2023 Annual Assessment as published. All approved.
- 5.2 Adopt the 2023 Operating Budget – Motion by John Anderson, second by Bill Becker to adopt the 2023 Operating Budget as published. All approved.

5.3 Adopt the 2023 Replacement & Reserve Budget – Motion by Steve Borst, second by Bob Ballenger to adopt the 2023 Replacement & Reserve Budget as published. All approved.

5.4 Adopt the 2023 Operating & Building Fee Schedules – Motion by Steve Borst, second by Mike Harris to adopt the 2023 Operating & Building Fee Schedules as published. All approved.

Motion to adjourn by Mike Harris at 10:42 a.m.

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

BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNAPPROVED MINUTES JANUARY 7, 2023

Call to Order: ACL BOD President Nolan Mullen called the meeting to order at 9:37 AM.

The following Board Members were present: Nolan Mullen, Bill Becker, Stephen Borst, Mike Harris, Mark Kosco and Laura Pratt. Present by Zoom: John Anderson, Bob Ballenger, and Henry Doden. Also present: Jen Callaghan, General Manager.

- 2.0 Ratify Approval of Special Meeting Motion made by Mark Kosco, seconded by Bill Becker. Motion passed unanimously.
- 3.0 Executive Session Meeting held earlier. See separate minutes.

- 4.0 Pledge of Allegiance
- 5.0 New Business
- 5.1 Cove In-House Business Plan Review

5.1.1 Vote to Proceed with In-House (including change to the Commission Charge) or Accept Management Proposal Mike Harris motioned, seconded by Mark Kosco to approve the business plan presented by the Ad Hoc Cove Commission for in-house operation along with the recommended two-phase commission charge changes. The existing commission will remain on the Ad Hoc Opening Commission.

Discussion followed:
Henry Doden: "Everytime we operate something, we lose money. I think we have a viable offer from someone else to operate it." "I have confidence in Jen, but we have enough problems for her to work on."

Stephen Borst: "Jen is the Project Manager. She has a vision for the Cove, Pro Shop and Marina, a unified plan. This is an opportunity to change."

Bill Becker: "If we keep accepting the status quo, what we can expect is more dues increases. We have a commission that has a lot of restaurant experience. Jen is going to have lots of help."

John Anderson: "We're already losing, money at the Cove by letting somebody have free rent. We're better off trying to make a profit ourselves."

Mark Kosco: "It will be OUR Cove at Apple Canyon Lake."

Laura Pratt: "I have full confidence in Jen's proposal to improve all three areas, not just the Cove." She pointed out that the Bylaws would have to be changed in order for Food & Beverage to become a standing commission.

Nolan Mullen stated that the Food & Beverage commission will be addressed in the second phase.

Mike Harris: "Since the very beginning, with Jen being our General Manager we have the best commission that I have ever seen at Apple Canyon Lake."

Tom Ohms: "We have talked to past owners. They stated that they have made money, but couldn't keep up with their other business."

Sean Cottrell: "Is that available digitally?" Mark Kosco replied, "So that will be available on the website after this meeting if the property owners want to take a look at that."

George Drogosz: "If I might add, I have been pestering people up here for years on end, to take over the Cove restaurant by ourselves." "If we can take it over and we can run it, I talked to other people that have run the Cove restaurant in the years past and they've said that they made money hand over fist."

Roger Vanderleest: "How much money has walked off this lake, going to different towns to eat... We've got somebody with knowledge now and can run it. Give her the ball and let her run with it."

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mike Harris-Yes, Laura Pratt-Aye, Stephen Borst-Aye, Mark Kosco-Aye, Bill Becker-Aye, Bob Ballenger-Aye, Henry Doden-Nay, John Anderson-Aye. Motion passed with 7 Aye votes and 1 Nay vote.

5.2 Cove Painting Motion made by Bill Becker, seconded by Mike Harris to approve the proposal with Winter Creations (low bid) for a cost not to exceed \$10,000.

Diana Durso: "Are you actually going to take all the work out to bid that needs to be done on the Cove?" Answer: "The bids have already been gotten."

During discussion, it was pointed out that painting is now included in the previously approved business plan. Motion to rescind this motion made by Bill Becker, seconded by Mike Harris. Motion to rescind passed unanimously.

6.0 Adjournment Motion to adjourn made by Mark Kosco at 10:24 AM, seconded by Bill Becker. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Laura Pratt

Board Actions...

JANUARY 2023

Approved the location of the Memorial Pavilion.

DECEMBER 2022

- 11.1 Committee/Commission changes – APPROVED
- 12.1 Assignment of Transferable Dock Form - APPROVED
- 12.2 Rules & Regulations: Paddleboard Stickers and ID Numbers – TABLED
- 13.1 AECC Appeal – Majeski - APPROVED
- 13.2 Request to Restrict Lot - FAILED
- 13.3 General Manager's Performance Goals - APPROVED
- 13.4 Recreation Commission's Designated Fund Purchase - APPROVED
- 13.5 Winter Festival – AMENDED & APPROVED
- 13.6 Concession Agreement – Remm Outdoors – APPROVED
- 13.7 Rules & Regulations and Operational Procedures: Indoor and Outdoor Storage - 1st READING, NO MOTION REQUIRED
- 13.8 Operational Procedures: Terms of Long-Term Slip Assignment - 1st READING, NO MOTION REQUIRED
- 13.9 Capital Projects Update – NO MOTION REQUIRED

Is your Indoor or Outdoor Storage Space in danger of forfeiture?

If you have an Association-licensed Indoor or Outdoor Storage Space, March 1 is the 2023 deadline for more than just your dues payment. Dues and fees must be paid on all lots owned, and a signed 2023 Indoor Storage License or 2023 Outdoor Storage License, and current liability insurance on the vehicle in storage (as defined in the Rules & Regulations) must be submitted to the office by March 1. Failure to complete any of these requirements will result in a \$100 Indoor or Outdoor Storage Late Fee assessed March 2, and revocation of the previous License and forfeiture of the Indoor or Outdoor Storage Space if not completed by March 15. All Indoor or Outdoor Storage spaces forfeited will be placed in the pool and assigned to another property owner at the Indoor & Outdoor Storage Swap & Assignment Day.

In order to maintain an Indoor or Outdoor Storage Space assignment from year to year, all of the following must be completed by March 1 for each storage space:

- All assessments and fees must be paid on all lots owned by all owners, designated members or occupants associated with all their properties.
- A golf cart must be registered to the Outdoor Storage space; or a golf cart/ATV/UTV registered to the Indoor Storage space by providing current liability insurance, as defined in the Rules and Regulations, to the Association Office.
- A completed and signed Indoor or Outdoor Storage License must be provided to the Association Office.

Acceptable proof of liability insurance documents must meet the following the requirements: the policyholder/named insured is the property owner of record; the insured vehicle(s) 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 License! All documents can be emailed to customerservice@applecanyonlake.org or faxed to (815) 492-2160.



Is your Association Kayak Locker in danger of forfeiture?

If you have an Association-licensed Kayak Locker, March 1 is the 2023 deadline for more than just your dues payment. Dues and fees must be paid on all lots owned, and a signed 2023 Kayak Locker Renewal Agreement must be submitted to the office by March 1 for each kayak locker.

If an owner fails to complete any of these requirements, a Priority Mail letter will be sent. Failure to meet all requirements within 10 days of delivery of said letter will result in revocation of the previous License Agreement and forfeiture of the Kayak Locker. All Kayak Lockers forfeited will be placed in the pool and assigned to another property owner at the Kayak Locker Swap & Assignment Day.

In order to maintain a Kayak Locker 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 completed and signed Kayak Locker Renewal Agreement must be provided to the Office.

Please do not wait until the last minute to submit your paperwork! All documents can be emailed to customerservice@applecanyonlake.org or faxed to (815) 492-2160.



Is your Association Boat Slip in danger of forfeiture?

If you have an Association-licensed boat slip, March 1 is the 2023 deadline for more than just your dues payment. Dues and fees must be paid on all lots owned, and a signed 2023 Annual Boat Slip License, current watercraft insurance and current state registration or non-powered 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-powered 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 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 2023 deadline for more than just your dues payment. Dues and fees must be paid on all lots owned, and a signed 2023 Annual Campsite License, current liability insurance and current state registration or title (as defined in the Rules & Regulations) 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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Saturday	March 25	Campsite Swap & Assignments	10:00am
Saturday	March 25	Slip Swap	1:00pm
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For Apple Canyon Lake, the pickup location is in the parking lot of the Firehouse Fitness Center at 5:00 pm on Tuesdays. To place an order, visit the JDLF website between Friday at noon and Monday at noon.

JDLF offers several high-quality local products: pasture-raised meat, free-range chicken eggs, sheep and goat milk cheeses, heirloom grains, milk and yogurt, organic vegetables and herbs, mushrooms, honey and maple syrup, healthy snacks, artisan canned goods, natural skincare products, delicious baked goods, CBD products, plants and flowers, coffee and tea, and much more very week, and offering credits for the return of glass jars and bottles.

For more information, visit the JDLF website at www.jdlf.org. Questions can be directed to Erin Keyser at erin@jdlf.org or 815-990-5374.

Scholarships Announced



Jo Daviess County Extension and 4-H Foundation announces the availability of the Ralph & Katherine Norris Scholarship, the Dalgarn Family Scholarship, and the Jo Daviess County Association for Home & Community Education Scholarship.

Ralph & Katherine Norris donated funds to provide scholarships for Jo Daviess County residents studying agriculture or related fields. Scholarships will be awarded to people pursuing a two or four-year degree program as full-time students. Current high school students, college students, and others continuing their education can apply. Applicants must be accepted at a chosen school, college, or university. Past applicants must submit a new application each year. Recipients cannot receive the scholarship for more than four years.

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Jo Daviess County Association for Home & Community Education offers 3 - \$250.00 scholarships. Applicants must have been a resident of Jo Daviess County for one year and be a high school senior. Applicants must be accepted to an accredited two year or four-year college.

Application deadline for the Norris scholarship is March 31, 2023. Deadline for the Dalgarn Scholarship is March 18, 2023. Deadline for the Jo Daviess County Association for Home & Community Education Scholarship is March 31, 2023. Applications are available at the U of I Extension office at 204 Vine St., Elizabeth or by calling the Extension Office at 815-858-2273 and we can email the scholarship applications to you. For more information about the scholarships call the Jo Daviess County Extension Office at 815-858-2273.



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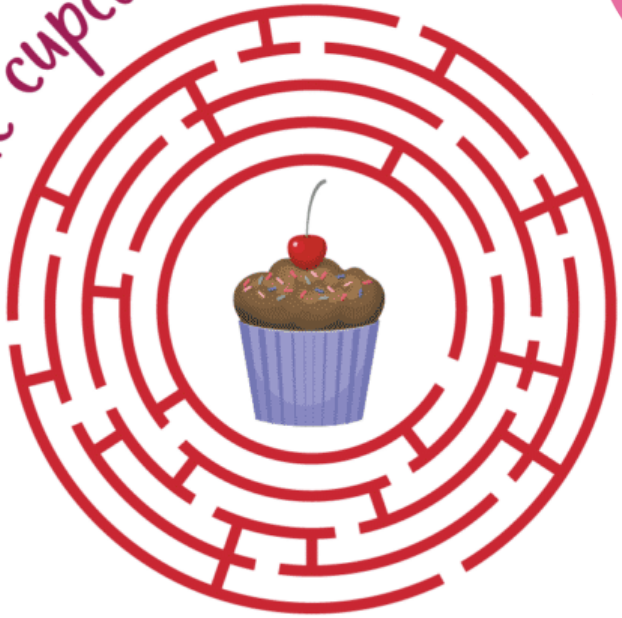
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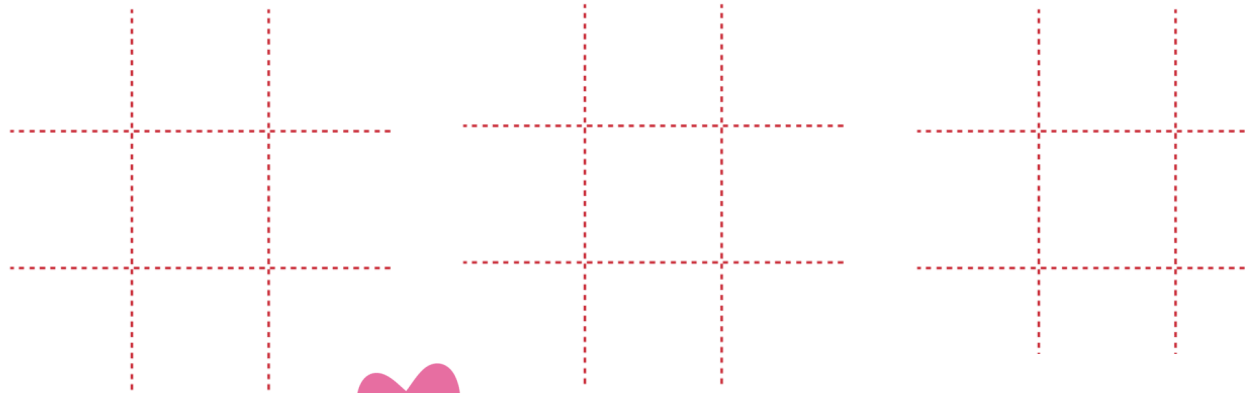
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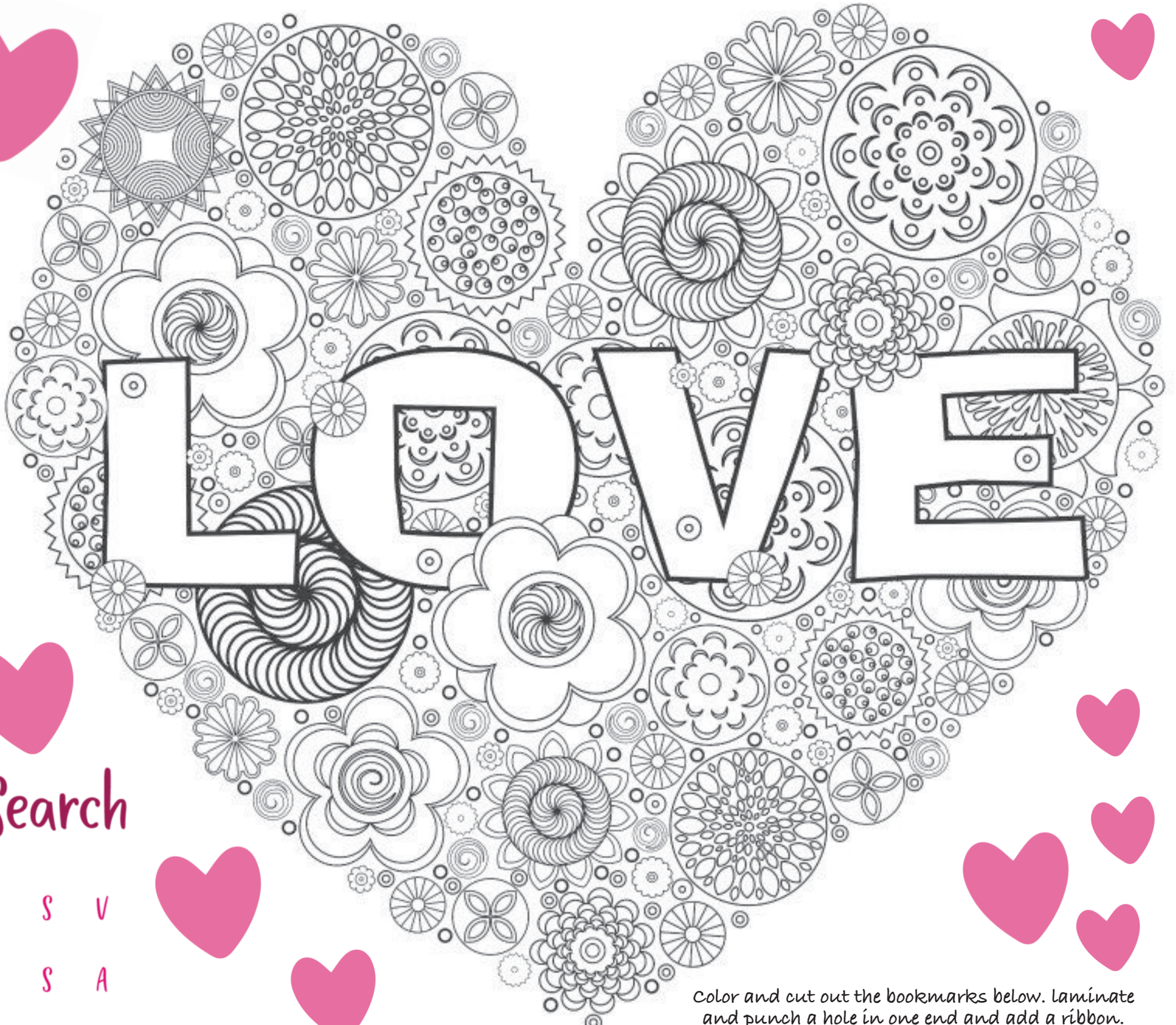
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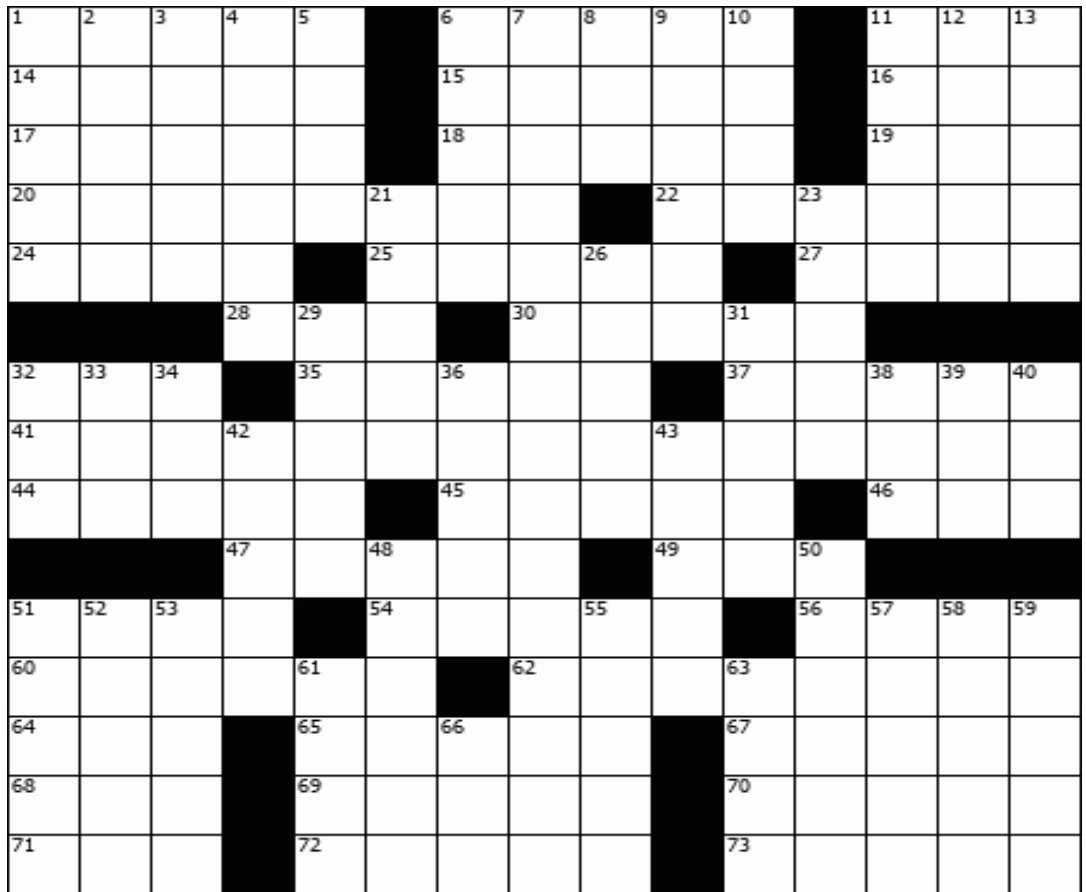
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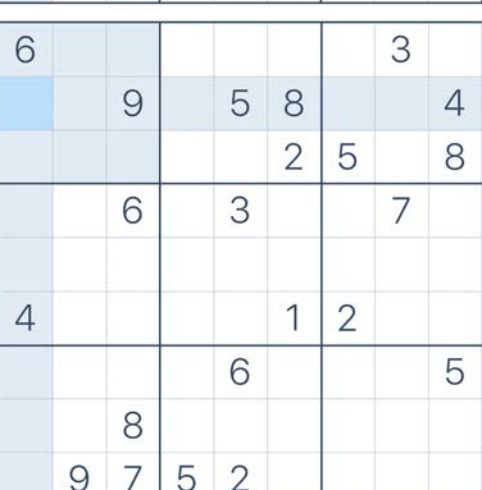
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- 11. Write down quickly
- 14. "Get ___ of yourself!"
- 15. "Eight Days ___" (Beatles tune)
- 16. Israeli machine gun
- 17. Its capital is Libreville
- 18. Early settlers of Iceland
- 19. Herbert of "The Return of the Pink Panther"
- 20. Where to hear Muzak
- 22. Moon of Saturn
- 24. Sunset tone
- 25. ". . . ___ all a good night!"
- 27. Tippy-top
- 28. Snorkel or Pepper, briefly
- 30. They're sorry now
- 32. Veneration
- 35. Shunned one
- 37. Spooky
- 41. Features of 1-A and 1-D, 73-A and 59-D, and 29-D and 31-D
- 44. Canine companion
- 45. Type of movie
- 46. Terrestrial amphibian
- 47. Migrants' advocate Chavez
- 49. Swiss skyline feature
- 51. Cloth belt
- 54. Ancestors of the present-day Ossets
- 56. Ore deposit
- 60. Made very happy
- 62. Citified
- 64. Old computer operating system
- 65. Pancho, to Cisco
- 67. "___ of Endless Light" (Madeleine L'Engle work)
- 68. Contented sighs
- 69. Meet expectations?
- 70. Skate's kin
- 71. Thumbs-down vote
- 72. Slyly nasty, as a remark
- 73. Rags-to-riches author



Down

- 1. Aged beer
- 2. "Moral indignation is jealousy with ___" (H.G. Wells)
- 3. After-shower garments
- 4. Hand warmers
- 5. Animated Krabappel
- 6. Ecclesiastical law
- 7. 1-Across, vis-a-vis 1-Down
- 8. The "P" of MPH
- 9. Do a blacksmith's repair job
- 10. Soapberry tree
- 11. Mint ___ (alcoholic drink)
- 12. Important layer
- 13. Bulova rival
- 21. Spud
- 23. High-tech beam
- 26. Words with profit or deaf ear
- 29. Reflection off a windshield
- 31. Buick model
- 32. Money machine
- 33. One of the five W's
- 34. Bioelectric fish
- 36. Go by bike
- 38. "Norma ___" (Sally Field film)
- 39. Currency arm of the U.N.
- 40. Suffix of superlatives
- 42. Basin craft
- 43. At full speed, at sea
- 48. Person behind blues eyes, in a Who song
- 50. Pertaining to more than one
- 51. Coupe alternative
- 52. Honolulu hello
- 53. Giving lip
- 55. End of a lasso
- 57. Challenger's problem part
- 58. Author of "The Divine Comedy"
- 59. "Pomp and Circumstance" composer
- 61. What Antony wanted to borrow
- 63. "___ Lama Ding Dong"
- 66. Here, in Le Havre



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NEW TO THE FIREHOUSE FITNESS CENTER

BY KIRSTEN HEIM, Communications & Recreation Admin Assistant

On Tuesday, January 17, the Firehouse Fitness Center received two new treadmills and one new recumbent bike. The fitness center’s transformation has been an ongoing process over the past few years. The fitness center first got off the ground in 2018 with the help of some amazing folks who donated some lightly used exercise equipment. All sorts of equipment came and went through the donation process including a handful of treadmills, a couple of multi-purpose weight machines, miscellaneous free weights, a weight bench, and more.

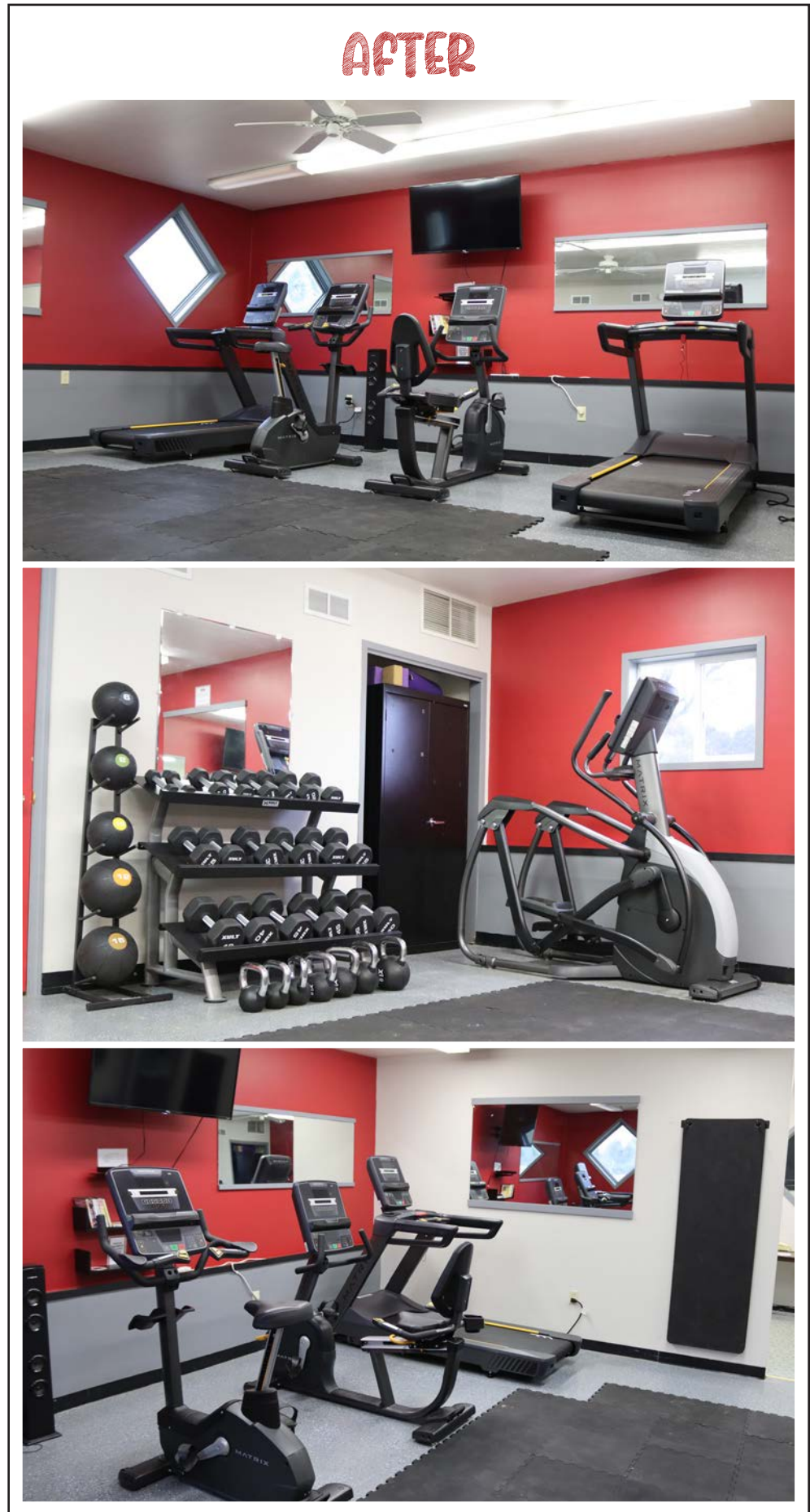
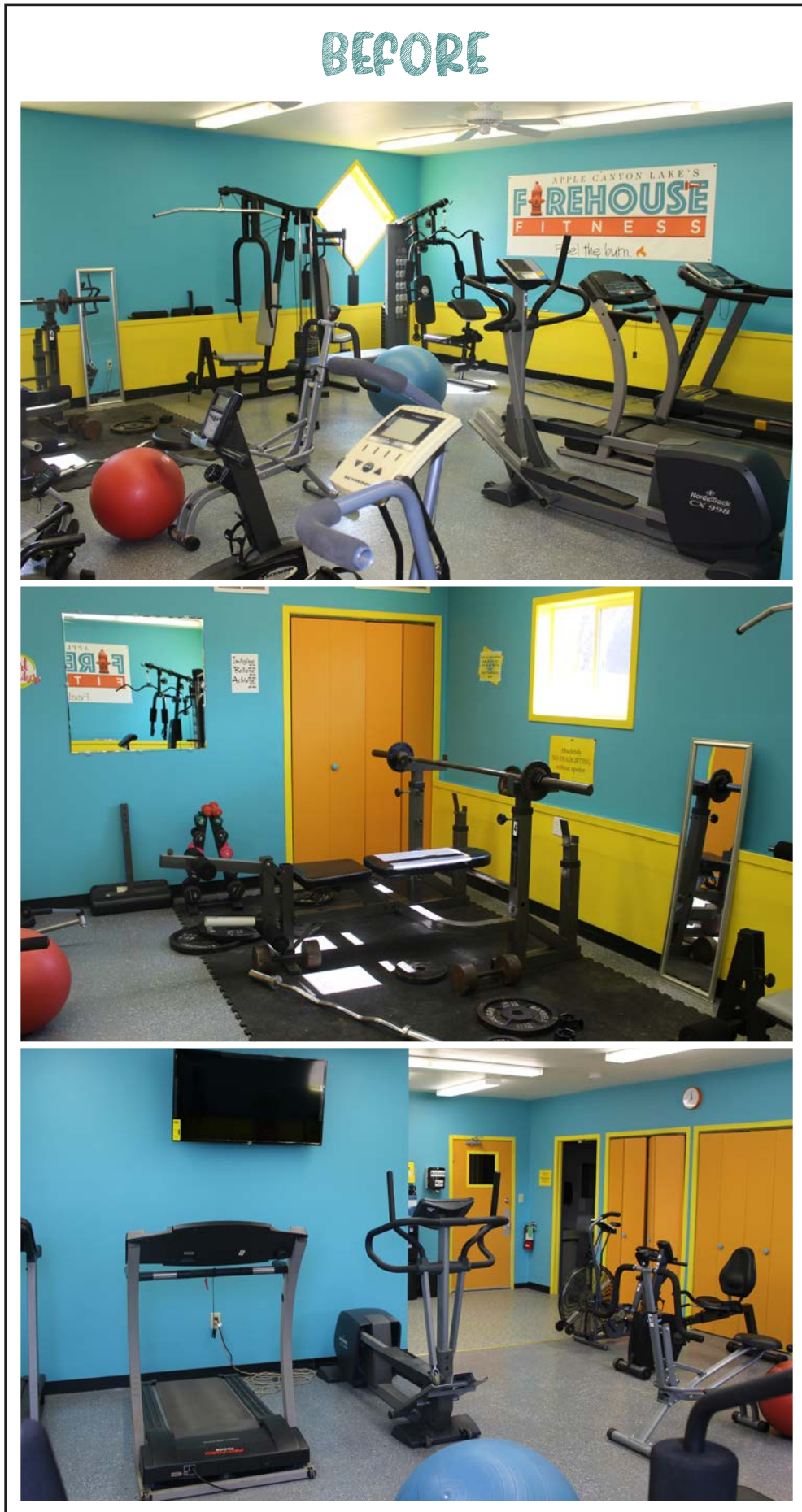
In 2020, we introduced a few new coats of paint to give the fitness center a fresh, new look. I was very happy and excited to rid the space of teal, orange, and yellow and to integrate a color palate that not only looks good and works for a fitness center but also gives you the feel of “I’m at an Apple Canyon Lake facility right now”. Not too long after fresh paint was added, we found ourselves amid COVID-19. Throughout the pandemic, we began to eliminate some of the miscellaneous equipment that got the center off the ground and made way for a new vision.

In the fall of 2021, the Board of Directors approved \$10,000 to be placed into the Fitness Center as part of R&R for 2022. And so began my journey of working with Seth Krok, a Matrix Fitness Sales Representative with whom I formed a relationship at the 2022 Illinois Parks & Recreation’s Soaring to New Heights Conference in Chicago, IL. In April 2022, the first wave of new equipment was delivered, and our vision began to come alive. The first round of equipment included the addition of an elliptical, upright bike, adjustable bench, free weight rack, free weights, kettlebells, medicine ball rack, medicine balls, yoga mat rack, and a few yoga

mats. The equipment itself cost \$9,898.20. The remaining balance was then attributed to the purchase of additional mats to cover the open floor space, so you know we got the most bang for our buck. At this time, the only non-commercial grade equipment that remained were a couple of treadmills that would soon be out the door.

In the fall of 2022, the Board of Directors approved up to \$12,000 to be placed into the Fitness Center as part of R&R for 2023. Now, in 2023, we have consistent, Matrix Fitness, commercial-grade exercise equipment for all our members to safely enjoy. Membership to the Firehouse Fitness Center is **FREE** to all Property Owners. Submit your indemnity form online (www.applecanyonlake.org), or at the Association Office today to receive the updated door code.

If you’re loving the direction the fitness center is going, voice your opinion on how it’s important to you. I’m biased because I’m an ex-Exercise Specialist who witnessed PT routines daily, but you cannot undermine your health and overall fitness. “Use it or lose it” as they say truly does apply especially when it comes to maintaining strength. Any bout of exercise is better than none. So even if it’s 10 minutes at home lifting some soup cans, doing some counter pushups, or vacuuming around your house, it counts! You don’t need to be physically present at a facility to get benefits from exercise, though it doesn’t hurt to have the means. I’m so happy the ACLPOA has granted us the ability to work out on-site. I’m hoping to keep expanding the fitness center in the future however the lack of space in the current facility presents a major roadblock. Thank you for reading & I hope you all enjoy the new equipment!

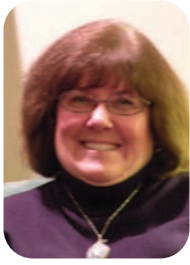



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BY PAULA WIENER, Conservation Commission Chair

Adopt a Bluebird Box

Perhaps you've noticed the bluebird boxes as you've driven along Apple Canyon Lake Road. For years, two trusty volunteers have cared for the boxes and kept meticulous track of their residents and any offspring. Those two volunteers now need to retire, and the ACL Conservation Commission is asking for new folks that would be willing to adopt one or more boxes for the 2023 breeding season.

Eastern bluebirds can begin nesting as early as March. It appears that many of the boxes were cleaned out and left open at the end of last season. Your first task would be to make sure your chosen box is completely empty and then close the box using a 2 1/2 inch galvanized nail. You should plan on always carrying some spare nails with you when you check your box. As the vegetation grows up throughout the summer, a dropped nail can be hard to find.

You should plan to check your box at least once a week. Other species may choose your box as a nesting site, but unless you are sure it is a sparrow you should not destroy the nest. Sparrow nests are mostly constructed of grass and feathers while bluebirds tend to use small twigs. Bluebirds lay their eggs in the morning, so the afternoon is the best time to check. Their eggs are pale blue or rarely all white. Sparrow eggs are speckled brown.

If you are lucky enough to attract a nesting pair to your box, after the young have fledged you can remove the old nesting material and prepare the box for a second round. Females usually begin a new nest about a week after the first hatchlings fledge. It is probably a good idea to wear gloves, gently tap on the box, and stand to the side when opening your box. It's possible that other birds may be in the box and tapping on it will scare them out before you open it. On rare occasions, other animals may inhabit the box such as field mice or the extremely rare snake.

At the end of the season give your box one more good cleaning and then close it up for the winter. Although some of the boxes are open at present, the Audubon Society suggests leaving them closed as bluebirds and other species use them to roost during the cold months.

There are approximately 18 boxes, along Apple Canyon Road with the majority of them being in the golf course area. The ones in the golf course area are numbered. If you are willing to try adopting one or more boxes this year, please contact the office via email at customerservice@applecanyonlake.org. Include the number or numbers of the boxes you will service. If your box isn't numbered, please provide a location description. An example might be "off the trail at Independence Bay". We will contact you if your chosen box is already taken and will provide updates on adopted boxes in the Apple Seed.



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Cataloging the Garden

BY GARY POPE

As I write this, it is mid-January. A winter storm advisory is in effect, snow flakes are starting to fly, and I am anticipating having to shovel multiple inches of heavy wet snow. Yuck!!! I need a diversion.

How about starting to plan the next spring/summer garden. Yes, my

mind sometimes wanders in strange directions.

Actually, my planning started last fall. At the end of each gardening season I compile a set of notes for the next year's endeavor. What worked, what didn't. Which plants grew well, which didn't. How did first time items perform? Were there any animal problems (deer, rabbits, squirrels, wild turkeys, etc.).

Which vegetables do I definitely want to grow this year, by type (carrots, beets, tomatoes, etc). No specific varieties yet.

Now I have to decide which vegetables I want to consider planting. But which varieties do I want to plant? Here is where catalogs come into play.

Catalogs are idea generators. I enjoy browsing through flower and garden catalogs. They illustrate many more varieties of plants and vegetables than found in garden centers. More importantly, catalogs detail growth habits such as height, spread, spacing, yield, fruit size, soil considerations, and time to harvest. For those vegetables I buy locally as plants (peppers and tomatoes for example), catalogs can suggest varieties to look for. Catalogs assist in answering the question of seeds versus plants as I have no place to start seedlings indoors.

Now I can develop detailed garden plans and decide what I want to plant where. Some of the growth details in the catalogs help me identify the best varieties for my situation. For example, in our area we have soils with a high clay content, so I pick my carrot variety with this fact in mind. Storage time is a consideration for bulb onions. Determinant tomatoes have the entire crop ripen at the same time. All things to consider.

I receive several catalogs by mail. They can also be viewed on line, but I am old school. I prefer a printed catalog and they are free.

Catalogs I receive include: Jung Seed Company*, Gurney's*, Burpee, Seeds N' Such*, R. H. Schumway, Edmonds Roses, Breck's, Gilbert H. Wild & Son, Stark Brothers Nursery, K. Von Bourgondien, and Spring Hill Nursery. (* = favorites) Seeds N' Such has an interesting pricing policy which involves varying the quantity of seeds in a packet with a common packet cost based on the number of seed packets ordered. This is useful as I don't need fifty cucumber seeds to plant one or two hills.

Now I take an inventory of seeds left over from last year. The germination rate may be slightly lower, but if they have been kept dry, will work just fine. The next step is to determine what to order from where, either on line or by mail. Don't wait too long or some varieties may be out of stock.

This is how I go about planning my garden. In addition to staple items, I like to try one or two new things every year. Sometimes a catalog may show a new gadget or growing technique to try.

Now back to my catalog review. Not looking forward to tomorrow morning.



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BY JOE WIENER, Building Inspector

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I get calls all the time asking if the work being considered requires an ACL BUILDING PERMIT. Many times, the answer is yes. This month I want to review the requirements for a permit and where to find this information.

I would like to start by reminding all property owners that it is the responsibility of the property owner to make sure all permits have been obtained and are in order before any work can be performed. The property owner is responsible for their contractor. If you have a question about a permit, please call me.

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- Any partitioning, subdivision, or remodeling of any residential interior area that creates a bedroom which automatically impacts the existing septic system and needs a permit.
- Replacing exterior windows, doors, siding, roofing, gutters, or the driveway surface needs a building permit.
- Solar panels require a building permit.
- Installing pavers, fencing, and new patio or deck materials all require a building permit.

- Except for seeding and planting activities that do not alter the existing ground contours, any grading, filling, moving, and shaping of the terrain affecting water runoff must have a permit.

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- The Building Permit Application and Fee Schedule are also online at www.applecanyonlake.org
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ACLPOA Board Approved Policy

THE APPLE CORE: ACCEPTANCE OF MATERIAL

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

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

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

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Letters from Property Owners are welcome.

Letters to the Editor must be:

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

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

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Association or the Board of Directors.

- Whenever possible, letters expressing views on both sides of an issue will be published at the same time.
- Constructive criticism will be accepted. Positive suggestions for improvement are encouraged.
- 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.

With respect to Board Elections:

- 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.

Adopted: May 16, 1998

Amended: April 21, 2001

Reviewed: November 15, 2008

Amended: November 19, 2011

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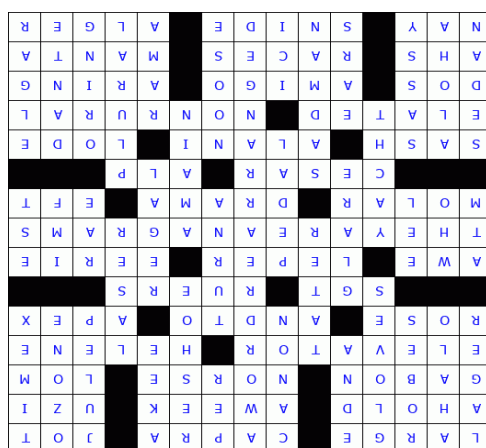
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ACL Payment Plan...

The Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Association is offering two payment plan options for property owners needing assistance paying their annual assessment (dues) and fees – three (3) installments or five (5) installments. There is a \$35 Payment Plan Processing Fee per lot entered on either 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

- \$415..... 1/3 of the Annual Assessment [Dues]
- \$38..... 1/3 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$76, if three owners \$114)
- \$35..... Payment Plan Processing Fee
- \$130..... Trash Fee (if applicable)
- \$300..... Seasonal Boat Slip (if applicable) plus corresponding boat registration fee
- \$850..... Seasonal Campsite/Camper Registration (if applicable)
- \$25..... Outdoor Golf Storage (if applicable)
- \$125..... Indoor 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

- \$415..... 1/3 of the Annual Dues
- \$36..... 1/3 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$72, if three owners \$108)

Withdrawn on July 15

- \$415..... 1/3 of the Annual Dues
- \$36..... 1/3 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$72, if three owners \$108)

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

Withdrawn on March 1

- \$249..... 1/5 of the Annual Assessment [Dues]
- \$22..... 1/5 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$40, if three owners \$60)
- \$35..... Payment Plan Processing Fee
- \$130..... Trash Fee (if applicable)
- \$300..... Seasonal Boat Slip (if applicable) plus corresponding boat registration fee
- \$850..... Seasonal Campsite/Camper Registration (if applicable)
- \$25..... Outdoor Golf Storage (if applicable)
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*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

- \$249..... 1/5 of the Annual Dues
- \$22..... 1/5 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$44, if three owners \$66)

Withdrawn on June 15

- \$249..... 1/5 of the Annual Dues
- \$22..... 1/5 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$44, if three owners \$66)

Withdrawn on July 15

- \$249..... 1/5 of the Annual Dues
- \$22..... 1/5 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$44, if three owners \$66)

Withdrawn on August 15

- \$249..... 1/5 of the Annual Dues
- \$22..... 1/5 of the Owner Amenity Registration Fee(s), (if two owners \$44, if three owners \$66)

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

PRIOR TO JANUARY 31, 2023, 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 2023. Payment Plans set up after January 31, 2023 will also be subject to a Late Signup Fee of \$25 per lot. Payment Plan submissions cannot be accepted after February 25, 2023.

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 credited to the account for future use or refunded via check upon receipt of a written refund request.

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 Fees and Interest will be assessed immediately. If a boat slip, campsite, kayak locker, indoor storage, or outside storage is licensed to the lot, or another lot owned by the same property owner, applicable late fees will be assessed immediately, and the forfeiture process will commence. 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 their 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.

Payment Plan ACH Debit Authorization Form **MUST BE RETURNED BY JANUARY 31, 2023**

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

(Financial Institution Name) (Address) (City/State) (Zip)

(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: Total Amount Owed: \$ _____ March 1 _____ May 15 _____ July 15 _____ Lot(s) _____	Total Amount Owed: \$ _____
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FAMILY FUN NIGHT RE-CAP

BY ASHLEY RANDECKER, Event & Activities Coordinator

On Saturday, January 7, we hosted the first Family Fun Night in the Clubhouse. Unfortunately, we only had one family that attended. The one family that came had a blast and enjoyed the indoor dodgeball. We did a couple of crafts and we watched Happy Feet! They enjoyed the popcorn and the movie.

On Saturday, January 21, we hosted the second Family Fun Night, and five families joined in on the fun! We had an indoor snowball fight; it is still yet to be determined if the adults or kids won the snowball fight. The families that attended brought Casey's Pizza, mac and cheese, s'mores, and fruit snacks. The Recreation Department also provided popcorn, water, and root beer. We did a melted snowman craft, decorated, and cut mittens out, and colored a flower and butterfly. All the kids got ready to watch the movie Shrek by snuggling in their blankets, sleeping bags, and pillows on the floor. The kids and adults had an amazing time at Family Fun Night. The next Family Fun Night will be a special one, held on Saturday, February 11. It will be dedicated to Valentine's Day by decorating cupcakes! And many more fun activities. I would like to invite you to attend these fun-filled nights with us in the Clubhouse to see how much fun everyone has, including the adults!

I hope everyone will come out to join us at these amazing events during the spring, summer, fall, and winter! I enjoy all these events and I hope you



will be able to join us, we have added new items to each event and made them a little different than last year, so don't forget to come on out and see for yourself!

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COMMUNICATION CONNECTION...



BY TIM BROKL,
Communications & Recreation Manager

We've only crossed 1 month off the 2023 calendar and already so much has happened and is in the works at Apple Canyon Lake.

Back in January, with the announcement of the Cove project, we realized there are still owners out there who don't know which social media accounts are run by the Association.

To help steer owners in the right direction and avoid them getting inaccurate or partial information, we have updated our owners' group name to *The Official Apple Canyon Lake Owners Group*. What makes it "The Official" group? *The Official Apple Canyon Lake Owners Group* is the only group on Facebook that Apple Canyon Lake will post or engage with the membership on. In addition to *The Official Apple Canyon Lake Owners Group*, ACL also manages the *Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners Association*, *Apple Canyon Lake Golf Course*, and soon the Cove Facebook pages.

On the website, we will soon have the capability of making online event reservations again! We are excited to partner with **Fair Harbor** to bring not only online event reservations back, but also are working to bring the boat and campsite rentals to the ACL website in time for the 2023 season as well.

In other news, the Recreation Department will be taking on the Golf events this year. I am excited to work with the Golf Commission on their Big Cup fundraiser, as well as working with the Recreation Commission to form a "Golf Event Planning Group". In addition to Night Golf and The Club Championship, I am working with our Event and

Activities Coordinator, Ashley Randecker, to plan additional golf events for the season. In addition to the Golf Events, Ashley has been hard at work planning entertainment for the Pro Shop. At the end of January, the Pro Shop hosted live music with Casey Lawyer. For February she has been working on a Super Bowl party, and in March she is planning a Trivia Night! Of course, we are still hard at work on all our normal recreation events and activities.

Have you seen the new equipment at the Firehouse Fitness Center? Communications and Marketing Administrative Assistant, Kirsten Heim has been working on this project since 2020. In January, the project came to completion with the removal of the last piece of donated equipment and the reception of the last pieces of commercial equipment. You can read more about the Firehouse Fitness Center in Kirsten's article on page XX of this issue of *The Apple Core*. If you haven't signed up for a Firehouse Fitness Center membership through the website or Association Office, we encourage you to do so. After all, it is free!

The last thing I want to touch on and am most excited about is *The Apple Core*. You may or may not have noticed while reading *The Apple Core* this month that the layout and size are a little different. Many of our members have complained over the last 2 years about the quality and timeliness of the Apple Core. Unfortunately, in the last two years, we have been moved from printer to printer with no choice of our own due to closures. After several months of searching, we finally found a quality printer that could meet our expectations and schedule. Moving forward owners can again look forward to receiving their Apple Core at their ACL address the week it is published. In addition to the printed version, we are also excited to bring to our members an interactive, digital version of *The Apple Core* in the next few months. This digital version differs from the one currently run in the Apple Seed, as it provides live links that you can launch and view. This is especially important when discussing where online to find certain forms, as well as a beneficial tool for our advertisers to capitalize on.

We hope all our members are having a great start to the new year and are as excited for 2023 as we are.



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WALLEYE	MINIMUM 18"	2
NORTHERN PIKE	OVER 36"	1
MUSKIE	NONE	0 - CATCH & RELEASE
CATFISH	NONE	3
BLUEGILL	UNDER 8"	25, Only 8 may be over 8"
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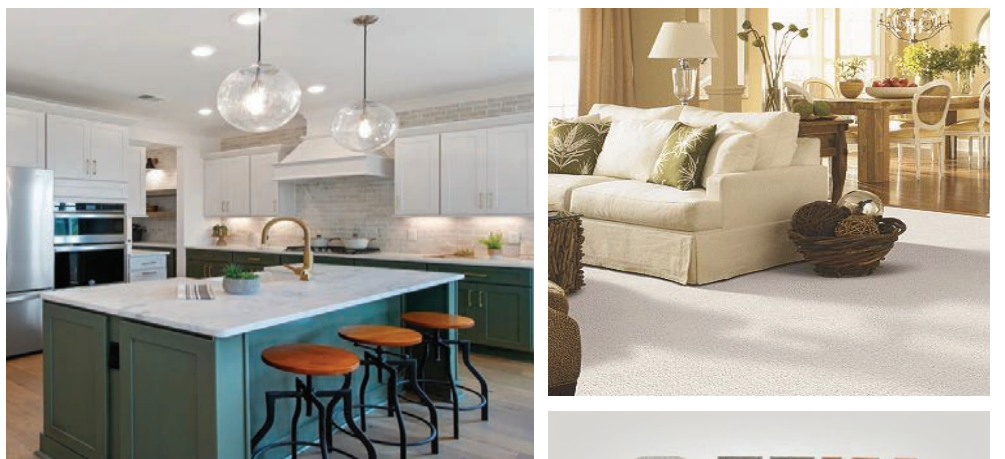
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