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Diners enjoyed cocktails, appetizers and live music outside the clubhouse while they waited for dinner to be served at this year's Farm-to-Table dinner. Recap and photos on pages 20-21.





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FROM THE PRESIDENT



BY NOLAN MULLEN

I hope everyone enjoyed another wonderful summer at ACL.

This month I wanted to talk about a couple important subjects that have become hot topics recently at ACL. The Cove restaurant and performing work in the greenway or shoreline buffer zone.

Financially, The Cove has not met expectations for year to date. At the September Board meeting, The Food & Beverage Ad Hoc Commission recommended a proposal to contract with a consultant who would optimize efficiencies with operations at The Cove. The Board did

not approve this proposal. Although this proposal was not approved, the Board recognizes and agrees that optimizing efficiencies is needed to meet the expectations as originally envisioned for The Cove. The Board is looking forward to working collaboratively with the commission members by providing active involvement and the oversight as the required efficiencies pave a path to sustainability. The Board has not made any decision yet to close either amenity. The goal is to keep both The Cove and the Pro Shop generating as much revenue as we can for as long as

If you are thinking about cutting trees & vegetation in the greenway or in the shoreline buffer zone, I encourage you to read the ACL governing documents first. There are rules and fines associated with violations of the rules. Below are some snips with key approval points underlined from the ACL Board policies and the building code. If you have any questions, please contact the General Manager.

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the merits as to what benefit said project may have for the Association. Projects endorsed by the inspectors are subject to approval by the Board of Directors. If the project is not recommended by the Building/Maintenance Inspectors, the property owner may request an appeal to the **Board of Directors** by requesting to be placed on the next Board of Directors meeting agenda. All projects will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. The Board may, at its discretion, require such work be performed by Association personnel for a fee, or by a contractor competent to perform same. Certificates of insurance, damage bonds may also be required.

123.5 SHORELINE BUFFER ZONE

- A. The shoreline buffer zone is an area 50 foot horizontal from the shoreline, to be left as is, or restored to native vegetation as much as practical except for a deck, a patio, boardwalks, a beach, riprap and retaining walls. All these projects require *the written*
- B. When required due to the variations in slope, soils, and terrain, such items as terracing and retaining walls in conjunction with vegetation may be permitted with written AECC
- C. Trees, alive or dead, shall not be cut down or trimmed within 50' of the shoreline without written AECC approval.

Flat Fee Fine Schedule Summarv

- A. \$2,500.00 fine for working within the 100' shoreline setback without a building permit approved by the AECC.
- B. \$1,000.00 fine for not following the specific requirements of a variation or not building in accordance to the approved permitted plans.
- C. \$1,000.00 fine per tree for removal of trees within 50' of the water without obtaining a permit and approval from the AECC.



The GM Search is moving along. After little success on our own, the General Manager Search Ad Hoc Commission has signed a contract with a search firm. The contract with the search firm will provide us with a total of 6 candidates for the General Manager position. As of now the search firm has 2 candidates. Once they have 6 candidates for the position, the General Manager Search AD Hoc will narrow the candidates down to 3, at which point the Board of Directors will begin interviewing the candidates and narrow us down to 1 candidate.

Next month the Flood Mitigation Ad Hoc Commission will be conducting an experimental lake drawdown in preparation for the Spillway Project coming in 2024. The lake will be lowered about 2 feet, so that the commission and engineers can evaluate how the drawdown will affect the lake. If you have not read about the experiment coming in November, you can learn more about it by visiting the Apple Canyon Lake website and reading the articles published by the Flood Mitigation Ad Hoc commission in the Apple Core.

Lastly, on Friday, September 22, Chris Marek of the Apple Canyon Lake Bass Club presented the Association with a donation of \$500 for small mouth bass fish stocking in honor of the Larry Loete Foundation. Last year the Bass Club began donating part of their tournaments fees towards ACL fish stocking in honor of Larry Loete, a long-time member of Apple Canyon Lake and the ACL Bass Club. The Bass Club plans to continue making donations towards the ACL fish stocking fund in future years in Larry's honor. Thank you, Apple Canyon Lake Bass Club, for your generous donation.



Picture left to right: Mike Yorke, Human Resources Manager, Chris Marek, ACL Bass Club Member and Mike Harris, Interim General Manager take a quick photo as Chris presents a \$500 donation towards the Apple Canyon Lake Fish Stocking program..

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Association Office Closed Solid Waste & Recycling Closed THANKSGIVING 24

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Association Office Closed Trails Commission 8:00am

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Potluck in Clubhouse 5:30pm

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We the board members of Thompson Township would like to start a more open line of communication with our fellow township residents. Every month we will be posting an article about what is happening in the township, and other helpful information.

We would like to start with board member introductions.

KATIE MEUSEL

- Katie Meusel is your township clerk.
- She is married to Troy Meusel and has two children: Sutton and Charlotte.
- They reside in Schapville.
- Katie works as the business manager at Darlington Feed LLC.
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

ARCHITECTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL COMMITTEE MINUTES AUGUST 5, 2023 APPROVED

- 1.0 Call to Order Chairman Dave Allgood called the meeting to order at 8:06 am with the following committee members in attendance: Dave Allgood, Nolan Mullen, John Anderson, Bob Ballenger, and Jim Frank. Mike Harris, Brian Holt, Leah Holt, Bill Becker, and Inspector Joe Wiener were also in attendance. Bill Ware was absent.
- 2.0 Approve Minutes of the July 8 2023 Meeting Bob Ballenger Moved, John Anderson seconded. Motion Carried with four Aye and one Abstention.
- 3.0 Election of Officers:
- 3.1 Chair: David Allgood John Anderson moved, Nolan Mullen seconded. Motion Carried with four Aye and one Abstention.
- 3.2 Vice-Chair: Jim Frank Nolan Mullen moved, David Allgood seconded. Motion Carried with four Aye and one Abstention.
- 3.3 Secretary: Bill Ware David Allgood moved, Bob Ballenger seconded. Motion Carried with four Aye and Ane abstention.
- 4.0 Agenda Approve Revised Agenda Add General Manager's Report. John Anderson moved, Nolan Mullen seconded. Motion Carried unanimously.
- 5.0 Property Owner Comments None
- 6.0 Reports
- 6.1 General Manager Report
- 6.2 Building Inspector Report
- 7.0 Unfinished Business
- 7.1 Concerns were discussed related to Greenway Projects within 50' of the lake. The AECC will work with the Conservation Commission to help align projects with current ACL Building Codes and Covenants.
- 8.0 New Business
- 8.1 Regarding the 2023 USDA Grant Project at 18-015-002-01 and 18-005-154-00

To permit the landscape and earthwork planned under Conservation Program Contract RCPP-EQIP 2014 825A12231Z5. The work includes heavy brush management, herbaceous weed treatment, wildlife habitat planting, restoration streambank and shoreline protection, and critical area planting. The property's lot corner posts and structure setbacks must be located and flagged. Where appropriate, silt fencing shall be installed and maintained throughout the project until the ground cover is restored. Disturbed ground shall be seeded and mulched as soon as is practical. No variance is granted.

Motion – Nolan Mullen Moved, John Anderson seconded. Discussion – All ACL and County

8.2 Regarding 13A002 Mustang Ln

To permit within the 100 foot lake setback, the setting of a limestone lake wall, creation of a beach area, creation of a 500-gsf patio, the creation of a chipstone firepit area and the replacement of old retaining walls as per the submitted application. A silt fence shall be installed and maintained throughout the project until the ground cover is restored.

Disturbed ground shall be seeded and mulched as soon as is practical. In accordance with ACL Code 123.5, the fifty foot buffer area is to be restored in coordination with the shoreline wall. All trees to be removed must be approved before starting the project. A refundable

\$500.00 Environmental Debris Bond is required. No variance is granted. Motion – Bob Ballenger Moved, John Anderson seconded. Discussion – All ACL Requirements are met. Motion Carried 5 – Aye 0 - Nay 0 - Abstain

8.3 Regarding 9A065 Ash Ct

To permit within the 100 foot lake setback, the setting of a 70' long by 4' tall limestone retaining wall along the shoreline. A silt fence shall be installed and maintained throughout the project until the ground cover is restored. Disturbed ground shall be seeded and mulched as soon as is practical. In accordance with ACL Code 123.5, the fifty foot buffer area is to be restored in coordination with the shoreline wall. All trees to be removed must be approved before starting the project. A refundable \$500.00 Environmental Debris Bond is required. No variance is granted. Motion – John Anderson Moved, Nolan Mullen seconded. Discussion – All ACL Requirements are met. Motion Carried 5 – Aye 0 - Nay 0 - Abstain

8.4 Regarding 5A101 Whispering Wind Dr

To permit the addition of 100' of 3' high limestone retaining wall along the lake shore as per the submitted documents. A silt fence shall be installed and maintained throughout the project until the ground cover is restored. Disturbed ground shall be seeded and mulched as soon as is practical. A refundable \$500.00 Environmental Debris Bond is required. No variance is granted.

Motion – Nolan Mullen moved. John Anderson seconded. Discussion – All ACL requirements are met. Motion Carried 5 – Aye 0 – Nay 0- Abstain

- 8.5 Regarding 8A107 Independence Dr Ct
- To permit the construction of a detached 320-gsf single story garage on a floating concrete slab as per the submitted plans and specifications. The height of the roof line shall not exceed the dwelling. The roof slope shall not be less than 4:12. The exterior finish colors and materials shall match the dwelling. A refundable Environmental Debris Bond of \$500.00 is required. Silt fencing shall be installed and maintained throughout the project. Disturbed ground shall be seeded and mulched as soon as is practical. All lot corner posts and structure setbacks must be located and flagged by a licensed surveyor in accordance with ACL B&E Code 102.4 for ACL Building Inspector confirmation prior to excavation. Jo Daviess County Planning and Development Department permits must be obtained before the ACL permit will be considered issued. No

Motion – Nolan Mullen moved. John Anderson seconded. Discussion: All ACL and County

8.6 Regarding 1A015 Silverhorn Ct

To permit the installation of a roof solar array on the existing detached garage as per the submitted plans. Jo Daviess County Building and Planning Department permits, and Jo- Carroll Energy interconnect approval are required before the ACL permit may be considered approved. No variance is given.

Motion – Jim Frank moved. John Anderson seconded. Discussion: All ACL setback and permit requiremets have been met. Motion Carried. 5 – Aye 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain

8.7 Regarding 7A164 Coyote Ln

to direct the ACL Building Inspector to contact the Property Owner and begin proceedings in accordance with ACL Building Code Section 107.1, to clear the vacant lot of prohibited items. As reported by ACL Safety and Security Incident # 006 ACL 23, this property Owner is in violation of ACL Building Code 102.1 A. and 113. B and is subject to fines as per ACL Building Code 113.C.

Motion – Bob Ballenger moved. Nolan Mullen seconded. Discussion: The Governing Documents prohibit the placement of items on vacant lots. Motion Carried. 5 – Aye 0 – Nay 0 – Abstain

- 8.8 Withdrawn
- 9.0 Next Meeting Date September 9, 2023
- 10.0 Adjournment Bob Ballenger moved at 9:15 am

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 19, 2023 APPROVED

- 1.0 Call to Order: 8:00 am
- 2.0 Executive Session 8:00 am
- 3.0 Regular Meeting Called to Order at 9:01 am.
- 4.0 Pledge of Allegiance after the Pledge of Allegiance, a quorum was present with the following Directors in attendance: Nolan Mullen, Bob Ballenger, Bill Becker, Carmel Cottrell, Brian Holt, Mark Kosco, Debra McNamee, Laura Pratt and John Anderson (via Zoom). Interim General Manager Mike Harris was also present.
- 5.0 Approve/Adopt Minutes from the July 15, 2023, and July 18, 2023 Board Meeting - Laura Pratt motioned "to approve/adopt minutes from the July 15, 2023 and July 18, 2023 Board Meeting." Seconded by Mark Kosco with John Anderson abstaining. Motion carried.
- 6.0 Treasurer's Report will be in The Apple Core.
- 7.0 Committee/Commission Reports

AECC - Joe Wiener reported that there were 94 building permits this year. Last year at this time we had

91. Septic pump & inspection reports are due by property owners by September 1. Reminder letters were sent out on Friday.

Conservation – Paula Wiener reported the destratifier is set to go for next year rather than this year due to equipment issues. Fish order was adjusted, cost of fish has gone up, reducing walleye slightly.

Greenway Stewardship Program on hold – program is being revised.

General Manager Search – Mike Yorke reported they have been advertising for a new GM, no qualified candidates at this point. In board packet today for executive search.

Deer Management – Mark Kosco reported that Archery Day was successful.

 $\operatorname{\mathsf{Golf}}-\operatorname{\mathsf{Mark}}$ Kosco reported that the ACL Big Cup was a great success.

Memorial Pavilion – Laura Pratt reported they are on the way to reaching their goal of \$30,000 through selling pavers.

Board Policy – Laura Pratt reported they are working on revising the financial documents, streamlining and making them easier to understand – attorney commented that we are a very policy driven association. We did streamline some of the policies.

Zebra Mussels – Laura Pratt reported the treatment is completed for the year. After the 2nd treatment, the live cages showed 100% kill. Prior to the third treatment, no live zebra mussels could be found to put in the live cages. Asking people to send in pictures of their boat with the zebra mussels – show us how we can compare last year to this year. Hearing positive

Summary of Board Actions...

AUGUST 19, 2023

Consent agenda

Committee/commission changes - approved

Board liaison assignments to committees/commissions - approved

Unfinished business

13.1 Memorial pavillion construction - approved

New business

- 14.1 Designated signers for aclpoa accounts approved
- 14.2 Gm executive recruiter firm approved
- 14.3 Formation of safety & security ad hoc commission tabled
- 14.4 Flood mitigation labyrinth spillway approved

- 14.5 Cove food & beverage ad hoc commission charge approved
- 14.6 Board policy financial documents 1st reading, no motion required
- 14.7 Old firehouse roofing repair/bids discussion, no motion

SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

- 11.0 Consent agenda
- 11.1 Committee/commission changes approved
- 12.0 Unfinished business
- 12.1 Safety & security ad hoc commission tabled, no motion taken
- 12.2 Board policy financial document second reading –

- approved
- 12.3 Memorial pavilion contractor removal approved
- 12.4 Memorial pavilion contractor replacement approved
- 13.0 New business
- 13.1 Ice fishing shelters motion withdrawn
- 13.2 Deer management regulations approved
- 13.3 Food & beverage commission proposal failed
- 13.4 Food & beverage commission hours recommendation tabled
- 13.5 Tree care service approved
- 13.6 Backup valve approved





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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

things so far.

Flood Mitigation – Gary Hannon reported there is an agenda item to approve \$89,000 for Phase 2 of the project. Valve – was hoping to get a price to by today. Waiting for IDNR permit, before we can send out for bids – probably would be about two months before we can get the bids out. Communication piece – we need good communication out there. Article coming out in The Apple Core and developed a website to communicate with ownership. Google drive for board members and commission members to look at. Will blast out in The Apple Seed as well. Draw down will take place in November.

- 8.0 General Manager's Report Mike Harris reported the dredge is working right now. We have contracted three more bays to get done this year. Three weeks to one month to do those. As soon as they are done, they will keep their equipment here and start on the rip rap.
- 9.0 President's Report report will be in The Apple Core.
- 10.0 Property Owner Comments

Will move to the end of the agenda.

- 11.0 Any Additions to the Agenda
- 12.0 Consent Agenda
- 12.1 Committee/Commission Changes Bill Becker motioned to approve the following committee/ commission changes: To appoint Anthony Frieri to Golf Commission; Bob Cook, Rich Krasula, Ken Lopez to GM Search Commission; Dianne Carr, John Diehl, Michael Gardner, Lori Hewitt to Cove Food & Beverage Ad Hoc Commission; Norman Vandigo to Maintenance Commission; Barry Kren and Jim Cleary to Flood Mitigation Ad Hoc Commission; Jon Duddles to Legal Commission. Seconded by Carmel Cottrell, motion carried unanimously.
- 12.2 Board Liaison Assignments to Committee/
 Commissions Deb McNamee motioned "to approve the following board liaison assignments: Nolan Mullen to the Campground Commission, Debra McNamee to the Conservation Commission, and Legal Commission; Mark Kosco to the Deer Management Commission, Golf Commission, Employee Handbook Commission, Cove Food & Beverage Ad Hoc Commission, and AECC; Carmel Cottrell to the Maintenance Commission, and Strategic/Long- Range Planning Commission; Brian Holt to the Rules & Regulations Commission and Board Policy Ad Hoc Commission; Laura Pratt to the Safety & Emergency Planning Commission, Tellers Commission, Flood Mitigation

Ad Hoc Commission, Memorial Pavilion Ad-Hoc Commission, and Zebra Mussel Ad Hoc Commission; John Anderson to the Recreation Commission and Multisport Complex Commission; and Bill Becker to Trails Commission, Nominating Commission, and to AECC." Seconded by Mark Kosco, motion carried unanimously.

- 13.0 Unfinished Business
- 13.1 Memorial Pavilion Construction Bob Ballenger motioned "to approve building of the Memorial Pavilion west of the Mann Lookout Tower. Construction to be done by: Mike & Nick Sproule Construction, Galena, IL for the concrete pad at \$10,800, Pine Grove Contractors, Cuba City, WI for the structure at \$40,000, and Pierce Electric, Stockton, IL to run electric to the site for \$3,245. Total funds needed: \$54,045. Currently our designated fund is at \$57,742.50." Seconded by Bill Becker, motion carried unanimously.
- 14.0 New Business
- 14.1 Designated Signers for ACLPOA Accounts Laura Pratt motioned "to designate Ashlee Miller, Financial Manager; and Maddy Bernhardt, Accounts Payable; and Board of Directors members Nolan Mullen, President; William Becker, Vice President; Mark Kosco, Treasurer; Laura Pratt, Corporate Secretary; John Anderson; Bob Ballenger; Carmel Cottrell; Brian Holt; Debra McNamee as designated signers for ACLPOA accounts and CDs at Apple River State Bank." Seconded by Mark Kosco, motion carried unanimously.
- 14.2 GM Executive Recruiter Firm Mark Kosco motioned "to approve to engage the services of Management Matters L.C.C. and approve a budget of \$60,000 to fund the General Manager search." Seconded by Carmel Cottrell, motion carried unanimously.
- 14.3 Formation of Safety & Security Ad Hoc Commission -Deb McNamee motioned "to table agenda item 14.3." Seconded by Mark Kosco, motion carried unanimously.
- 14.4 Flood Mitigation Labyrinth Spillway Brian Holt motioned "to approve an additional \$89,000 for Phase 2 of the project as detailed in the CMT report dated August 9, 2023." Seconded by Bob Ballenger, motion carried unanimously.
- 14.5 Cove Food & Beverage Ad Hoc Commission Charge Carmel Cottrell motioned "to approve the new charge for the Cove Food & Beverage Ad Hoc Commission: The Ad Hoc Commission has been established for the purpose of supporting the F&B Management team in the following three specific areas: 1) identify and analyze metrics and provide reporting and recommendations based on that analysis for the Cove, Pro Shop and Marina. 2) devise a system to

objectively capture and share customer and employee feedback. 3) act to remove operational issues that impede progress. Seconded by Bill Becker, motion carried unanimously.

Bob Ballenger motioned "to suspend Robert's Rule of Order." Seconded by Bill Becker, motion carried upgingly.

- 14.6 Board Policy Financial Documents First Reading - Discussion: Steve Borst offered the financial document information explanation. Started from scratch - reached out to our attorneys. Some of the things written as policy were actually procedures. A lot of redundancy – so we streamlined this making it easier to read and understand. 2.2 actual change - Board President and Treasurer must receive bank statements. Ashlee does this but we compared our association with other associations. President and Treasurer should keep an eye on this periodically. Best practices other associations are doing. Another change - Capital Fund. When you buy a new asset, it has to go through Capital. In the past it went through R&R. Once through Capital, put on the Reserve Study - we clarified this. We are recommending limiting the Budget Commission. Right now, there are nine, nine non-board members with two board members for a total of 11. Everyone is still invited to come to the meetings. No suggested changes to first reading.
- 14.7 Old Firehouse Roofing Repair/Bids Discussion: \$40,000 budgeted but need \$8,000 additional funds to replace the three flat roofs. Building needs a lot of work what do we want to do with this building. Replace existing flat roofs or pursue different bids of rehabbing the whole building. Fix flat roof or pursue a bid to install a pitch roof. Siding, trim, etc., needs repair. Look to the future, can borrow money to do it right. Maintenance Committee will work on this.
- 10.0 Property Owner Comments

Crystal Erdenberger 7A189 –ACL Foundation – mission is focused on education, conservation and preservation of ACL. We are a 501c3, we are in our fifth year. \$13,305 in grants were given out in the past years. Poker Run is coming up on Saturday, September 9.

Henry Doden – 13A129 – we have all sorts of invasives growing along some of the roads and private lots that should be taken care of. Open areas that were being mowed, but now they are getting smaller.

Mark Kosco motioned "to reinstate Roberts Rule of Order." Seconded by Bob Ballenger. Motion carried. Bob Ballenger motioned to adjourn at 9:51 AM. Seconded by Brian Holt. Motion Carried.

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	OPERATING FUND									
		<u>(</u>	CURRENT MONTH				<u>Y</u> !	EAR TO DATE		
		ACTUAL	BUDGET		OVER/ (UNDER)		ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER/ (UNDER)	ANNUAL BUDGET
REVENUES	\$	453,654	352,580	\$	101,074	\$	2,575,724	2,245,409	\$ 330,316	\$ 4,053,672
EXPENSES		567,459	457,471		109,988		2,461,389	1,864,494	596,895	4,052,767
INCOME (LOSS)	\$	(113,805)	(104,891)	\$	(8,914)	\$	114,335	380,915	\$ (266,579)	\$ 905

	Operating	Capital Projects	R&R		
<u>ASSETS</u>	Fund	Fund	Fund	(COMBINED
CASH RESERVE ACCOUNTS	\$ 530,067	1,819,047	1,747,223	\$	4,096,337
OTHER CASH	\$ 970,861				970,861
INVESTMENTS-Certificates of Deposit (CD's)	279,930		191,767		471,697
CASH AND INVESTMENTS	\$ 1,780,858	1,819,047	1,938,990	\$	5,538,895
RECEIVABLES	231,104	-	-		231,104
INVENTORY and PREPAIDS	92,358	-	-		92,358
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS & INVESTMENTS	\$ 2,104,320	1,819,047	1,938,990	\$	5,862,357
Right of Use Asset	\$ 71,436				71,436
DUE FROM (TO) OTHER FUNDS	-		-		
PROPERTY and EQUIPMENT, NET	6,563,771	595,661	175,218		7,334,651
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 8,739,528	2,414,708	2,114,207	\$	13,268,443
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE					
PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS	\$ 451,504	-	-	\$	451,504
DEPOSITS - Refundable, incl Gift Certificates	39,846	-	-		39,846
DEFERRED INCOME	1,305,797	-	-		1,305,797
CONTRACT LIABILITY - CURRENT	-	500,000	550,000		1,050,000
LEASE LIABILITY	71,436				71,436
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ 1,868,583	500,000	550,000		2,918,583
NONCURRENT CONTRACT LIABILITY		1,887,588	1,514,057		3,401,645
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 1,868,583	2,387,588	2,064,057	\$	6,320,228
FUND BALANCE	6,870,945	27,120	50,150		6,948,215
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE	\$ 8,739,528	2,414,708	2,114,207	\$	13,268,443

OPERATING FUND - PROPERTY and EQUIPMENT DETAIL								
			Accumulated	Net				
DESCRIPTION		Cost	Depreciation	Book Value				
LAND & LAKE	\$	8,768,313	(4,601,811) \$	4,166,502				
BUILDINGS		3,885,037	(2,105,229)	1,779,808				
MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT		2,357,127	(1,912,311)	444,816				
FURNITURE & FIXTURES		892,782	(803,668)	89,115				
VEHICLES		570,864	(487,333)	83,531				
			-	-				
	TOTALS \$	16,474,124	(9,910,352) \$	6,563,771				

Created: 9/14/2023 by Ashlee Miller

	Month	Y	ear To Date	Remaining Budget
BALANCE, Beginning		\$	1,450,685	
INTEREST EARNED			11,523	
ANNUAL ASSESSMENT			652,000	
LOANS FROM (TO) OTHER FUNDS AVAILABLE FUNDS, Beginning		\$	2,114,208	-
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EXPENDITURES				
LAND & LAKE				
BUILDING				
MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT				
VEHICLE				
FURNITURE & FIXTURES				
PRIOR YEAR CARRYOVERS*			53,941	
R&R CONTRA	-		121,277	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			175,218	\$ -
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AVAILABLE FUNDS, Ending		\$	1,938,990	=

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INTEREST EARNED	
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LOANS FROM (TO) OTHER FUNDS	
AVAILABLE FUNDS, Beginning	
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Participants can use whatever materials they prefer, with the knowledge that they will be displayed outdoors for several weeks. The scarecrows will be reviewed for appropriateness.

Participants are requested to either drop their scarecrow off at the Center to be displayed, or contact the Center to be put on the scarecrow map.

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ACL GARDEN CLUB



The fall colors are starting to pop around the lake as the islands transition from summer to fall.



ACL Garden Club thanks the lucky "13" Luncheon Committee Members

This month, we highlight our lucky "13" members who plan the two luncheons held during the semi-annual ACL Garden Club meetings. Some members in the Garden Club join for many reasons including love of gardening, flowers, fieldtrips, educating our youth, beautiful garden walks or camaraderie. This committee brings talent, creativity, generosity and laughter to plan, purchase and create a fun event each spring and fall.

The process begins with a collaborative theme to pair with the Children's Garden Events each year. The chairperson hosts planning lunches at her home and each member graciously brings an addition to the menu.

There are two or three meetings prior to each luncheon. The planning part of the meeting is where the fun begins. The committee plans every detail to make the event special for everyone who attends. We pick a color theme, centerpiece ideas, luncheon committee main food and beverage options, attendee gift, as well as, keeping up the traditions of the garden club members alumni who have graciously led the ACL Garden Club to what it means today.

During the fall luncheon, we choose a local food pantry to donate non-perishable food items to give back to the surrounding communities.

A special thank you to the luncheon committee for all of their hard work this past year, Carolyn Beckel, Dianne Carr, Pauline Curtiss, Lu DiMonte (Chair), Terry Gleeson, Lori Hewitt, Diane Kren, Linda Lyng, Margie Marty, Susan McDonald, Terri Ward, Jean Wiedman, and Ann Yorke.





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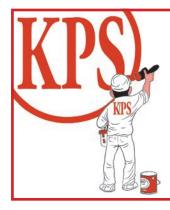




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BY JULIE JANSSEN, Safety & Security Manager

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RECREATION RE-CAP: FALL CRAFT FAIR





Apple Canyon Lake Recreation Department hosted their fundraiser on Sunday, September 3 from 10:00 am to 4:00pm. The inside vendors started to set up on Saturday, September 2, and the outside vendors got here bright and early on Sunday morning to start their set up before the heat came at the clubhouse parking lot! The Recreation department ended up having 22 outside vendors and 12 vendors inside at the Apple Canyon Lake Clubhouse. Galena on the Fly, Cooper Williams, brought out one bounce house and one obstacle course for the day for the families to enjoy at the Firehouse parking lot. Culver's Custard Ice Cream got brought out from Galena for the day of and to enjoy it with a cookie or a root beer float! Funhouse band came out and started to play music around 12:00pm up at the firehouse on the new stage that Recreation got last year, and it lasted till about 4:00pm along with a beverage tent going on. The vendors outside and indoor donated a prize that the Recreation department used for a vendor prize raffle, and they even hosted a 50/50 drawing as well. JJ & Freddies, Chomps, and Birds. Fried Chicken food trucks came out from 11:00am to 4:00pm and they were steady during the Fall Craft Fair and Social. It was a beautiful day and I want to say thank you to everyone that came out and attended the Fall Craft Fair for 2023.







RECREATION RE-CAP: ACLPO FOUNDATION POKER RUN



BY TIM BROKL, Communication and Marketing Manager

On Saturday, September 9, the Apple Canyon Lake Foundation held their Annual Poker Run event. Members had a fun time, as always, riding the trails to each location to collect their stamps that would later be redeemed for a poker hand at the clubhouse. Some of the stops featured "mini games" with fun prizes like a beverage or snack.

This year the foundation added some new attractions like a chipping contest and \$1000 cash raffle! The chipping contest was a real crowd pleaser. Members had a ball, (pun intended) taking turns trying to chip the ball onto the bull's eye.

The evening was complete with live music by Just Jake and a delicious meal comprised of shaved beef or shredded chicken sandwich with potatoes salad, macaroni salad, chips, and decadent double chocolate brownies for dessert! I can't for the event next year and to see what new and exciting project the Foundation helps fund next.

















RECREATION RE-CAP: FARM-TO-TABLE DINNER

By Ashley Randecker, Event & Activity Coordinator

On Saturday, September 23 the Apple Canyon Lake clubhouse was converted into a gorgeous dining experience for our Farm-to-Table Dinner. When you walked into the lovely clubhouse you saw lights hanging from the ceiling and fresh flowers on every table by Clara Joyce Flowers in Stockton. Tables also had numbered trifold table tents that included a thank you to all who made this Farm-to-Table dinner possible, and the evening's menu and program. A lot of hard and great work was put into this event. Tim and I picked 100 plus ears of corn from VenHuizen's Farm in Stockton. Julie, Stacy, and I shucked the corn and froze it till the day of. Tim and I had fun on our multiple trips to our produce providers. Farm-to -Table Planning Group member Carolyn and I went out to Galena and Apple River one day and handpicked the raffle basket items from local shops. We had a great group of FFA (Future Farmers of America) kids that helped worked the dinner. They made the place settings, filled water pitchers, cut the vegetables up for our veggie cups at the appetizer table, turned over the tables at the end of the dinner, washed the dishes, and put away the dishes. While everyone was enjoying the pie by Small Town Pie by Candi, Candi Knusten, in Stockton and vanilla custard from Culvers of Galena, the FFA students gave speeches on the FFA and how programs like the ACL Farm-to-Table Dinner benefit the FFA students.

The dinner was so delicious! We had broccoli salad prepared by Lola's Deli in Elizabeth, made with fresh broccoli from Fairview Farms of Elizabeth, garden salad, dinner rolls from New Glarus Bakery, fresh butter made by FFA Scales Mound Food Science class, gouda mashed potatoes, prepared by Carolyn, Tim, and myself, (we peeled over 50 pounds of potatoes the day before), using potatoes from Neumiller Farms in Savanna and smoked gouda cheese from Zimmerman Cheese in Schullsburg, WI, buttered sweet corn from VenHuizen's Farm in Stockton, Ribeye steaks, from AJ Lena Maid Meats in Lena, grilled tor perfections by Tim and volunteer Bobby Tasch, and Lemon Herb Chicken Breast from Arnold's Farm in Elizabeth. Thank you to all our donors and partners for helping make this fantastic meal come together!

The layout outside was perfect. We had many picnic tables out there along with the haybales, which served as chairs, mums, pumpkins, and live music from Steve McIntyre during the appetizers and cocktails hour. The bar was also located outside. Terri from the Pro Shop joined us and bartended for the evening. Tim and I even made a rustic picture frame for guests to pose in and have their picture taken by one of the FFA students. The students texted the photos so they can have a lifetime memory from the event.

Donations for the Scales Mound FFA were collected throughout the dinner and we learned that night during the FFA speeches, the money was going to be put towards care baskets for patients battling breast cancer.

All profits from the dinner will be going to benefit the local food pantries in our area, Bread of Life Food Pantry in Apple River, the Elizbeth Food Basket, and the Stockton Food Pantry. Each pantry will receive a \$900+ donation this year!

If you missed this dinner, I would say get your tickets for next year early, it will be the fifth year of doing Farm-to-Table and the planning group is already talking about how to add more items and make it better than 2023, I wouldn't miss it if I were you! Thank you to Bobby Tasch and Tim Brokl for grilling the steaks, Terri Stieffel, Pro Shop Manger for doing the bar that night, Ed Ziarko, Maintenance Manager, and his team for making sure everything was looking great and of course donating the hay bales, and a huge thank you to Carolyn Beckel, Pennie Groezinger, and Tim Brokl for helping with everything from day one to the end of the event!

















RECREATION RE-CAP: FARM-TO-TABLE DINNER



















NOTES FROM NATURAL RESOURCES

Restored Prairies in Full Bloom

BY KELSEY KING, Natural Resources Tech

We just wanted to let you know of 2 of our restoring prairies that have been blooming. The one being North Bay, both down by the water and up by the new bridge crossing. You can get a nice view of the prairie by the bridge crossing if you walk up on top of the dredge pond and look over it.

The other area is hiding at Presidents Bay back beyond the dredge pond and stream. It has been quietly blooming where not too many people wander, and it is a beautiful sight to see the prairie in bloom. This prairie still needs some help on the north side of the trail, but we do have some clumps of cup plants growing in the reed canary grass which are a sight to see.

Prairies once dominant throughout Illinois (prairie state) are now less prominent due to agriculture and development. ACL has done its part to try to restore and incorporate prairies around the lake. Invasive species such as poison parsnip make keeping a diverse prairie a difficult, but very worthwhile task. We encourage you to watch how these prairies come to life and change throughout the seasons and over the years to come.

Please try not to disturb the prairies as a lot of time and energy goes into them. ACL mows and treats regions of the prairies that have dense invasive species to limit their spread.

Please check out North Bay and the Presidents prairies to see beautiful blooms with pollinators such as bees and butterflies. After our spring burns these prairies are in their prime! Thank you, Natural Resources

Clubhouse Point and Evergreen/ Hawthorne Brush Clean-up.

BY KELSEY KING, Natural Resources Tech

We will be starting to clean up the Clubhouse point this October and are asking for volunteers to help cut and stack brush. This will be the first step in the clean-up process, and we want to give the community the opportunity to be a part of it. We will be working Monday-Wednesday, 9am-12:00pm (weather permitting) each week until we complete the brush clearing. This step will remove invasive non-native brush so we can help the declining oak species regenerate so that they can be enjoyed by future generations. After this step we will go through and select trees to save for the area. This is an oak savannah restoration so the area will change from more of a closed canopy to more of an open canopy area. Oaks are slowly declining around the world, and we want to try and help them out as much as possible.

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CONSERVATION CONVERSATIONS

Zebra Mussel Shoreline Control Process Review

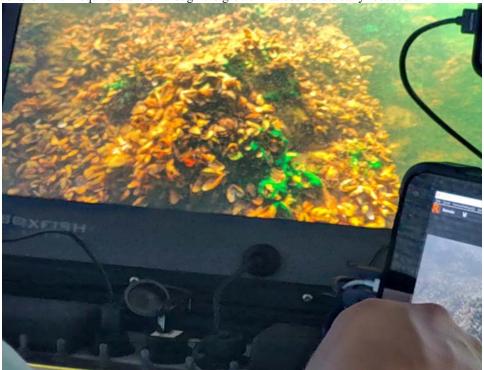
This past Saturday, September 9, Apple Canyon Lake hosted the Inspired Planet Production film crew back to perform an underwater review of the shoreline treatment. Zach and Yvonne Drebert filmed the before look prior to starting the shoreline treatment and came back to document our results. ACL is the only North American lake that has treated a 15-mile shoreline and they wanted to see the results, and the results are amazing! Please understand Inspired Planet has GPS images of all the before treatment locations. So, with that in mind our process started on Saturday. The underwater drone went down to 20 feet and recorded millions of dead mussels at various depths; we were unable to find any locations with live zebra mussels. It was amazing to see these images.



What does this mean? We are sure there are still zebra mussels in the lake, but the population has been greatly reduced. We also see that the clarity of the lake has changed. It's not as clear as before to treatment, which is GOOD! We can see that the zooplankton, which are used to feed the fishery, are all over. The ecosystem has returned in favor of the fish. The cloudiness of the lake will help reduce the weed growth as well as save ACL money to remove. You will still see zebra mussels attached to docks and rocks, but they are probably dead. A dead zebra mussel has a shell that is open. If closed, they are still alive. Please feel free to report any live zebra mussels you find.



Moving forward, the Commission will submit a recommendation. Please understand that this summer's treatment process was not a full lake eradication. There are still zebra mussels in the lake which require attention though the growth has been drastically reduced.



This has been a total team effort. The Zebra Mussel Ad Hoc Commission would like to thank:

- Dr David Hammond for meeting with not just the Commission several times, but with ACL homeowners.
- Dr John Sonnenberg for Highland Lake Illinois who assisted the Commission with information to develop data tracking methods and information on treatments.

- Zach and Yvonne Drebert who drove from Canada twice to document our process. They recorded our underwater environment to show us exactly what happened.
- McCloud Aquatics who not just worked with Dr. Hammond to develop the process of treatment but then executed the treatment process.
- The Ad Hoc Commission believed that something could be done to restore the lakes ecosystem. They made tough decisions.
- And finally, the ACL Board that stepped out first starting in 2022 with treatments to the Jumping Rock, Nixon Beach, and the Marina areas. Then in 2023 to allocate funding for this full shoreline treatment.

Our lake won BIG! The plankton that is needed to support our fishery is back. Thank You All.

The shoreline process to help reduce the zebra mussel impact on boaters and recreation swimmers is now complete. This process reduced the population of zebra mussels allowing the lake to create needed plankton for the fishery. First, it's important to point out this project DID NOT include the Marina, Jumping Rock, or Nixon Beach areas. These areas are the responsibility of ACL and treatments started in May and should continue into September.

What we did see because of this three-phase process:

- The first phase started the massive mortality to the shoreline including boat areas.
- A Canadian film company using an underwater drone capture video of both before and after images of our shoreline. This information will be presented in a documentary called "All Too Clear." Information on this documentary will be sent out when it airs.
- Dr. Hammond, the Senior Scientist behind the EarthTec QZ product, traveled from California to consult with McCloud Aquatics on the treatment process. John Cortell, a Lake Management Scientist from Earth Lab Science, also travelled out to Apple Canyon Lake to consult and review the process. It's important to note that Dr. Hammond worked with McCloud Aquatics on the development of the proposal that was given to ACL.
- EarthTec QZ product used for our lake treatments can also be used for swimming pools and hot tubs. Not only is it safe for swimming, but it is also used in state fish hatcheries, as well as in agricultural applications. It is safe to eat fish from treated lakes.
- For both Phase I and Phase II reporting, we used twenty-one treatment cages that had live zebra mussels in them. They were staged around the lake at varying depths to monitor the progress of treatments. Phase I results were good but still reported that some areas still had zebra mussels. Phase II results were much better with 100% mortality. Visual reports along the shoreline also showed a massive improvement. Little if any zebra mussels can be seen. If any could be seen, they are all dead. There were no live zebra mussels located during Phase III monitoring.
- The Phase III process was modified to reduce shoreline treatment and focus more sub-surface to increase mortality at deeper depths. The changes were made because of results from the second phase and some underwater video obtained by a homeowner. (Thank you, Scott Collins).
- During the three applications the ACL recreational boaters were asked to limit boating on the main lake. Thank You all. This reduced impact on the treatment staff and allowed the product the opportunity to work to kill zebra mussels.
- Finally, the shoreline will be evaluated after this final treatment. Our Commission does not have equipment to dive down into the lake. We are asking the property owners to send information on docks and boats (pictures) as they start to be removed for the season. Those that sent pictures last year, please send pictures and comments again so we can compare. So, do you have zebra mussels on your boat and docks? Zebra Mussel shells that are open are dead. Please send your information to: zebramussels@applecanyonlake.org. The Commission will monitor these emails.

Thank You for the Cooperation Zebra Mussel Ad Hoc Commission

FYI – The All to Clear documentary should be out in early 2024.



Flood Mitigation Update – Information on Lake Lowering in November 2023

As previously noted, the ACLPOA is moving forward with dam and spillway improvements which will meet current Illinois Department of Natural Resources regulations for dam safety of existing dams. Although most of this work will be conducted in the fall and winter of 2024, some activity will be ongoing this fall to prepare for the project. Based on our communications with our engineers, we do expect that the lake will have to be lowered next fall to complete this project. However, the exact amount of lowering and its duration will ultimately depend on the specific contractors chosen for this project. That will not be known until later this year. However, to anticipate any issues that might arise, we are planning a small drawdown this fall.

General Information:

- A 2-ft drawdown will be initiated during the week of November 13, 2023, by opening the valve to the pipe that passes under the dam.
- A backup valve will have been installed by this time so it will also be tested.
- This drawdown should take 2-3 days during which time volunteers will monitor and document any issues observed.
- The valve will be open 24 hours per day during this time and will create a considerable current at the discharge pipe into Hells Branch Creek. For your safety we ask everyone to stay away from this area and the nearby Bathum Trail. There may also be a slight 'sulfur' odor, and this is normal.
- We will be able to stop the drawdown at any time if any serious issues occur.
- We anticipate the 2-ft drop will remain for several days or until the entire lake is
- The lake will remain open during this time, but we want to ask everyone to remain diligent and use common sense. The lower portions of boat ramps are VERY slimy and will be slippery.
- Once the testing is completed, the valve will be mostly closed but will remain partially open to allow some water to flow into Hells Branch Creek to maintain its integrity. The lake will naturally return to its normal level in about 6 weeks depending on the amount of rainfall we receive during this time.
- Part of this test is to determine the drawdown and refill rates for the lake.

Docks:

- We have 101 association docks with 844 slips and 182 private docks on the lake. Volunteers have spent over 80 hours surveying these docks to determine whether any issues may arise during the drawdown. They started at Nixon Beach and are going counterclockwise around the lake and are currently in Winchester Bay. They will complete the circuit prior to the drawdown.
- We anticipate very few issues with this drawdown but, if any arise, the rate of drawdown can be reduced.
- Be aware that dock gangplanks may become steeper with the drawdown and may become less stable. It may be best to stay off them unless absolutely necessary.
- Boat lifts, e.g., ShoreStations, etc., should remain stable with the drawdown but may not be usable for boats due to the lowered water level.

Boats:

- Kevin of K&S marina is aware of the drawdown and the need to get boats off the lake by early November, especially those in shallow waters.
- Each owner is responsible for their own boat. If you use a marina service other than K&S and your boat is still in the water, make sure your marina service is aware of

Other:

- The Flood Mitigation commission meets every other Thursday (subject to change) to discuss ACL logistics and work with engineers for the Fall 2024 dam work. Come join us if interested. Meetings are open to all. The next meeting is September 21.
- · Questions are being solicited. Use the QR code elsewhere in the paper to ask any questions about the Flood Mitigation project and look for the answer on our website.
- As an FYI, Lake Carroll does a 4-ft drawdown every year with no problems with docks. However, their docks are a commercial grade of metal and are constructed and installed to be able to fluctuate 4 ft either way with changes in water level. They are currently about 2 ft under their normal water level due to weather conditions. They also remove all boats by October 9 and all docks by November 1.

As a reminder, the need to update the lake's dam and spillway infrastructure is due to three major flood events which occurred between 2007 and 2017 that threatened the structural integrity of the dam and led to flooding of ACL buildings and damage to many boats and docks. The flood in July of 2017 resulted in the lake water level being within 1.5 feet of overtopping the dam. Since ours is a totally earthen dam, overtopping it could result in considerable damage to the structure.

A brief overview of the project is to replace the existing straight weir with a labyrinth (zigzag) weir which will allow considerably more water to pass over it without significantly increasing the lake level, thereby protecting the dam itself. The concrete spillway will be replaced and channels in front of and through the spillway will be deepened and widened. Clay will also be added to the top of the dam to level it.

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LAKE LOWERING THIS NOVEMBER!

This November, Maintenance, Natural Resource and Security personnel, as well as Volunteers from the Flood Mitigation Commission will open the valve located under the grate just south of the middle of the dam to begin draining the lake into Hells Branch Creek

Goals:

to lower the lake 2 feet (This is estimated to take 2-4 days. This reduction will be maintained for a short period of time, to inspect the lake area for possible problems, and then the valve will be partially closed to return the lake to its normal level

The purposes of this exercise are as follows:

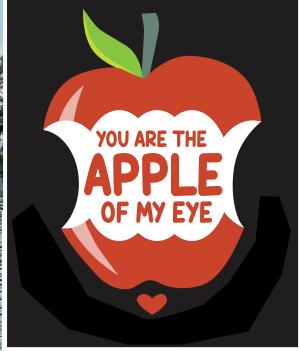
- Determine the length of time to lower the lake level by 2 ft.
- Determine how the valve opening can be adjusted to maintain this lake level given that water is constantly flowing into the lake from various streams.
- Determine how the valve opening can be adjusted to return the lake to its normal level while still maintaining some flow into Hells Branch Creek.
- Testing a backup valve which will be installed prior to lake lowering.
- Determine any other issues that might arise from lowering the lake level, e.g. docks, etc.

Scan the QR Code to visit the Flood Mitigation Lake Draw Down web page and learn more.













The Flynn's

The Flynn's had an amazing time at the Lake Saturday, September 23. Mike, Stacey, Evan 12, Colin 8, Isla 5 and Logan 2 enjoyed lunch from the Pro Shop and went fishing and stargazing on the Octagon dock down at Nixon Beach.



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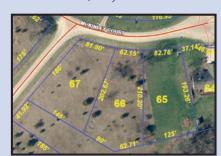
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- 5:00 7:00 PM Advance Tickets Required
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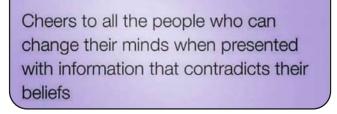


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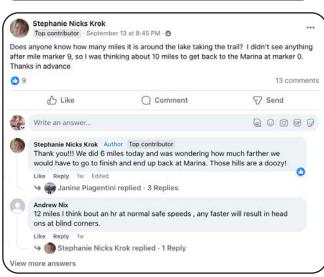
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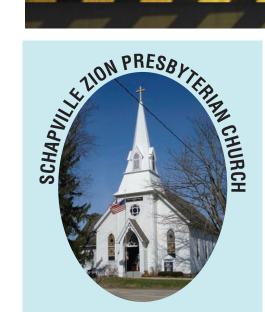






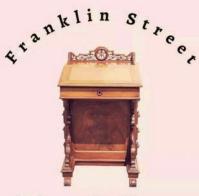






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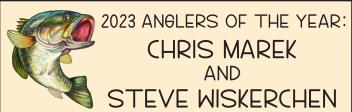


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09-17-23 TOURNAMENT RESULTS

1 Place:	Andre Gariti/Jake Korpics	15.64 lbs
2 Place:	Bill Ballenger/Jacob Harris	13.62 lbs
3 Place:	Steve Reeverts/Doug Reeverts	13.29 lbs
4 Place:	Fritz Staver/Don Hastert	13.15 lbs
Big Bass:	Andre Gariti/Jake Korpics	4.30 lbs

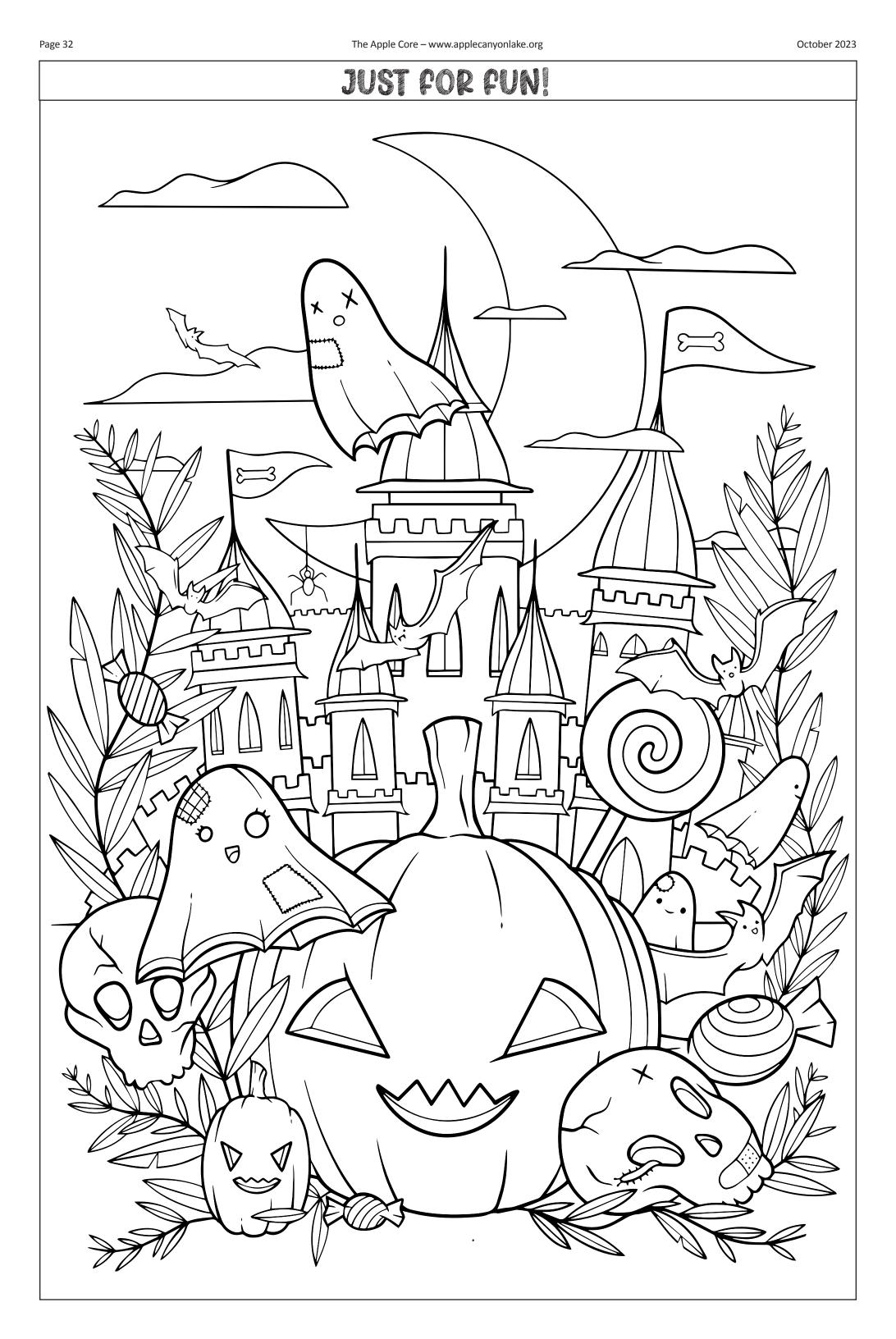
Number of Boats:	31
Number of Limits:	23
Number of Fish Weighed:	126
Total Weight:	313.83 lbs
Average Weight:	2.49 lbs



Front Row (L-R): Don Hastert, Steve Reeverts, Jake Korpics, Andre Gariti, and Fritz Staver. **Back Row (L-R):** Doug Reeverts, Bill Ballenger, Jacob Harris, Chris Marek, and Steve Wiskerchen



Rank	TEAM	23-Apr-23	21-May-23	25-Jun-23	16-Jul-23	20-Aug-23	17-Sep-23	TOTAL
1	Marek/Wiskerchen	18.77	14.39	16.04	17.02	14.76	11.88	92.86
2	Evans/Hernandez	16.51	14.65	14.65	14.96	13.32	13.00	87.09
3	Ballager/Harris	12.69	15.78	14.00	15.01	14.36	13.62	85.46
4	F.Staver/D.Hastert	11.57	15.75	16.09	14.44	13.68	13.15	84.68
5	Dittmar/Dittmar	13.05	15.41	17.44	14.73	12.07	11.61	84.31
6	Gariti/Korpics	12.98	13.42	14.78	14.37	11.84	15.64	83.03
7	Kiesling/Kiesling	14.13	11.57	14.45	14.20	14.64	12.19	81.18
8	Winslow/Steger	11.56	13.86	13.81	15.85	13.05	12.37	80.50
9	Skorupski/Hodge	13.17	14.71	12.61	14.41	11.88	12.49	79.27
10	Sproule/Stovall	11.15	11.32	13.09	16.82	13.65	12.61	78.64
11	Reeverts/Reeverts	13.13	12.66	13.22	14.13	11.97	13.29	78.40
12	Sargent/Eveland	12.95	13.76	13.79	13.84	11.57	12.39	78.30
13	Judas/House	12.80	11.36	13.54	14.32	12.50	11.81	76.33
14	Krzeminiski/Folmer	8.38	12.87	14.61	14.14	12.90	11.97	74.87
15	Busch/Cigrand	12.05	11.68	13.45	12.37	11.57	12.82	73.94
16	T.Hastert/S.Staver	6.93	14.84	13.10	13.52	11.94	12.59	72.92
17	Ballenger/Maness	7.19	14.32	14.39	12.69	11.57	12.29	72.45
18	Olivotti/Olivotti	14.99	13.26		14.16	13.29	12.83	68.53
19	Miller/House	2.37	13.87	14.19	12.54	12.31	11.95	67.23
20	Lank/Bates	3.10	11.70	16.46	11.82	10.99	12.41	66.48
21	Anderson/Anderson	8.33	12.15	12.99	13.04	11.11	7.01	64.63
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29	Stanley/Stanley	2.99	11.52	13.20		9.90	10.05	47.66
30	Jungblut/Mills	11.01	11.65	10.83	11.82			45.31
31	McWard/Muehlfelt	3.39	12.83	12.92	13.74	0.00	0.00	42.88
32	Krippendorf/Krippendorf	4.62	0.00	12.39	12.32	11.81		41.14
33	Smith/Hazelbower	4.78	10.54	11.67	13.92	0.00		40.91
34	Kissell/Ehlers				13.55	14.40	10.81	38.76
35	Lawrence/Riffle	11.14	11.84					22.98
36	Haniacek/Haniacek				11.09	10.93		22.02
37	Anderson/Kotwica			9.03	9.69			18.72
38	Kooistra/Kooistra			13.84				13.84
39	Cuppini/Baker					13.61		13.61
40	Vondra/Sundstrom				11.55			11.55
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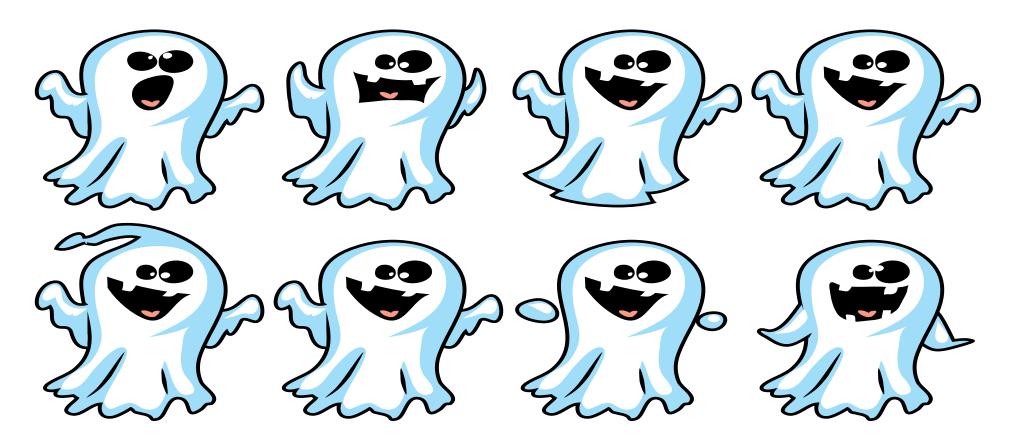


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- 5. Word on terrycloth, sometimes
- 8. King and queen, e.g.
- 14.Guy closely following the news
- 15. Giant great
- 16. Highway access
- 17. Bitty's partner
- 18. Debussy's "La "
- 19. One-named folk singer
- 20.NASCAR pit worker, e.g.
- 23. Site of the Apollo Theater
- 24. Dole (out)
- 25. Brave moguls
- 28.NFL scores
- 29. Break fast or breakfast
- 31. Mimic
- 33. Half of an audio cassette
- 35. Hearing aids
- 36. It could be found in the attic
- 41.Long, long time
- 42. Regions
- 43. Super saver?
- 47.Pt. of USDA
- 48. Public transport
- 51. Mork's planet
- 52. They sometimes clash
- 54. Note in the A major scale
- 56. Result of a rough workout, perhaps
- 58. Pancake simile
- 61.Olive, for one
- 62. Elisabeth of "Leaving Las Vegas"
- 63. Sound at an opened floodgate
- 64. "Just the Way You
- 65.Informed
- 66.Noted Kitt

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- 67.Born
- 68. Fix, at the vet's office

Down

- 1. Slender
- 2. Foursome
- 3. Buries
- 4. King or queen, e.g.
- 5. Like Mom's apple pie
- 6. List unit
- 7. Senator Thurmond
- 8. Grew fond of
- 9. Financially strapped
- 10. Deuce beater
- 11. Back muscle, to Billy Blanks
- 12.CPR giver

- 13. Relaxing resort
- 21."Now you _____ , now
- 22.Compaq rival
- 25. Sweep with binoculars
- 26.Go-___(small racer)
- 27."____ Now or Never"
- 30. Driver's aid
- 32.Pro votes
- 33.Trap topper
- 34.Chicken _____ king
- 36. Tear's partner
- 37.Pawn
- 38. Big Band
- 39. "Fever" singer
- 40.Like some criticism

41.GI's address

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- 44.Go over and over and
- 45. Mystery writer Christie
- 46.Craggy height
- 48. Cruise the pubs
- 49. Actress Andress
- 49.Actiess Andress
- 50.Rapid
- 53. "Wake of the Ferry" painter
- 55. Party givers
- 56.Coagulate
- 57.Land of the leprechaun
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- 59. Na Na
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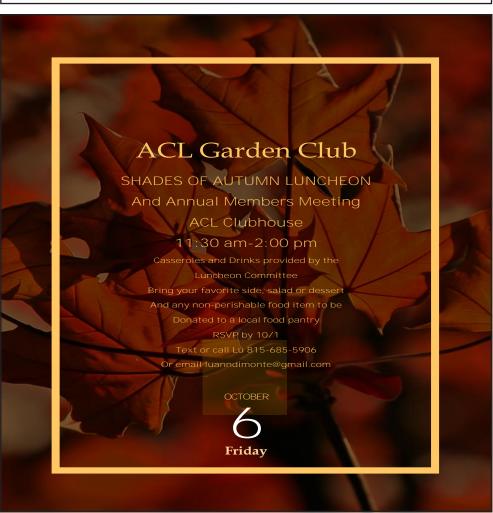
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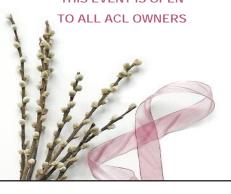
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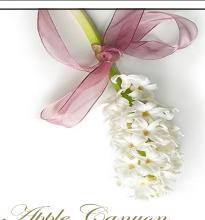




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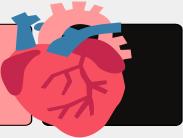


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