



LBCA

May 2005

Newsletter

President's Comments

Spring engulfs Lake Burton. The trees have sprouted leaves and the pine pollen is everywhere. Boat church is in full swing and the LBCA officers and directors are gearing up for a busy summer. On the docket are two Member Meetings, the Bluegrass Party, an Art Show, Water Safety Training, the Tour of Homes and the Annual Golf Tournament. Be sure to check the Calendar of Events on page 6 of your directory to keep up with the many events this summer. And yes, we are pleased to announce, the Tour of Homes will be held – but we sorely need 30 plus boats to carry all the attendees.



Please do volunteer!

The 2005 LBCA Directory has been mailed . . . and our thanks to Becky Hunter and her crew for getting this big job completed. Also, thanks to Larry Barnes and his crew for organizing the Lakes Golf Challenge this year.

Mark your calendars for the June 11th Spring Member Meeting and Bluegrass Party at Fred's Shed. I hope to see you there!

Steve Barrett

2005 Home Tour

July 23rd Event – Officially ON!!!

The owners of three wonderful homes have committed to the July 23, 2005 Home Tour and, hopefully, a fourth homeowner will be on board by the time this newsletter is in your hands. At the same time, if you have a home in the area from Murray Cove to Burton Island and would consider putting it on the tour, please contact

Linda Dixon at:

lidixon0916@yahoo.com

There is a pressing need for at least 30 boats to transport people on the tour. Please volunteer your boat and yourself to drive by contacting Steve Barrett at:

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June Meeting / Bluegrass Party

Enclosed you will find the reservation form for the LBCA Spring Meeting and Bluegrass Party which will be held June 11, 2005. The meeting is scheduled for 6:00. Joni is serving a barbecue dinner at 6:30. Music by Curtis Blackwell and the Dixie Bluegrass Boys starts at 7:00.

Bring your favorite “after 5:00” libation, tablecloths, some utensils (if you want to avoid plastic) and an ear for some great music. At a price of \$15.00 per person – \$10.00 for children 12 and under and free for children 3 and under – this event is a real bargain.



Clayton Tribune Editorial Page

Over the years the Clayton Tribune’s editorials have slowly chipped away at the “them” and “us” concept surrounding “lake people” and the rest of the county’s citizens. We all need to be pleased with a recent opinion entitled “Lake Water

Quality Not Just Concern of Lake Folk”. This editorial made it clear that all of the county’s citizens need to be concerned about siltation and take an active role in stemming the erosion of soil into the county’s waterways.



“No Wake” Signs Are Ready

The LBCA “No Wake Within 100 Feet” signs are ready. The signs can be mailed to you or they can be picked up at the Spring Members Meeting and Bluegrass Party on June 11th. For deliveries please send your check for \$17.00, payable to “LBCA”, for each sign you are buying. Include your delivery address and mail your

payment to William J. Bomar, 610 Carriage Way, N.W., Atlanta, GA 30327. If you would like to pick up your signs at the Spring meeting simply send a check in the amount of \$12.00 per sign to Bill (at the above address) and he will hold your order. If you have any questions please call Bill at 404-261-0649.

Survey Favors Environment

The results of a recent survey conducted by the Carl Vinson Institute of Government indicate that the residents of Rabun County want to preserve the county’s current environment. Of the 523 homes surveyed, 62% indicated that Rabun’s greatest strength was its beauty . . .

and a whopping 82% believed that protecting the environment was more important than increasing the number of jobs and businesses in the county. In addition, 68% strongly support policies encouraging green space for residential and commercial property developments.





Boating Safety Course

The Department of Natural Resources will conduct another one-day boating safety course on Saturday, June 18th from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the Wildcat Volunteer Fire

Department House on Georgia Highway 197 (located just north of LaPrades). If you have any new boat operators in your family please have them attend.



Briefly . . .

- ☑ On Sunday morning, May 8th, fire destroyed the restaurant building at LaPrades. The cause of the fire is under investigation.
- ☑ A red canoe with the word "Oahu" on the bow was recently found in Bob's Cove. Please call Randy Malone at 706-947-3540.
- ☑ The Kastner's old country store and the family's 11 acres adjoining LaPrades was recently listed for sale.
- ☑ If you have any new, but unwanted, items that would help the sale of raffle tickets at the LBCA Annual Golf Tournament, please call Jim Higdon at 706-947-3167.
- ☑ A large burglary recently occurred on the lake. Mountain Patrol provides an extremely effective protection service. If you are not a member, you may want to consider signing up for their services. The more clients they have, the better job they can do for everyone.
- ☑ The Lake Rabun/Seed golf team scraped by with a 5 to 4 victory over the LBCA team on April 22 at the Orchard Country Club. Unfortunately three members of our losing team thought the event was canceled due to nasty weather and went home before the actual decision to play the "3 Lakes Golf Challenge" tournament was made.
- ☑ The Tallulah-Persimmon VFD could not hold their annual barbeque fundraiser in March due to lack of parking (as a result of Highway 76 road construction). All of our lake fire departments appreciate your continuing support. The addresses to which donations may be sent are posted on the LBCA web site.
- ☑ Many residents of the Timpson Cove area received DSL service from Alltel in March – following the first of the telephone equipment upgrades that provide this high speed Internet service. Second quarter 2005 Alltel equipment upgrades have been approved for the Tallulah River and Persimmon areas. If you would like to subscribe to DSL service and have not already done so, please contact Scot Roberge at lbca@lbca.net to have your name added to the database of residents requesting this service.

