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From the President

It's hard to believe we are ready to kick off summer. It's seems like yesterday we were shoveling snow. We all survived this past winter, in part thanks to Grady & Paula Allen of Lake Bum Services. We have just renewed the contract with Lake Bum Services for Roads & Maintenance and I am confident the Lake Bum team will continue to provide excellent service to LBVCA.

by Debby Maule

I am happy to report we finally have a fully-elected Board of Trustees. The 2014-2015 Board members are: Debby Maule, President; David Myers, V.P. & Treasurer; Steve Bray, Secretary; David Hudiburgh; Jon Testut; Pete Sams; and Randy Haley. Randy, a long-time resident of the Posy Mountain area, was elected by the Board at the May meeting to be the 1-year replacement for the vacancy left by Bruce Allen. I'm sure Randy will be a valuable asset on the committee to formulate a sub-set of covenants for the Posy Mountain area. I welcome the other newest board members, Jon & Pete.

As announced at the General Meeting in March, Larry DeBrot formed a "2024 Vision Committee" which took a 10-year look of what Lost Bridge Village Community could look like. His committee was comprised of nine LBV members and the end result was a list of wishes, which will now be referred to as "findings." These findings were shared with the Board at a special meeting last month. The #1 finding on their list was an increase in annual assessment dues. We have not had an assessment increase in over 10 years. LBVCA amenities, the Recreation Center and pool, are nearing their life expectancy, the tennis courts will need re-surfacing in a couple of years, operating costs are ever-increasing, and we are in the process of building a new maintenance building to better serve the needs of the Village. It's very clear maintaining a vibrant and forward-looking community will not happen with our present assessment. We will be announcing a Special Meeting of the membership to discuss the "10-Year Vision of Lost Bridge Village" and the Board's response to these findings. More information will be provided in the near future.

The LBVCA website will soon have a new look. We will be adding more information about LBVCA which will include the Bylaws, Renter's Guidelines, upcoming social events, and a PayPal link to allow members to pay assessments online. I want to thank Sam Divinia for his many years of service to LBVCA for administering our website. Jon Testut is now our new webmaster. We will let you know as soon as it's up and running. *www.lbvca.com*.

We have a busy year ahead and I welcome the help and support of all members to keep LBV a wonderful place to live, vacation, and own property. I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer!

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-Governed by Covenants-

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## VILLAGE ODDS & ENDS ...

**INJURED OR DEAD ANIMALS :** To report an injured or dead animal (deer, raccoon, etc.) and have it removed from your yard, a culvert or the road, contact the **Arkansas Game & Fish Department** at 1-866-253-2506. (They'll need the street address of where the animal is located.)

If you find **deer parts** on your property (left behind by illegal hunters), you may bury them but <u>NOT</u> burn them (according to the Dept. of Environmental Quality). If you find deer debris on the highway, call the Benton County Road Dept. (479-271-1052) to have it removed.

#### **ROAD CONDITIONS:**

Motorists interested in weather-related road conditions can get information from the AR State Highway Department:

- Public Affairs: 501-569-2227
- Toll Free: 800-245-1672 (recorded message)
- Local: 501-569-2374 (recorded message)
- Website: www.arkansashighways.com/

#### **BURNING ON YOUR OWN PROPERTY**

If you plan to do any burning on your property you **must** get a burn permit beforehand from Benton County. (If you don't and a fire truck comes out because someone reports smoke at your property, you will be charged for the fire service call.) Call **Benton County at 1-866-207-5140.** 

#### VILLAGE ROADS:

Green and Blue street signs in the village are county roads. If you live on a road with potholes or lots of ruts, call Jeff Clark at the Benton County Road Dept. (479-271-1052) directly to have it repaired. You do not need to call the Village Office or wait for a Board meeting to report it.

#### **CLEANING UP YOUR PROPERTY:**

Please remember: If you hire someone to rake leaves or clear other tree debris from your property you MUST inform them they CANNOT push it into a ditch or culvert or into the street. There is no city truck coming by to pick the debris up. YOU will be charged a clean-up fee if LBVCA has to clear it.



## Welcome To Our Neighborhood

#### **New Village Homeowners**

Mark & Debbie Holscher — 11772 White Oak Dr

Lisa Moore — 21567 Walnut

Glen Mauser — 12598 Lodge DR

The Bank of NY Mellon — 11865 White Oak Dr

#### **New Village Property Owners**

Robert & Dorothea Elbert — MOU S4 125

Brian & Ann Llewelynn — LBS B1 152

Miranda & Eric Boothe — PMR U12 601

Montgomery King — PMR U5 51

David & Ramona Rener — FHS B1 86

## **New Phone Directories Coming Soon!**

<u>Residents</u>: Please notify the office if your contact information has changed.

<u>Advertisers</u>: It's not too late to place your business ad in our directory. Call the Office at 479-359-3204 for details.



## ATTENTION <u>RENTAL</u> PROPERTY OWNERS

The summer vacation months are upon us. All LBVCA members who rent their homes need to provide their renters with a copy of the "LBVCA Guidelines for Long-Term & Short-Term Renters." This information is available on the LBVCA website, <u>www.lbvca.com</u>, or can be obtained from the LBVCA Office (479-359-3204). Please help to keep LBV a safe and friendly place to vacation.

### LBV Water & Sewer Information

If you notice water leaking from a lift station at any time, please call 479-330-2123 or 479-936-1220 and someone will return your call.

To learn more about your Water & Sewer department visit their website at www.lbvws.com.





### Social News...by Debby Maule

Don't forget the SUMMER KICKOFF social down at the Rec Center on Saturday, June 14th. Plan to bring a dish to share and your own beverage. Live music will be provided by John Rainone and Don Kotouc. 6-9pm.

In July we'll have the July 4th Celebration & Fireworks, also down at the Rec Center, starting at 6:00pm. Enjoy a burger or dog, chips and a drink for a nominal fee and buy ice cream or a cupcake for dessert. Enjoy the big band sounds of Ted Tidwell & the Second Wind Band. We need a volunteer or volunteers to cook hotdogs and hamburgers (a grill will be provided), and volunteers to make cupcakes and 2 small cakes for the cake walk. Call Debby at 479-359-3927 to volunteer. Thanks! The social will wrap up around 8pm, giving you time to get where you want to be to enjoy the fireworks.



#### **BURN PILE INFO...**by Debby Maule

Due to a complaint from a Village member to the AR Dept. of Environmental Quality we have temporarily closed the Burn Pile. An agent from the AR D.E.Q came for an inspection, and I am now pursuing the legal means of obtaining an "Open Burn Authorization" from the state. I believe we have a good chance of meeting the require-

ments for this authorization. Until then, the keypad on the gate has been deactivated. Please DO NOT dump any yard waste (or illegal construction material or household trash) in front of the gate (you know who you are!). When this occurs, the Village must pay Lake Bum Services to remove it, which is not a budgeted item. I regret the inconvenience this closure will cause, but you will be informed once the Burn Pile's status has been resolved.



### Parks & Recreation ... by Steve Bray

By the time you read this, we should be well into the warmer part of the year and into our summer activities. I want to thank all those who worked on the P&R Spring Prep this year; the facilities look really great: Wes & Nikki Higginson, Debby Maule, Pete & Mac Sams, Phil & Judy Williamson, Sara Wright.

The play set donated last year by Dick & Noel Sloane has finally found a home at the playground area and is getting lots of use. Thanks to you both for that. We have also had a generous donation of a very nice weight training system by Bill & Debby Maule for which we are grateful. Between the new system and the existing Bowflex and free weights, the Rec Center is well equipped to handle your strength conditioning needs.

As is traditional, barring a major catastrophe, the pool opened for the Memorial Day weekend. We will be installing pool coolers during the hotter weather to try to keep the pool temperature at a more comfortable level. If you have been avoiding the pool at times because of high temps, this should provide some refreshing relief.

At the Tennis Courts, the shredded and torn windscreens should be replaced soon, improving the appearance and playability. Crack sealing is continuing, but the courts will need to be resurfaced in the next year or so.

A Wii motion gaming system has been added at the Rec Center. If you are not familiar with the Wii, you control the action primarily by moving your arms and body. It is low impact, but you can also work up a sweat if you want to. It is a really fun, family friendly way to burn calories. There are 2 sets of controllers (for multiple players) and the following games. Bowling is probably the easiest to start with. Let me know if you need help getting started. Games include:

Tennis, Bowling, Baseball, Boxing, Golf, Swordplay, Basketball, PowerCruising (Jet Ski), Table Tennis, Wakeboarding, Frisbee (complete with puppy to catch the disk!), Canoeing, Cycling, Archery, AirSports.

Unfortunately, we are still working to mitigate the leaks in the pool. In addition, we are detecting signs of deterioration of the pool deck. While the board is committed to make the best use of the facilities we have, they are close to a half century old and realistically approaching their end of useful life (the facilities, not the board) and will need replacing, which is not possible with the current level of \$96 per year assessment.

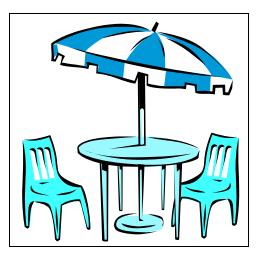
On a sad note, our pool manager Charlie Norris will be retiring from that position at the end of the season. Charlie (and mascot Livie) have been well loved fixtures at the Rec Center for at least 6 years (Charlie doesn't remember for sure how long, and Livie isn't talking). Anyone who might be interested in the position is encouraged to contact the LBV Office for more information.

We live/vacation/own property at a lakeside resort. Don't let the summer go by without getting wet!

# UPCOMING SOCIALS

## JUNE SOCIAL:

## **"SUMMER KICKOFF"**



Saturday, June 14th, 6-9pm at the LBV Rec Center Potluck & B.Y.O.B

## Hosted by

Peggy & Larry Webster Leslie & Glenn Deettmann Patti & Bob French Flo & A.J. Anglin Roberta Heaton

Live entertainment provided by John Rainone & Don Kotouc.

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JULY SOCIAL:

# JULY 4th CELEBRATION

Friday, July 4th at the Rec Center

(Rain date: July 5th)

## The fun begins at 6:00 pm and goes until 8:00 pm; *Fireworks* begin at dark.

(The pool will close at 5:30pm.)

\$5 for a hamburger or 2 hotdogs, with chips and a pop or water

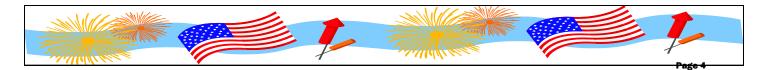
\$1.50 for a cupcake or ice cream

## A fun Cake Walk for the kids, and live music by the ever-popular "2nd Wind Band".

Hosted By: The LBV Social Committee

**VOLUNTEERS** ARE NEEDED as grill cook and servers, and bakers of cupcakes and 2 small Cake Walk cakes (no large cakes and only non-refrigerated cakes, please). Cakes should be delivered to the Rec Center between 12:00 noon and 5:00pm on Friday, 7/4. Call the Office (479-359-3204) if you would like to help.

**DONATIONS** to help offset the cost of the fireworks may be mailed to or dropped off at the Village Office. Make checks payable to "Lost Bridge Fireworks", 12477 Lodge Drive, Garfield, AR 72732. Thank you!



## Technically Speaking...

by David Myers/Jon Testut, Technology Trustees



Our redesigned website (<u>www.lbvca.com</u>) is set to launch in the very near future. It will be an exciting upgrade to our existing pages. We encourage our members to visit the new site and use the comment page to submit suggestions and reviews of the website.

Speaking of the Internet, remember that members have access to free WI-FI in our Library Lounge as well as free computer usage if you did not bring your laptop/tablet. (There is no charge to print documents on the attached printer but donations are encouraged.)

Members are reminded that our amenities are protected from unauthorized use by way of coded locksets. If you have not yet been assigned a key code, please contact our office (359-3204). The code will allow you access to the Library, tennis courts, burn pile, and Recreation Center. A nominal fee of \$4 is assessed.



## SPRING CLEAN-UP UPDATE

By David Myers

The Village Spring Clean-Up was suc-

cessful again. A considerable amount of debris was picked up and either placed in our dumpster or hauled to the Benton County Cleanup at the Road Department's Wimpy Jones facility. By combining our cleanup with the County's, we held our expenses down and yet provided a valuable service to the Village.

The success was due to the following willing volunteers: Grady & Paula Allen, Richard Brundage, Daniel Butterworth, Charles Harris, Gary Hearron, Ronald Johnson, John Mack, Susan Myers, George Naidl, Laura & Tim Wilcher, Richard Wedel, and last but not least Phil Williamson. If I have left anybody out, I apologize. The County's clean-up would not have been the success it was without Lost Bridge Village volunteers. A special thanks is owed to them all.



## **COVENANT COMPLIANCE** by David Hudiburgh & Debby Maule

All Village members have received a letter from David Hudiburgh, Board Trustee Advisor for Covenant Compliance, announcing a plan to appoint a Covenants Committee comprised of full-time residents who will work independently from the Board. This select committee will field inquiries and complaints of Covenant violations, prioritize these complaints, and make specific recommendations for resolutions. The LBV Security

Patrol will assist by advising the committee of observed violations, as well as efforts by property owners to correct a violation. In addition, Randy Haley, our newest Board member from the Posy Mountain Ranch area, has initiated a two-part plan for addressing the ongoing complaints of Covenant restrictions for PMR property owners. His plan will: 1) address Covenant violations in PMR, and 2) organize a PMR Covenants Review Committee to evaluate a sub-set of Covenants to better serve the needs of this area of LBV. The Board recognizes some of our existing Covenants are appropriate for LBV proper but create unfair restrictions for PMR property owners of land. If you would like to be a part of these efforts, you can contact David Hudiburgh at 479-359-2299 or Randy Haley at 479-633-3022.

## **NEBCO FIRE-EMS** UPCOMING EVENT

Be sure to mark your calendar for :



LABOR DAY COUNTRY BREAKFAST

Monday, Sept. 1, 7-10 am

Complete breakfast, just \$7 for adults, \$4 for children ages 5-12,

free for kids under 5.

All proceeds go to NEBCO EMS Advanced Life Support Ambulance Service.

## Music At The FireHouse

Come on down to hear the band you love, The Black Oak Band with Ken Bell, every other Saturday from 7-9 pm at the NEBCO Community Center in Garfield. Plenty of free parking and lots of room to dance!

Summer dates are: June 7 & 21, July 5 & 19, August 2 & 30, and September 13 & 27.

No admission charge; freewill offering to NEBCO. For more information, call Andy at 479-359-3134. See you there!





## **BookTalk**

by Pat Testut

Our library is moving into the 21<sup>st</sup>. century. We have completed scanning our entire collection of books, DVDs and audio books. Our entire collection now resides in the "cloud". Please note that this allows you only to view the contents of our collection. It **does not** show the status of any individual item, meaning there is currently no way to determine if a book is in the library or has been taken out. You will be able to see if we own a particular item but not know its lending status. Our hope is to eventually automate the lending process so that you will have a complete picture of whether a particular item is in or checked out of our library.

The link to access our collection is:

http://connect.collectorz.com/users/lbvlibrary/books/ view

A computer will be located on the library desk so that Lost Bridge Village library patrons can access the collection before they browse the shelves.

For any questions regarding accessing the link or any other library related matter I can be reached at:

lbvlibrary@hotmail.com

## LBVCA

## **BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT**

Thanks go out to Paula Allen and her volunteers for their hard work in transforming the Village entrance at Hwy. 127 and Lodge Drive from a patch of weeds into a beautiful garden. This has been a long-time goal of Paula's, and we all appreciate her efforts in making this happen. Thanks also to all who have donated funds to help pay for the cost of this project. We all benefit when our community looks clean and well-kept.



## **ATTENTION!**

## PART-TIME HOMEOWNERS AND LOT-ONLY PROPERTY OWNERS

**Remember**: It is your responsibility as LBVCA members to keep your property in good condition. Keep grass mowed, weeds removed, shrubs trimmed, and ditches and culverts clear of leaves and debris. Your efforts will pay off in maintaining your property value.

## New MAINTENANCE BUILDING at the Airstrip By David Hudiburgh and Debby Maule

We are nearing the final planning stage for the construction of a new Maintenance building at the airstrip. The old building has reached its life expectancy, and a new building will better meet the needs of LBV. This new building will be able to house all of our equipment, and will have both men's and women's restrooms. Our goal is to have the new building complete before the Annual Fly-In on September 13th.





## Roads & Maintenance - The Road Ahead By Jon Testut

The Roads & Maintenance crew are hard at work trimming branches, roadside mowing and clearing ditches, and the County has been busy repaying streets. Please be careful as you drive on Village roads. Be aware that the crew may not see or hear you while they are operating their equipment. Be alert, and give them a width berth.

The Burn Pile is closed for the time being. Please do not bring your yard waste to the site since the gate has been locked and code access deactivated. Look for further notice on this matter. DO NOT leave these items at your curbside as the Village CANNOT pick them up.

The Village has acquired road patching material and we will make efforts to fill and repair potholes around the village. Please be patient as we try to attend to all the locations in need.

One last item...when attending to your yard maintenance, please do not direct or discharge grass clippings, leaves, branches and the like into the streets and roadways. This not only becomes a road hazard, but causes extra cleanup work for our Roads & Maintenance crew, which is not budgeted.



Trustee Advisors: Jon Testut and Pete Sams

#### \*\*\*\*\*<u>VILLAGE ACTIVITIES</u>\*\*\*\*\*

- <u>EXERCISE</u> Monday, Wednesday & Friday mornings at 8:00 a.m. at the Village Hall.
- <u>YOGA</u> Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m., Village Hall. Pay at each session. Class instructor is Lynn Larson at 479-253-9728.
- <u>**HOBBITS**</u> 1st Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the Village Hall. Contact Elaine Launderville, President, at 479-790-4550. (Off for the summer.)
- <u>GARDEN CLUB</u> 4th Monday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the Village Hall. For info call Sharon McCullough, club president, at 479-359-1236. (Off for the summer; will restart in September.)
- <u>CRAFTERS UNLIMITED</u> Meet every Monday morning, 10:00 -2:30 in the Village Hall. Bring your lunch. Contact Pat Reynolds for information (479-359-2042).
- **BOOK CLUB** 4th Friday of each month at 1:00 p.m. Contact Flo Anglin at 479-359-2382 for details.
- <u>COMMUNITY CHURCH</u> Services are at 9:00 a.m. Sundays at Whitney Mountain Chapel on Oak Ridge Dr., off Lodge Drive. Interdenominational; all are welcome. Services conducted by the Reverend Alan Tyson.
- <u>WATER AEROBICS</u> Tues., Wed. and Fri., 10am to Noon. Contact Marie Norris at 479-359-3888.
- <u>MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS</u> The LBVCA Board of Trustees meets the 2nd Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Building. Property owners are welcome.
- <u>THE LBV WATER & SEWER BOARD</u> usually meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Building Conference Room.

#### ACCESS CODES FOR THE SWIMMING POOL

If you need an access code for the Rec Center and Pool contact Marty in the Office (479-359-3204). There's a one-time charge of \$4.00 to set up a code. Allow 2-3 days for set up and remember the office is closed on Fridays. (Access codes are for Property Owner use only.)



#### **BENTON COUNTY SERVICES**

#### Solid Waste Disposal & Recycling

- This center will give <u>County residents</u> a place to dispose of unwanted furniture, refrigerators, electronics, up to 4 rimless passenger car tires, etc.
- **No** household trash, construction material, yard waste, glass, or hazardous materials.
- Hours of Operation: Every Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Location: 5702 Brookside Rd., Centerton, AR. Phone: 479-795-0751.
- There will be no charge to residents for dropping off unwanted articles.
- Additional information is available on the County website www.co.benton.ar.us, or you can call the Environmental Office at 479-271-1083.

#### Shredding

- Hours of operation: 2nd Saturday of every month from 8AM Noon.
- Location: 215 E. Central, Bentonville. (Drop off is located between Court House and Benton County Administrative Offices.) 479-271-1083
- This service is for Personal Use Only.

#### **PyroMed Bucket**

- Hours of operation: 2nd Saturday of every month from 8AM Noon.
- Location: 215 E. Central, Bentonville. (Drop off location is same as Shredding) 479-271-1083
- Discard your old unused or out-dated medications.

#### **Local Recycling**

Pea Ridge Military Park

479-451-8122

For disposal of household trash, cardboard, construction material, yard waste, glass, etc., call: Inland Services

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(a Benton County Transfer Station)

3511 N. Arkansas St. Rogers, AR (across from the Rogers Municipal Airport on Hwy. 62) 479-878-1384

Hours are 8-4 Tuesday-Saturday (closed Monday). Prices are \$15+tax per cubic yard of material, excluding shingles. Shingles price: 3 cubic yards for \$85+tax.



<u>Mark Your Calendars</u> 8th Annual Fly-In & Classic Car Show, with food & music. Don't Miss It!