

Elk Lake Shorelines

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Elk Lake Property
Owners Association

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ELPOA are the third Satur
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President's Note

Bill Fister WEF5858@aol.com

Welcome to my favorite time of the year that is not summer at the lake. Football and basketball in full swing and lots of things I shouldn't be eating but will anyway and Christmas lights starting in October and lots of cold beer and hot spiced cider and most important, extra time with family and friends. That said, I have been elected to and agreed to serve as the president of our homeowners association board for the next year. It is an honor I promise not to take lightly and hope to run things as smoothly as they have these past years.

Speaking of past years, I would like to thank our retiring members of the board. Serving with them this past year has been a great and rewarding pleasure. Those of us here who have worked with our outgoing president Scot Jones have seen the time and effort he has expended to benefit us all at the lake. There is a lot of behind the scenes activity, much of it thankless, that Scott handled in a positive, professional and effective manner. He allowed everyone to express their opinion and ideas without criticism and in fact, reached out to each of us for our opinions and contributions before taking action to insure we looked at all aspects of any issue or challenge. He served as a capable arbiter where there was discord, and kept us on track for future success. His leadership will be missed and certainly he is not off the hook in any way, shape or form. I would also like to echo last month's thanks to Bill Sprunk and Tom Goldschmidt for their time, hard work and contributions to Elk Lake by serving on the Board. Bill took on the most responsibility of any of us in this past year and did so in a way that made us shake our heads in wonderment on the amount of work he did. Cont. on next page....

President's Note Continued

Tom Goldschmidt has been our Treasurer for many, many years and in addition to serving in that capacity has been a great voice of reason for all aspects of our lake community.

I would also like to take this time to welcome our new board members. Jason Wainscott, Ed Ruhe and Dan Whitaker. They bring a wealth of diverse experiences. I am looking forward to working with them as well as our returning board members.

Next month I will outline some of our goals for the coming year and years to come. I welcome any input from our members to add to our wish list. Some of the things we have kicked around (and this is certainly not the exhaustive list) would include a hiking and walking trail around the reservoir, a pier or long dock out into the reservoir, playground improvements and additions, more family oriented lake functions, completion of our long needed sign project, some front gate beautification projects, and of course, longer term, planned dam renovation or replacement and dredging and shoreline preservation.

My favorite philosopher is A. A. Milne who wrote, among other things, the Winnie the Pooh series of books. On the desk in my office, I keep a book that my children gave me for Christmas a few years back and every once in a while during the day, I'll open the book and read the quote to see how it improves my day. Today's random quote seemed quite appropriate for lake life and I thought I would close and share it:

"Don't underestimate the value of Doing Nothing, of just going along, listening to all the things you can't hear, and not bothering."

Have a great holiday season, keep the added holiday weight to single digits and enjoy the company of your family and friends just a little more.



Financial Report Tom Goldschmidt tom@gesgoldschmidt.com

The budget is about in the same position as last month, still over in Roads and Payroll. This is my last report as Treasurer and I appreciate you allowing me to serve you. Jason Wainscot is the new treasurer and I will help with the transition. It was decided to have a budget meeting in early December to determine the Miscellaneous Income dispersions.

ELPOA Income / Expense Analysis

Type	Accounts	2021 October Operating Budget		
		Actual YTD	Budget	Balance
INCOME				
	Membership Dues	\$419,951.00	\$413,600.00	-\$6,351.00
	Transfer from Balance Sheet	\$35,500.00	\$35,500.00	\$0.00
Total		\$455,451.00	\$449,100.00	-\$6,351.00
EXPENSE				
	Payroll Expense	\$106,028.00	\$124,456.00	\$18,428.00
	Security Expense	\$6,702.00	\$6,450.00	-\$252.00
	Building & Grounds Expense	\$84,755.00	\$109,250.00	\$24,495.00
	Lake & Dam Expense	\$3,463.00	\$15,500.00	\$12,037.00
	Road Expense	\$137,062.00	\$122,700.00	-\$14,362.00
	Administration Expense	\$58,048.00	\$70,477.00	\$12,429.00
Total		\$396,058.00	\$448,833.00	\$52,775.00
	Profit /Loss	\$59,393.00	\$267.00	
Marina Gas				
	Marina Gas Income	\$35,834.00	\$36,000.00	
	Marina Gas Expense	\$34,322.00	\$36,000.00	
	Total Profit / Loss	\$1,512.00	\$0.00	
Citizens Union Bank Loan				
	Membership Dues - Loan	\$75,400.00	\$75,200.00	
	Loan Paymnt	\$69,794.00	\$69,794.00	
	Total Available for Loan Payment	\$5,606.00	\$5,406.00	
Miscellaneous Income				
	Miscellaneous Income	\$109,608.00	\$56,300.00	
	Reserve Budget Accounts	\$0.00	\$55,000.00	
	Profit / Loss	\$109,608.00	\$1,300.00	

Security

Cheri Fredelake cherifredelake160@gmail.com

I am going to be doing some research into the issue of passes and whether we should limit the number of passes allowed per year and charging for any written over that limit. I would like to hear the thoughts of membership concerning this idea. Pro and cons. I will be asking the guards for their opinions as well. I would like ideas on how we could keep and record the number of passes each property owner writes. The limit of passes we should allow and the amount we should charge per pass after that limit has been reached. I would also like to know where/what you think the monies collected from the passes should go towards or be directed to. I would also like to hear from those who want it to remain as it is. After gathering this information I will present it to the board for their opinions and ideas. Please feel free to contact me at cherifredelake160@gmail.com. This really doesn't have anything to do with security however I believe it should be mentioned. With Winter quickly approaching I would like to suggest to everyone that they have extra supplies on hand in case ice and snow make

it dangerous to get out. I would also suggest if at all possible you have an alternate heat source in case the power goes out. Having bottled water on hand would be a good idea as well. We have been without power and water during past winters for days at a time.

I would also like to ask that people keep an eye on their neighbors property if at all possible. Just kind of take a quick look when passing by or if you are outside enjoying the weather. Not just for anyone trespassing on the property but for signs of running water or fallen trees etcetera. We are still continuing to get complaints of folks driving too fast. Please remember that the speed limit is 15 MPH. Our roads are gravel they are narrow in places and we have several blind curves and hills. Exceeding the speed limit can be dangerous. We are getting complaints of dogs running loose. Owen County requires you to have your dog under your control at all times. Elk Lake requires the same. You are responsible for any damage or injury your dog may cause.

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You can also be fined by both the county and Elk Lake. Continuous reports and complaints can lead to the animal control officer picking up your dog as well.

Please with the holiday season upon us it is important that you pick up your packages as soon as possible. The number of packages is already increasing daily. The gate doesn't have the room to hold packages for long periods of time. Please also make sure your name and address is correct when ordering. We have received a few packages where there is no name or lot number just 445 Elk Lake Resort Road. If you are expecting a package from your company please be sure your name and lot number are on it as well. Not just your company name.

I hope everyone has a happy Thanksgiving and is able to enjoy some time with friends and family or just some alone down time. Be safe if traveling.

**A VERY MERRY
CHRISTMAS
and Happy New Year!**



Important Notices for Members



- We are currently taking donations for the holiday fund for the security guards. Let's show them how much we appreciate them by making a donation. **Donations must be received by December 4th.**
- The New Member Committee met at the winery on October 21st. There were 5 members in attendance and some really great conversation commenced. We discussed boating, new boaters, how to maintain a septic system, and how to keep rodents out of your home. There is an interest in having social activities at the lodge each quarter and providing more information regarding how the dock concerts work and more promotion of social activities around the lake and in the community. There is a request for a list of local shopping and restaurants, along with their specialty and hours. A phone directory has also be requested and discussed on the best way to keep it updated. This would also provide information on members who are at the lake full time, so other full-timers can reach out if something is needed. Please contact **vboerger@yahoo.com** if you have any questions.
- **New Member Committee meets on the third Thursday of the month @ 7p.m.**
- **ELPOA board meetings will on the third Saturday of the month and are open to all members.**
- **Boat/Trailer Storage at Lodge Parking Lot: \$25 monthly fee; Contact ELPOA office for more details, Parking for day/weekend is allowed, All other boats/trailers will be towed at owner's expense.**



Important Notices for Members Cont.



- ♦ **Do NOT park vehicles at the dam unless you are launching a boat which will be taken out the same day (All other vehicles will be towed)**
- ♦ **Lots for Sale!** Contact ELPOA Office for pricing & locations

Reminder: if you have a property improvement permit & your job is complete, please call 513-702-8862 so we can do our inspection and return any road deposit checks

- ♦ ELPOA is accepting donations for any area that needs it! Donate to roads, beautification, security, lake & dam, etc. Please contact ELPOA office for additional information
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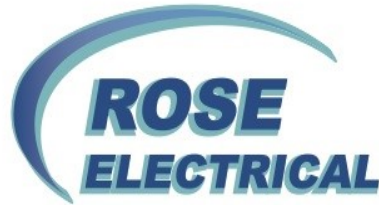
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I would like to add an entry each month for each of our gate staff... they are all so outstanding and I appreciate them all so very much...

I would like to first recognize Tony Sloma. The reason for choosing to recognize Tony is that he has such an infectious personality. It is a breath of fresh air coming home to elk lake and being greeted with his delightful smile and chuckles, after I have worked a long 12 hour shift. It is so nice to have someone smiling and friendly to correspond with at the end of a hard day ...Also, he goes above and beyond his duties often times by helping me to load my car when my packages are too heavy for me to handle. I appreciate the kindness he shows not only to me but my guests as well ... thank you Tony for all you do.

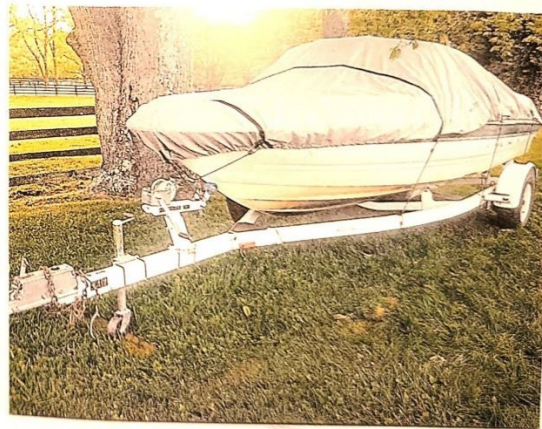
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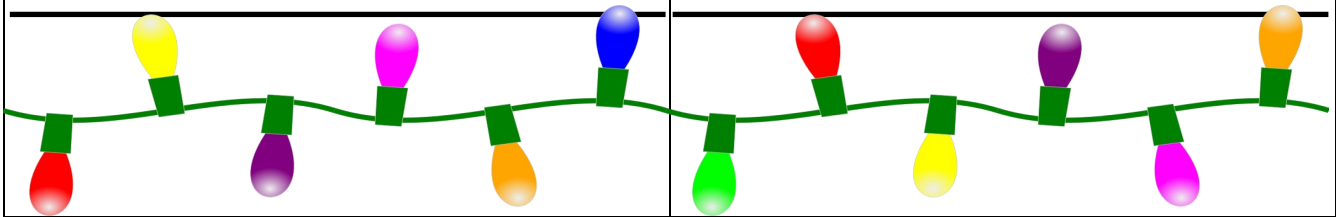
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