

# From the President *by Jon Testut*



LOST BRIDGE VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

# LBVCA UPDATE

...and the story continues...

My brother-in-law visited us a few weeks ago. He was absolutely blown away, but not by the lake, or the view or the natural beauty of our community. He was astounded by the \$96 LBV maintenance assessment. He said, "Per month"? I said, "Nope. Per year". He could not believe it. He told me that since I was President I should just issue an executive order to raise the rates. I explained that it took a majority of the property owners to agree to change the assessment. And that majority had not been achieved in 13 years. **13 years!** He has returned home now, but I would bet he is still shaking his head in disbelief.

I would bet there are many members of our community who are also shaking their heads in disbelief also. I ask you, how much longer can we subsist on \$8 bucks a month? Sadly, some members believe this is possible. We are absolutely not going to be able to sustain our amenities if we cannot get members to understand that our financial future is at stake if we don't increase the annual assessment.

Without an assessment increase funding the library would be difficult. Keeping the Rec Center open might not happen. Closing the pool is possible. Fireworks display???...it may just become a memory of a great tradition. Those of you who appreciate the great job our maintenance department does will miss roadside mowing, tree and bush trimming, and snow-plowing. Reduced office hours and services are a certainty.

In August we are asking you to make a very important decision regarding a long overdue Maintenance Assessment increase. The Board of Trustees will be asking you to vote yes so that we may continue to enjoy the reasons that we all love to live in Lost Bridge Village.

If we want to keep this corner of paradise viable and solvent, the Maintenance Assessment vote will have to bring back a resounding **YES**.

Jon



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*A great place to live!*



**INJURED OR DEAD ANIMALS :** To report an injured or dead animal (deer, raccoon, etc.) and have it removed from a state culvert or state 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 a dead animal or **deer parts** on your property (left behind by illegal hunters), you may bury them but **NOT** burn them (according to the AR Dept. of Environmental Quality).

We've recently learned both the Benton County Roads Dept. and Sheriff's Dept. say they have no program in place for picking up dead deer from county roads or culverts. If the animal is lying in a culvert, notify the AR Dept of Environmental Quality at 1-888-233-0326.

### 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/](http://www.arkansashighways.com/)

**SPEED LIMIT in LBV:** The speed limit throughout the Village is only **20mph** and is enforceable by the Benton County Sheriff's dept. Please drive safely.

### BURNING ON YOUR OWN PROPERTY

If you plan to do yard waste 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**. Burn Ban info can be found on our website: [www.lbvca.com](http://www.lbvca.com). **(Burning of construction materials is prohibited.)**

### 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 Roads (479-271-1052)** 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:** Be a good neighbor and rake out leaves and tree debris from your ditches and culverts to prevent water run-off problems, and either burn them or haul them away. If you hire someone to rake leaves or clear other yard waste from your property be sure to tell them to NOT push it into a ditch or culvert or into the street. You must take it to Inland Waste Service (479-878-1384) for disposal. You will be charged a clean-up fee if LBVCA has to clean out your ditch.

## Welcome To Our Neighborhood

### New Village Homeowners

Secretary of H.U.D. — LBS B1 103  
Elbert, Robert & Dorothea — WMT S1 18  
Jesse, James — MOU S4 17  
Joske Enterprises, LLC — MOU S4 30 & 31  
Coleman, Jo Lynn & Robert — LBS B1 137  
Pedano, Tom — CCA B1 35  
Miller, Doug & Beverly — LBS B1 140

### New Village Property Owners

Eden Properties LLC — PMR U4 42 & 43  
Barnhardt, Jeffrey & Denise — PMR U3 618-619, 621-625  
Rocon of Bella Vista LLC — PMR U5 24 & 48  
Nichols, Nathan & Carrie — PMR U7 267  
Lambert, Larry Joe — FHS B2 45 & 52  
Howard, Scott & Debra — LBS B3 23, 24 & 25  
Post, Mary — PMR U8 237  
Howard, Rachele — CCA B2 4, 5 & 6

### YOUR LBVCA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Jon Testut – President	Ken Buchheit, Trustee
Steve Bray – Vice President	Randy Haley, Trustee
Ellen Rinard – Sec./Treas.	Melvin Schoonover, Trustee
	John Wilson, Trustee

**LOUD NOISE from a neighbor's party keeping you awake at night? Call the Benton County Sheriff's department to submit a complaint. 479-271-1012.**



### 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](http://www.lbvws.com).

**VOLUNTEER NEEDED:** The Board is seeking a volunteer to take over publication of the LBVCA bimonthly "Update" newsletter. This volunteer would work closely with Marty in the Office and with the Board of Trustees. If you have a creative flair, excellent grammar skills, an attention to detail, have MS Publisher or other publishing software, and can devote 8-16 hours every other month please contact Jon Testut at 479-531-8164 or at [jtestut@msn.com](mailto:jtestut@msn.com).



## News from Posy Mountain Ranch by Randy Haley

Greetings from Posy Mountain. Missed last month's newsletter working on the roads. Had a team of four people that came over and we did the mowing along the roads. Lily Lane and Honeysuckle Lane have had gravel put down and leveled on both roads, and will go back to do the second level on each.

We are still on track to move rock from the China Hollow area (common property) up to Tenderfoot Drive, Blackberry Drive and Elderberry Drive. These are roads that have deep ruts. Trying to line up volunteers and equipment for the task. Other roads will be addressed as requested for repair.

As everyone knows, money is tight every where. I know we need to have an increase to our assessment, and one of the things I have been pushing for is that the majority of the increase would be used in the part of the community that it comes out of; in other words, each subdivision of LBVCA would have money to work to transform their areas. What would help your area?? Drainage is a problem in some parts of the Village, more repairs on the rec. center, and money to clear undergrowth out to make our area more appealing to visitors and potential buyers. In the Posy area it's the roads and overgrowth that has been happening for years; we will be starting to trim the roads, but with the limited funds we may not get too far this year.

I have hopes that this year's assessment increase ballot will pass and that we can continue to be able to make our Village and Ranch better places to call home. A lot of volunteer time and equipment has been used so far this year and we still have plans for more things to be done. Maybe it's time for neighbors to help other neighbors who may not be able to do the things that need to be done.



## AIRSTRIP NEWS by Steve Bray

If you have been at or near the airstrip lately you may have noticed some activity or changes in the surface. The pilot community at LBVCA has banded together and has donated funds which have been used to purchase a portable direct-fire melter and supplies for filling runway cracks. The pilots are also contributing the labor. As of this writing the runway cracks from the South end to the burn pile have been filled. We hope to have much of the runway completed by the time of the Fly-In on September 12th. In addition to prolonging the lifetime of the runway surface and deferring the cost of a future overlay, filling of the cracks reduces the cost of materials and labor to apply herbicide to invasive weeds and grass which would otherwise accelerate the deterioration of the surface. This is a voluntary initiative of the pilots and is not being funded at all by annual assessments. If you are a pilot or have an interest in supporting the airstrip and are not already on the "LBVCA Pilots" email list, please contact Steve Bray at [sbray72732@centurylink.net](mailto:sbray72732@centurylink.net) and provide your contact info.

The annual Fly In this year is Saturday, September 12th. Last year was the largest turn out ever, and it may be even bigger this year. Lots of aircraft and antique vehicles will be on hand as well as good food and fun. Please plan on attending, but keep in mind that the runway is active. Please keep a tight reign on young children and keep clear of the runway when aircraft are arriving or departing. Your "selfie" of an airplane about to land where you are standing might seem like a cool picture, but it is scary from the pilot's perspective.



## Parks & Recreation by Steve Bray

The heat is on! Why not cool off at the rec center pool? The rec center is available to all LBVCA members in good standing, not just the folks who live in the Lower Village and Whitney Mountain areas. For the comfort and well being of all who use the pool, children who are not yet potty trained are not allowed in the main pool. There is a small kids' pool for their use. The pool will be closing for the season after Labor Day on Sept. 7th.

Did you see the fireworks on July 3rd? If not, you missed a great show. This year we had a sound system and corporate co-sponsors (local marinas) for the first time.

Due to an unusually wet season the lake level has been much higher than usual. Please be extra cautious when boating to keep an eye out for floating logs and debris. The shoreline contour is quite different now in many areas and trees that were easily visible under normal conditions may be just under the surface. Just a reminder that the Corps of Engineers' master plan for Beaver Lake is being revised and there is a moratorium on shoreline changes to docks, steps, etc. According to the COE timeline there should be another opportunity for public input to the draft plan sometime soon. Please check the website at <http://go.usa.gov/Mw5H> periodically for updates. This affects all of us who own property on or near Beaver Lake.

Remember that the rec center (except the pool) and tennis courts are available year round from 6AM - 10PM with your access code. If you need an access code contact the office.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

# UPCOMING SOCIALS & EVENTS

## SEPTEMBER SOCIAL

September 12th

**9th Annual Fly In**  
**with Classic Car & Boat Show.**  
**Food and Live Music!**  
**11 a.m to 2 p.m.**



**Where:** At the LBVCA Airstrip on East Airport Drive.

**Music by:** Ted Tidwell and the Second Wind Band.

No admittance fee. Donations appreciated. **Don't miss it!**

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## OCTOBER EVENT

### **LBVCA 2015 FALL CLEAN-UP**

**OCTOBER 2, 3 & 4**

**Friday & Saturday, 8:30AM-4:30PM; Sunday 8:30am-3:30pm**

Mark your calendar for LBVCA's 2015 Fall Clean-Up. (It is NOT being held in conjunction with the Benton County Cleanup, which is on Oct. 10th.) More details later. Call David Myers with questions or to volunteer: 359-2075. Donations welcomed.

THIS IS A TOTAL COMMUNITY EFFORT.

PLEASE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CLEAN UP YOUR PROPERTY.

WE NEED YOU TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESS.



**LBV's ANNUAL JULY FIREWORKS EVENT WAS A**



The July 3rd cookout and fireworks event was a huge success again this year. We fed 255 people and drew a crowd of about 400. A big **THANK YOU!** to our co-sponsors of the **fireworks display**, **Starkey Marina** and **Lost Bridge Marina**, to Ted Tidwell and the Second Wind Band for the great music, to Hog Wild Pyro for a great show, and to all the volunteers who pitched in! THANK YOU!



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**GLADE HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S 4th Quarter Meeting  
& SOUP SUPPER FUNDRAISER**

**SUNDAY, October 25th, 3:00 p.m. in the LBV Village Hall.**

All you can eat for just \$7.00. Homemade soups, bread, dessert, and a beverage. Guest Speaker Susan Young of the Shiloh Museum. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**NEBCO FIRE-EMS**  
COMING TO "THE" FIRE DEPARTMENT  
NEAR YOU!



**LABOR DAY COUNTRY BREAKFAST**

**Monday, September 7th, 7-10 am**

Complete breakfast, just \$7 for adults,

\$4 for children ages 5-12, free for kids under 5.

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**22nd Annual TURKEY SHOOT & RIB  
LUNCHEON & OUTDOOR SPORTS EXPO**

**Saturday, October 3rd, 9-3**

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



*Music At The FireHouse*

**Season ends soon.**

The Black Oak Band's 2015 season ends soon. The last 2 Saturdays to catch them at the NEBCO Community Center, Hwy. 62 & S. Wimpy Jones Rd., are **Sept. 12th & Sept. 26th**, from 7-9 p.m. Plenty of free parking, room to dance, and still no cover or admission charge; donations only, with 100% going to NEBCO FIRE-EMS.

For more information call Andy at NEBCO-EMS at 479-359-3134.





# BookTalk

by Pat Testut

You may have noticed a few changes in our library. We have moved the DVDs to the back room to free up some space for our expanding fiction collection. By rearranging the library we are trying to utilize our space more efficiently. Keep watching as we continue to move things around. Any comments or suggestions are always welcome. I can be reached at [lbvlibrary@hotmail.com](mailto:lbvlibrary@hotmail.com).

We continue to add new materials both purchased and donated to our various collections. July saw us add new books by Nelson DeMille, James Patterson, Barbara Delinsky, and Brad Meltzer among others. In August we will be adding non-fiction books "The Quartet" by Joseph Ellis, and "The Boys in the Boat" by Daniel Brown. Some of the new fiction books include "Nemesis" by Catherine Coulter, "The Melody Lingers On" by Mary Higgins Clark, "Cash Landing" by James Grippando, and "After the Storm" by Linda Castillo. New DVDs added are "American Sniper", "Selma", "Into the Woods", "Mockingjay", "Cake", and "McFarland USA". Hopefully you will find something to read or watch indoors as the temperature climbs close to 100!

Library losses are down since the installation of our security system. This is good news for all of us as it is no longer necessary to spend money replacing items we had already owned. This frees up the budget to buy new materials requested by you.

## BUILDING NEWS

### From your Architectural Control Committee

Last month we received applications for a new deck, a workshop, and a deck expansion. We also received inquiries about adding a guest room over a garage. Our goal is to make building requirements and guidelines available **and clear** for all members, so the ACC recommended to the Board the BS&P be revised to clarify this question.

The Buildings Standards & Practices, which are available on line at [www.LBVCA.com](http://www.LBVCA.com), have been revised by the Board to clarify acceptable guidelines for spaces over garages. Page 4 of the BS&P has been modified, under **DETACHED GARAGES, CARPORTS, OUTBUILDINGS and BUILDING ADDITIONS** to add language as follows:

Guest Room/Office/Studio and similar use premises with a bathroom in/over detached garages on the same or adjoining lot are permitted, but Garage Apartments are not, as noted in the Covenants. An apartment is defined by the addition of a kitchen with cooking and/or food storage facilities (i.e., refrigerator), substantially allowing for personal living quarters. This effectively would be in violation of the Covenants' definition for single family residence.

— Gary Hearron, ACC Chairman

— Jon Testut, Trustee



## Technically Speaking... by Jon Testut, Technology Trustee



Good news...you already know that Lost Bridge Village Members have access to free WI-FI in our Library/Lobby as well as free computer usage if you did not bring your laptop/tablet. As of the first of the month the internet access speeds have increased to provide you quicker, more efficient access to your favorite URL (address). Members are reminded that MS Office is on-board the lobby computer, including Word and Excel. There is a small charge for printing documents on the attached printer.

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

Please remember to visit our community website ([WWW.LBVCA.COM](http://WWW.LBVCA.COM)) to enjoy features and facts about our village. There is a contact page as well for your personal suggestions and comments.

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



We are pleased to announce the addition of a new Maintenance man, Brian Bostian, a long standing member of our community. Brian is an experienced and enthusiastic worker whom you may have seen hard at work around the Village trimming branches, roadside mowing and clearing ditches. Hopefully his bright orange shirt will alert you when you are driving on our roads. Please be careful as Brian may not see or hear you while he is operating equipment. Give him a width berth. Be alert!

The Burn Pile has been 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.

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, it detracts from the beauty of our neighborhoods.

Trustee Advisors: Jon Testut and Randy Haley

\*\*\*\*\***VILLAGE ACTIVITIES**\*\*\*\*\*

- **EXERCISE** — Monday, Wednesday & Friday mornings 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. in the Village Hall.
- **YOGA** — Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m., Village Hall. Pay at each session. Class instructor is Lynn Larson at 479-253-9728.
- **HOBBITS** — 1st Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the Village Hall. Contact Tammy Douglass, President, at 479-359-1300. No meetings June-August. **September meeting will be on Wed., Sept. 9th.**
- **GARDEN CLUB** — 4th Monday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the Village Hall. No meetings June-August. For info call Patti French or Val Bell, club co-presidents. (Patti: 479-359-3521. Val: 479-359-2180.)
- **CRAFTERS UNLIMITED** — Meet every Monday morning, 10:00-2:30, year round, in the Village Hall. Bring your lunch. Call Pat Reynolds for information (479-359-2042).
- **LOST BRIDGE BOOK CLUB** — 4th Friday of each month at 1:00 p.m. Contact Judy Mack at 479-359-2729 for details.
- **COMMUNITY CHURCH** — 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.
- **WATER AEROBICS AT THE POOL** — Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays, 10am to Noon, **June-August only.** Contact Roberta Heaton at 359-2139. The pool closes after labor Day, Sept. 7th.
- **MONTHLY LBVCA BOARD MEETINGS** — The LBVCA Board of Trustees meets the second Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Building. Property owners are welcome.
- **THE LBV WATER & SEWER BOARD** usually meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 9:00 a.m. in the LBVCA Community Building Conference Room.

**ACCESS CODES FOR VILLAGE AMENITIES**

If you need an access code for the Village amenities (Library, Tennis Courts, Rec Center & Pool) contact the Village Office (at 479-359-3204 or at office@lbvca.com). 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, not for renter use.)

**LBVCA Assessment Increase Ballot**

Don't forget to cast your YES vote for LBVCA's Assessment Increase. Ballots must be received by no later than October 9th. Mail yours TODAY!



**BENTON COUNTY SERVICES**

**Solid Waste Disposal & Recycling**

- This center will give County residents a place to dispose of unwanted furniture, refrigerators, electronics, up to 4 rim-less 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](http://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

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**For disposal of household trash, cardboard, glass, etc., call:**

**Inland Waste Services**

(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.

Inland takes construction debris for \$40 per truckload.

**Benton County Cleanup**

Saturday, October 10th, 8:00am to Noon

**Location in our area:** 1700 S. Wimpy Jones Rd., Garfield

For more information on the County cleanup call 479-271-1083 or go to [www.bccleanup.org](http://www.bccleanup.org).