

White Oak Lake Beach Activities:

2019

BEACH MONITOR POSITIONS FOR 2019: Board Member Stacy Orwig is accepting calls now for interested members wishing to apply for 2019 Beach Monitor positions. Please call her directly at 842-9842 to discuss and email resumes to wolacommunications@gmail.com. It is our intention to hire monitors to cover 32 hours/week this year.

BEACH RAMP: Construction Update: The IDNR has received our plans for the new ramp and ramp access lane that we want to put in this Spring. Bids are already being accepted for this work. As soon as the project is approved by the IDNR we will proceed to select vendor(s) and get a schedule published. Members should note that when construction begins, there will most likely be a closure of the ramp to put in/take out boats until the project is completed. The intention is to have the new access and ramp completed well before Memorial Day. The weather this Spring will dictate that date. More specific information will be published right here as soon as we know more.

2018 Beach Project Update

Our beach project (Phase I – Replace the Retaining Wall and improve Member usage areas) is completed. A beautiful patio and ramp are now poured for observation of the beach area, including wooden steps near the water for easy access. A new grassy area for blankets and chairs is also available on the first tier. Lastly, our beach sign has been updated and beautified. Head down to the beach to see our new area!





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Updated 9/7/17

IMPORTANT NOTICES!

As announced last year at our Annual Meeting, and again this Spring in our Newsletter, we are busy with two projects this fall:

Lake Lowering for Beach Improvements and lakeside property improvements

We will begin lowering the lake water level on Monday, October 15, and continue until we have lowered the lake approximately 30 inches. This is for beach wall improvements and lakefront property owners beachfront improvements. We will attempt to raise the drain to normal pool after March 1, 2018. The lake will have to fill back up naturally in the early Spring for normal use next year. In the past, it was filled by mid May, if not earlier. But there is NO guarantees of when nature will provide rain to fill us back up. It is a risk we must take to complete the WOLA Beach Improvement project and one we need to do AT LEAST every ten years for property owner improvements.

Lakefront Property Owners – Remove boats before 10/15!

If you need to use the WOLA boat ramp to take your boats out before winter, do so BEFORE October 15. Otherwise you will have a very hard time backing in deep enough to pull out your boat and might risk getting stuck. This is a sacrifice we need to make (to remove boats earlier this year) to finish our beach project. This was voted on last year at the Annual Meeting.

REMEMBER – BOAT RAMP MAY BE UNUSABLE AFTER OCTOBER 15!

Updated 8/3/17



WOLA is placing three large floating CAUTION buoys on the outside borders of the WOLA beach designated swimming area. The entire area INSIDE these buoys is OFF LIMITS to any fishing, including casting from outside the marked area to inside the marked area. The risk for WOLA is that swimmers can get hooks that have been broken off in this area imbedded in their feet, arms, etc. which can be very hazardous to those individuals. Members or guests found fishing inside this well-marked area will be subject to discipline, including being asked to leave the lake or having privileges suspended.

These buoys should also remind boat operators that swimmers inside that designated area have the Right-of-Way in that area so they must use extreme caution while boating in that area. PLEASE – help us enforce this notice. Thank you!

Updated 5/26/17

The swimming season has begun and our White Oak Lake Monitors are beginning to work at the beach. Their main purpose is to assure that the beach is being used properly, by MEMBERS in good standing. They are NOT lifeguards. They will ask Members to sign in and will be checking all cars parked at the beach and any boats being launched from the ramp for up-to-date WOLA car and watercraft stickers. Please help them as they help us protect our biggest asset – our beautiful lake.

They will also be raking the beach, performing some weed clean-up duties, and generally being present to assist members with questions about the beach area.

If you have any questions about the beach monitors, please contact Jamie Theiler or Stacy Orwig, WOLA Board Members. Their contact information is listed on the website.

NOTE: Check our Timely Announcements Page often to read about the latest lake treatment and algae/weed growth activity that might affect swimming. Enjoy the summer!

One reminder for all members: There are NO PETS allowed in the beach area for obvious sanitary and member safety reasons. Please do not allow them on the sand. Thank you!