

SUMMER 2011 NEWSLETTER

2011 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Linda Williams – President
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- The Board of Directors meets on the third Tuesday of every month at 7:30 pm in the Association's Community Room. All members are welcome to attend.

Other scheduled meetings:

- The Architectural Control Committee meets on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm in the Association's Community Room, as needed.
- The Compliance Committee meets on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm in the Association's Community Room, as needed.

YOUR ASSESSMENTS AT WORK - MAY 2011

As you have probably noticed, we've been very busy. If you would like to see what other projects and issues the PLPOA Board of Directors is working on, please join us at one of our monthly meetings (third Tuesday of every month, 7:30 pm, in the Community Room). If you have any suggestions, we will be happy to listen - all suggestions may NOT be enacted, but the BOD will most definitely give it consideration.

Refurbished Lake Monroe Pavilion

Hopefully, you've had a chance (or will soon) to enjoy the refurbished Lake Monroe Pavilion. Last year, the office received several complaints about nails popping up, splinters, and broken or warped boards. As a result of these complaints as well as the age (30+ years) and life expectancy of the decking and rails, the BOD voted to refurbish the pavilion and replace the picnic tables. Some of the old picnic tables - after being cleaned up and repaired - have been placed on the grounds in the Lake Monroe area for increased picnicking capacity.

Roughly 90% of the pavilion project was paid from allocated reserves. Due to the diligence of previous BOD's putting money aside (into reserves) for eventual pavilion replacement, this project had minimal impact on last year's operating budget and resulted in no additional assessment. This beautiful pavilion belongs to all of us, please be respectful to others and care for it as if it were your own. Please report abuses or vandalism to the PLPOA Office, 540-775-7000, or to Access Control personnel.

Expansion of Lake Monroe Spillway

The expansion of our Lake Monroe Spillway was a state requirement due to increased concerns about the effect of extreme weather on dams. The Spillway project was paid for 100% through allocated reserves, again resulting in no additional assessment. Currently, the ground in the disturbed area is too soft for regular vehicle traffic/parking. We hope to have this area fully open to all members when the surface will support greater use.

Here are a few things to look forward to in the area: new bridge to cross the spillway (rip-rap) and larger shore area for fishing.

Repair of Lake Jefferson Spillway

Soon contractors will be working in the Lake Jefferson Dam area to repair a section of the spillway pipe that has cracked. The crack was discovered during a recent safety inspection and PLPOA has moved quickly to address the issue. We are not expecting the repair to affect the lake water level. Also, there is no cause for alarm. We simply ask that you stay away from the repair area as it will be hazardous.

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

Please remember, **ALL** construction (including new homes, decks, sheds, fences and additions) must be approved by the ACC as set out in the Deed of Dedication. Unapproved structures are in violation of the covenants.

The ACC meets on the second Wednesday of each month. **All plans** to be considered at a given meeting must be submitted to the PLPOA Office by the ACC deadline date (16 days prior to the meeting date, always a Monday). Plans submitted after that meeting's deadline date will not be considered until the next meeting.

Mailboxes must be black or wood on a wood post. The black plastic all-in-one boxes are acceptable. If you have a separate newspaper box, it must also be made of wood. The plastic boxes given out by carriers are not acceptable.

If you wish to remove trees from your property, any tree larger than 6" in diameter at 4.5' high must be approved for removal by the ACC. Trees dead, diseased or dying do not require permission, but please let the office know when you are cutting trees down for that reason.

POOL and RECREATION NEWS

Pool Opening Date: Saturday, May 28th

Hours of Operation: 10 am - 8 pm, Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend

Welcome to the Presidential Lakes 2011 summer season. Warm weather is finally here and it's time to enjoy our waters, pavilions, beach, and playground.

Once you enter the pool area, be prepared show your recreation tags to the lifeguard or volunteer at the check-in table. This person will log-in your tags. Recreation tags will be checked each time you enter the pool area. If you do not have your recreations tags, entrance will be denied.

Please cooperate with the lifeguards, observe all safety regulations, and assure that your children and guests do the same!

When using the pool, please park your car in the pool parking lot. It is accessed via the driveway past the pool. **Do not use the office parking lot as there is limited space for people stopping by the association office. There is plenty of parking for you in the pool parking area.**

Loud radios, food, drinks in glass containers, roughhousing, and seeking entrance without recreation tags, etc. will not be allowed.

As always, the pool will be closed during serious inclement weather, including thunderstorms, but will reopen after the dangerous weather has passed.

For the safety of all, recreation tags will be required at all times to gain entry to our pool area, playground, pavilions, and beach. Additional day passes for guests can be obtained through the PLPOA office. Please have your tags readily available as the access control personnel and lifeguards will be asking for them. All people in your party, 10 years and older, need a recreation tag. If you plan on having extra guests, please call the PLPOA Office at 775-7000 to find out how to obtain extra tags for the day. One-day tags for guests cost \$2.50/ tag. To plan ahead for unexpected guests, the Association offers a sheet of 10 day tags for \$20.00. These may be purchased in advance and used when needed. Access Control guards or the lifeguards will date them when you and your guests use the amenities. These one-day passes are good for use thru April 30, 2012. **The purchase of these one-day tags is non-refundable.** Please plan ahead as one-day tags are only available through the PLPOA office Monday – Friday. Children may not purchase guest passes.

Please enjoy skateboarding and/or rollerblading by using the multi-purpose court (basketball court) for those activities. Some of the parking areas surrounding landscaping do not escape damage when this area is used as a skating arena. Please inform your kids and remember that if your children are using these amenities, recreations tags are required. **Do not skate on any of the picnic pavilions as picnic tables will be damaged!**

**PRESIDENTIAL LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
KING GEORGE, VIRGINIA
2011 RECREATION TAG AUTHORIZATION**

Property Owner(s) _____

Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zipcode _____

Section# _____ Lot # _____

Phone#(Home) _____ Phone#(Office) _____

<u>Names of Other Household Members</u>	<u>Ages</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
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_____	_____
_____	_____

I agree, by accepting these tags:

1. When using any recreation facility, **each person will have a "RECREATION TAG" which will be produced and displayed upon request.** Wearing the tag on the body in a visible location will decrease the number of times that the individual may be requested to produce the tag for verification purposes.
2. That I, and any other person(s) wearing my assigned tags, will read and abide by the rules and regulations of Presidential Lakes P.O.A. as promulgated by the Board of Directors.
3. To be responsible for the actions of any person(s) wearing my assigned tags.

Due to the nature of past problems and the indiscriminate use by unauthorized people, the policy will be strictly enforced.

_____ Date _____
Property Owner Signature

For Office Use Only:

Tag numbers _____

Date _____

ACCESS CONTROL NEWS

Our uniformed access control guards are now on duty. As during last summer, these personnel will rove, but will be stationed mainly at Lake Monroe. They will be checking all persons using amenities for recreation tags and generally making sure that rules are followed. They are here primarily to control access to the common areas and are not here "on call" for member emergencies. **Our access control guards are not law-enforcement officers.** During PLPOA Office hours (Monday - Friday, 9 - 4), Mrs. Thornton will assist you should you have a question about a particular incident. If you feel unsafe or if there is suspicious or criminal activity in your area, please contact the King George County Sheriff's Department at 775-2049 IMMEDIATELY. For emergencies only - 911. The Sheriff's Department is your first resource for help in emergencies.

- Please remember!! The speed limit in Presidential Lakes is 25 MPH! For everyone's safety, please slow down. Many walkers, joggers, and parents walking with children are sharing the road. Slow down out there!
- Do not shortcut through other residents' property to enter the common areas. All members have access to the lakes through the common areas only. Use only these entrances to the lakes if you wish to fish or swim. Lots are private property all the way to the shore of the lakes! You are trespassing if you make use of private lots and can be so charged!
- **Boats are being left at end of Nature Trail - boats are unsecured and can be stolen, float away or be used by children who don't know how to handle them and this can be unsafe. Owners of boats and parents be aware!**
- The nature trail off Tompkins Dr. may be accessed only from Tompkins. We have had several complaints from homeowners at the end of Curtis Circle that people are using their property as shortcuts to Lake Jefferson. You have no right to do this. Access to all lakes for non-lakefront owners is only through the common areas located on the lakes.

OTHER NEWS

- **2011 dues and assessments are past due!** Dues and assessments are due on March 1 every year and are late after March 15th. Dues must be paid before you may obtain Recreation Tags, guest passes, or rent amenities. **Amount now due: \$673.20. This amount is good through May 31, 2011.** Additional interest will accrue if paid after that date.
- If you have not received your 2011 Recreation Tags, please complete and return to the PLPOA office the enclosed authorization form. A new form must be completed and returned each and every year!
- Should you experience a water outage or other water problem, please call the following numbers to report it or find out more information:
For homes in section 14: Presidential Services Company: 540-891-6673
Outage: 540-840-0192 (Doug Crooks)

For homes in sections 1 - 13: King George County Facilities Dept. - 775-2746

- Dogs and other pets are not allowed on the beach, pavilion, pool area, or in the playground. PET OWNERS: It is your responsibility to make certain your pet is under your control at all times and not allowed to become a nuisance to others. Dogs which bark constantly and roam are a nuisance. Ask your neighbors! If your neighbors wanted pets, they'd have them!
- Please counsel your children about not diving off the pavilion from the rails and roof. The pavilion roof is much too high from which to dive safely. The water is not deep enough for that! Also, by diving from the roof and rails, damage to the pavilion itself occurs. Both actions are against regulations and members and guests will be reminded if seen doing either one.
- Remember! Charcoal fires only are permitted in the fire pits on the lake pavilion and in the new park grills near the pavilions.
- **School buses** - when stopped and loading/unloading - it has been reported that some drivers are passing through the bus stop when bus lights are flashing. Be vigilant regarding the status of buses as they carry their young charges.
- Let's keep Presidential Lakes beautiful for walks, cycling or drives. Please pick up unsightly trash and litter because, whether it is falling off of trash trucks or just maliciously discarded, there seems to be plenty of it around lately. There are several ways we can attack the litter problem. One suggestion is an adopt-a-street campaign where residents can manage their home street and keep it free of litter. Another way perhaps is a periodic PLPOA clean-up day where residents pitch in to pick up the debris. Any other suggestions are welcomed.
To volunteer to help clean our neighborhood, please contact Doug Davant 775-9214.

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Return Service Requested