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How sweet it is!



Memorial Day means picnics, and picnics mean watermelon, and watermelon means Taylor St. Onge's grandmother is going to have a watermelony little girl to clean up.

SLLA ends year with surplus, looming costs

Association finished Fiscal Year 2005-2006 on April 30 with \$414,000 in the bank, Treasurer Steve Hudson reported during the May 31 regular meeting of the association.

2005-2006 revenues of \$1,321,000 exceeded expenses of \$1,159,000, leaving a single year surplus if \$162,000, Hudson said. Adding that to reserves already on hand boosts the total over \$400,000 — the highest level in a number of years.

Hudson, who was elected to the board in March, said he could not take credit for the strong financial performance and thanked former Treasurer John Paulson for his service.

Other presentations at the meeting made clear that a good bit of the \$400,000 surplus is already committed. Hudson noted that state-mandated repairs

(See "Westside," p. 29)

The Seven Lakes Landowners to Echo Dam are expected to a decision about what sort of cost \$200,000 to \$300,000.

And Chad Beane, during the until it becomes clear how the

surface to use on the courts

association will pay for the repairs to Echo Dam.

> SLLA President Don Truesdell said plans for the repairs have been

received by state officials and estimated it would be September before approvals are in and the work can begin.

(See "SLLA," p. 17)

Seven Lakes Landowners 5/21 Association Meeting

recreation report, said the badly-

needed new surface for the

association's tennis courts will

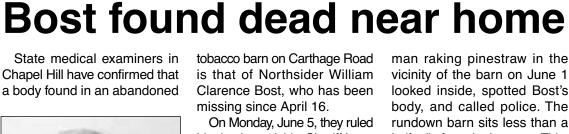
cost \$50,000. In fact, Beane

reported that board had delayed



Haley Means of Seven Lakes North shows off her very first fish. The three-year old angler landed this whopper while fishing in Lake Sequoia.

Fish Tale



his death a suicide. Sheriff Lane Carter told The Times that a suicide note was found on Bost's body. He also had a small tape recorder with recordings of natural sounds, "like people would use for meditation," Carter said.

Carter told The Times that a

vicinity of the barn on June 1 looked inside, spotted Bost's body, and called police. The rundown barn sits less than a half-mile from the home on Thistle Lane that he shared with his brother, Wayland Morris

Posters bearing Bost's photo and seeking information about him had become ubiquitous in (See "Bost," p. 2)

Graduates!

It's graduation time across the Sandhills — and across the USA. This issue of *The Times* offers a fine crop of graduates with Seven Lakes and Foxfire connections for your perusal. Our graduate display begins on page 12.



William Clarence Bost

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Artists team up on ballfield

The great new artwork at the West End Elementary ballfield concession stand was created by local artists Jill and Elizabeth Hartsell, pictured at right with their work.

The ballfield committee wants to thank them both.

Bost

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Seven Lakes since his brother reported him missing on April 23.

Bost had left all his personal belongings and his vehicle at his home when he disappeared. His family held a memorial service in his honor on Sunday, June 4.

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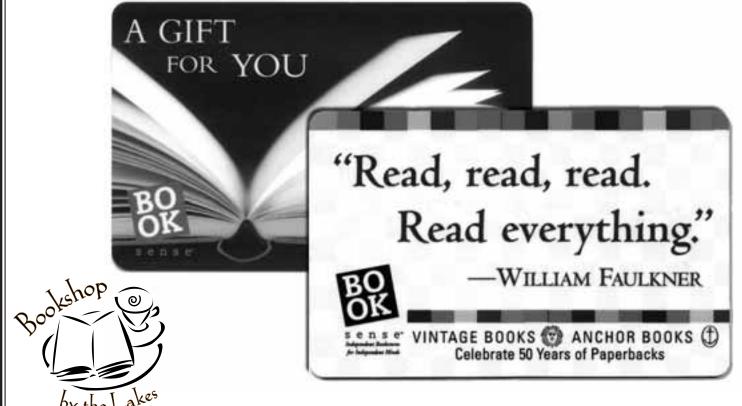
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Kiwanis hosts McGruff, the Crime Dog

Kiwanis Club of Seven Lakes hosted a "Give a Book" program for all the second graders at West End Elementary School. Every student was given a personalized edition of "McGruff and Me."

The books were written specifically with each student's name in the story with three of their friends. The story covered some of the basic safety rules such as emergencies, family safety, vandalism, and road safety.

"McGruff the Crime Dog" was accompanied by Deputy Kevin Fleece and Deputy Aaron Whitaker from the Moore County Sheriff's Office. They gave a talk and had a question and answer session about safety in swimming, biking, strangers, and computers. "McGruff the Crime Dog" takes a "Bite out of Crime."

Helen Colvin of Seven Lakes created the books sponsored by the National Safety Council. Part of the proceeds went to the Safety Council.

The teachers and students from five classes were very responsive and excited with the program and the books.

Mrs. Judith Douglas, Principal of West End Elementary introduced guests President Virginia Richmond, Past President Ron Richmond, President Elect Gerry Buclow, all of Seven Lakes Kiwanis Club, as well as Kim Bailey of First Bank, and Helen Colvin. Two anonymous sponsors were also thanked.



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Support Sandhills Animal Rescue League at their Third Annual White Elephant Sale at the Woman's Exchange, on Hwy. 2, Pinehurst Village.

The sale will be held for four weekends in the month of July. The first sale weekend will be on Friday, June 30 and Saturday, July 1, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm each day.

If you would like to donate items for the sale, receiving of items will be on June 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, and 29 at the Exchange from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm or you can call 910-974-4468 or 638-1921 for pickup of your donated goods.

Thank you for supporting Sandhills Animal Rescue League.

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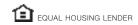
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Seven Lakers turn for planning meeting

A crowd of 80 or more turned out on Monday, June 5, for the third of four introductory Small Area Planning meetings hosted by the Moore County PLanning Department.

That's at least three times the

number at either of the the first two meetings — perhaps not surprising, since Monday's meeting was held in the heart of Area A's most densely populated area: Seven Lakes.

The pins attendees stuck in

maps to mark their homes in Area Planing Area A. fact showed that most attendees came from Seven Lakes, though the crowd included folks from Jackson Springs, and way out Big Oak Church Road, in the far northeast corner of Small

Planning Board member and Seven Lakes Civic Group President Dave Kinney kicked off the session noting that "the commissioners have given us a real opportunity" to influence devel-

opment in Area A — 100 square miles of the county centered on Seven Lakes and West End.

"Not all of us will be here in 25 years," Kinney said, with a nod to the number of gray heads in

(See "Volunteers," p. 5)

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Volunteers needed for small area plan

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the audience. "but whether we are still here or not, we have a moral obligation to leave a legacy for those who follow us. Thank God, those who preceded us felt that way."

Kinney encouraged residents with the interest and commitment to fill out an application to serve on the 15-19 member steering committee that will guide the planning process for Area A. He said the board of commissioners would likely consider appointments to the committee at their June 19 meeting. Several attendees could be seen filling out applications at the meeting.

Members of the county planning staff — who had to shout because of the lack of a public address system — presented an overview of the Small Area Planning process, as well as some basic information about Area A.

They compared the new process to the steps taken to develop the countywide land use plan in 1998:

- Using community meetings to understand the public's concerns and goals for development in the area,
- Drawing on the technical expertise of county staff and state agencies to understand where development pressure will occur and what types of development are best suited to various neighborhoods within Area A, and
- Relying on a steering committee to assemble the opinions and information collected into a coherent statement of goals that can guide decisions about re-zoning, subdivision approval and commercial development in Area A.

In a question and answer session that followed the presentation, someone from the crowd asked what "legal force" the Area A Small Area Plan will have.

Planner Debra Ensminger pointed out that state law requires that all zoning activities be conducted in a way that is consistent with local planning documents. "This Small Area Plan will be a local planning document," she

Another attendee asked how the small area plan will relate to

the countywide land use plan. Planner Cris Armstrong answered that the new plan will supplement rather than replacing the countywide plan.

One person said the current rezoning process seems to

involve primarily adjacent property owners rather than the community as a whole. "Small area planning will give you the opportunity to have a very large impact on development throughout Area A," Armstrong replied.

Area A residents interested in learning more about the process can visit the county website at www.moorecountync.gov or call the planning department at 947-5010. Those interested in serv-

ing on the steering committee should move quickly to submit an application to the planning department. The board of commissioners may begin appointing committee members later this month.

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McKay expands office

Dr. Pete McKay is celebrat- ing his office in Seven Lakes ing the twentieth anniversary of his dental practice in Seven Lakes by expanding and updat-

Village.

Until recently, The Professional Building was home to both



Dr. Pete McKay and Office Manager Harriet Wicker.

Dr. McKay and Seven Lakes Eye Care. But with the move of the latter to Seven Lakes Drive, Dr. McKay's patients and staff will enjoy a dental center that fills the whole building.

New equipment and an additional exam room will allow the staff to better serve their patients, Office Manager Harriet Wicker told The Times.

Renovations to the roof and exterior of the building are complete, as is the remodeling of the space once occupied by Seven Lakes Eye Care. This coming week the staff will move into the new side of the building in order to allow workmen to begin remodeling the old office.

"We're very excited about the new office and are sure our patients will enjoy it," Wicker told The Times. "We are accepting new patients, so we hope folks who haven't been by will give us

Britt joins practice as hygenist

Stacey Nicole Britt joined the dental practice of Dr. Pete McKay as an office-trained assistant in 2002.

Now, having graduated from Guilford Technical Community College, she will serve her patients as a dental hygenist.

The West End native is the daughter of Tommy and Kay



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Coffee Scene gets new owner, longer hours

Since opening in 2002, The Coffee Scene in Seven Lakes Village has become a real community center for for Seven Lakes and the surrounding area.

From the kick-fit crew on week-day mornings to the Foxfire Ladies every Wednesday, groups of regulars gather, chat, and disperse throughout the day. Folks rush in at 6:30 am for a jolt of java on the way to work, amble

in around 2:30 pm for a midafternoon pick-me-up, or duck in out of the heat after school for a cool smoothie.

New coffee owner Mike King likes that — likes being open whenever folks feel the need for a little refreshment — so one of his first initiatives after taking over on May 1 was to expand the Scene's hours of operation on both ends of the day. The coffee

shop is now open 6 to 6 Monday through Thursday, 6 to 7 on Fridays and 8 to 2 on Saturdays.

"Customers said they wanted us to stay open later, and we want to respond to customer demand," King told *The Times*. "If folks want us to do something, we'll give it a try. If people will come in, we'll stay open even later."

King, an Aberdeen resident who is active-duty military and works at Fort Bragg, roasts his own beans — and sells them to other area shops through his Summer Creek Gourmet Coffee. Each day the store's baristas Shauna Wire and Erin Boomgarden select different regular, flavored, decaf, and flavored decaf coffees as "Coffees of the Day."

They're also trained to brew up a full range of specialty espresso drinks and smoothies to complement the shop's assortment of muffins, scones, shortbread and other baked goods.

King told *The Times* he hopes to host some community events to bring more folks into the shop at various times of the day. In the short-term he's planning to offer a CPR class oriented to parents, grandparent, babysitters,

or anyone who spends time around kids.

"If groups want to hold their meetings here at night, we'll be happy to stay open to accommodate them," King told *The Times*. He said he hopes eventually to be able to bring monthly or biweekly musical performances back to the schedule at The Coffee Scene.

In addition to adding programs, King is adding products. The

Scene recently began offering "Coffee to Go" — a special diposable container that holds six large or eight regular cups of coffee. "It's great for business or board meetings," King said.

The Coffee Scene is located beside Bookshop by the Lakes in Seven Lakes Business Village, across the parking lot from First Bank. The phone number is 673-4200.



Mike King, new owner of the Coffee Scene in Seven Lakes.

Garden tour this Saturday

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Butler crowned

Reverend and Mrs. John Butler of Charlotte, NC, and granddaughter of Joe and "Charley" Butler of Seven Lakes North, was recently crowned "Miss Wingate University" in the annual pageant held at Wingate University. The theme of this year's pageant was "A Red Carpet Affair."

Competition was based on a pre-pageant interview, appearances in casual wear and evening wear, followed by a talent show in which Butler performed a con-

Rachel Butler, daughter of temporary Christian song which she interpreted in sign language. The final portion of the pageant allowed the master of ceremonies to address different impromptu questions, submitted by the judges, to the contest-

> Ms. Butler is a rising member of the junior class and a President's List student at Wingate University in Wingate, NC. She is involved in a number of university, community, and church activities.



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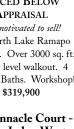
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Lynn pulls fisherman, boat from lake

by Richard Coman Seven Lakes North

Sunday afternoon, May 21, I was torn between taking a nap and going fishing. I was pretty tired after working in the lawn most of the week, the moon wasn't right for fishing, and my boat was sunk with rainwater, but I made a senior country boy decision and bailed the boat and went fishing.

I'm not sure whether myself or my home-made, 12 foot, plywood ion boat is older; I turn sixty nine next month. I found the old boat in a barn in Eagle Springs, bought it for \$100, restored it with a lot of work, \$300 and got a lot of enjoyment out of it for a couple years. The boat was a little like me: "seen better days and pretty unstable."

Anyway this evening I fished, only caught one medium sized bass and decided to put out a couple catfish lines on plastic jugs and check them early the next morning. I set the first one at the mouth of the cove where I live (Longleaf Lake) and the second out in the middle, in deeper water.

As I turned the boat toward home, I noticed I was taking on water, and within seconds, I was transformed from a boat captain to a sub commander. I carry a "cowboy pickup stick" (another story) and had reached to the front of the boat and got my Walmart Fife jacket, the cool water was rushing by me but to my surprise, the submerged boat was still moving toward the cove and I wanted it to sink in shallow water instead of the deep center of the lake.

A half century ago, I was a combat aircrewman in the US

hours in Douglas F3D2N Sky Knight night interceptors; water survival training flashed through my mind! "You probably will not drown, but panic will 1611 you for sure!" So I remained cool! Too



Jack Lynn

Navy, I put more than 2000 cool as it turned out. I had no clue legs). It was only then that I I was quickly developing hypother-

> I reached the mouth of the cove and water I thought to be 12 or 14 feet deep. Now I could retrieve my trolling motor, fish finder and anchor when/if the boat sank to the bottom. I was just off shore from the home of Jack and Dodie Lynn. Jack had helped me find my way back into the far end of the cove about a year ago when I got a little confused in the

> I tried to push away from the boat, intending to swim the distance to his dock or the shore. I was tangled in line and a lure was sticking me in my side. Still grasping the fife jacket and the cowboy stick, I reached in my pocket for a knife to cut myself free from the lure and the line (or whatever was tangled around my

realized my arms and legs were not functioning well. (No clue as to the effect of hypothemia). My attempts to swim were very



Richard Coman

nonproductive and I realized I might be in trouble for the first

Much against my "macho man" better judgement, I began to yell for help, I was now having trouble even yelling and I am normally really good at that! Thank the Good Lord, Dodie and Jack heard me and within seconds, here comes Jack across his back yard!

He asked me if I needed help and I said I was having difficulty swimming, that my efforts were not getting me anywhere. I heard Dodie yell and warn him about going in the water and I realized I must outweigh him by 100 lbs, so I told him not to come in but to get some help. God bless him, he kept coming

(See "Lynn," p. 27)

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High School Grads

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Ashley Bray Alexander
North Moore High School

Ashley is the daughter of Mark and Lisa Alexander of Eagle Springs. Her grandparents are Foster & Dorothy Williams of Eagle Springs and Don & Lillie Alexander of Seven Lakes. She was named all conference in volleyball & as team captain her senior year, a member of Beta Club, Key Club, Fellowship of Christian Students. She will attend UNC-G for Sports Medicine.



Elizabeth Hardy
Union Pines High School

Elizabeth is the daughter of Brian and Kelly Drobnak of Lakeview, NC.

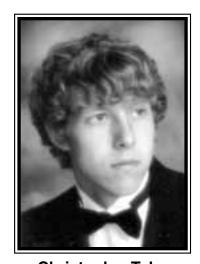
She the granddaughter of Pete and Barbara Murphy of Seven Lakes North.

Elizabeth will attend Sandhills Community College in the fall and transfer to University of North Carolina Wilmington at a later date.



Steven Taylor Beattie
Pinecrest High School

Steven is the son of Chuck and Lynn Beattie of Seven Lakes South & the grandson of Alberta Spence of Seven Lakes South and Eleanor Beattie of Rocky Mount. A member of the National Honor Society, track team, football team, a volunteer fireman with SL Fire Dept., and active in West End Presbyterian Church Youth Group. He will attend the College of Engineering & Textiles at NC State.



Christopher Tyler Brewer Northern Vance High School Henderson, NC

Tyler is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Bo Cheatham and Mr. & Mrs. Chris Brewer. He is the grandson of Jean and Carl "Leftee" Scholl of Seven Lakes North. He was an outstanding forward on the soccer team & selected to play on the All State team.

Tyler will attend Eastern Carolina University in Greenville, NC.

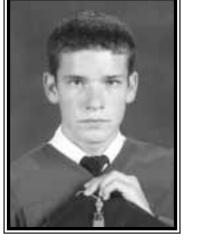


Brittney C. Dishner Pinecrest High School

Brittney is the daughter of Jess and Kathee Dishner of Seven Lakes West.

She was one of the Varsity soccer team captains, co-editor of the school yearbook, and a member of the National Honor Society.

Brittney will be attending University of North Carolina Wilmington.



Richard Cameron Gower Pinecrest High School

Cameron is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Geoffrey Gower of Seven Lakes West. His grandmothers are Mrs. Richard Gower and Mrs. Ann Rutherford.

Cameron will be attending North Carolina State University of Raleigh. He will pursue a degree in Nuclear Engineering.

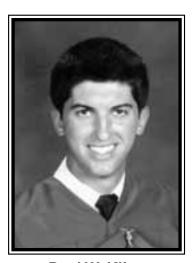


Elizabeth Nicole
Hubbard
Pinecrest High School

Nikki is the daughter Marty and Karen Hubbard of Seven Lakes and the granddaughter of Margaret Kinker of Southern Pines.

She graduated with an IB certificate.

She will attend Sandhills Community College for a year and transfer to either Liberty University or University of North Carolina-Wilmington to pursue a degree in psychology.



Paul W. Kline
Pinecrest High School

Paul is the son of Tim and Cindy Kline of Seven Lakes North.

He graduated with an IB diploma.

He will attend Furman University in Greenville, SC. He will be pursuing a degree in health and exercise science.



Brian Lawrence Greater Boston Academy Stoneham, MA

Brian is the son of Ritchie and Ann Lawrence of Wilmington, MA. He is the grandson of Jim and Pat Lott of Seven Lakes North.

He served as Class President, an honor student and was the recipient of several scholarships.

Brian will attend Walla Walla College in Walla Walla, WA. He plans to major in engineering.



Ryan Elizabeth McGaughey Stone Bridge High School Ashburn, VA

Elizabeth is the daughter of Joel and Shanna McGaughey and the granddaughter of Ron and Dita McGaughey of Seven Lakes West.

She was active in theatre arts and will be performing at The Kennedy Center in Washington, DC in June.

Elizabeth will be attending Radford University in Radford, VA.



Maggie Anne
McKinley
East Montgomery High School

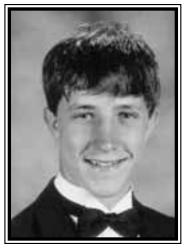
Maggie is the daughter Beckie Allen of Troy. She is the grand-daughter of Jack and Mary Ann Allen of Seven Lakes South. Maggie was an honors student, Secretary/Treasurer of the National Honor Society, a NC Scholar. She lead and developed a Student Tutor Program, a Scholar Athlete in tennis and soccer.

Maggie will attend Campbell University and will major in Biochemistry.



Savannah Ashlyn McNeill Pinecrest High School

Savannah is the daughter of Curtis and Lisa Skipper of Seven Lakes West and Tim McNeill of Fayetteville. She was a cheerleader and served as co-captain during her senior year. She played softball, was a member of Key Club, concert band, wind ensemble, National Honor Society, and Young Life. Savannah was awarded the Presidential Scholarship from Campbell University and will pursue a Doctor of Pharmacy.



Christopher Melone Pinecrest High School

Christopher is the son of Steve and Nancy Melone and grandson of Fred and Irma Kuhnert of Seven Lakes.

He was a member of the soccer and golf teams at Pinecrest. He is an active member of the Seven Lakes Volunteer Fire Department.

Christopher will attend Sandhills Community College, then transfer to the University of North Carolina Charlotte to pursue a degree in Fire Safety Engineering.



Dana Old
Pinecrest High School

Dana is the daughter of Lisa Old and the granddaughter of Richard and Carol Muhlig of Seven Lakes North and Flora Fransisco of Liberty, NY.

Dana was a member of the National Honor Society and President of the Devon Aire 4-H Club. She is also an employee of Seven Lakes Stables.

Dana will attend Sandhills Community College and transfer to North Carolina State.



Samantha Anne
Picerno
Calvary Christian School

Samantha is the daughter of Nick and Jan Picerno of McClendon Hills.

Her grandparents are Ruth Boyer of Cameron and Betty Picerno of Carthage.

Samantha will attend Campbell University this fall.

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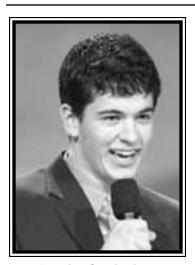
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David Christian Radford Crystal Lake High School Crystal Lake, Illinois

David is the son of Rev. & Mrs. Bill Radford of Crystal Lake, IL. His grandparents are Loren and Judy Swearingen of Seven Lakes North. He was one of American Idols' top 24 contestants this year. He will release his first CD "Swing on By" June 17, the day of his concert at the Raue Center for the Arts in Crystal Lakes. He will attend the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana.



Ashley Nicole Rose **Grace Christian** Sanford, NC

Ashley is the daughter of David and Jenny Rose of Seven Lakes North.

Ashley will be attending Sandhills Community College for her first year and then transfer to North Carolina State. She will pursue a degree in Nutrition and Exercise.



Mary Ellen Seeling **Francis Howell North High School** St. Charles, MO

Mary Ellen is the daughter of Patricia and Bruce Seeling of St. Charles, MO. She is the granddaughter of Pete and Barbara Murphy of Seven Lakes North. She graduated with honors and was a member of the Prairie Wolf cross country and track teams. Mary Ellen will attend Nebraska Wesleyan University in Lincoln, NE and major in Chemistry/Forensic Science.

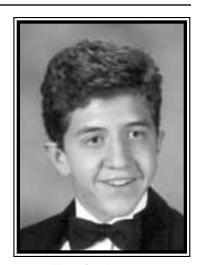


Lindsay E. Senior **Pinecrest High School**

Lindsay is the daughter of Sue Senior of Seven Lakes South and Don Senior of West End. She is the granddaughter of Richard & Joanne Schwertfager and George & Lula Mae Senior all of Florida.

She was an AP Honors graduate at Pinecrest.

Lindsay will attend North Carolina School of the Arts to pursue an Art Degree in Design and Production.



Travis James Shute Pinecrest High School

Travis is the son of Bruce and Sally Shute of Seven Lakes.

Travis received an IB diploma, was a member of the National Honor Society, attended the National Youth Leadership Forum on Defense, Intelligence and Diplomacy in Washington, DC.

He will be attending Elon University to major in Biology.

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Allison Janet Walden **Bowling Green High School Bowling Green, KY**

Allison is the daughter of Andrea and Edward G. Walden. Jr. of Bowling Green, KY.

She is the granddaughter of Virginia and Bill Taylor of Seven Lakes North.

Allison was a member of the National Honor Society and the tennis team.

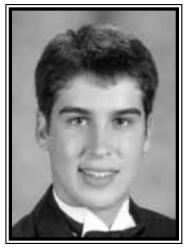
She will attend the University of Dayton in Ohio.

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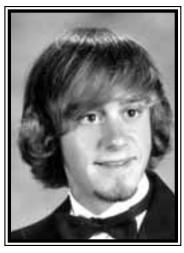
Mitchell Wilcox Pinecrest High School

Mitchell is the son of Noreen and Steve Sawver of Seven Lakes North.

He is the grandson of Billie Phillips and nephew of Kermit and Terry Purvis of Seven Lakes

Mitchell was an honor roll student.

He will attend the University of North Carolina-Greensboro to major in business and geography.



Chase Elliot Williams **Pinecrest High School**

Chase is the son of Ronnie and Tonya Williams of Seven Lakes North.

He was a member of the track and field team during high school.

Chase received a track/field and cross country scholarship from the University of North Carolina-Charlotte.



Blake Anton Davis Senior High School, Davis, CA

Blake is the son of David and Joan Anton of Davis, CA. He is the grandson of Marge and Hal Blake of Seven Lakes North.

He has been involved in bicycle racing throughout high school and participated in the 2004 Junior National Road Championships in Park City, UT; and won the District Championships in Northern, CA. In 2006, he was invited to train near Hunt, TX for a week as part of the Development Program hosted by USA Cycling. Blake was chosen to ride in a series of races from the program throughout the Spring and Summer along with other California teammates with the hope of being selected to represent the US in international competition in Belgium in August. Along with his racing, he worked part time at a bike shop. He will attend California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo, CA. He will study architecture and ride his bike with the Cal Poly Wheelmen Collegiate Racing Team.



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College Grads

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Emily K. Boomgarden
St. Andrews Presbyterian
College
Laurinburg, NC

Emily is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jim Boomgarden. She is the granddaughter of of Lowell Boomgarden of Seven Lakes.

She graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts in History and a minor in English Literature

She is employed by Foundation Relations at Duke University Hospital in Durham.



Lauren M. McChesney James Madison University Harrisonburg, VA

Lauren is the granddaughter of Jan and Bob Mitchell of Seven Lakes West.

She graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology. She was awarded the Senior Distinguished Service Award in the field of Psychology through related service activities.

Lauren will begin graduate work at the University of Virginia in the Fall.



Tiffany Wells Ovbey
Elon University
Elon, NC

Tiffany is the daughter of Trice Sanders of Seven Lakes North and Tom Ovbey of Mt. Gilead. Her grandparents are William and Abbie McArthur of Fayetteville.

Tiffany received a Bachelor of Science degree in Exercise Sport Science with a minor in Health Education.

She will be living in Wilmington, NC.



Katie Ann Roberts Pfeiffer University Misenheimer, NC

Katie is the daughter of Phil and Carol Roberts of Seven Lakes North.

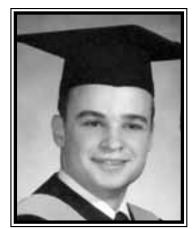
She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree Christian Education with honors.

Katie will continue her education this fall working towards a Masters degree at Duke University Divinity School.



Lauren Marie Sawayer
College of Charleston
Charleston, SC

Lauren is the granddaughter of Art & Jane Keckeissen of Seven Lakes South. She graduated Magna Cum Laude with outstanding recognition in Spanish and Latin American Studies. She was an active volunteer in her community, a member of the Golden Key Honor Society, Phi Kappa Alpha Honor Fraternity, and Hispanic Studies Honor Society.



Robert F. Williams III
University of the Sciences
Graduate School
Philadelphia, PA

Robert is the son of Bob and Gloria Williams of Seven Lakes West.

He received his Doctor of Philosophy in Health Policy.

Robert is currently employed by Cardinal Health.

He and his wife Suzanne, have three children and live in Downingtown, PA.

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SLLA resurrects volunteer boat patrol

(Continued from front page)

Hudson said he would be scheduling a public meeting sometime in July specifically to discuss how to pay for repairs to the dam.

President's report. Noting that the boating season "has opened with a fury," SLLA President Don Truesdell reminded boaters of a number of the rules governing boating on Sequoia and Echo Lakes and encouraged residents and family members to reacquaint themselves with the rules before operating a boat in the community. [See

page 28 for the full text of Trues-dell's remarks.]

Truesdell said SLLA Security Officers will be manning a weekend boat patrol on Lake Sequoia this summer. George Stahl is organizing a volunteer patrol to cover weekdays. Those interested in volunteering can telephone Stahl at 673-6466.

Truesdell noted that contractors and other tradesmen are not allowed to work in the community on Saturdays during the warmer months from April through September. Residents who must have emergency

repairs done on the weekends must contact the gatehouse in advance to ensure that workmen are admitted at the gate.

Noting that the board had in its May work session approved two rules amendments — one on unlicensed vehciles and the other on portable storage units — Truesdell said the board will begin posting work session minutes on the SLLA website at www.sevenlakesnc.org.

Community standards. Vice President Jeff Herman said his community standards committee is up and running. A key goal for this year is to review the rules and regulations that apply to community standards and "tweak them a bit."

As an example, he said the phrase "neat and tidy," used in the rules, could use a better definition.

Herman said fourteen complaints had been received in the past month and most infractions had been corrected with just a phone call from the office.

Recreation. Jack Fathauer said a Playground advisory committee has been formed to advise the recreation committee on

issues specific to the playground, which is seeing more and more use as the community becomes home to more children.

The handicapped-accessible restroom facilities at Lake Sequoia are completed, Fathauer reported, and a study is underway to determine what sorts of repairs need to be done to the stable roof

Fathauer said his committee is looking forward to receiving data drawn from landowners registrations that will help quantify the number of Seven Lakers in various age groups.

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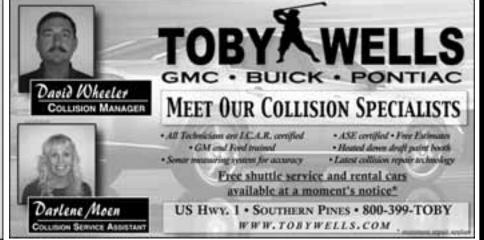
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Following up on Fathauer's remarks, Assistant Community Manager Chad Beane said morning swim lessons for kids aged 5 to 15 start on June 12. Three classes will accommodate 24

Water Aerobics was scheduled to start June 5, and a new FirstHealth sponsored Active for Life program starts June 14.

The horse camps are full and a Seven Lakes Country Club sponsored youth golf clinic is getting underway.

By-laws committee. Ed Nuti said he, George Stahl, and Ray Pardue comprise a committee charged with revising the SLLA by-laws. "Our goal is to make them understandable and unequivocal," Nuti said.

Among the committee's goals are defining "member in good standing, providing for the recall of directors, revising the provisions for calling a special meeting, and incorporating elements of North Carolina's "Sunshine Laws" into the by-laws.

In addition, Nuti said, the committee would like to streamline the document.

Lakes & maintenance. Nuti said his lakes and maintenance committee, which includes Norm Ihrig, Jay Kinsell, and Andy Lowe, has redefined its mission statement to clarify that the group's function is oversight rather than actual management of maintenance functions.

A major project that needs to be undertaken is cleaning up the maintenance area, Nuti said, including making sure that hazardous substances are properly labeled and handled correct-

Security. Michael Florence reported that Security Forces Incorporated [SFI] had taken over the task of supplying gate guards on June 1.

Noting that questions had been raised about why the board moved to SFI rather than continuing to employ gate guards inhouse, Florence said the move will save the association \$20,000 annually. He noted that SFI has a 50-year track record in the security industry.

The roving patrol will continue to be conducted by SLLA employ-



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Dog policy: 'This is not being a neighbor.'

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ees, including Mickey Lewis, Carolyn Turner, and several part-timers. This function was kept inhouse, Florence explained, becuase the number one complaint that roving patrol must deal with is roaming dogs — "and SFI wants no part of loose and roaming dogs."

Florence said a Community Watch meeting will be held in mid-June; notices will be posted in the mail houses once the date is set.

Florence reminded residents that the community-wide speed limit is 25 miles per hour; he noted that Sheriff's Deputies have been using radar for speed limit enforcement in the community. He asked residents to make sure their guests hang their guest passes from the rear view mirror of their vehicle.

Architectural review. Ron Richmond said his committee had approved five new homes and twelve requests for alterations and additions in the past month. He noted that the committee interviews contractors personally before approving projects.

Geoff Cutler

Public Comment. Bill Price of Pine Needle Drive raised an objection to new policies regarding stray dogs and skateboards that were explained in a letter from President Truesdell that was included the the annual dues packet mailed out last month.

Truesdell's letter noted that the board had approved a new policy that has SLLA employees immediately turn over roaming dogs to the Moore County Humane Society, rather than keeping them in a holding pen in the maintenance area. Price objected, saying his dogs, if they escape his yard, are not "strays."

"If they get loose, I depend on neighbors and security to let me know," Price said.

He also objected to the idea that security or office personnel would confiscate his child's skateboard or roller blades — another policy Truesdell mentioned in his letter. Referring to the rules and regulations, Price asked, "Where in this book does it state that I as a Dad give you authority to take anything off of

my children."

"This is not being a family," Price said. "This is building a wall between neighbors. This does not make me want to work with you. This makes me want to be agitated. These two things are not looking out for me. I don't like it. If my guys do something wrong, you can come and see me and I will handle it."

After some discussion back and forth between Price and Truesdell, the latter said: "We're just not going to see eye-to-eye on this" and asked Price to speak with him after the meeting.

Dave Kinney encouraged residents to attend the introductory Small Area Planning meeting to be held on Monday, June 5 at West End Elementary School.

Mary Hudson of Rustic Drive asked that the board investigate the degree to which guards

at the North gate can actually see the stickers on cars entering through the right lane while assisting a visitor entering through the left lane.

Charlie Oliver of Cardinal Drive praised board members for saving the association money by

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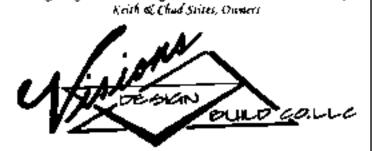
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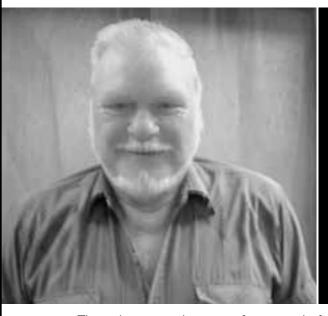
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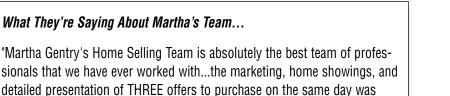
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by Dorothy Eliason Seven Lakes West

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Seven Lakes, Dave served on the boards of the community and the country club. Dee Dee cooked and hustled food for the original Birthday Club.

Dave could always be found on one of the golf courses where he was known to play a competitive game, still is. Dee Dee gave no quarter at the bridge table.

She worked at the gate for awhile and during many tax sessions at Elaine Yow's tax firm.

My friends, it was Dee Dee who I called at 5:00 am after returning from the hospital the night that my husband Chuck

However, for those of you who haven't known them, let me share my favorite Dee Dee story. Early in the Seven Lakes social scene at a cocktail party a new arrival was doing the corporate routine of talking about their company and school credentials.

Salty Dee Dee finally said "Frankly, my dear, in Seven Lakes we don't give a damn." Yes, they broke the mold for Dee Dee.

Goodbye to the Pauls. May life in Boston be good. And thank you from Seven Lakes.



Dee Dee and Dave Paul, at far left and right, shortly after moving to Seven Lakes.

7 Lakes hosts Jr. Championship

Seven Lakes Country Club will host the Tour Championship for the Eastern Junior Golf Association on June 10th and 11th. The event caps the year-long season for these talented Juniors who range in age from 8 to 18 and have competed in up to 27 matches at course throughout North and South Carolina to reach this final event. This year a full field of 120 players from North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia is expected in nine divisions, determined by age and gender.

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OPINION

Letters to the

Editor

Beware of Greeks bearing bacon

If you notice that your neighborhood is noticeably quieter this month, there is a reason. More than forty of our neighbors will be on a tour of the eastern Mediterranean Sea with the Crawford Group for two weeks.

Now when they return, we may have a problem with them for several

weeks. They will be spoiled like little children and dogs.

Those of us who have ever been on

the Crawford Tours know how Peggy and Dudley Crawford book their tourists into first class inns and hotels and schedule dining in elegant restaurants. And on this tour the travelers will be sailing around the Mediterranean in an ocean liner. You know how those folks treat their guests.

I have one bit of reporting I want from them. Will they find in any breakfast on ship or land that serves crisp bacon? I never found any bacon for breakfast in Europe or Australia that wasn't slightly warmed limp bacon. A minor point, of course, but one that bugged

The tour starts in Istanbul, Turkey, the ancient city known in previous times as Byzantium or Constantinople, and from there moves around the Mediterranean stopping at historic places like Rhodes, Delos, Santorini, Delos, Corfu, and Dubrovnik.

The tour ends in Athens where the tourists will have scrambled up to the Parthenon.

What a great tour.



Now I hope that Dudley will perform one interesting act. I think that it was at the air terminal in Greensboro before we took off for Australia that he stood beside the scales for baggage and announced in a loud voice what the baggage for each person weighed. Rudi Jones' bag weighed in at 80 pounds and mine at 27 pounds. There was constant laughter about these records during the tour.

As wonderful as this tour sounds, remember that for all of those experiences, they will still have to undergo the exhausting and humiliating knothole of air terminals.

Oh, but I wish that I were with them.

Need to get the word out? Why not use The Times?

It seems as if my letter to the editor in the May 12th edition of The Seven Lakes Times, has struck a nerve. Good: it was meant to do just that.

Since my letter's publication, I've received a phone call from Michael Florence, a letter from Donald Truesdell and now, in The Times of May 26, a "rebuttal" letter to the editor from Ron Erskine.

In my original letter, I chided our newly Concerned Citizens Council (CCC)-infused Board for not doing enough to fully inform SLLA members about the hiring of Security Forces Inc. [SFI] to man our gates, and not fully explaining how our in-house roving security, would work.

I thought my chastisement was warrented, seeing as how CCC members/supporters had openly carped for a year about the "old" Board not being open and above board.

It is interesting to note that all three people who have responded in some way to my letter, are either members or supporters of the CCC. I have no problem with that. I fully expected some flack over my comments. What I didn't expect, is that their responses would be so similar, so simple, and so wrong.

First, I'll respond to some-

thing Mr. Truesdell mentioned in his letter to me. He states, "....you will find that the Concerned Citizens Council did not endorse any candidates." This is absolutely true. But then, I

had never made the claim that the CCC had endorsed any candidates; only that known CCC members/supporters

had been elected to the Board. From all the letters to the editor of the previous year, one couldn't help but know who those members/supporters were.

Now, let me get to the gist of what all three of the above people say is the answer to my complaint: "Attend Association & Board meetings." Gentlemen, if all SLLA members attended every one of those meetings, it would be so crowded that we'd have to sit in the parking lot.

Plus, as you very well know, it is not always possible to attend such meetings. Lack of attendance at meetings, does not excuse the Board from its responsibility to all SLLA members. Neither does asking members to drive to the SLLA office to pick up minutes of the meetings.

The only thing that does make sense, is for the Board to publish all the details of such important information, in The Seven Lakes Times.

All SLLA members receive

The Times in their mail, so that would eliminate complaints such as mine.

In my conversation with Michael Florence, hе

seemed very amenable to that suggestion. I hope the Board follows his lead and institutes such a program.

Lastly, let me say this. I really don't believe in beating dead horses, so I won't continue a running feud with anyone over this topic. I believe that my suggestion is a reasonable one, and I hope the Board will see its value.

Regardless of the make-up of our Board, I truly hope that the people we have entrusted with running the SLLA, will work in the best interest of all SLLA members, and not just in the interest of like-minded thinkers.

Vendettas and special interests have no place in our association. Larry Yates

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You will need to sign your letter, and give us a phone number where you can be reached.

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Sleep apnea is serious, but treatable

With just a few exceptions, I make it a point to avoid mentioning people by name. I also try to avoid writing about my family, but in this case my son has given me permission to tell his story, in the hope that it may bring needed relief to others.

Steve has suffered from sleep apnea for many years. He did not realize that he had a medical problem. He knew only that he was always tired and usually hungry. When I phoned him, I would think he sounded either sleepy or depressed, and it occurred to me that he seemed to be quite "lazy."

Finally, his condition became so severe that several times he fell asleep while at work. Coworkers told him, and then his boss spoke to him about what was happening. Forced to do something he went to a sleep apnea clinic. Awakening 20 or more times an hour is indication of a severe case. Over an eight hour mask. period, Steve woke up an average of 66 times per hour. His was determined to be the most severe case ever noted at that clinic.

Today, Steve sleeps with a mask about the size of the ones



you see used in hospitals for oxygen. It is attached to an apparatus that draws air from the room, filters it, then passes it over a container of filtered water. The moisture absorbed from the water adds additional oxygen to the air he receives through the

For several years, he has been a cardiac patient. The increase in oxygen has greatly decreased the probability of a heart attack.

But more than that, it has changed his life to an extent that is hard to believe. He, who

was always tired,

now walks two miles before he goes to work in the morning, he also lifts moderate sized weights (sometimes works out

with his son). Six hours of sleep

is now more beneficial than the 10 to 12 hours he used to require.

Steve had progressively gained weight over a long period of years. Lack of oxygen causes perpetual hunger as the body strives to gain energy from food (especially carbohydrates). He has entered a weight loss program and since January, he has lost over eighty pounds resulting in a tremendous boost to his health, and also, to his self-esteem.

He has sent photos to other members of the family on the promise that they will not send copies to me. He doesn't want me to see until until he reaches his goal. Our family is all meeting at my sister's summer home on

Lake Ontario for the 4th of July. I am proud of him and so very happy for him.

Steve sincerely hopes that his story will help others. He does receive letters and phone calls from sufferers who have benefited from his experience. Sometimes these people relate stories of starting with unsuccessful surgeries because they didn't want to sleep with the mask.

Steve says that it took a little "getting used to" but that it is minor compared to the tremendous benefits resulting from it's



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If the sun had eyes, what would it see?

If the sun had eyes, what intentions. would it see?

If it had emotions, what would it think?

This masterpiece of creativity contin-

It's rays sweep across the treetops of a vast and lush forest, but must then advance to rest briefly on the sagging roofs of Appalachia.

It witnesses the panorama of mountains, lakes, waterfalls and prairies - or wolves tending their young - or soaring hawks forming overlapping ellipses against the azure

Man should

make it more pleasing for the sun ues to shine down as though its perennial optimism could rub - and with it, God - to coexist harout the trouble spots around us moniously.

Instead, myriad blotches and

sky.

Mason's Musings

Mason Gould

in hopes of a return to God's

Celebrate Strawberry Season

Strawberry season is drawing to a close, but mavbe vou can make this now or any time. This makes a small "Strawberry Pudding". For a large one double everything. This is



from Lucy's Kitchen

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copied from the Banana Pudding Recipe and has all low calorie ingredients.

STRAWBERRY PUDDING

Ingredients

30 reduced-fat vanilla wafers.(You can always use more)

- 2 cups strawberries
- 1 package cheesecake flavor instant pudding mix(fat-free and sugar-free)
- 1 1/2 cup skim milk
- 4 ounces, or more, fat-free whipped topping

Combine pudding mix with skim milk.

Whisk until thick. Layer with strawberries and cookies.

Top with whipped topping. Refrigerate until cold.

Of course, you may change any of the ingredients to make it richer if you like.

Harry sez: Act Responsibly



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blemishes form embarrassing the sun is asking. patterns of vicissitudes.

Why does man fight man? Nation fight nation? That's what

"Why am I dispensing my earth-enriching rays so that humanity can continue to exist?"

"Why must I witness hate, crime, envy, and impoverishment in all corners of the world? Yes, indeed. Why?

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FOREST SQUARE

Lynn pulls fisherman, boat from lake

(Continued from page 11)

and I reached out the cowboy stick and told him not to get near me but to pull me with the stick. I was elated to feel two big tugs on the stick and my movement toward him, and then, I lost consciousness. In Contemporary Gospel music, there is a song that goes: "God is good! All the time". If Jack had been delayed 90 seconds, I would be in a body bag instead of writing this account. Jack was very brave and God is always right on time.

I have no idea how Jack pulled me out, I know I went under because I had water in my lungs later that night in the ER. I've already told you my age and I trust Jack will forgive me for telling he is my senior by more than a decade. How do you thank a man for saving your life? And Dodie for calling 911. Thank you Jack! You deserve more recognition than I have to give! God bless you and yours! Next thing I recollect was the

Seven Lakes EMT guys trying to dry me off and get me warm. Many thanks to all you guys that save lives on a regular basis. Being in shock, I just wanted to go home, but when I couldn't walk to the front of Jack's house, even with assistance, I submitted to go to the ER.

It took until about 1:00 am to bring my core temperature back up. My body temperature, blood pressure, lung function (oxygen) had all bottomed out. (Told you I was cool!). My wife has a theory about why I didn't die Sunday night: "I talk too much and God wasn't ready to listen to all that!"

I would be remiss if I did not commend the staff at our ER. They did everything possible to get me stabilized, they were very professional and very considerate of my wife and her emotional support. They worked very diligently with new and modern equipment to clear my lungs and get me stable. I got out of the ER and into a room about 2:30

am

On the lighter side, my personal care physician came in Monday morning to discharge me and as he entered the room, he said, "Not often does a doctor get to say, 'how are you feeling' the day after the patient drowns!". (I get to pay him for that kind of humor!) And later when he left my room he told the staff at the nursing station to follow "drowning protocol" and walked away laughing. One of the nurses said, "I know what that means; keep the patient away from large bodies of water." Thank Jesus for saving my soul and Jack for an ol' cowboy's life!"

Actually, I was not totally aware of the effect of hypothermia. I related that to the North Atlantic, not water temperature of 74 degrees. But, trust me, body temperature drops 22 degrees, you lose arm and leg function. Be careful in these lakes!

There may be a secondary moral to this story, the Coast Guard and boating laws state you

must have life preservers in a boat. It might be a good idea to wear them if you are like me and older than dirt.

It was the next week before I realized Jack Lynn had not only pulled me out but also the old

boat I was tangled in.

Maybe a "Super Hero, Jack Lynn, action figure" would be in order

Thanks Jack and Dodie!

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Stay safe; learn rules for boating, skiing

As you know the boating season has opened with a fury due to the hot weather. I need to take this opportunity to remind all boat owners of the rules and regulations that apply:

- 1. Liability insurance is required on all motorboats;
- 2. A current identification sticker must be displayed on every watercraft used on the lakes and on every boat and trailer parked in the storage area;
- 3. The maximum speed is 35 MPH;
- 4. Water skiing is allowed between 7:00 AM and sunset, excluding Sundays, when skiing is allowed between 9:00 AM and sunset;
- 5. After sundown the speed limit is 5 MPH;
- 6. Powerboats exceeding 5 MPH must stay at least 150 feet from the shoreline;
- 7. All powerboats are required to travel in a counter-clockwise direction:
- 8. There will be a maximum of six (6) power/pontoon boats pulling water skiers, kneeboards, or other floatation devices at any one time on Lake Sequoia and a maximum of two (2) on Lake Echo;
- 9. Ski boats on Lake Sequoia must stay within the designated (toward the center of the lake) ski buoy area;
- 10. Ski boats must have an operator and observer aboard;
- 11. Anyone under 12 years of age operating a powerboat must be accompanied by an adult. Anyone 12 year of age to 16 years of age operating a powerboat must be accompanied by an adult or have passed a boating safety program given by the United States Coast Guard or the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission.

These rules and regulations are found in Section IV: Boating, pages 22 to 24.

I urgently request that all boat owners AND family members read these rules and regulations to become familiar with these rules and regulations to insure compliance.

The Seven Lakes Landowners Association will be furnishing a boat patrol for Lake Sequoia for this summer on Saturday and Sunday beginning June 3, 2006. George Stahl will be recruiting volunteer boat patrols for the remaining days of the week.

MEMO:

Please call George at 673-6466 if you are willing to volunteer.

The rules defining the weekend work hours of contrac

tors for October through March is they are allowed to work Monday to Saturday, 7:00 AM to 6:30 PM. For April through September they are allowed to work Monday to Friday, 7:00 AM to 6:30 PM.

If you have a contractor doing emergency repair work on exempt days, for example heat of Thursday, May 25, 2006. Minpump repairs, etc, please let the guard know when authoriz-

Board Notes

Don Truesdell Seven Lakes Landowners Board

the visit and your repair contractor will be allowed to enter the gates regardless of the time or

We implemented two new rules concerning unlicensed vehicles and Portable On Demand Storage (PODS) devices at our working session

utes of this meeting will be posted on our web-site (www.sevenlakesnc.org) by Friday, June 9,

Please check our web-site as we will be posting minutes of all of our meetings. For those landowners without a computer

these minutes will be available at our office.

Summer is a busy travel season. If you would like our Roving Patrol to check your house then please fill out the form found at each gate house or at the office.

Learn about home school

If you are even slightly interested in home schooling your children, join us for a picnic. A number of Seven Lakes families home school and we want to share why we love it with your family.

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Drainage problem? Here's SLLA policy.

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MEMO:

rains, so perhaps now is the time to remind all landowners of the association's guidelines

We are entering the time of with respect to drainage problems, including runoff, which may be experienced by landowners after these storms.

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place, and we ask for your understanding.

The Landowner's Association, however, will cooperate with all lot owners within these guidelines, in finding or assisting individual or multiple lot drainage prob-

The Landowner's Board does not have any responsibility to correct any of the following con-

- A. Natural drainage onto, from, or through lots from land contour or watershed sloping;
- B. Natural drainage from roads without curbing for drainage control:
- C. Natural or installed drainage contours or systems within or among lots.

The Landowner's Board does have the responsibility to correct the following;

- The following guidelines are in A. Natural or controlled drainage from common areas and designated recreational areas;
 - B. Road shoulder areas, within right-of-way, for protection of the road bed and road surface;
 - C. Run-off from road curbing

exit areas where curbing has been installed to protect roadway integrity.

If you have any questions on these guidelines, please direct them to our Community Manag-

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The Sandhills Contra Dancers will sponsor a contra dance on Saturday, June 10 at the old West End Gym, 137 Old West End School Road off NC Higway 211 in West End.

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It is also recommended that you check your credit report at least twice a year for any suspicious activity.

Board Notes

Michael Florence Seven Lakes Landowners Board

Identity Theft is a terrible crime for anyone to go through. Identity Theft in some cases can take years to resolve, and thousands of dollars in legal fees.

This reminder brought to you by the Seven Lakes Community Watch.

Remember in a emergency dial 911. In a non-emergency situation dial the Sheriff's office direct line @ 947-2931.

Project Linus Workshop 6/14

Project Linus workshop will be held Wednesaday, June 14, in the Seven Lakes North Clubhouse from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Bring needle and white thread. Please drop by to see us and find a way to help Project Linus give comfort to children in need in Moore County. For information, call Pat Weber at 673-1457.

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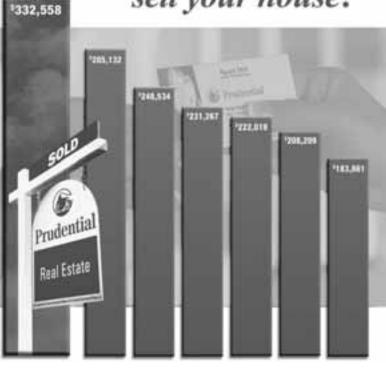


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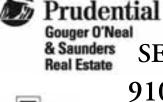
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