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# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CHEROKEE WATER COMPANY

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CHEROKEE WATER COMPANY February 19, 2026

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held February 19, 2026. 6:00 p.m., at NK 20 Lake Cherokee, Longview Texas 75603 with the following Directors present:

**Gary Mapes, President**  
**David McDaniel, Vice President**  
**Logan LoBue, Treasurer**  
**Rhonda Bullard – Secretary ABSENT**  
**Cody Edmondson – ABSENT**  
**Alan Koelemay**  
**Colby Mize**  
**Justin Simmons – ABSENT**  
**George Steele**  
**Beth Swindell**  
**Mary Yoder**  
**Jeff Patty – ABSENT**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Mapes. A quorum was announced by David McDaniel and a motion was made by David McDaniel to approve the minutes of January 15, 2026, as electronically distributed

to the Board of Directors. George Steele offered the second and the motion passed unanimously.

General Manager Kevin Jones gave an overview of operations, displaying slides regarding transfers, permits, maintenance hours and Patrol activities. Kevin also gave updates to Board on siltation projects, possible tax exemptions, and ongoing discussion for addressing package delivery issues occurring around the lake.

Treasurer Logan LoBue provided an overview year-to-date financials, revealing actuals to budget to be 1.02% above expected revenues and 5.7% below expected expenses. He reported with CWC being 33% through this fiscal year; no budget line area is out of line. Treasurer LoBue made a motion to certify the bills paid for January 2026. A second was offered by Alan Koelemay, the motion passed unanimously. Treasurer LoBue then made a motion to approve the monthly financials for January 2026. David McDaniel offered the second to the motion and it passed unanimously.

Rules & Policies Committee Chair David McDaniel reported there were no variance requests submitted for review this month. The Committee met on February 16 with the full Board for general discussion on Bylaws, Rules & Policies. David discussed two possible Bylaw changes regarding the Election

Commission process and defining Shareholder eligibility to run for the Board of Directors but there were no action items to bring before the Board.

Infrastructure Committee Chair Logan LoBue reported the Infrastructure Committee met Monday, February 16, with discussions focused on completing the NQ-FM 2011 lake road project next, then meeting with Johnson & Pace to identify next critical areas. In anticipation of that meeting, the Committee recommended CWC purchase a traffic counter to provide hard data on road usage. The Committee had no action to bring before the Board.

Natural Resources Committee Chair David McDaniel reported the Committee met Monday, February 16, to discuss next project in Mud Creek and possible Wildlife Management plans. The Committee had no action items.

With no other business, Gary Mapes, President adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Gary Mapes, President, standing in for Rhonda Bullard Secretary

## MONTHLY CLEAN-UP SCHEDULE 2026

<b>March 9 - 13th</b>	<b>September 14 - 18th</b>
<b>April 13 - 17th</b>	<b>October 12 - 16th</b>
<b>May 11 - 15th</b>	<b>November 9 - 13th</b>
<b>June 8 - 12th</b>	<b>December 14 - 18th</b>
<b>July 13 - 17th</b>	
<b>August 10 - 14th</b>	



## Variance Deadlines 2026

**3/3**—3/19 Board meeting  
**3/31**—4/16 Board meeting  
**5/4**—5/21 Board meeting  
**6/1**—6/18 Board meeting  
**6/30**—7/16 Board meeting  
**8/3**—8/20 Board meeting  
**9/1** — 9/17 Board Meeting  
**9/29** — 10/15 Board Meeting  
**10/27** — 11/12 Board Meeting

## Office Manager Article

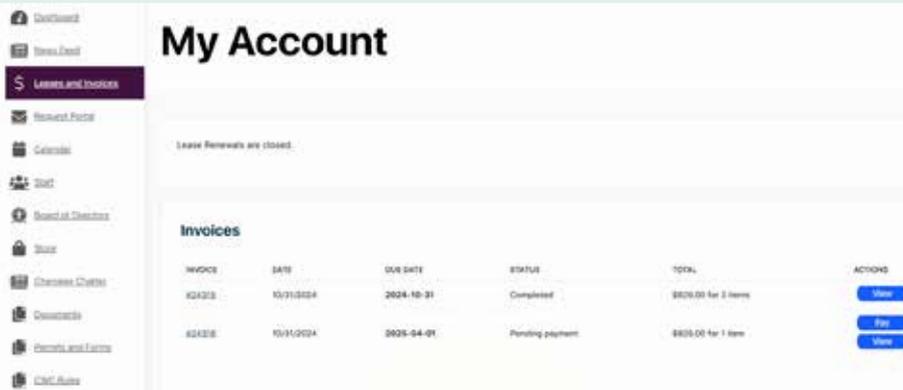
I don't know about you but I am ready for Spring to get here.

If you chose to split your lease dues payment, the 2nd half of your dues are due on April 1st. Your 2nd half invoice is online via the Portal. You can access the invoice, via the Portal Dashboard, left hand menu option – Leases and Invoices.



Cathy Hite  
Office Manager, Lake Cherokee

Select the 2nd invoice with due date of April 1st – pending payment – Pay. You have the same options as before, either pay in office, mail a check, pay via echeck or via credit card. If you have any issues or questions, contact the office the CWC office for assistance.



**The Fuel Center will be Open starting Tuesday, March 3rd at 2:00 pm.** The Fuel Center will be open on Saturdays and Tuesdays from 2- 6 pm until Memorial weekend when expanded hours will begin.

**Effective with this announcement,** you can update your profile in the Portal and it will update our Lease Data Management system. If your mailing address, phone number or emergency contact changes for example, go to your profile in the Portal and edit the respective information, and it will automatically make changes to your Lease record. This keeps our records up-to-date and saves you time in contacting us in the office.

Don't forget to Spring Forward on March 8th at 2:00 am.

*Welcome to  
Lake Cherokee*

*January 2026  
Transfers- 8*

If you have any questions regarding a property or stock transfer, please feel free to contact  
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(903) 643-3933 or  
misty@lkcherokee.com

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The shareholders of the lot listed are the winners of FREE GOLF at the Cherokee Country Golf Association Course during the month of **MARCH**. Any member of the shareholder's family should present their shareholder's card for one FREE round of golf, including the use of a cart.

## LAKE CHEROKEE SECURITY REPORT JANUARY 2026

**FACILITY CHECK: 241**  
**OPEN DOOR: 2**  
**SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE/PERSON: 13**  
**WELFARE CHECK: 18**  
**ASSIST SHAREHOLDER: 31**  
**ISSUE TREE PERMIT: 11**  
**ANIMAL ASSIST: 4**  
**CLEAR ROADWAY OF TREES/DEBRIS: 7**  
**EXTRA PATROL: 36**  
**DISTURBANCE: 2**  
**ALARMS: 1**  
**VEHICLE / BOAT ACCIDENT: 0**  
**WATER RESPONSE/BOAT TOW: 0**  
**ASSIST AGENCY: 0**  
**BURGLARY/THEFT: 0**

Permits	
JANUARY 2026	
Permit Type	#
Accessory Building	4
Boathouse - New	1
Boathouse - Repair	2
Demolition	3
Dirt Work / Drainage	0
Driveway / Walkway	2
Fence	0
Home Repairs / Additions	0
New Construction	0
OSSF	2
Other	0
Outdoor Enhancement	0
Pool	1
Retaining Wall	2
Dredge	0
<b>Total Permits</b>	<b>17</b>

## 2026 Fuel Center Hours

**(Weather permitting)** **Springtime hours: March 1st - May 1st**  
**Credit/Debit Card ONLY** Tuesday 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
**ONLY Gasoline Sales** Saturday 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

**Summer hours: May 1st – Sept 30th**  
Monday closed  
Tuesday - Friday 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Saturday 8:00 am - 6:00 pm  
Sunday 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

**Holiday dates/hours:**

- Memorial Day, Monday, May 25th  
8:00 am - 6:00 pm
- Friday, July 3rd  
8:00 am - 6:00 pm
- Monday, September 7th  
8:00 am - 6:00 pm

**Fall hours: Oct 1st – Oct 31st**  
Tuesday 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Saturday 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

**November 1st – February 28th**  
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## MESSAGE from the **MANAGER**

Hello Lake Family,

As we turn the page into March, we are reminded that winter is giving way to a new season of growth and opportunity. As the old saying goes, "Spring is proof that there is beauty in new beginnings." Here at the lake, that spirit of renewal is evident all around us. The days are growing longer, we move our clocks forward with Daylight Saving Time on March 8, and before long we will officially welcome the first day of spring on March 20, 2026. With the change in seasons comes renewed energy, activity, and forward momentum.

By the end of March, we will have completed the second quarter of our fiscal year. I am pleased to report that our budget remains in strong condition. Through disciplined oversight, careful planning, and responsible stewardship of your resources, we continue to operate within our financial framework while maintaining the high standards you expect. Our revenue and expenditures are tracking appropriately, and we remain committed to making sound financial decisions that protect the long-term stability of our association.

As we look ahead, the Board will be evaluating and prioritizing projects around the lake for the remainder of the year. Each project will be considered through the lens of necessity, impact, and fiscal responsibility. Our goal is to ensure that



**Kevin Jones**

General Manager, Lake Cherokee

improvements not only enhance the beauty and function of our lake but also reflect prudent use of shareholder funds. We take this responsibility seriously and remain focused on delivering measurable value to our community.

Coming out of our slower winter months has also allowed our team to focus on important preventative maintenance across our equipment and infrastructure. That time has been well spent, and you will begin seeing more of our maintenance staff both around and on the lake as activity increases. Their efforts behind the scenes during winter position us to operate efficiently and effectively throughout the busy spring and summer seasons.

In addition, our Lake Patrol presence will be more visible on the water this year. With increased seasonal activity comes the need for consistent enforcement of our rules to ensure everyone's safety. Our objective is simple: to maintain a lake environment that is safe, orderly, and enjoyable for all shareholders and guests. Professionalism, fairness, and consistency will continue to guide our approach.

Spring brings renewed opportunity, and we are entering this season with strong finances, clear priorities, and a commitment to stewardship. Thank you for your continued support and engagement as we move forward together into a productive and exciting season at the lake.

Respectfully,  
Kevin Jones, GM

Isaiah 40:31





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## Fish Identification Guide - Sportfish of Cherokee Part 1

### Introduction

Sportfish is a generalized term that refers to species frequently sought after through the sport of fishing. For the purpose of these monthly identification articles we will be using sportfish to refer to predatory species that are present in the lake. Not all of these fish may be viewed as "desirable," such as spotted bass or bowfin, which makes identification even more important. In today's article we will cover black bass and crappie species present in the lake.

### Largemouth Bass - *Micropterus salmoides (florida)/ nigricans (northern)*

Largemouth bass (LMB) are very common in Lake Cherokee and are easily identified. They are characterized by a large mouth gape to body ratio, with the mouth opening extending past the eye (when closed). LMB have a light to deep olive green body with a darkened lateral strip (color varies with water clarity and habitat). There are no obvious physical identifiers between a northern and Florida largemouth bass. Only genetic testing can confirm genetic makeup.



### Spotted Bass (Kentucky Bass) - *Micropterus punctulatus*

Spotted bass are present in relatively low abundance on Lake Cherokee, compared to largemouth bass and are identified by having a smaller mouth that ends below or before the eye (when closed), a tooth patch on the tongue, and rows or spots/lines below the lateral line on the sides of the belly.



### Black Crappie - *Pomoxis nigromaculatus*

Black crappie are abundant in Lake Cherokee and can be described as a deep bodied silver to green panfish, with dark irregular spotting across the entire body including caudal, dorsal, and anal fins. Black crappie can be accurately distinguished from white crappie by counting dorsal spine rays. Black crappie will have 7-8 spinous dorsal rays.



### White Crappie - *Pomoxis annularis*

White crappie can also be described as deep bodied panfish, however their black markings tend to form more defined vertical bars, rather than irregular markings across the body. White crappie also have spotting on their fins, but can be definitively distinguished from black crappie by having only 5-6 dorsal spine rays, rather than 7-8. Hybridization can occur between these two species, making identification difficult, as traits between both parent species can be presented with inconsistent expression.



For more information on the bass and crappie species found in Lake Cherokee contact: [garrett@pristinepondsolutions.com](mailto:garrett@pristinepondsolutions.com)

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The Lake Cherokee preservation club met on Thursday, February 19th after a break from last year's events.

Our first event of 2026 will be the Easter Egg Hunt that will be held on Saturday April 4th at the field near the CWC offices at NK20 Lake Cherokee.

This event is always a great time for all families!

There will be games, hidden Easter eggs, face painting, and the Easter bunny could make an appearance!

This event is open to all shareholders' children, and grandchildren up to the age of 10. The egg hunt begins at 10:00 am after everyone is registered.

The club has approved the purchase of new fans for the island!

They will greatly help on hot days!!

Our annual Wet and Wild Boat Rally will be held this year on Saturday June 13th!!

We already have shareholders interested in hosting boathouses this year, if you would like to host please reach out to Deanna Kalmus (469) 964-1765; or Bart Owens (903) 918-4601; or Darrell Wolven (972) 839-8302. Spots are filling up fast this year!!

It is going to be a blast!

The Lake Cherokee Preservation Club is always looking for new members.

We will meet again on March 19th at the CWC offices after the CWC Board Meeting.

If there are any changes to the meeting we will post on our Facebook page: Lake Cherokee Preservation Club and the Lake Cherokee Shareholders page.

We would love to see you there!!

In Christ,  
Brandy Parker

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Spring Bass Tournament	March 21, 2026
Easter Egg Hunt	April 4, 2026
Summertime Kickoff	May 23, 2026
Boaters Education Course	June 6, 2026
Wet and Wild Boat Rally	June 13, 2026
July 4th Fireworks	July 4, 2026
July 4th Boat Parade	July 4, 2026
Crappie Tournament	August 29, 2026
Family Fun Fest	September 5, 2026
Fall Bass Tournament	October 17, 2026

## CWC OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

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# Lake Cherokee Preservation Club Membership Application

(please print)

Membership Fee \$10.00 (per member) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouses full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Spouses number: Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouses email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Demographic info: (helpful but optional)

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouses Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Age group: 20-30 \_\_\_\_\_ 30-40 \_\_\_\_\_ 40-50 \_\_\_\_\_ 50-60 \_\_\_\_\_ 60-70 \_\_\_\_\_ 70+ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of dependent children: \_\_\_\_\_

Lake resident: full-time \_\_\_\_\_ part-time \_\_\_\_\_

Lake or personal interests:

Fishing \_\_\_\_\_ Skiing \_\_\_\_\_ Kayaking \_\_\_\_\_ PWC \_\_\_\_\_ Boating \_\_\_\_\_ Nature \_\_\_\_\_ Golf \_\_\_\_\_ Hunting \_\_\_\_\_

Hiking \_\_\_\_\_ Running \_\_\_\_\_ Cycling \_\_\_\_\_ Community Projects \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Please check if you would be interested in leading or helping with a Preservation Club event

*Scheduled Events*

Easter Egg Hunt \_\_\_\_\_ Wet & Wild Boat Rally \_\_\_\_\_ Summer events/concerts \_\_\_\_\_

Family Fun Fest \_\_\_\_\_ Chili Fest \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar production \_\_\_\_\_

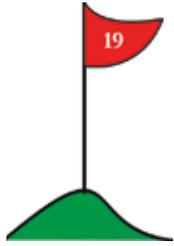
Send to:

Lake Cherokee Preservation Club

Deanna Kalmus

SR36 Lake Cherokee

Henderson, Tx 75652



## NEWS FROM THE 19TH HOLE

by Alyce Clark

**PRO SHOP** hours for **March** are **8:00 am to 5:00 pm** Tuesday through Sunday. Closed when the temperature falls below 45 degrees and on Mondays for course maintenance.

The **WOMEN'S** group plays every Tuesday morning usually at **9:00 am** depending on the weather. Hours may vary so please call the Pro Shop for the tee time.

**SATURDAY FUN BUNCH** is every Saturday except for tournament days @ **9:00 am**. It is a "choose up" style, (couples draw together and all others draw for a team) scramble format. It is a lot of fun.

Teams are picked randomly the morning of the tournament so plan to arrive early. Hours may vary so please call the Pro Shop for the tee time.



**President's Day Tournament** – Due to the threat of inclement weather the tournament was postponed to February 21.

**MARCH TOURNAMENT** will be the **4 PERSON BRING A GUEST Tournament** and will be held on **March 14**, at **10:00 am**. The sign-up sheet will be in the Pro Shop and the cost of the tournament will be \$30. Lunch will be provided after the tournament.

Mark your calendars for our upcoming **FUNDRAISOR TWO PERSON SCRAMBLE** benefitting Cherokee Country Golf Association. The tournament will be held **May 16 at 9:00 am**.

The next **BOARD MEETING** will be on Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 pm. It is an open meeting, and all are welcome to attend and ask questions.

**BOARD ELECTIONS** were held on February 12<sup>th</sup>. Phillip Works, Alyce Clark, and Mark Anglin. The 2026 CCGA board will be Phillip Works - President, Danny Matherne – Vice President, Nan Friend - Treasurer, Alyce Clark - Secretary, Mike Erwin, David Stokes, Mark Taylor, and Mark Anglin.

Help us welcome our new members **Marc Somers** and **Matthew Wright**.



The **CHIEF** has a new home! The Chief woodcarving, that was previously located on the course, has been relocated to an area in front of the club house. Thank you to all our volunteers who helped with the move. He looks great in his new location.

The spring session of **FIRST TEE** will be held from **March 21 to April 25, 2026**, between **8:00 and 9:30 AM**. Summer camp dates will be announced at a later time. For additional information, please contact Bill Blanks at (903) 521-3992.

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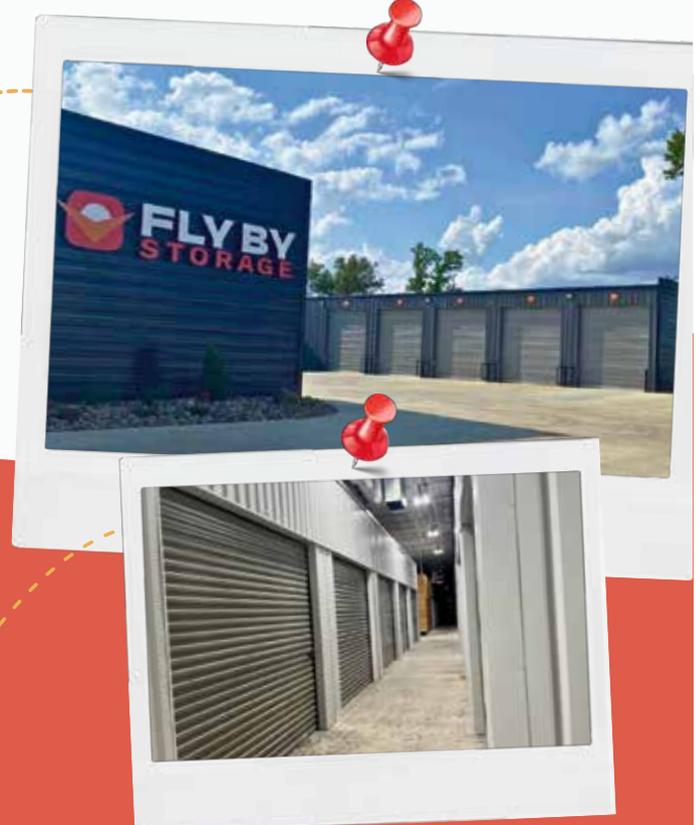
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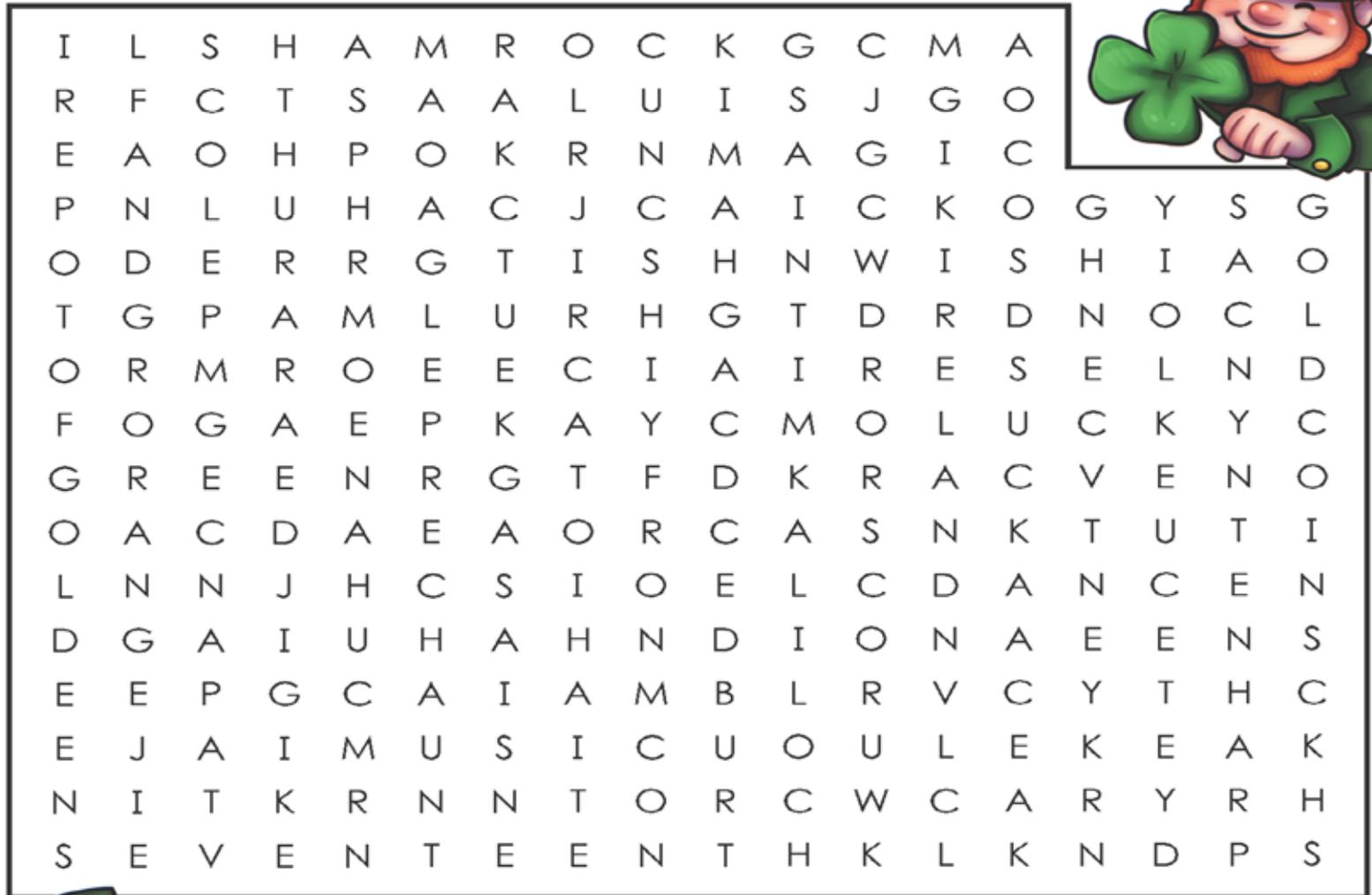
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FOUR-LEAF CLOVER	LEPRECHAUN	RAINBOW
GOLD COINS	LUCKY	SAINT
GOOD LUCK	MAGIC	SEVENTEENTH
GREEN	MARCH	SHAMROCK
HARP	MUSIC	ST. PATRICK'S DAY
IRELAND	ORANGE	WISH



## CHEROKEE FISHING CLUB FEBRUARY 2026

### Cherokee Fishing Club News – February 2026

By: Lori Klump, Secretary

We had a great turnout for February's meeting. Forty-four people enjoyed Pete and Carol's hearty chicken cacciatore. Larry Willis, Kyle Modisette, Pete Peerenboom and David Wilson provided sides and desserts.

Two new members joined us - Danny Weant, Jamie Burcham along with returning member Max Vinson. Our total membership is now at 163. As a reminder, renewals for 2026 are due by March 31 to continue receiving notifications of upcoming meetings.

Garrett Stampert, our lake biologist with Pristine Pond Solutions, gave an informative presentation on the state of the fish population here at Lake Cherokee. He performs 2 surveys per year to sample fish from various areas of the lake. He takes counts, weights and measurements to determine the general health and population size for multiple species. From 2023 to 2025 the relative weight/size of bass and crappie has improved. He is also seeing an increase in the forage fish. This data indicates management practices are having a positive impact, but there is still work to be done. He explained that "survival of the fittest" doesn't really work with fish. When there is not enough food, rather than dying out, they simply slow down on their eating and therefore their growth is stunted as well. He is still seeing many "underweight" bass in the 10-18" length category. Because of this, we need to remain mindful of the harvest-slot we have set here for these fish. Underweight fish in this range should

always be culled rather than put back in the water.

Following the presentation, we moved into club business. Keith Hightower was unanimously approved by the membership as our new president! Keith shared this short bio for The Chatter:

"I'm looking forward to serving as president of the fishing club and building on the club's strong legacy of community involvement, fellowship, youth programs, and sustainable practices.

Growing up in Alabama, I've have had a passion for the outdoors my entire life. Over the years, I've worked across the Southeast, including South Carolina, Georgia, Louisiana and Texas and am honored to bring my leadership experience to this role. My history includes serving on boards and committees for professional, education and civic organizations, including the American Fuels & Petrochemical Manufacturers (AFPM), Chamber of Commerce, United Way, social service centers, and community homeowner associations.

I moved to the Houston area in 2012 where I met my wife, Debra. We became devoted weekenders here at Lake Cherokee in 2022. After retiring in 2024, this became our full-time home. We are active members of The Church at Lake Cherokee and hold dear the meaningful friendships and welcoming community that makes this place so special."

John Jaskiewicz was announced as program manager. John has already secured speakers for at least 10 of our meetings this year and it looks like a terrific lineup.



Lori Klump gave an update on collecting door-prize donations for the Spring Bass Tournament. Lisa Loubue, Pete Peerenboom and Glenn Hanka are working with her to contact over 55 vendors. So far, results have been good!

Bryce Tawney gave the treasurer's report and noted 2025 tax information has been filed. Hatchery director, Gary Lindsey reported our emphasis this year will be forage fish.

George Steele, habitat director reported all habitat locations have been documented. Shareholders are welcome to files with the specific GPS coordinates. To request these, send your lot number to: [fishingcherokee@gmail.com](mailto:fishingcherokee@gmail.com)

Tournament director, David Wilson reminded us of the Spring Bass Tournament March 21, Crappie Tournament August 29 and Fall Bass Tournament October 17. Entry form and rules are published in the Chatter. Registrant or one member of the tournament fishing

team must be a CFC member. David also circulated a sign-up sheet for volunteers to work the Spring Tournament. All volunteer slots were filled! Thank you, Pete Peerenboom, Gary Lindsey, Doug Klump, Bob O'Brien and Jon Traylor.

We wrapped up with the raffle drawing and had six winners this month: Dee Kennel – Fishing Club cap and Filet Claw tool; Danny Weant – hand warmers; Keith Hightower – microfiber cloths; David Wilson – lure keepers; Gwen Kozeluh – bag of tackle and Greg LaCour – fishing pliers.

CFC Memberships are available to shareholders, privilege card holders, and CWC employees for \$20 per adult and \$10 per youth (16 and under). Our next meeting is Monday, March 9. Dinner is served around 6:30. Our speaker will be Page Johnson from AMP'd Marine. See you there!



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**Proverbs 16:3 (NIV)**

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- Trimming Bushes & Small Trees
- Landscape Installation & Design
- Staining Decks/Boathouses/Docks

## Lake Cherokee Groups and Clubs

We have several clubs that have been formed and led by Lake Cherokee Shareholders. You can find more information about these clubs in the Shareholder Portal. Key contacts with phone numbers are provided online in the Portal.

### Preservation Club

Deanna Kalmus, President  
Meetings are 3rd Thursday of each month following Board Mtg

### Fishing Club

Genia Holland, President  
Meetings are 2nd Monday at 7:00pm at CWC office

### First Friends

Roxanne Lane-Brink/ Gail Fowler  
Lunch 3rd Thursday of each month

### Photography Club

Holly Treadway  
Meetings 2nd Tuesday of each month

### Bridge Club

Norvella Skarda  
Play every Wednesday at 11:30 am at NK21

### Lake Cherokee Community Foundation

Non-profit organization benefitting the community More information: www.lakecherokeecommunityfoundation.org

### Friends of Freedom Park

Miguel Fabbiani and Barrett Newsom, Co-Chairs  
An organization of volunteers who will manage the upkeep and ceremonies/activities at Freedom Park (where the Veterans Monument is located)

# Cherokee Fishing Club

Registrant or One Team Member must be a 2026 CFC Member

## March 21, 2026

Event Start Time

6:30 A.M.

Event Weigh-in Time

Opens 1:00 P.M. Must be in weigh-in line by 3:00 P.M.

NO DEAD FISH AT WEIGH-IN

### Team Members

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cherokee Fishing Club Member Information (CFC Member is Shareholder/Privilege Card holder/CWC Employee)

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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CFC Membership: \_\_\_\_\_ Entry Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mail entry form to Cherokee Fishing Club, NG54 Lake Cherokee, Longview, TX 75603, must be received by Thursday, before the tournament. Or drop off at CWC Office (NK20), no later than 3:00 p.m. on the Thursday before the tournament.

**For questions, call David Wilson 903-235-6458  
or Bryce Tawney 281-433-6660.**

I have read and understand the tournament rules and also agree, I am responsible for my team and actions of the team. In the event of injury, death or property damage, I the above signed do fully release and discharge the Cherokee Fishing Club, its officers, members and the Cherokee Water Company, its board of Directors and employees from any and all claims, demands, and/or causes of actions, including court cost and attorney fees.

# Spring Memorial Bass Tournament Entry Form

## CHEROKEE FISHING CLUB CFC BASS TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

### Registrant or One Team Member must have 2026 CFC Membership

#### A. General Rules

1. All Texas rules of the Texas Water Safety Act will apply to all tournaments. The CWC Lake Patrol will enforce the CWC Rules, TP&W Rules and Regulations, and Texas Water Safety Act.
2. Each boater must wear a USCG-approved life vest any time the main motor is started or running. Inflatable life vests are permitted, provided they are worn at all times.
3. No alcohol or drugs are allowed while fishing in the tournament. Violations will result in disqualification.
4. Any person found to be cheating or endangering watercraft, its occupants, or the property of others will be disqualified and may be banned from all Cherokee Fishing Club events.
5. All weigh-in results of the Tournament Scale are official. Any protests must be brought to the attention of the Tournament Director at the time of weigh-in. The Tournament Director's decision will be final.
6. All participants must display good sportsmanship. Unsportsmanlike conduct, including cheating, harassment, or verbal/physical interference with tournament weigh-in or with other participants, will result in disqualification.
7. No Fishing is allowed within 100 yards of the tournament weigh-in location.
8. Fishermen must be in the Weigh-In line no later than the designated time of the end of the tournament.
9. The Cherokee Fishing Club does not provide tournament weigh-in bags and all fish must be placed in a tournament bag, with sufficient water to keep the fish alive during the weigh-in process.

10. Entry fees will not be refunded unless the tournament is canceled or postponed by the CFC President or CFC Tournament Director.

11. Participants may fish from the bank, a dock, a boat, canoes, kayaks, rubber rafts, and float tubes.

#### B. Bass Tournament – Black, Spotted, Florida, or any combination thereof.

1. Entry Fee is \$50.00 for a boat/2-member team or a single lone fisherman. The team sponsoring shareholder or one person in the boat must be a current paid-up CFC member. No more than two people per boat.
2. Start time is 6:30 a.m., and Weigh-in time is 3:00 p.m. Participants may weigh in any time after 1:00 p.m. until the final weigh-in time. Late arrivals will not be allowed to weigh in.
3. Bag limit: five (5) live fish per boat. Fish must be a minimum of fourteen (14)" or greater in length. No dead fish will be weighed in.
4. Winning places to be paid will be determined by the Tournament Director and, in the absence of the Tournament Director, an officer of the CFC.
5. Prizes will be awarded based on team results on the heavy stringer. The Tournament Director may have individual prizes based on the heaviest Bass and additional levels of the heaviest Bass.
6. All weigh-in results of the Tournament Scale are official. Any protests must be brought to the attention of the Tournament Director during weigh-in. The Tournament Director's decision will be final.

**Generally, Fishermen may not retain any Bass brought to weigh in. All Bass brought to weigh-in will be released back into the lake unless the Tournament Director elects a Harvesting option.**

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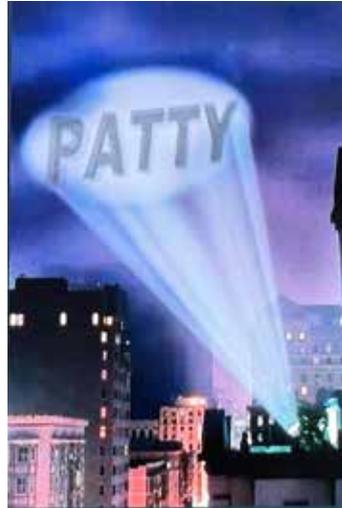
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# Lake Cherokee Photography Club

The February meeting of the Lake Cherokee Photography Club was held February 10, 2026 at the lake office. Patty Stewart was our speaker. She provided us with a very entertaining program from her childhood roots of photography with a camera from a cereal box to her successful career. We learned about her marketing approach to building her business with her "oh, yes I can" philosophy. No matter if she had ever photographed that way before, she accepted the challenge. She has been a portrait, aerial, underwater, celebrity, rodeo, corporate, and wedding photographer. She has traveled extensively, often taking clients to unusual places for portraits. Patty built a strong business until Covid hospitalized her in a coma for many months.

At the March meeting, she will tell us how covid impacted her photography. Patty's neighbors on the lake came to learn more about her and we encourage all lake residents to hear part 2 at the next meeting March 10, 2026.

March 10, 2026 Patty Stewart Photography part 2



April 8, 2026 Business meeting to plan schedule and sharing of members' photos

May 12, 2026 ? boat safari

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The February First Friends group gathered in downtown Longview for a fantastic outing at The Pink Candle, where everyone got to create their own custom scents! Some made candles, others blended oils for diffusers, and a few designed their own room sprays. It was such a fun experience to share together as a group.

Afterward, we headed across the street for a delicious Italian lunch at Roma's Italian Restaurant.

If you'd like to join in on our monthly activities and receive updates about upcoming events, send your email to [bogaowler@gmail.com](mailto:bogaowler@gmail.com) and I'll add you to the group. You can also join our First Friends (Lake Cherokee) Facebook page to stay connected.

Our attendees: Lori Klump (our hostess), Penny Dant & Karen Nelson (our door prize winners) and others...Joan Strong, Jennifer Kranzman, Marge Morris, Karen Franklin, Carol Church, Tracy Lasser, Lisa Goettle, Roxanne Brink, Teresa Davis, Gail Fowler, Cathy True, Judi Morgan and Charlotte Blaylock.





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## BRIDGE CLUB

By Jeanne Collins

Between the Ice Storm and a bad case of the Flu, somehow the February article did not get submitted. Sorry! Hope you missed reading about Bridge, because our group certainly missed getting to play the week after the Ice Storm left our roads a little dicey.

We are all tired of the cold and looking forward to an early Spring, and while you are reading this, we will have just gone on Daylight Savings Time at 2:00 am on Sunday, March 8th. The teams for both Pro and Con to change it to one or the other and then leave it alone are out in full force. No doubt the measure of excellence and/or ineptitude at Bridge this week will be blamed on quantity or quality of sleep.

Bridge play at the CWC club is very informal, and men and women of all skill levels are welcome. If you do not know how to play, we will teach you. We play

## JANUARY 2026



every Wednesday at the CWC Library, next door to the CWC Office. We start at 11:00 am and play four rounds, usually finishing by 2:30 pm.

At our CWC club weekly games the person with the high score for the room each Wednesday gets to put his or her name "On the Wall".

If you would like to join in, please do not hesitate to just show up on any Wednesday. We look forward to meeting you!

Jeanne Collins

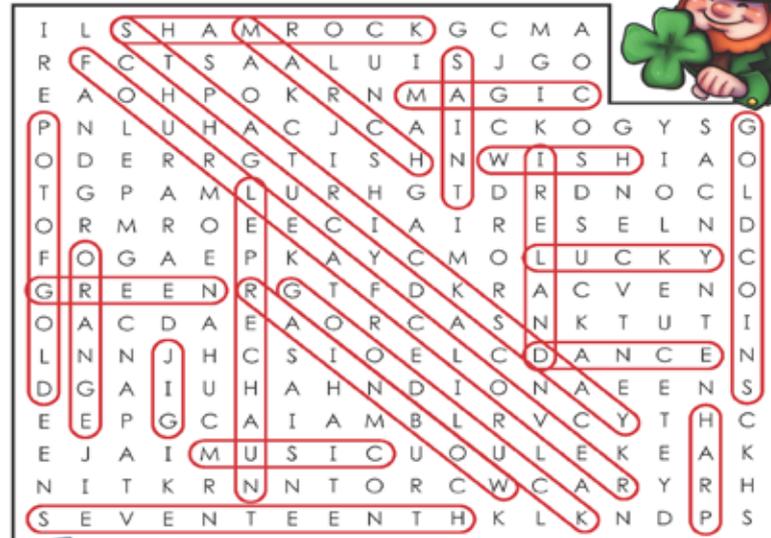
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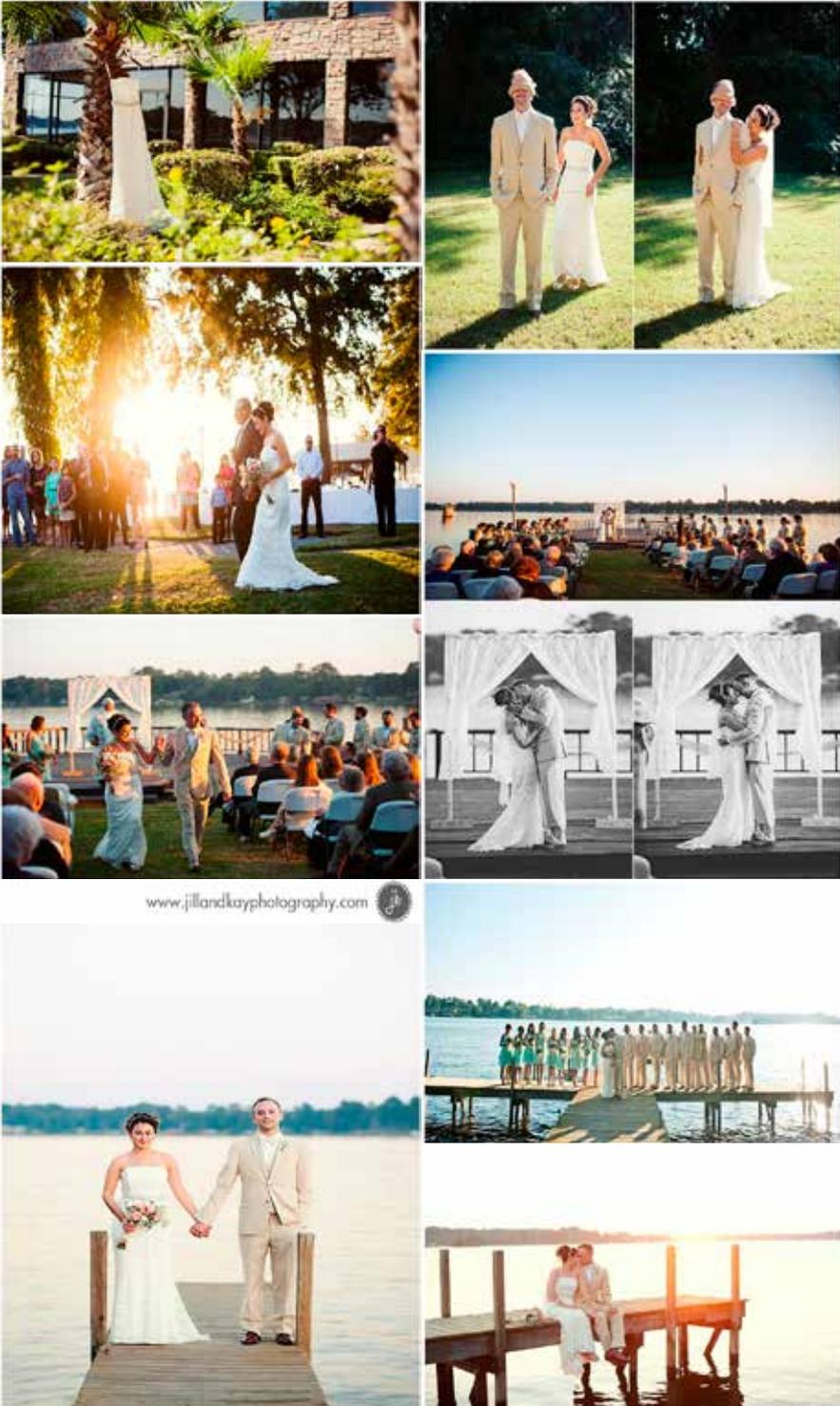


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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Variance Deadline	Bridge Club Luncheon			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Daylight Savings Begins @ 2am	Fishing Club	Community Gardeners Photography Club	Bridge Club	Golf Course Board Meeting		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		 St. Patrick's Day	Chatter Deadline Bridge Club	First Friends CWC Board Meeting Preservation Club	First Day of Spring	CFC Spring Bass Tournament
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
			Bridge Club			
29	30	31				
Palm Sunday		Variance Deadline				

# APRIL 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			2nd Half of 23-24 Annual Lease Renewal Due Bridge Club Luncheon		CWC Office Closed	Easter Egg Hunt
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
			Bridge Club	Golf Course Board Mtg Golf Course Board Meeting		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Fishing Club	Community Gardeners Photography Club	Chatter Deadline Bridge Club	First Friends CWC Board Meeting Preservation Club		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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