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National Safe Boating Week May 16-22, 2026

The National Safe Boating Council recommends these tips for boaters:

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WAKE RESPONSIBLY

The Water Sports Industry Association (WSIA) strongly recommends the following:

1. Always try to wakeboard or wake surf in the center of any given body of water, and avoid narrow channels or thoroughfares, if possible.
2. Always try to stay at least 200 feet away from any shoreline, dock, or fixed objects.
3. Maintain a reasonable sound level on your stereo.
4. Always respect the shoreline you are using and if the property owner asks that you leave, do so immediately, and always be gracious with the property owner.
5. Repetitive passes result in an accumulation of energy reaching the shoreline. Repetition is never a good idea and can lead to risk of waterway conflicts.
6. The non-surfing side of a wake surfing boat creates waves that are 10% to 23% smaller with 23% to 33% percent less energy than the surfing side. When possible, present the non-surfing side of the boat to the closest shoreline.
7. Waves tend to increase in height on the inside of a gradual turn. Avoid such maneuvers close to shore.
8. Glass calm water is not a requirement for wake surfing, be respectful and operate as far from shore as you can.



Take a boating safety course.

Gain valuable knowledge and on-water experience in a boating safety course with many options for novice to experienced boaters.

Check equipment.

Schedule a vessel safety check to make sure all essential equipment is present, working and in good condition.

Wear a life jacket.

Make sure everyone wears a life jacket - every time. A stowed life jacket is no use in an emergency.

Use an engine cut-off switch it's the law.

An engine cut-off switch is a proven safety device to stop a powerboat engine should the operator unexpectedly fall overboard.

Watch the weather.

Always check the forecast before departing on the water and frequently during the excursion.

Know what's going on around you at all times.

Nearly a quarter of all reported boating incidents in 2022 were caused by operator inattention or improper lookout.

Know where you're going and travel at safe speeds.

Be familiar with the area, local boating speed zones, and always travel at a safe speed.

Never boat under the influence.

A BUI is involved in one-third of all recreational boating fatalities. Always designate a sober skipper.

Keep in touch.

Have more than one communication device that works when wet. VHF radios, emergency locator beacons, satellite phones, and cell phones can all be important devices in an emergency.

About the National Safe Boating Council

Established in 1958, the National Safe Boating Council is the foremost coalition for the advancement and promotion of safer boating through education, outreach, and training. For more information about NSBC programs and professional development opportunities, visit www.safeboatingcouncil.org.

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MESSAGE from the MANAGER

Hello Shareholders,

May is here, school is letting out, and summer is officially upon us. The lake will soon be full of boats and personal watercraft, and with that comes increased responsibility. Please be safe and follow all rules and regulations. Lake Patrol will be in full force this summer, but we cannot do it alone. Safety must remain the top priority for everyone, and that requires cooperation and common sense across the board.

I want to begin by addressing several concerns and complaints that have been circulating throughout the community. Some of these come directly to me, while most seem to travel the social media grapevine. Either way, they deserve to be acknowledged, but they also deserve some clarity and perspective.

One of the more common frustrations I continue to hear is when Lake Patrol does not answer the phone on the first ring. It's important to understand that there are times when only one officer is on duty. While there are occasional issues with cell service, more often than not that officer is already handling another call and simply cannot answer at that moment. We do have protocols in place to help bridge those gaps, but like anything else, they are not perfect.

There are also a number of more trivial complaints that seem to make the rounds. Let me be clear, legitimate concerns will always be taken seriously, and we will continue to provide the best service we can. But our time and resources must be focused on issues that truly impact safety and the overall well-being of the community.

Another decision I have made is for the CWC and Lake Patrol to step away from animal trapping and relocation. As much as our community continues to grow, we are still in the country. Trapping a raccoon or possum only to release it down the road does little more than make room for the next one, or the same one, to return. On top of that, it creates liability concerns and pulls officers away from higher-priority calls. If an animal appears to be dangerous or shows signs of rabies, our officers will respond and handle the situation appropriately. Otherwise, nuisance wildlife is simply not the best use of Lake Patrol's time.

Similarly, we no longer handle the capture and removal of domestic animals like dogs and cats. This is largely because shelters no longer accept animals from us without charging, and quite simply, we are not in the animal care business. Our responsibility is to maintain safety and order, and we have to stay focused on that. Important side note, we do have an opening in Lake Patrol, so if anyone is eager to work midnights for \$18-\$19 an hour, I encourage you to contact me and I'll gladly hand you an application.

Now, let's address the ongoing conversation about more dues but less "bang for your buck" if you will. I continue to hear that dues have increased and, in some opinions, services should remain exactly as they once were. I understand that dues used to be \$50 a year, but that was also a time when very few people lived here full-time, septic lines ran straight

into the lake, dirt roads were the norm, a brand-new vehicle cost about \$1,500, and gas was \$0.20 a gallon. Times have changed, and so have expectations, infrastructure, and costs.

I recently tried applying that same line of thinking at the grocery store. I demanded to speak to the manager and told him I wasn't going to pay those high prices for bread, milk, and eggs! I walked out empty-handed. Turns out, refusing to acknowledge reality doesn't change it. (of course, I didn't do that) We take our fiduciary responsibility very seriously, and every decision we make is with careful consideration for the long-term health of this community. Costs rise, needs evolve, and if we don't adapt, we fall behind. That's not something I'm willing to let happen here.

As stated, many times before, not every decision is going to be popular, and not every complaint is going to result in change. But those decisions are made with the bigger picture in mind, not just individual preferences.

With all of that said, I do want to recognize and sincerely thank the many shareholders who continue to support what we are doing. Even if a few disagree with certain decisions, I will continue to work for every one of you the same way I would for my strongest supporters. My goal remains the same, to keep this community safe, make it a great place to raise a family, and ensure property values continue to grow.

As always, my door is open. I welcome conversation, feedback, and yes, even complaints. But as I've said before, if you come with a complaint, I ask that you start with something you're thankful for first. A little perspective goes a long way. The world has enough division; we don't need it here.

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer, and I truly appreciate your continued support over the past three years I've had the privilege of serving in this role. (yes, it's already been 3 years)

Respectfully,
Kevin Jones, GM
Ephesians 4:32



Kevin Jones

General Manager, Lake Cherokee

Welcome to Lake Cherokee
March 2026
Transfers-10

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

Permits

MARCH 2026

Permit Type	#
Accessory Building	
Boathouse - New	3
Boathouse - Repair	1
Demolition	
Dirt Work / Drainage	1
Driveway / Walkway	
Fence	3
Home Repairs / Additions	1
New Construction	1
OSSF	
Other	
Outdoor Enhancement	
Pool	
Retaining Wall	
Dredge	
Total Permits	10

VARIANCE DEADLINES 2026

5/5 - 5/21 Board Meeting
6/2 - 6/18 Board Meeting
6/30 - 7/16 Board Meeting
8/4 - 8/20 Board Meeting
9/1 - 9/17 Board Meeting
9/29 - 10/15 Board Meeting
10/27 - 11/12 Board Meeting

LAKE CHEROKEE SECURITY REPORT MARCH 2026

FACILITY CHECK: 2496
OPEN DOOR: 9
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE/PERSON: 16
WELFARE CHECK: 1
ASSIST SHAREHOLDER: 32
ISSUE TREE PERMIT: 23
ANIMAL ASSIST: 10
CLEAR ROADWAY OF TREES/DEBRIS: 16
EXTRA PATROL: 167
DISTURBANCE: 6
ALARMS: 5
VEHICLE / BOAT ACCIDENT: 0
WATER RESPONSE/BOAT TOW: 4
ASSIST AGENCY: 4
BURGLARY/THEFT: 0



Cathy Hite
Office Manager

Office Manager's Article

PORTAL UPDATES

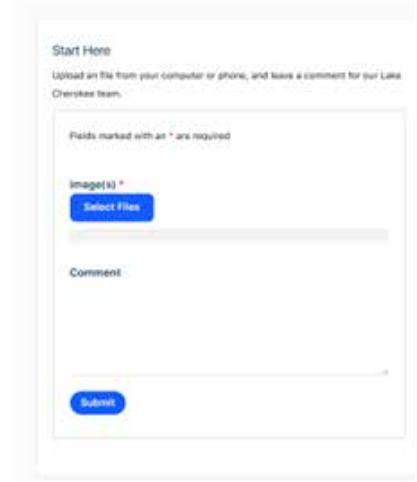
1. See something around the Lake you want to share with the CWC staff?

In the Portal, there is a feature called Request Portal. It is represented by the mail icon on the dashboard menu.

You have 2 options - both work the same way. Select either SNAP and Send or General Request. Select the files from your phone or computer, enter a comment and hit send. Someone from the office will review the message and if appropriate, will respond to the message in the Portal.



Snap & Send



2. Looking to see if someone is a member (shareholder or spouse) on the Portal?

On the main dashboard, scroll to the bottom and in the lower right corner, is a listing of MEMBERS. Select *See all*. You will go to a new page, where you can select to from the drop down menu, alphabetical, recently active or newest members. You can filter by either first or last name.



Click to view their profile. If the member has made their lot information PUBLIC, you can see their LOT number.

Note: You have the control over whether your lot number is visible to others, simply by selecting public or private on your profile page.

Today's Tip

Never boat under the influence

National Safe Boating Week May 16th - 22nd

The Boating Safety Seven

1. Wear your life jacket
2. Take a boating safety class
3. Carry all required safety gear
4. Use your engine cut-off device
5. File a float plan
6. Be aware of weather and water conditions
7. Boat sober, and be considerate of others

Today's Tip

Take a Safe Boating Course

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Prepare for the unexpected

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CHEROKEE WATER COMPANY

April 16, 2026

CHEROKEE
WATER CO.

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held April 16, 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
Cody Edmondson
Alan Koelemay
George Steele
Jeff Patty
Beth Swindell
Mary Yoder
Absent: Colby Mize, Beth Swindell

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Mapes. A quorum was announced by Rhonda Bullard. A motion was made by Mrs. Bullard to approve the minutes of March 19, 2026, as electronically distributed to the Board of Directors David McDaniel 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 reported that a spillway inspection will be done late summer/early fall when the water level is lower but currently the damn is in great shape. He announced CWC Patrol has their First Responder status back in place since having two Patrol officers trained in emergency medical services. Kevin discussed that a traffic counter has been placed in the NS section. This will provide road usage data to assist in road refurbishing projects. He reported to the Board he followed up on the one-lane bridge discussion and has contacted an engineer to examine the integrity and any possible repairs that may be needed.

Treasurer Logan LoBue provided an overview of year-to-date financials, revealing actuals to budget to be 1% above expected revenues and almost 8% below expected expenses. He reported that, with CWC being 6 months through this fiscal year, no budget line area is out of line. He thanked the CWC staff for their due diligence in managing expenses. The Board had previously reviewed March expenditures that exceeded \$2500. Treasurer LoBue made a motion to certify the bills paid for March 2026. A second was offered by Cody Edmondson; **the motion passed unanimously.** Treasurer LoBue then made a motion to approve the monthly financials for March 2026. David McDaniel offered the second to the motion and **motion passed unanimously.**

Rules & Policies Committee Chair David McDaniel made a motion to

change/amend the following CWC

Bylaws:

Article III, Meetings of Shareholders, Section 1, Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of shareholders shall be held at 6:00 p.m. on the first Thursday following the second Tuesday of November each year at the principal office of the Corporation or at another location as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

Rationale: Move the meeting from 7:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Utilization of electronic voting removes the need for an extra hour for the election process.

President Mapes reminded the Board that Bylaw changes/amendments must pass with a 75% (3/4th) majority of Board members present and voting but do not require a second reading. Logan LoBue offered the second; the motion passed with a unanimous vote from those present.

Mr. McDaniel made the motion to amend **Article IV, Election Commission and Election of Directors, Section 1.**

Each year by July 1, an Election Commission of not more than **six (6)** shareholders in good standing or spouses of shareholders in good standing shall be appointed and confirmed by the Board of Directors to oversee election procedures and to exercise the duties specified in this Article. The Election Commission will dissolve, and its authority will terminate ten (10) days following the annual meeting of shareholders each year. Each of the directors whose term will not terminate the following November may **NOMINATE one (1) member. Four (4) members will be selected from the nominations. The President will appoint two (2) members of the Election Commission. It is the responsibility of the President to ensure that there is a total of six (6) appointees with (2) being previous officers of the board.** The only qualification for appointment to the Election Commission is that the appointee shall be a shareholder in good standing or the spouse of a shareholder in good standing. An act of the Election Commission must be by majority vote. The Election Commission will elect a chairman and vice-chairman from their number. A quorum for any meeting of the Election Commission is **four (4).**

Rationale: Proposed amendment changes the number of commission members from 12 to 6. The President will appoint (2) members instead of (4). The other (4) members will be randomly selected from the (8) board member nominations. The Board President will decide how the selection is made such as random draw or decision by full board. Recommendation to reduce the number of members is due to the election process being automated and no need for manual tallying of votes.

Mary Yoder offered the second; the motion passed with a unanimous vote of those present.

Mr. McDaniel made the motion to **adopt new Bylaw Article IV, Section 2, f. People employed by Cherokee Water Company (full-time or part-time) are ineligible to serve as a director of the corporation.**

Rationale:

Anyone employed by Cherokee Water Company is not eligible to serve on the Board of Directors.

Logan LoBue offered the second and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of those present.

In further business Chairman McDaniel reported the Rules and Policies Committee recommends approval of the following variance requests:

NS 28, to build on site a 10'x12' shed that is 2' off the fence/property line. Both shareholders have signed off in agreement. David McDaniel made the motion; Cody Edmondson offered the second; the motion passed unanimously.

SB 31, to demo existing RV cover and asphalt driveway to be replaced with new 16'x26'x12' garage and concrete driveway. The structure will be 4' off the property line. Both adjoining shareholders have signed off on variance. David McDaniel made the motion, Alan Koelemay offered the second; the motion passed unanimously.

SH 47, to place a custom-built greenhouse located 30' from lake road. Placement of the septic tanks and slope of the lot limit this placement. Both adjoining shareholders have signed off on the variance.

David McDaniel made the motion; Cody Edmondson offered the second; the motion passed unanimously.

Infrastructure Committee Chair Logan

LoBue reported the Committee reviewed the Johnson-Pace Proposal for project design, project management services and inspection services with Kevin Jones (CWC General Manager) and supports his request to engage Johnson-Pace for oversight of the NQ to 2011 road project. The committee further discussed a timeline for construction and completion of the project, targeting mid-late August for construction to begin with anticipated completion in September. The committee discussed how tax treatment of road projects and other capital projects can lower CWC's federal tax liability. The committee looked at how and when the next sections(s) of roadway will be identified and prioritized for refurbishment. Kevin, along with input from maintenance and patrol, will provide recommendations for sections to be refurbished based on their observations of current road

conditions and any noted concerns about integrity of the surface and/or any safety concerns. The committee plans to review the recommendations in May/June timeframe.

The Committee has no formal actions to bring before the Board.

David McDaniel reported that the Natural Resources Committee met Monday, April 13th where Kevin gave an update on the Wildlife Exemption, reporting that everything has been filed and he is awaiting a response. The discharge canal (one lane bridge) area was discussed as a priority for crown thinning/clean up as part of the fire mitigation plan.

The Mud Creek siltation project was discussed; Justin Simmons brought a plan for the area on the other side of 2177. Next step is to have an engineer, Mark and Kevin meet onsite with the Committee to look at the suggested plan. The Committee currently has no action to take before the Board.

Strategic Planning Chair Rhonda Bullard reported the Committee met March 24, 2026, to update the current plan with 2026 Committee initiatives and updates, staff input, timelines and KPI's. Chairman Bullard has made recommended changes to the SP document and emailed to Kevin for approval before sending it to the Committee, then to full Board. Kevin and Chair Bullard will meet monthly to look at action items and send updates to applicable Committee Chairs or staff to keep SP viable and moving forward. The full Board will review updates and progress in May.

The Committee has no action items for the Board.

With no other business, Gary Mapes, President adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

Rhonda Bullard Secretary

CWC OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday

8:00 am - 4:00 pm

If you are unable to make it to the office during business hours, give us a call. We can help!

**barbara@lkcherokee.com
(903) 643-3933**

Lake Cherokee Annual Boat Parade

Sponsored by:



The Lake Cherokee Annual Boat Parade will be held on Saturday, July 4th at 10:00 am. So be thinking about what you want your boat or barge decoration theme to be. All you have to do is show up in the area east of the island at 10:00 am and join the procession in front of the judges' stand at the CWC office pier. You can follow the traditional *Patriotic Theme* or let your imagination carry you into the *Open Theme* category. Please contact CWC if you plan on participating this year.

Who needs the Boater Education card? It's the LAW!

Operators must meet the age and boater education requirements shown below in order to operate any of the following vessels legally in Texas:



- A powerboat powered by a motor of more than 15 horsepower or...
- A personal watercraft or...
- A windblown vessel over 14 feet in length.

A person less than 13 years of age may operate only if he or she is supervised by a person who:

- Is 18 years of age or older and...
- Can lawfully operate the watercraft and...
- Is on board when the vessel is underway.

A person at least 13 years of age and born on or after September 1, 1993, may operate without supervision only if he or she has passed a boater education course that is accepted by Texas Parks and Wildlife.

Save the date: The Boater Education Course has been set for Saturday, June 6, 2026, at CWC, NK 20.

REGISTRATION FOR THIS COURSE IS NOW OPEN - PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

<https://tpwd.elementlms.com/course/boater-education-classroom-course-3151/>

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SATURDAY, June 13th 2026, 11am - 4pm

REGISTRATION AT 10:00 am @ FIRECRACKER PARK

BOAT HOUSES WILL CLOSE AT 3:30pm

Must be a shareholder or their guest to participate.

Leisurely cruise Lake Cherokee to specific boathouses to win points for great prizes and have fun and fellowship!!

Event Committee; 903-839-7302 or 903-918-4601

- Entry fee: \$25.00, 12 years and younger \$5.00
- Open to all Lake Cherokee card holders and guests and all types of watercrafts
- Prizes for high score and low scoring participant. 2 bonus point draws available at each boathouse for \$5 each, donations to benefit future projects of the Preservation Club
- Raffle Tickets available for great prizes so bring cash. Remember Lake Cherokee is a great cause!
- Begin and end at the Firecracker Park sign-in pavilion
- May visit any boathouse in any order. Boathouses will close at 3:30 PM and all participants must return to the Firecracker Park sign-in desk by 4pm.
- **Must be present to win any door prize or raffle prize**
- Be courteous and practice safe boating. No prizes for speed! Go Slow and have fun!
- Only non-cash prizes will be awarded. Entry fees are not tax deductible.

**The best life jacket is one you will wear.
TAKE THE PLEDGE:**

I will always wear my life jacket while boating or fishing, and encourage others to do the same! I'll regularly inspect my life jacket and keep it in good condition. I pledge to boat safely and responsibly - and to have fun!

KIDS FISHING MONTHLY Contest

\$50 MONTHLY PRIZE FOR:
BASS · BREAM · CATFISH · CRAPPIE

CONTEST BEGINS APRIL 1ST!

If you have a child, grandchild, or relative age 16 & under - this contest is for them!!!

- The winner of the heaviest in EACH SPECIES gets a \$50 check! EACH MONTH!
- Fish categories: Bass, Catfish, Crappie & Bream
- Contest runs April 1st - August 31st
- Winners will be presented with personalized certificate & \$50 prize at the monthly Fishing Club meeting! (Or checks can be mailed)
- A **GRAND PRIZE** will be drawn at the end of the season from *all entries received.*

Below are the contest rules:

1. Enter catches simply by emailing a photo with contestant holding their fish on scale to fishingcherokee@gmail.com
2. Weight of the fish and fish must be visible in the photo.
3. Email entries must include: Photo, youth's name, lot number, mailing address.
4. All submissions must be made to fishingcherokee@gmail.com to be considered.
5. You will receive a reply to your submission to confirm you are entered.
6. All fish **MUST** be caught on Lake Cherokee.
7. In the event of a weight tie, the 1st received entry will be the winner.
8. By entering the contest, participants grant permission for the winner's photo to be published along with the youth's first name on social media and in local publications (e.g., Cherokee Chatter).
9. The monthly contest closes on the last day of each month at **midnight** & a new contest begins the 1st of each month.

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Water Hyacinth - A plant overview

Introduction

Water hyacinth is a floating plant that has been found in isolated areas on Lake Cherokee for many years but has recently received a lot of attention. As a result, in this month's article we are going to address the plant, its physiology, and its potential role/impact on Lake Cherokee.

Plant History

Water hyacinth (*Pontederia crassipes*) is a floating aquatic plant native to South America that has become established across much of the United States. The plant was originally brought to the United States in the late 1800's as an ornamental species, which later escaped and began to establish in natural waterways. In Texas, water hyacinth is considered a nuisance invasive species and is not allowed to be transported or possessed without a permit due to its rapid growth potential and aggressive behavior.

Characteristics

Water hyacinth is characterized by round waxy leaves that have a bulb-like base with hanging roots, and a large cluster of purple flowers. It is often found floating in the back of coves or other slow moving areas where wind and wave action has pushed free floating plants. Once along shallow shorelines, water hyacinth can become rooted into the sediment. Like many other aquatic plants, water hyacinth can reproduce via direct propagation from horizontal runners called stolons, which produce daughter plants, by fragmentation, and by seed production. Horizontal stolon production is the fastest form of reproduction, where water hyacinth plants are capable of doubling in number in as little as 6 to 18 days in optimal conditions. Optimal conditions for this plant would be slow moving water that is warm, high in nutrients, and a near neutral pH.



Management

Despite being a relatively aggressive plant in calm, nutrient rich water, water hyacinth is relatively easy to kill, particularly when not rooted. Plants can be controlled by physical or mechanical removal, aquatic herbicides, and in some cases, Neochetina beetles. Herbicide options for effective water hyacinth control include:

1. Diquat
2. Glyphosate
3. Imazamox
4. Imazapyr
5. Flumioxazin
6. 2,4-D
7. Triclopyr

Always be sure to follow the label and local and state laws

Hyacinth on Cherokee

Water hyacinth is present in small quantities in Lake Cherokee. It is particularly common in coves and areas of the lake where the watershed drains into Cherokee. It is apparent that several upstream waterbodies or creeks are home to water hyacinth and frequently deliver new plants into the lake during rain events. Fortunately, water hyacinth does not grow with extreme aggression in Lake Cherokee, likely due to relatively high wind action, and low to moderate nutrient loading. Despite not being exceptionally prolific in the Lake, it is still an undesirable species that should be removed or controlled when seen to prevent establishment. We encourage lot owners to notify me (via the email below) on the location of water hyacinth in the lake so that it can be treated. Keep in mind this is a floating plant in most cases so it may move from the time of notification and the time of treatment. We take all invasive species very seriously, as they can be expensive to manage and detrimental to the environment if left unchecked. Overall, water hyacinth is not extremely problematic on Lake Cherokee, but it appears that upstream sources of the plant are getting worse as it is now entering the lake in more areas than in previous years. We will continue to monitor and treat hyacinth when seen in order to preserve the valuable resources that Cherokee has to offer.

For more information on water hyacinth, to report the location of plants, or questions regarding hyacinth treatments please contact: garrett@pristinepondsolutions.com

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**NEWS FROM
THE 19TH HOLE**

by Alyce Clark



1st Place

The Pro Shop hours for MAY are 7:30 am to 6:00 pm Tuesdays through Sunday. Closed on Mondays for course maintenance.

MEMORIAL DAY – The Pro Shop will be open 7:30 am to 6:00 pm.

The WOMEN'S group play every Tuesday morning usually @ 9:00 am or 10 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.

The May Tournament will be held on May 16 at 9:00 am. This month's event is the 2 Person Scotch Tournament, where players play alternate shot.

The cost to participate is \$30 per player, and lunch will be provided following the tournament.

**FREE
GOLF**

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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 **MAY**. 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.



2nd Place

The next Board Meeting will be on Thursday, May 14th @ 6:00 pm. It is an open meeting, and all are welcome to attend and ask questions.

Last month's 3 Club Challenge Tournament winners: **Congratulations:**

1st Place Team: Phillip Works, Danny Matherne, Lynn Shihey, & Phil Works

2nd Place Team: Michael Clark, Laurie McDaniel, Kane Hogue, & Kevin Oden

Calling Adults who would like to learn to play golf. Bill Blanks will offer an adult golf camp June 2 – 5 at Cherokee Country Golf from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Limit 25 players.

For more information contact Bill Blanks (903) 521 – 3992

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TAKING UP GOLF?**

**TRYING TO GET BETTER?
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**JUNE 2-5
CHEROKEE GOLF COURSE**

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BRIDGE CLUB

By Jeanne Collins



Life at the bridge table is often full of surprises, but the members of a bridge club in Frederick, Maryland are unusually amazed and delighted with their newest members, Andrew and his son, Leo. The fun part of the story is that Leo is only 7 years old! Some of the members, especially the retired schoolteachers, didn't think he would be able to stay alert (or even awake!) for 3 hours of bridge, but Leo has met the challenge and is excelling. His biggest problem is that his feet don't touch the ground at the table.



Standing L-R, Beth Schreiber, Susan Deeds
Seated, Norvella Skarda, Joy Tate

All of the current players at the CWC club are well over 7 years old – and we invite you to join us – our games are 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 every Wednesday at the CWC Library, next door to the CWC Office. We start at 11:30 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!



Standing L-R, Danny Coats, Jeanne Collins,
John Harris, Janet Martin
Seated, Barbara Coats, Fredna Harris

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- Friday, July 3rd
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November 1st – February 28th

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Cherokee Cares = Neighbor helping Neighbor

Cherokee Cares is a heartfelt initiative of the Lake Cherokee Community Foundation (LCCF), created to support Shareholders within the Lake Cherokee community who are facing challenges or hardships. Cherokee Care's mission is to uplift neighbors in need by offering access to vital resources and compassionate assistance.

Who does Cherokee Cares help?

The Cherokee Cares Fund will serve Shareholders in good standing with CWC who are experiencing:

- Aging-related difficulties
- Physical or mobility challenges
- Temporary financial crises

What type of support is available?

Resources may include:

- Volunteer assistance (yard clean-up, repairs, light construction, tree/limb removal...)
- Professional services (accounting, law, social services...)
- Financial aid (in emergencies or one-time episodes of financial need)

Where does the money come from?

LCCF is a 501(C)(3) organization and is supported entirely by the generosity of Lake Cherokee shareholders and friends. LCCF is independent and unrelated to CWC. Cherokee Cares projects will be funded either from general donations allocated by the LCCF Board to meet eligible applications, or from donations restricted to Cherokee Cares Fund.

How can I donate money?

Go to LCCF's website or mail donation to LCCF, P. O. Box 7083, Longview, TX 75607. If donation is restricted to Cherokee Cares Fund, please note this on check. Unrestricted donations will go into the LCCF general fund to be used at the discretion of the LCCF Board.

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What if I know a neighbor who needs help?

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The Lake Cherokee Preservation Club met on Sunday April 19th at the island.

The meeting was called to order by Deanna Kalmus.

The Preservation club put in a bench in Honor of Sharon Graves. The new bench is near the new pavilion. It was a beautiful day to dedicate the bench, thank you to all who came out to the dedication.

Due to the weather we were not able to hold our annual Easter Egg Hunt this year, but it will be loads of fun next year, weather permitting,

The Summer kick off is coming up fast. Spencer Patterson is leading the event again this year. It will be held on Saturday, May 23rd. There will be shrimp again, and Blaine Hart Band will be providing the entertainment. It is donation only with proceeds supporting the Preservation Club and the Lake Cherokee Community Foundation. Looking forward to seeing you all out there.

We are also in the planning stages of the Wet & Wild which will be



held on Saturday, June 13th. We are still in need of Boathouse Hosts. If you are interested in hosting please contact Deanna Kalmus (469-964-1765); Bart Owens (903-918-4601); or Darrell Wolven (972-839-7302). We are in need of donations for the silent auction, raffle and door prizes. If you or your favorite business would like to donate please contact one of the above members.

The Preservation Club is looking at scheduling some concerts and other events on Firecracker Park this summer so stay tuned!!

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Beginning Memorial Day Weekend, we are inviting food trucks to set up at Firecracker Park every weekend until the end of September.

Memorial Day Weekend:

Saturday May 23rd Summer Kick Off (no trucks)
 Sunday May 24th AK BBQ & Tru Drinks
 Monday May 25th Chaotic Creations & Texas Best Ice Cream
 (Memorial Day)
 Saturday May 30th I am Hot Street Eatz & Sunsational Ice
 Sunday May 31st I am Hot Street Eatz & Tx. Best Ice Cream
 Saturday June 6th AK BBQ & Tru Drinks
 Sunday June 7th Rightside & Snow Joe's
 Saturday June 13th Chaotic Creations & Sunsational Ice
 Sunday June 14th Chaotic Creations & Texas Best Ice Cream
 Saturday June 20th AK BBQ & Tru Drinks
 Sunday June 21st Back Street Burgers & Ice So Happy Snowcones & Lemonade
 Saturday June 27th Rightside & Snow Joe's
 Sunday June 28th Lovin From My Oven & Dirty Fizz
 Saturday July 4th Chaotic Creations & Snow Joe's
 (Evening @ Office)
 Sunday July 5th AK BBQ & Texas Best Ice Cream
 Saturday July 11th Rightside & Frios Pops
 Sunday July 12th Loving From My Oven & Brian & Scott Snowballs
 Saturday July 18th Back Street Burgers & Snow Joe's
 Sunday July 19th Chaotic Creations & Texas Best Ice Cream

Saturday July 25th AK BBQ & Tru Drinks
 Sunday July 26th Rightside & Dirty Fizz
 Saturday Aug. 1st Chaotic Creations & Tx. Best Ice Cream
 Sunday Aug. 2nd Chaotic Creations & Tx. Best Ice Cream
 Saturday Aug. 8th AK BBQ & Tru Drinks
 Sunday Aug. 9th Rightside & Brian & Scotts Snowballs
 Saturday Aug. 15th Back Street Burgers & Snow Joe's
 Sunday Aug. 16th Rightside & Tx. Best Ice Cream
 Saturday August 22nd AK BBQ & Tru Drinks
 Sunday Aug. 23rd I am Hot Street Eats & Ice so Happy Snowcones & Lemonade
 Saturday Aug. 29th Back Street Burgers & Snow Joe's
 Sunday Aug. 30th I am Hot Street Eatz & Ice So Happy Snowcones & Lemonade
 Saturday Sept. 5th Family Fun Fest (no trucks)
 Sunday Sept. 6th Chaotic Creations & Tx. Best Ice Cream
 Monday Sept. 7th I am Hot Street Eatz & Snow Joe's
 (Labor Day)
 Saturday Sept. 12th Chaotic Creations & Snow Joe's
 Sunday Sept. 13th Rightside & Ice So Happy Snowcones & Lemonade
 Saturday Sept. 19th Back Street Burger & Frios Pops
 Sunday Sept. 20th Rightside & Ice So Happy Snowcones & Lemonade
 Saturday Sept. 26th I am Hot Street Eatz & Frios Pop
 Sunday Sept. 27th Chaotic Creations & Snow Joe's



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June 14th (Flag Day) at Freedom Park

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Friends of Freedom Park Update

Friends of Freedom Park (FFP) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to manage the upkeep and improvements to Lake Cherokee's Freedom Park and to coordinate activities that honor and recognize the service and sacrifice of United States military Veterans. FFP is a member-driven organization. Members will help guard the integrity of Lake Cherokee's new home of honor and members are needed to run FFP Teams. We can use your help!

Memorial Day Weekend kicks off the summer at Lake Cherokee. On Monday afternoon, May 25th, after everyone has gone home and you are cleaning up the house, yard, and boathouse, maybe take time to remember those military men and women who have fallen in service to our country. The National Moment of Silence is at 3pm local time. FFP will hold a ceremony at Freedom Park beginning at 2:30 sharp. All are welcome. Do you plan to fly your American flag this Memorial Day or 4th of July? How

does it look? Is your "Old Glory" tired and needing to be retired? Drop off your **Unserviceable American Flags** with John Morgan (NH10) or Ken Pope (SM26). FFP will conduct a flag disposal ceremony on Flag Day, June 14th at Freedom Park. All are welcome.

Are you interested in watching the Independence Day fireworks from Freedom Park? You can't get much closer! Stay tuned for more information!

The FFP Membership Team would like to remind everyone that if you donated to help build the Veterans Memorial in any way, then your membership dues of \$20 have been waived for 2026! You are welcome to attend our meetings and volunteer for any of our ceremonies, events and projects.

For more information on any of the above events and projects, visit us at www.LakeCherokeeFreedomPark.org



*When the weekend festivity fades,
And friends and family have gone their ways,
The boat rests gently in its quiet slip,
While trash spills forth from the dumpsters' tip.*

*The waters, once lively, now calm and still,
Reflect the peace that follows the thrill,
Memorial Weekend, a time to reflect,
On sacrifices made, let our hearts connect.*

Memorial Day Ceremony

Monday, May 25, 2025

2:30pm – 3:30pm

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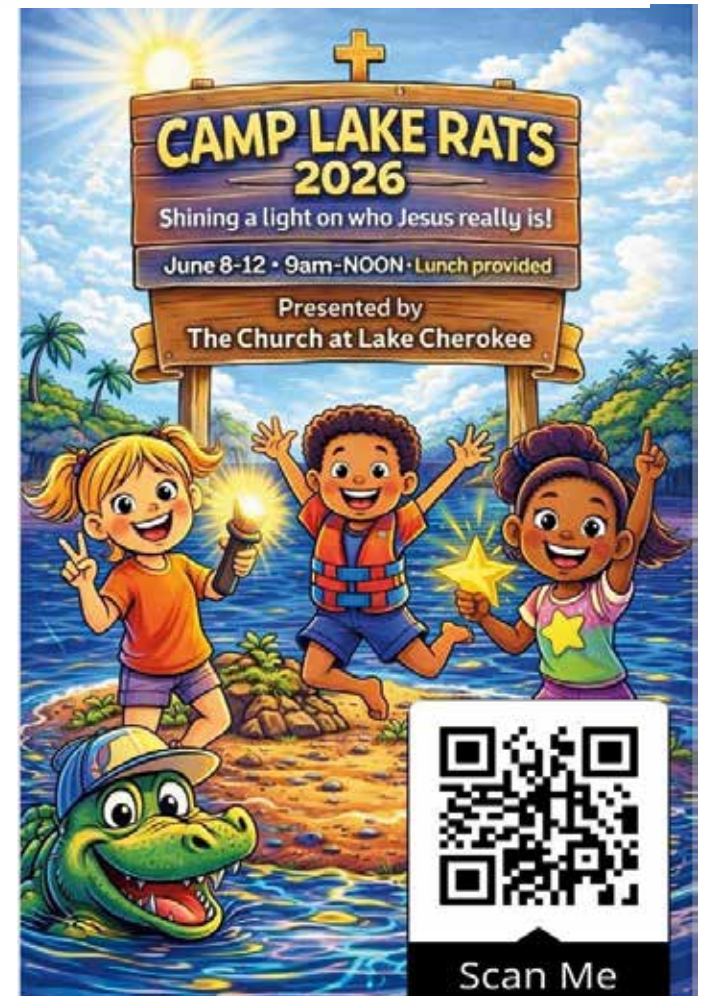
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April 2026

CHEROKEE
FISHING CLUB

Lori Klump, Secretary

Pete and Carol Staiti provided a delicious meal of pork loin, mashed potatoes and gravy. Larry Willis, David Wilson, Anna O'Brien, Bonnie Hegeman, Mike Fleener and Wiley Thomas brought rolls, salad and desserts.

After food and fellowship, President Keith Hightower called the meeting to order. Thirty-five members were present. We all took a moment to remember Genia Holland, our former club president, who passed away after a lengthy illness on Sunday, April 5. Genia served as secretary, then president and was extremely active in all aspects of the club for over 15 years. No one worked harder than Genia to make sure the meetings had speakers, the meals had banana pudding, the tournaments and raffles had prizes, kids learned to fish and members felt appreciated. She will be sorely missed, and we express our deepest condolences to her husband, Bo Besharse.

Doug Klump then announced the Coolidge & Company Kid's Fishing Contest started April 1 and runs through August. Rules and details are here in the Chatter. Photos of the angler, and their catch shown on a scale should be submitted to: fishingcherokee@gmail.com. Let's get those kids fishing!

Secretary Lori Klump then thanked Bonnie Hegeman, David Wilson and Jerald Lewis for setting up the tables and meeting room this month. Also acknowledging the 42 businesses and individuals who donated door prizes for the spring bass tournament.

Treasurer Bryce Tawney gave his financial report and noted our membership is now at 108. The member numbers are down, but expected, due

to honorary memberships of last years' kids fishing contest expiring and those who joined to participate in the tournaments not renewing. Bryce also shared new information cards that detail how to fix a backlashed reel and a chart that shows expected weights of healthy bass and crappie. This information can help you make the decision on whether the fish you caught are healthy enough to return to the water or should be culled.

Habitat Director George Steele thanked everyone who braved the challenge of cleaning out our storage unit. I will spare you the details but just know rats had taken over and were feasting on the food used for the hatchery ponds and fish feeders. The rodents were conquered, their points of entry repaired, and new, rat-proof storage containers are on the way. There were some useable items given away and a nice cement mixer was sold, with proceeds going back to the club.

It's hatchery season, and Director Gary Lindsey updated us on the plans and activities. Steel drums to store food are on the way, and we have begun filling the fish feeders at the "Mega Structure" near the entry to Lee's Creek. These feeders are designed to attract catfish and go off every morning at 8:00. Thank you Don Anderson, for keeping them filled! We've ordered 25 pounds of minnows from Jones Supply and working on stocking 3-4 thousand Florida bass fingerlings to add to the hatchery ponds in June.

In addition, Gary announced an initiative to stock the ponds with bluegill caught here at the lake to breed as additional food for the stocked fish in the ponds. This could be a fun project for you and the kids. If you are interested

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Tournament Director David Wilson recognized the spring bass tournament winners. We had 40 teams total, bringing in 396 pounds of fish. The big bass winner was Colin Juban, 7.13 pounds. Big stringer winners were Kasey Moore and Tanner Ferrell, 20.29 pounds. Also, the Big Bass Bounty is underway. Winner will receive a nice rod from Pride Rods. Submit entries with photo of fish and weight to fishingcherokee@gmail.com. The latest leader is posted on our Facebook page. Also, don't forget the crappie tournament on August 29th and fall bass tournament October 17th. Entry forms and details will be posted in the Chatter and on our Facebook page.

Following club business, John Jaskiewicz introduced our speaker, Jeff Wilson from Boat Hoist USA. Jeff gave us an interesting history of his company, which was founded here on the lake by his grandfather 40 years ago. They now employ about 50 people and have 6 locations: five here in East

Texas and one in Florida. They are opening a retail store April 20th at 601 Roenia Circle, off the West Loop. The store offers many of the items you find in their catalog. Jeff then spent time answering questions people had about maintaining and getting the most from their boat lift.

Raffle winners were: David Wilson, lure covers and microfiber cloths; George Steele, Abu Garcia reel; Don Anderson, restaurant gift cards; then, Jim Barton had a streak of luck, winning gift cards, a filet knife and 2 tackle bags. We all agreed he needed to immediately purchase a lottery ticket! Jim generously re-gifted some of his winnings back for the next drawing.

Membership in the club is \$20 per year and we meet the 2nd Monday of each month at the CWC office, NK20. Dinner is at 6:30 and funded by member donations. Meeting starts at 7:00. We hope to see you on May 11! Our speaker will be Zach Fogle, a local competitive fisherman with the Phoenix Bass Fishing League.

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The artists attending were Beth Schreiber, Tracy Lasser, Gail Fowler, Teresa Davis, Donna Mitchell, Lori Klump, Lisa Goettle, Marge Morris, Barb Robar and not shown in group photo was Carol Ehl.

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Fishing Club

Keith Hightower, President
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First Friends

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

Photography Club

Holly Treadway
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Bridge Club

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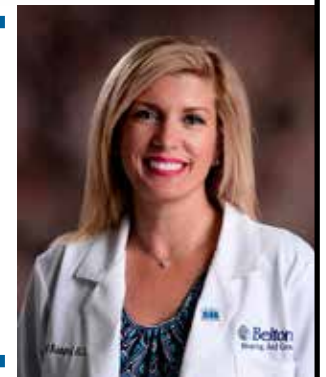
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Lake Cherokee Photography Club

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- 3 Hold your arms straight up over your head
- 4 Ask a friend to grasp the tops of the arm openings and gently pull up

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Variance Deadline	Bridge Club Luncheon			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
MOTHER'S DAY	Fishing Club	Community Gardeners Photography Club	Bridge Club	Golf Course Board Mtg		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
			Chatter Deadline Bridge Club	First Friends CWC Board Meeting Preservation Club		SUMMERTIME KICKOFF
24	FUEL CENTER ²⁵ OPEN CWC Office Closed	26 FUEL CENTER CLOSED	27 Bridge Club	28	29	30
31						

JUNE 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Variance Deadline	Bridge Club Luncheon			Boater Education Course
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Fishing Club	Community Gardeners Photography Club	Bridge Club	Golf Course Board Mtg		Wet-N-Wild Boat Rally
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
			Chatter Deadline Bridge Club	First Friends CWC Board Meeting Preservation Club		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
First Day of Summer Father's Day 1st Day of Summer			Bridge Club			
28	29	30				
		Variance Deadline				

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