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Gates planned for Seven Lakes railroad crossing

The railroad crossing at the entrance to Seven Lakes West may be upgraded to include gate arms, if the North Carolina

Westsiders attending the Seven Lake West Landowners Association's Tuesday, June 27 regular meeting learned about the

project from a presentation by Danny Gilbert, President of Rail Safety Consultants, a firm contracting with NCDOT to work on the project. Two NCDOT staffers were on hand for the

presentation, as were Westside developer Peyton Gentry and Aberdeen, Carolina, and Western Railroad [ACWR]General Manager Bill Bartosh.

Federal dollars are available

(See "Gates," p. 15)

West Side Landowners 6/27 Meeting

State Department of Transportation [NCDOT] can win federal funding for the project.

Getting that funding will require modifications to crossings all the way down to Hoffman Road, including the closing of two existing crossings.

SLLA ponders automated gates

An automated entrance gate may be in the works for residents of Seven Lakes North and South — though it's not likely to replicate the transponder-based

system that Seven Lakes West installed a few years ago.

Instead, the Seven Lakes Landowners Association

[SLLA] board is considering a gate system that uses a barcode decal affixed to the vehicle's passenger side rear window, President Don Truesdell told landowners who attended the association's regular June 28 monthly meeting.

Truesdell said the association may be able to replace the current windshield stickers with the barcode decals, which are expected to cost landowners

Seven Lakes Landowners b_{/28} Association Meeting

ering a \$15 per vehicle. A computerized database will allow the
association to program the gate
to open for valid barcodes — and
barcodes to be deactivated
when a vehicle is sold or when
a landowners fails to pay dues
on time.

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Top Volunteer



Principal Judith Douglas recognizes volunteer Sandi Burrell at the Grand Opening of the newly-refurbished West End Elementary ball field for the months of effort Burrell spent rounding up sponsors and volunteers to help with the project. (Please see story on page 10.)

Ideas aplenty for Seven Lakes Village Tomorrow

Sidewalks?
A bakery? A deli? A bar?
All brick buildings?
Bike paths? A shuttle bus?
More trees?

Those were just a few of the ideas for improving the Seven Lakes Business District that surfaced during the inaugural Village Tomorrow brainstorming session, Monday evening, June 26, in the Westside Community Center.

The meeting, hosted by the Seven Lakes Business Guild and Seven Lakes Civic Group, attracted a couple dozen residents and business-people. A second session is scheduled for Thursday, July 27.

"Our intent is to have everyone participate in this process," Business Guild President Phil Cook said, opening the meeting. "The county is giving us an opportunity to tweak the zoning

(See "Ideas," p. 2)

Second meeting planned!

Phil Cook, Seven Lakes Business Guild and Dave Kinney, Seven Lakes Civic Group

As you read this go and mark your calendar for Thursday, July 27 at 7:00 pm at the Seven Lakes North Clubhouse.

For those who couldn't attend the first meeting, here's your opportunity to have a say in the future of the Seven Lakes business village.

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Ideas aplenty for 7 Lakes Village Tomorrow

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in the business village. This is our chance to participate in the process — in a democratic process."

"We're going to need to put together a description of what the village will look like — of what you want to see the business village look like," he said.

Cook explained that the handson work of developing a plan for the village will be handled in three committees: Building Stan-

dards, chaired by Les Murray; Signage, chaired by Fred Seufert; and Permitted Uses, chaired by Tyler Horney. Those chairmen are looking for volunteers to staff their committee, as well as input from residents and business people.

Ultimately the committees will produce reports and suggestions for modifications to the county's Village Business zoning district, Cook said.

Those plans will be presented

in a series of public meetings, and the public's input will be incorporated before recommendations are finalized.

Ultimately, the Village Tomorrow process may dovetail into the county's broader Small Area Planning process, Cook said.

After Cook explained the process, Civic Group President Dave Kinney led the group in a brainstorming session aimed at unearthing ideas for improving

the business village. Ground rules for that session included a prohibition against criticizing anyone else's ideas — "The time for that will come later, "Kinney said.

Dale Erickson kept track of the various ideas and concerns as they surfaced so that the committees can make use of them as they begin their work.

After the brainstorming session, attendees were invited to sign up to serve on one of the three committees

The Thursday July 27 meeting in the North Clubhouse will have the same format as the inaugural meeting, with the objective of involving as many people as possible in the process.

All residents and business people are invited - in fact, strongly encouraged — to attend and contribute their ideas about the future of the village.

Second meeting

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Your input is honestly wanted. it is absolutely necessary if Village Tomorrow is to have any meaning. At the meeting you, will be asked to describe in a few words what you would like the business village to look like in the reasonably near term and in

the long term. Give this some serious thought and talk it up. After all, if you can't dream it, it

We will listen to your ideas on what needs to be done to make that dream come true.

Business owners are especially urged to attend. You have a significant investment in your business, in the village. Getting involved in Village Tomorrow is a great opportunity to improve the physical character of the village, an important part of protecting and growing your invest-

Residents too are urged to attend this meeting. Here's your chance to get involved, to have a say in the future of the village and what it offers you as consumers.

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Nuesleins celebrate 50th Anniversary



Anna & Carl Nueslein

Anna and Carl Nueslein of Seven Lakes celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on April 2, 2006, at Sacred Heart Church, Pinehurst, NC with a special nuptial blessing by Reverend James Labosky.

The couple were married on April 2, 1956, at St. Wenceslaus Church in Baltimore, Maryland. They have two children: Lisa Ann Nueslein, Olney, MD and Brian Nueslein, Dayton, Ohio and three grandchildren in Dayton: Morgan Nueslein, Nicholas Nueslein and Brian Nueslein.

On June 4, 2006, a 50th Anniversary party was hosted by their daughter Lisa Ann in Olney, MD. The Nueslein's moved to Seven Lakes from Ellicott City,

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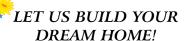
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How to pay for Echo Dam?

It's likely to cost \$300,000 to make state-mandated repairs to Echo Dam, and Steve Hudson is looking for a few good ideas about how to come up with the cash.

Hudson, Treasurer of the Seven Lakes Landowners Association [SLLA] has scheduled a public meeting for 7:00 pm on Tuesday, July 11 at the North Clubhouse to brainstorm ideas for paying the

State inspectors found problems with the dam in February of last year, and the Association has already worked with two separate engineering firms to develop a plan for making repairs the state says are necessary.

Hudson told The Times that he hopes the \$300,000 estimate is high; board members have also used a \$250,000 estimate. The actual cost won't be known until the state has approved repair plans and the project can be let out for bids.

Working with his finance committee - Jack McCarthy and Charlie Oliver - Hudson has already developed six options for financing the dam repairs:

1. Pay the total cost from existing reserves, which currently stand at over \$400,000. "This would, of course, deplete our reserve account," Hudson wrote The Times in an email. The board voted in its June 22 work session to spend \$50,000 on repairs to the Association tennis courts - money that will also come out of the reserve account. (The 2005-2006 SLLA budget included \$20,000 for tennis court repair that went unspent and was added to

the reserve carryover at the end of the year.)

- 2. Borrow the money to pay for the repairs. "This could cost us between \$29,000 and \$44,000 in interest over two to three years, depending also on the interest rate,' Hudson told The Times.
- 3. Combining option 1 and 2, the SLLA could dip into reserves for part of the cost and borrow the remainder. That could lower borrowing costs to between \$12,000 and \$22,000, Hudson said.
- 4. Another option is to increase landowners' dues to meet part of the expense and pay the balance from reserves. Hudson noted that this would require approval by a vote of the membership.
- 5. Levying a one-time special assessment to cover the cost of repairs would also require a vote of the community, Hudson said.
- 6. Another option would be to incorporate the community and "have the state look after it," Hudson told The Times.

That sixth idea may be more of a conversation-starter than a serious option; Hudson stressed that he and his committee are very interested in hearing any and all ideas that community members might have about the best way to deal with the Echo Dam problem.

He encouraged all interested residents to attend the Finance Committee's open meeting on Tuesday, July 7, at 7:00 pm in the North Clubhouse.

Project Linus Workshop July 12

Project Linus volunteers will gather on Wednesday, July 12, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm, in the Seven Lakes North Clubhouse. Bring needle and white thread.

We will be inspecting blankets and sewing on labels for blanket delivery. Fleece and crochet groups will continue. Simple quilt kits to check out for completion at home - material with batting and flannel with no batting will be available. Please drop by to see us and find a way to help Project Linus give comfort to the children in need in Moore County. If you have yarn, material or fleece donations bring them to the meeting.

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Parker resigns from Westside board

Bill Parker has resigned from the Seven Lakes West Landowners Association [SLWLA] Board of Directors, President Jim Meikle announced during the association's Tusday, June 27 regular meeting.

"Bill was the head of the Architectural Review Committee and very involved in developing our new architectural standards," Meikle said. "He did a fantastic job for us."

The board will be interviewing prospective replacements for Parker; interested landowners may contact Meikle or Community Manager Tony Robertson.

Rain-related problems. Both Meikle and infrastructure director Ray MacKay mentioned that recent heavy rains — combined with a lot of construction underway in the community — had resulted in a number of drainage-related problems around the neighborhood. "Please bear with us and they will be addressed," Meikle said.

Finance. Treasurer Virgil Reid provided a printed report showing the association's fund balances and funds on deposit. He noted that a new financial report would be available at the July SLWLA meeting.

Reid said the association currently has a higher than usual money-market balance because the board is considering using some of that cash to pay off some or all of the Westside Park mortgage. The loan is currently

at eight percent, Reid siad, while the association is earning an average of four percent on funds it has invested. In addition, the SLWLA must pay taxes on earnings from investments, but is not able to write off the interest

munity — "We've had a few cases of that since closing the exit roadway," MacKay said. He noted the paving contractor installing a new road surface, curbs, and gutters would be working six days a week, weather permitting.

Dale Erickson expressed concern that the current paving project only encompasses about 25 percent of the total Lakeway Drive road surface, including both entry and exit

roadways. "My concern is the other 75 percent," Erickson said. "We need to have plan for completing that."

"We do have a plan," MacKay responded, "but the schedule is unknown." He explained that a number of unknowns could affect the implementation of the rest of the project, including the possibility that the mail house will need to be moved, that the front gate will need to be moved, and that several lots under development along the exit road will create driveway cuts into that roadway.

Meikle added that staging the project helps spread it across a number of budget years.

MacKay encouraged residents who have not put current stickers on their trailers and recreational vehicles stored in the SLWLA lot to do so to aid in the organization of the new storage facility

Legal. Director Hugh Beckwith said the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission [NCWRC] had assured the board that its officers will not be patrolling Lake Auman until the Commission reaches a final decision on its jurisdiction on the lake. Citations issued on Easter weekend will be continued until the question is resolved.

"We view this as an act of good faith on the part of the commission," Beckwith said. "We have not heard from the commission beyond that assurance. We

(See "No word," p. 18)



expense associated with the mortgage.

Dues collections through May 31 totaled \$653,000, Reid reported, to which could be added another \$85,000 collected through June 26. That leaves about \$85,000 yet to be collected, he said.

Miscoding of expenses led last month to a report that construction expense for the playground was \$19,000 over budget, while the tennis and basketball courts were well under budget. A \$9,400 paving bill that should have been allocated to the courts was instead applied to the playground. Correcting that error shows the courts on budget and the playground only \$10,000 over.

Infrastructure. Ray MacKay encouraged folks using the Lakeway Drive entrance road to be alert to folks trying to use that side of the roadway to exit the com-



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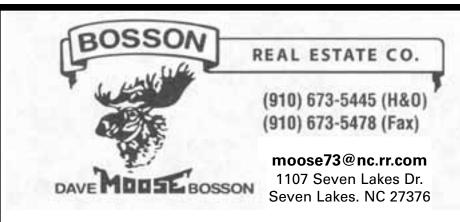


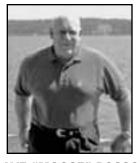
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Westside course trains young sailors



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A week long sailing course sponsored by West Side Recreation was completed at the end of June.

Seven students attended the classes, ages 10–14 with three instructors. On the last day of classes the group had a pizza party.

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Tufts was architect of Seven Lakes Course

Peter Vail Tufts, 79, of Pinehurst, died Wednesday, June 21, at his home.

A memorial service was held Saturday, June 24, at The Village Chapel in Pinehurst.

Tufts designed and built the golf course at Seven Lakes Country Club.

He was born in Pinehurst, the great-grandson of James Walker Tufts, founder of Pinehurst, and the godson of Donald J. Ross. He attended Miss Chapman's School in Pinehurst and Staunton Military Academy in Virginia.

He served in the US Navy during World War II, on the destroyer the U.S.S. Kenneth D. Bailey 713. Mr. Tufts printed the ship's insignia, a bulldog holding two five-inch shells, on the forward stack of the ship.

Returning to the family business in Pinehurst, Mr. Tufts drove a gasoline truck, was assistant service manager, plumber, assistant steward to the head of the kitchen, desk clerk at the Holly Inn, fireman, fire chief, and part of the golf course maintenance

Each step was an advancement toward becoming manager of Pinehurst Country Club. After attending Cornell Graduate Business School, he became vice president of Pinehurst, Inc., in charge of golf operations.

In that position he ran the North and South Amateur Championships as well as other tournaments and events. He held positions on the United States

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Golf Association (USGA) affairs committee, the USGA greens sections committee, and the Carolinas Golf Association, and he was a director of the Western Golf Association and the Southern Golf Association. Along with his father, Mr. Tufts designed Pinehurst No. 5 golf course.

After Pinehurst was sold to Diamondhead, Mr. Tufts startcompany. He designed and built the first golf course at Seven Lakes Country Club, and remodeled several courses in North Carolina until poor health forced him to retire.

In 2002, Mr. Tufts married Diana Adams and moved to the County Club of North Carolina.

ed his own golf architecture

With his wife he achieved a life-

den railroad complete with a village and landscaped with bonsai. His last building was a replica of The Village Chapel. Mr. Tufts was a former member of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, the United States Seniors, and the

Tin Whistles.

long dream of building a gar-

Survivors include his wife, Diana Adams Tufts; his son, Richard Walker Tufts, of Pinehurst; his daughter, Rebekah Hudson Tufts of Pinehurst; a sister, Sara Tufts Blinn of York Harbor, ME; his stepsons, Donnell Gray Adams Jr. of Pinehurst, and Robert Perryman Adams of

Raleigh; his stepdaughter, Elizabeth Adams Keough of New York, NY.; his step granddaughters, Kathryn Lyon Keough and Suzanna Sinclair Keough of New York, NY; and his step grandson, Clarke Robert Keough Jr. of New York, NY.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Tufts Archives, c/o Given Memorial Library, 150 Cherokee Rd., Pinehurst, NC 28374, or to Tufts Memorial Garden, c/o Village Chapel, Village Green, PO Box 1060, Pinehurst, NC 28370.

Boles Funeral Home in Pinehurst assisted the family.



A vouthful Pete Tufts displays an impressive bull snake found wondering around the sandpile that would ultimately become Seven Lakes Country Club's eighth fairway.

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In memory of . . .

Christina S. Van Derveer, 30, of Seven Lakes, died Friday, June 30 as a result of injuries received in an automobile accident.

She was born in Lee County, a 1994 graduate of Lee Senior High School, and earned a bachelor's degree in social work from UNC-Wilmington.

Funeral services were held on Monday, July 3 at Seven Lakes Baptist Church. The Rev. Ken Hankins and Rev. Ray Webb officiated. Internment was at Seven Lakes Cemetery Survivors include her husband, David Van Derveer; her daughter, Lydia I. Van Derveer of the home; her parents, Jeff and Judy Spivey of Seven Lakes; maternal grandparents, Carl and Eileen Swonk of Battle Creek, MI and her parentsin-law, Harold and Carolyn Van Derveer of Star.

Memorial contributions may be made to Seven Lakes Baptist Church, P.O. Box 833, West End, NC 27376.

Boles Funeral Home of Seven Lakes handled the arrangements.

Local churches host Bible School

St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church Vacation Bible School will be held July 14 – 16.

Veggie Tales "Jonah" weekend VBS is especially great for 3 – 7 year olds. Movie night will be on Friday, July 14, arts & crafts, music, bible study and games Saturday and Sunday mornings.

Classes will meet on Friday 6 pm - 8 pm; Saturday 9 am - 4 pm and Sunday 9 am - 11 am.

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Bensalem Presbyterian Church in Eagle Springs invites area preschool and elementary aged students to join them July 16 through July 20 from 6:00 to 8:30 pm each night for Vacation Bible School.

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Kiwanis contribute to home

This month the Seven Lakes Kiwanis added to their support of the community with a substantial gift to the Seven Lakes Assisted Living Home.

Continuing their charitable contributions for the facility, formerly known as Diversicare, the Seven Lakes Kiwanis Club purchased large quantities of personal hygiene products for distribution to all thirty residents. Included in these were deodorants, shampoos, hair conditioners, soaps, body wash, toothpaste, after shaving lotions, and razors.

"We are grateful for the thoughtful gifts," said Carla Edmondson, the Activities Director.

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Girl Scout Troop 911 consisting of Sarah Rabsteinek, Emily Lewis, Charlotte Herbst, Brianna Horney and leader Heidi Rabsteinak performed color guard duties for the flag raising and Pledge of Allegiance.

Little Miss Seven Lakes Michelle Wenerd and a member of her court Miranda Miller threw out the ceremonial first pitch.

Mrs. Judith Douglas, School Principal, recognized ball field coordinator Sandi Burrell for her months of hard work renovating the concession stand and for heading up the drive for replacing the outfield sponsor signs by presenting her with a plaque and a dozen roses.

Together, Mrs. Douglas and Mrs. Burrell cut the ceremonial ribbon cutting and thanked the many helpers and sponsors that made the renovations possible.

After the ceremonies the West End II Seven Lakes Friendly Mart Wranglers played the Robbins II Hussey Hardwood/GHS team followed by a second game between the West End Coyle Construction team vs Robbins II Wolverines.

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A lifetime of fascination with flight

by Mason Gould

Back in 1872, Jules Verne, internationally renowned science fiction writer, wrote a story about an imagined trip around the world in 80 days.

Compare that with today. Such an undertaking can now be accomplished in less than 46 hours, thanks to the technology of our Jet Age.

One of those who have felt the keen stimulation of a career in this field is Seven Laker Gus Gustafson, who lives with his wife Jan on Lake Auman's Sunrise Point.

It has been 54 years since Gus first left the ground peering through a cockpit window. It was a piloting career he wouldn't trade for anything. Those captain's stripes on his sleeves as he took 325 passengers up, up and away on his last flight (Milan, Italy to New York) attested to his professionalism.

Asked what was one of his most memorable experiences aloft, he cited the time in 1957 when he was one of the three pilots in a cockpit crew of seven that flew a Lockheed "Constellation" nonstop from London via the North Polar Route to San Francisco, an achievement consuming 19 hours and 41 minutes and covering 5,357 miles.

A big piece of his life in the air was his 33 years as a TWA pilot, which included nonstop flights to such places as Athens, Cairo, Tel Aviv and Honolulu, as well as major cities in Europe and the U.S.

It all goes back to his Connecticut days as a youngster, when he was fascinated with model airplanes, then his associating with model airplanes, then his associating with pilot friends from college days who had served in the air in World War



Gus Gustafson

to "go for it" in aviation.

The first plan Gus flew was an AT-6 single-engine trainer at the Bartow, FL, civilian air base being used for aviation cadet instruction. He progressed to Air Force fighter planes and not long later was stationed in Korea, then in Japan with our occupation forces.

He began his career in commercial aviation piloting a Martin 404, a twin-engine prop plane seating 40 passengers. He moved to copilot on Boeing 707's and 727's, and to copilot and later captain of four-engine 747's

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Of all the planes he piloted, his favorite was the Lockheed 1011 Tri Star because it responded so precisely to his every touch at the controls.

Gustafson says he attributes that good fortune to the firstrate backup for each flight that involved the training of and fine maintenance by the crews, and the basic reliability of the planes themselves.

"When you took off," he recalls, "you had the confidence that everyone had done their jobs professionally."

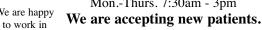
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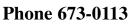
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Be prepared! It's storm season in Sandhills

by T. Ray Jackson Seven Lakes EMS

The time is rapidly approaching, for tropical storms to make their presence known in our vicinity. We have just experienced our first tropical depression along, with the rainfall it brought. That should have triggered some thoughts of planning what each of us need to do before a more significant storm heads our way.

Each household needs to think ahead of what items you need to stockpile just in case.

Of course you should have four days of staple food put aside, but in addition, you need to have a supply of all medications that each person in the household requires along with sufficient water for both drinking purposes and sanitary needs.

If a household member requires oxygen, do you a have sufficient amount to last several days? Remember your pets. They will require food, medications, and a leash especially if you need to evacuate.

Don't forget that the electric power will likely go out. If there is a major power outage, it may well be several days before it can be restored. Remember the big snowfall of several years ago? A portable generator would be a handy thing to have available. Don't forget the gasoline to run it. The gas should be stored in an approved container and not be located in the house. The generator will provide you with basic power for lights and small appliances-depending upon its rated capacity. You will not likely be able to use it for your stove and heat pump.

By the way, do you have the old-fashioned manual can opener to use when the power goes off? It is tough to open a can without one. Remember that cells phone may not work when the power goes out to the towers and

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neither do ATM machines.

It might be a good idea to form a type of neighborhood watch group in your neighborhood to check on your neighbors if problems arise.

If needed, the Red Cross will open the Seven Lakes Fire Station as an alternate facility for people. The Fire Station is the designated shelter in this area. At the Fire Station you will be able to receive meals and a cot to sleep on since the Fire Department has an alternate source of power.

Depending upon the situation, evacuation to another location may be an alternative. This

would depend upon instructions provided by the local authorities. They would know which routes to use to leave the area.

It is suggested that each family get important papers such as insurance policies and titles to physical property together just in case.

Above all, listen to the radio and television (if you have power) to get more specific instructions to govern your actions during a storm.

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Seven Lakes artist wins countywide prize

Maddie Burrell daughter of ment of Social Services during Sandi and Buzz Burrell of Seven Lakes North received recognition from the Moore County Depart-

the award ceremony held at West End Elementary School.

She wrote/drew a picture essay

participating in the Social Services Child Abuse Prevention Art con-

For her age group Primary (K-3), Maddie won first place. She received a savings bond and a plaque of her picture essay.

Maddie wrote:

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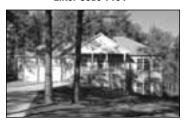
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Gates planned for Seven Lakes crossing

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for upgrading crossings, Gilbert explained, because of the government's interest in promoting safety. A person involved in a train-car accident is forty times more likely to be killed than a person involved inn a car-car collision, Gilbert said. There are 500-600 fatalities at US rail crossings every year, he added.

The current crossing at the intersection of Lakeway Drive and NC Highway 211 is a private crossing, Gilbert explained. It remains open because of an agreement between the ACWR and the Westside developer.

"This crossing has grown outside the bounds of being a private crossing," Gilbert said. "We need to make it a public crossing - we have to make it public in order to win federal funding."

The plan that Gilbert and the NCDOT staff have developed designates the railroad line from Lakeway Drive down NC Highway 211 through West End to Hoffman Road as a single safety project. There are currently six railroad crossings in that stretch; the proposed project would reduce the number to four.

Starting at the entrance to Seven Lakes West, here is what the project envisions:

Lakeway Drive. Gates and flashing lights will be installed here, as well as an interconnection with the traffic signal to help manage traffic flow when a train is approaching. The pavement of the crossing itself will also be upgraded. Gilbert estimated

total \$150,000 to \$200,000. If traffic studies prove a need, NCDOT could install a left turn signal to assist motorists turning off NC Highway 211 onto Lakeway

Knox Lane. This crossing. which leads from NC Highway 211 to the West End Cemetary and West End Presbyterian Church, would be closed. A traffic count conducted in 2005 found daily traffic of only 165 vehicles at this crossing, Gilbert

Mode Rode. Coming from Seven Lakes, if you take a right at the only traffic light in West End, you turn onto Mode Road, which has a railroad crossing a hundred yards or so from the intersection. This crossing would also be closed under the NCDOT plan. As a result, traffic bound from Seven Lakes for the West End Cemetary or West End Presbyterian Church will have to travel through West End to NC Highway 73, take a right, cross the railroad, and take a right onto Knox Lane behind the old Stanley Furniture plant. As part of the project, this roadway will be upgraded from NC Highway 73 all the way to the cemetary, Gilbert said.

NC Highway 73. The crossing NC Highway 73, heading from West End toward Jackson Springs, with a volume of 3500 vehicles per day, would be upgraded to have gates and flashing lights. A traffic signal would be installed at this intersection - giving West End a

the cost of this project would second stoplight — and would slowing traffic on NC Highway work in conjunction with the railroad signal.

> Edgewood. The crossing at Edgewood Terrace Drive would be upgraded with better pavement and a better sign, but would not get lights and gates.

> Hoffman Road. Traffic at the intersection of NC Highway 211 and Hoffman Road averages 2800 vehicles per day, Gilbert said, and includes a large amount of truck traffic. The crossing will be upgraded with gates, lights and a traffic signal.

> Traffic lights throughout the project will be linked to work together to avoid unecessarily

211, Gilbert said.

The six-crossing project is an "all-or-nothing proposition," Gilbert told Westsiders; closing the Knox Lane and Mode Road crossings is essential to balancing the costs and benefits of the project. If it can be approved as designed, it should be 100 percent fundable by federal and state governments.

In order for the project to move forward, it will have to be approved by the NC DOT board of Directors, he said. That will involve public hearings, and Gilbert encouraged Westsiders to attend those hearings and

express their support for the project.

"We need support from you to make it happen," Gilbert said. "If we go to public hearings and everyone comes out against it, the project is gone. The only way for your crossing to be approved and upgraded is if the whole project goes forward."

Answering questions from the audience, Gilbert said:

- · It will take a couple of years to get the project to construction stage.
- The project will not do anything to alter the traffic flow from West Plaza Drive or from (See "Railroad," p. 18)

FCIG Consumer Alert

The Federal Trade Commission estimates there are about 9.9 million identity theft cases annually, costing consumers and businesses some \$53 billion.

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TUESDAY, JULY 25

Seven Lakes West **Landowners Association** - 7:30 pm, General meeting, West Side Community Center.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

Seven Lakes Landowners Association - 7:30 pm, General meeting. North Clubhouse.

THURSDAY, JULY 27

Village Tommorrow - 7:00 pm, Community meeting. Please come with your ideas and suggestions for discussion. The community

and business owners are encouraged to attend.

SATURDAY, JULY 29

 6th Annual Solutions for Animals "DogWash" -Noon - 5:00 pm, at Bethesda Presbyterian Church, on US Highway 1 in Aberdeen. \$5 Donation for "DogWash" includes bathers and all supplies. \$5 Donations for nail trimming by Professional Groomer, Elaine Rogers will be offered. All funds raised go directly to the care of rescued companion animals living at Solutions for Animals.

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No word yet from NCWRC

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continue to ask when we may hear something further and have not received any real guidance

Dale Erickson expressed concern about the amount of time it is taking to conclude the matter, "I find it incredible that this has been going on for almost a year now and we don't have resolution."

"We do not have a tremendous amount of control over the timeframe in which they make their decision. We have been extremely diligent in asking them to make a decision," Beckwith replied. "We don't have control over the pace of this process."

Recreation. Director Betty Milligan said new fees for use of the Seven Lakes North stables are available on the recreation page of the Seven Lakes West website.

She reminded residents that the tennis courts are for tennis only — not for skateboards or scooters. She asked residents to report any instance of folks using the courts other than for tennis.

Lake Auman. Director Mary Anne Fewkes said the recently completed youth sailing class was a big hit and drew young people from both sides of town. "They all enjoyed capsizing the

boats," Fewkes said, noting that all the students were able to sail by themselves by the end of the week of training.

Fewkes said the association had to apply herbicide to only one cove this year; she thanks the Sports Club for raking aquatic weeds out of some other coves.

Security is on duty at Johnson Point on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday this summer, Fewkes said, ensuring that only propoerly registered boats are put into the lake.

Public comment. A resident who said he lives on Wertz Drive near its intersection with White Drive said there is a severe erosion problem caused by paving only a portion of White Drive. "Erosion is not being controlled as called for in the guidebook," he said. He also expressed concerns that many landowners are clear-cutting lots before building on them instead of preserving trees, as is called for in the rules and regulations.

SLWLA President Meikle said "There have been some recent developments in working with the developers that help us enforce what is going on in development of roads. That road was approved under the former developer. Now we have the power to deal with it."

Railroad crossings

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BB&T onto Lakeway Drive. Fielding another audience question, ACWR General Manager Bartosh said, "If the project goes through and the state and federal government support it, the railroad wholeheartedly supports it. The only problem I see

is the public hearings."

Asked whether he anticipates more train traffic in the area, Bartosh said, "I hope so. It's my business, 24/7, 365 days per

"The economy is bubbling," Gilbert said. "There's a lot of rail traffic out there."

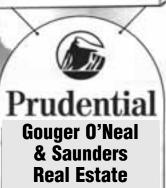
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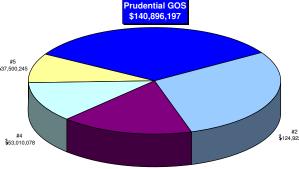
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SLLA considers bar code gate system

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He said an automated gate system for residents would make it easier for gate guards to focus on visitors — and harder for unauthorized vehicles to enter the community, since the residents' lane gate will be kept closed,

opening only for vehicles with a valid barcode.

The automated system is expected to cost nearly \$60,000. In order to help defray that cost, Truesdell said, the number of hours that the South Gatehouse is manned would be reduced

from 16 hours per day to 12 hours per day, producing a savings of \$18,000. Figures Truesdell shared with directors in their June 22 work session foresee the sale of 3,000 vehicle stickers to residents at \$15 per vehicle, generating another \$45,000.

During the work session, Truesdell told SLLA directors that the Seven Lakes West Landowners Association is considering replacing their existing transponder system with the same barcode based system.

Internet initiatives. Truesdell said the minutes of board work sessions will be posted on the SLLA website (at www.sevenlakesnc.org) as soon as they

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The SLLA office is collecting email addresses of residents in order to implement a new email-based system for getting notices out to landowners. Those who have not yet provided their email address to the office can email it to sevenlakes@connectnc.net.

Community Standards. Director Jeff Herman said his committee has reviewed the SLLA rules and regulations with an eye to updating those that apply specifically to community standards. The committee's recommendations have been forwarded to

Director Ed Nuti's committee on revisions to the by-laws and rules and regulations.

Of thirteen Community Standards complaints received by the office, 7 were handled with a phone call and six are still pending, Herman said.

Recreation. Director Jack Fathauer listed a number of recent activities of the recreations committee:

- Cleanup of the playground is underway, including adding benches and a tetherball court.
- The fitness trail is to be upgraded by applying a polycoating that bonds with the existing surface to create a pavement

(See "Contract," p. 20)

Board votes to fix courts

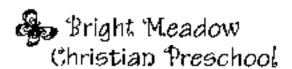
Seven Lakes Tennis players will soon be able to play on a muchimproved surface on the Northside courts.

During their Thursday, June 22 work session, the Seven Lakes Landowners Association Board of Directors approved the expenditure of not more than \$50,000 to upgrade the tennis courts, resurfacing them with a Flex Court® surface — a surface comprised of plastic tiles noted for both durability and being easy on the joints of tennis players. The surface is reputed to play like a clay surface.

Prior to the application of the tiles, Seven Lakes maintenance crews will fill the cracks in the existing asphalt. The tennis court upgrade will also include repairs to the fence and padding the light poles.

The board discussed converting one of the three courts for use as a basketball court, but responded to objections from Northsider Ron Erskine that the two uses were not particularly compatible. Erskine argued that the three courts would be well-used by tennis players once they were brought up to a playable condition

The board reserved the right to add basketball goals at a later time if use by tennis players fails to fully utilize the courts.



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Contract awarded for repairs to stable roof

(Continued from page 19) like structure.

- The Seven Lakes Stingrays —
 a swim team sponsored by
 the Sandhills Lions Club —
 has attracted 35 members
 aged 5 to 15.
- The SLLA has awarded a contract to repair and reshingle half of the stable roof to Lakeview Construction. The other half of the roof was reshingled a few years ago after being struck by lightning.
- The SLLA has awarded a contract to repair and reshingle half of the stable roof to
 The committee is obtaining estimates for replacement of the pool fence.
 - Plans are being developed for a pool party jointly sponsored by the SLLA and Seven Lakes Country Club.

Lakes & Maintenance. Nuti reported that the state of North Carolina has acknowledged receipt of the engineering plans for the repair of Echo Dam, but approval is unlikely before mid-July at the earliest.

He said appropriate identification placards have been appplied to the bulk storage tanks in the maintenance area, and tools for handling spills of hazardous materials have been acquired.

(See "Alan Shaw," p. 21)

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Alan Shaw refiles lawsuit against SLLA

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By-Laws. Nuti said his By-Laws Revision Committee has completed a reformatting of the by-laws that changed the form but not the content of the document. The board approved that reformatting during its June 22 work session.

The committee is working on developing recommended changes to the text, including a revision of the table of contents, an updated definitions section, adding provisions required by recent state legislation, and standardizing board procedures for entering a closed session.

Security. Director Michael Florence reminded residents that the first Community Watch meeting was scheduled for the following night at 6:30. He said he would welcome suggestions for his Community Watch Column in *The Seven Lakes Times*.

Clarifying the reciprocal relationship between the SLLA and SLWLA for use of amenities, Florence noted that use of the respective community's lakes is not included in the relationship — and that includes fishing. "We don't fish in Lake Auman, and Westsiders can't fish over here," Florence said.

Noting that he had recently received a number of reports

of "speeders, wild parties, etc." Florence said "without proof, I can't do anything." He encouraged residents to take pictures and/or get witnesses to rule-breaking so that security can follow up.

Residents who spot problems should call the North Gate, which can alert roving patrol and, if the situation warrants, the Sheriff's office. "If you feel it is serious enough, call the Sheriff first," Florence said, "then call the gate."

Architectural review. The Architectural Review Committee approved four new homes in the past month, Director Ron Richmond reported. Fifteen alterations and additions were also approved.

Noting that he and Assistant Community Manager Chad Beane had recently inspected all homes currently under construction, Richmond reminded residents that contractors have six months to complete the exterior construction on the North Side; nine months on the South Side.

Finance. Treasurer Steve Hudson said the Association had \$888,213 in income through May 31, with expenses totaling \$115,000. Hudson thanked Vicki Strider for her work on the association books.

He encouraged residents to attend a brainstorming session on how to best pay for repairs to Echo Dam to be held at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, July 11 in the North Clubhouse.

Manager's Report. Community Manager Dalton Fulcher reported several items from the board's June 22 work session:

- The board approved the installation of three pay phones in the community: one near the landowners office, one at Lake Echo, and one at Lake Sequoia. There is not cost to the association and even the possibility of a small amount of revenue if usage is high enough.
- The debris disposal hours have been changed to Monday – Saturday 9:00 – 4:00 pm and Sunday 1:00 – 6:00 pm.
- Southside resident and local builder Alan Shaw has refiled his lawsuit against the association, Fulcher and former Seven Lakes Company Police Chief Dennis Lombard, alleging malicious prosecution. The suit is related to an incident in which Lombard sought a warrant for Shaw's arrest on felony larceny charges.

The charges were later thrown out in a probable cause hearing.

on them. Often, they discover that a non-resident landowner with a properly stickered boat has used

 The board has approved upgrades to the landowners office computer system.

Public comment. Dennis Muller said he had seen vehicles with visitor tags and empty boat trailers parked at the boat launch area. He asked the board what they planned to do to keep visitors without boat stickers from using the lake.

Fulcher said security has received similar complaints in years past and always follows up on them. Often, they discover that a non-resident landowner with a properly stickered boat has used an unstickered vehicle to bring their boat to the lake for weekend or holiday use.

Another resident suggested the board might help solve problems with skateboarders by using some lots owned by the association to construct a skateboard park. Truesdell promised to look into the location of association-owned lots to see whether they might be suitable for that application.

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OPINION

When the livin'is easy?

Summertime when the livin" is easy. . . .

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Livin' is easy! Well, I must confess that summer with all

of its heat and humidity is not my favorite season any more.

It used bе tο when I was a kid.

Vacation from school, swimming, lying in the summer sun, picnics, baseball, indoor floor fans buzzing at high speed, bare feet in the grass, the evenings when my parents would drag chairs to our driveway to talk with other neighbors, beautiful gardens, lightning bugs, and the wonderful aroma of citronella - all of this and more made summer a time of joy.

I have written before how our society has changed due to the growing absences of front porches and sidewalks.



But we locally are fortunate to have nearby swimming pools, tennis courts, golf courses, and lakes, and air conditioning and personal computers are ubiquitous.

Yeah, I guess that summer is a time when the livin' is

Praise for great pastor

a Michael Douglas film of a number of years ago entitled, "The Jewel of the Nile." In this story the "jewel" turned out to be a highly respected leader of the

people. Well, in my opinion, we now have our own "Jewel of Seven Lakes," Reverend Don Welch, the pastor of the Chapel in the Pines.

Rev. Welch's sermon on Sunday, Father's Day, was entitled, "Hymns My Father Taught Me, and Some He Didn't Even Know." In this tribute to fathers everywhere, Don sang a multiple series of hymns. He began with the first hymn he ever learned, "Jesus Loves Me." He then moved into numerous old favorites and later progressed into more modem ones.

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and support for those with special needs in the community. In my book Don Welch is the "Jewel of Seven Lakes."

event in the Chapel in the Pines' history, and one in which all of us who were fortunate enough to participate will relish for many Father's Days to come.

Not only is Don Welch an exceptional preacher, but his service to the community is outstanding as well. This past winter he inaugurated a monthly "Seven Lakes Forum" in which major current topics of the moment are presented by knowledgeable authorities and opened for public discussion afterwards. The latest, "Christianity & Islam,"

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Last week, I had a dear friend and her daughter staying with me, as she had sold her home, the movers had come and the closing was to take place. On Friday morning, at 6:00 am, I arose to make sandwiches for their trip and to make breakfast for them, knowing that they wanted to be up, showered, fed and on their way at a decent hour.

When I went into the bathroom to "prepare" myself for the day - no water! I called my neighbors, the Haans, who are "early birds" as I am, and Angie and Bob said they had water. So,

needless to say, I called Moore County Public Utilities – (I think I woke her) and she said she would get someone to "respond."

By the time I hung up and went out to the road to see if the problem was there - Bob was already there. We heard the water and Bob followed the line where it entered the house.

We could hear the water gushing into the basement. Bob rushed to get a wrench and turned the water off at the road, and I opened up the basement door to find water all over the floor of my basement. Bob returned in boots with additional wrench-

The hose clamp that connects the 1-1/2 inch service line to the pressure regulator had come loose, causing a "full flow" leak. Bob reattached the service line to the regulator and clamped

them and tightened several other clamps. By the time the utilities man appeared, he helped Bob turn on the water at the road and my guests waking because of all the ruckus were able to "carry on."

I thank God I was not away when this happened, but more I thank God for my neighbors, the Haans, and their many acts of kindness through the years.

Helen Simpson Seven Lakes North



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Special Olympians show value of diversity

Passionate author and educator Maya Angelou, a deep student of human nature, stood there in the stadium before 10,000 spectators and 700 mentally challenged athletes from 34 nations.

She was giving the key note address at the Special Olympics World Summer Games held in the Research Triangle area. She said, in effect, that all people cry, laugh, eat and worry, and if we try to understand each other, we may even become friends.

That potential for friendship certainly opened up as this writer moved from venue to venue during the games. I melted with both compassion and pride as I watched complete strangers from Greece, Chile, Australia, Cypress and the Philippines compete in bowling along with the American team coached by Jeannie Garrett, a veteran volunteer with 22 years working with the handicapped.

"It doesn't matter if you don't win a medal," said Garrett. "What's important is whatever little progress the players make and how much their spirits are uplifted by such an experience, and their knowing and being reminded that they did their best."

"At first,



not knowing each other, they were quiet - a little withdrawn. But soon they came a little closer. Some laughs broke out on both sides. Applause for a good roll began to appear. It was clearly becoming a wholesome experience, aided by broadening horizons. You can't imagine how that warmed my insides."

As I watched the afternoon unfold, I tried to imagine how it must feel to undergo, day after day, a life of only fractions of the whole. Why have I fretted so much over temporary and

relatively meaningless setbacks in life?

The fact that these contestants were there showed me that they still had the will to live, to achieve,

to find some happiness.

Grasping hands, sipping some water, feeling that same urges to succeed.

This wasn't a perfunctory "hands across the water" event. This was deeper face-to-face humanity at work.

Said a young bowler Christopher West of Sanford: "It's exciting to meet players from around the world. I have some new friends now."

simply as only she can: "Diversity makes for a rich tapestry.

Maya Angelou summed it up There is beauty and strength in it. We are more alike that we are unlike."

Operation "Dog Wash"

Operation "Dog Wash" will be held on Saturday, July 29, Noon - 5:00 pm, at Bethesda Presbyterian Church, on US Highway 1 in Aberdeen. A \$5 Donation for "DogWash" includes bathers and all supplies. \$5 Donations for nail trimming by Professional Groomer, Elaine Rogers will be offered.

Special Events for the day include Pony Rides, Slookie the Clown, Face Painting, and Music.

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'BackPack Pals' on Lions July agenda

The Seven Lakes Lion's Club is pleased to announce Linda Hubbard, Volunteer Coordinator for the Moore County Schools, as their guest speaker on Thursday, July 20 at 6:00 pm at the Seven Lakes North Club House.

Ms. Hubbard's topic will be on the BackPack Pals program. Many students in Moore County Schools eat lunch on Friday and do not eat again until they have breakfast at their school on Monday morning. Through the BackPack Pals Program, Moore County Schools sends children home every Friday with a backpack filled with individually wrapped packages or wrapped foods that require little preparation for opening to get the children through the weekend. The backpacks aren't identifiable to a child's classmates and the names of the Pals remain anony-

A buffet dinner will be provided at 6:30 pm. before the speaker's presentation – the cost is \$8 each.

Please call Ray Lambert (673-3006) or Howie Pierce (673-2087) no later than July 14 to make your reservations. The public is welcome to attend what is anticipated to be a very interesting and informative presentation.

Temple stages 'Honk, Jr.'

rehearsal for its upcoming production of HONK! Jr.

This summer 38 young people, age 8-18, participated in a 3-week summer camp, culminating in a dazzling production of HONK! Jr.

Under the guidance of Tom Dalton, Education Director at the Temple Theatre, these young people will create a fully realized production of the "adapted" ver-

The Temple Theatre begins sion of the 2000 Oliver Award winning musical.

> George Stiles and Anthony Drewe have written a contemporary musical comedy based on The Ugly Duckling, by Hans Christian Andersen.

In this modern retelling, Ugly, a gawky and odd looking duckling must find his way back home to his loving family, elude a hungry cat, and learn some important lessons along the way, among them," to just believe in vourself."

Performances are July 14 -16 at the Temple Theatre, located at 120 Carthage St. in Sanford. Tickets are \$10/adults, \$5/Children.

The box office is 919-774-4155, ext. 225 or you may visit the website at www.templeshows.com.

Lions raise funds at 7 Lakes Expo

worked the Business Guild's Spring Expo on Saturday, May 20 were supported by Event Chairman, Keith Woods, the club's third Vice President.

They raised nearly \$500 through the sale of "Camp Dogwood" and "Bob Timberlake" raffle tickets, plus the annual "Broom Sales."

All proceeds will be used by

The "team of volunteers" that the Seven Lakes Lions Club in providing support to the blind, visually and hearing impaired within our community and the state of North Carolina.

Pictured at right are Lions Jerry Farley (Publicity Chairman), Clint Ingram (Broom Sales), Keith Woods (3rd VP), Ray Lambert (President), Jerry Genaw (New Program Chairman) and Elmer Parker.



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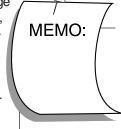
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Community enhancements in the works

The minutes of our board meetings for April 26, May 25 and May 31, are now posted to our website. The address is www.sevenlakes.nc.org. In the upper right hand corner of

the home page is a link, Board Minutes, and you will find copies of these minutes.



Board Notes

was introduced by Microsoft in

the mid 1980's. In software years

this is prehistoric! We have

installed a file server and a Local

Area Network (LAN). This instal-

lation was completed on Thurs-

Don Truesdell Seven Lakes Landowners Board

The minutes of our

open meeting of June 28, will be posted to our website after they have been approved at our next working session scheduled for July 20.

Our first test e-mail went out to all residents who have provided us with their e-mail address. If you would like to participate please e-mail your address to: sevenlakes@connectnc.net.

At our last working session of June 22, your board approved several new enhancements for our community.

The tennis courts will be refurbished. The surface material we are going to use is Flex-Court and is USTA approved and has a minimum useful life of 10 years and requires no maintenance.

This surface has the characteristics of a clay court in terms of the ball bounce, speed and ease on the joints with two significant benefits:

- 1. It does not require any maintenance;
- 2. It dries within one hour after a rain and is playable.

Dalton Fulcher, Chad Beane, Ron Erskine, Charlie Oliver, Jim Allen and Don Truesdell met with Larry Horrie. Mr. Horrie is a representative of Flex-Court. He has inspected the courts and made recommendations for the necessary repairs that have to be completed before we install the new Flex-Court.

These repairs will be completed by our maintenance staff. It will take approximately 8 to 10 weeks for delivery of the Flex-Court material and one week after receipt to refurbish the courts. The courts will only be out of service during this week.

The software we use to conduct the Seven Lakes Landowners Association business only runs in DOS. As you know DOS

June 29. In September 2006 we will be upgrading our software to the newest version that runs in Windows.

The phone system in the office is being replaced with a new system. The new system will have voice mail and night service.

During normal business hours the phones will always be answered by a person. After hours we will put the phones on night service so that any landowner when calling after hours, weekends or holidays can leave a voice mail.

Voice mail will also help to increase our productivity because the office staff will no longer have to fill out the phone message slips. The best news is that we will actually be saving money.

The cost of the new system is \$6,200. We are currently spending \$2,500 per year to lease our existing system. We can break the lease without penalty. The new system should be installed by the end of July. In less than three years we will have paid for the new system.

We approved a contract with Lakeview Construction to repair the stable roof. It was sorely overdue.

We are also investigating the installation of automated gates for the North and South side residents' entrances. These gates will provide a definite upgrade to the security for all residents of Seven Lakes.

The only way the automated gates will raise is if your vehicle displays a valid barcode label. The barcode reader will read your label and verify with our database that the owner of the vehicle is a member in good standing. These gates will make it impos-

sible for any unauthorized visitor to gain entrance into Seven Lakes through the residents' lane.

It will also allow the gate guards to devote 100% of their attention to all vehicles coming into Seven Lakes through the visitors' lanes.

The barcode labels will eliminate the job of having to replace our current stickers every year. The barcode label is good forever. Our computer database will determine if the vehicle's owner is a member in good standing.

I anticipate a one time nonrecurring charge of \$15.00, for each barcode label. If you trade your car a replacement barcode label will cost \$10.00.

We are going to reduce the South Side gate coverage from 16/7 to 12/7. The hours will be 7:00 AM to 7:00 pm. This change will save approximately \$18,000, per year and will be implemented after the automated gates have been installed. After hours visitors will not be inconvenienced because the visitors' lane will be provided with a pedestal mounted intercom allowing communication to the North Gate house.

Upon proper verification the North Side guard can open the South Side visitors' gate. The automated gates for both sides will provide 24/7 operation.

This upgrade to our security will be on the agenda for our next working session scheduled for July 20.

On Tuesday, July 11, your Treasurer Steve Hudson, will be hosting a special meeting in the North Club House beginning at 7:00 pm. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the cost

and different options of payment for the mandated repairs to Echo Dam currently estimated at \$250,000. This is an important meeting so please make plans to attend.

As you know we have two full time employees serving as Roving Patrol. We have provided them with a digital camera to enable us to collect time dated photos of violations of our rules and regulations. Please take a minute to review our rules and regulations especially as it pertains to parking and unlicensed vehicles.

We are doing our best to enforce our rules and regulations. If you see what you consider a violation please take a picture and e-mail to sevenlakes@connectnc.net.

I apologize to all boat owners for the error in my letter dated June 21.

We do not need a copy of the declaration page of your liability insurance policy for your boat. What we do need is a Certificate of Liability Insurance. This can be furnished to the Seven Lakes Landowners Association at no cost to the insured.

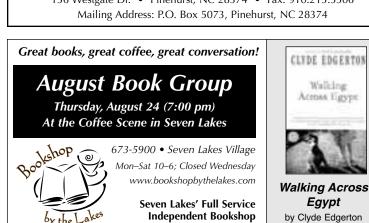
Please tell your insurance agent to either FAX or e-mail a copy to 910 673-3529 or seven-lakes@connectnc.net. This request only applies to motorboats.

If you have registered a boat without a motor please confirm this fact to the office.

One of the issues that came from the floor at our last open

(See "President's," p. 26)





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Community Watch: Fun with your car alarm

by Michael Florence Seven Lakes Landowners Associations Board

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Who would think that keeping your car keys by your bed could save your life?

Let's say you hear someone breaking into your house, or worse yet someone is already

When you wake up reach over and pick up your car keys, and press the panic button on your car keys.

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The person who is trying to get into your house will run, and if someone is already inside even the most hardened criminal will more than likely make a run for

Be sure to try this before you

But, who knows, maybe one

day your car alarm will save your life.

You might even be able to use this as a life saving device if all you can get to is your car Seven Lakes.

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meeting was unauthorized boats using our lakes.

Next year we are considering increasing the size of the decals issued by the Seven Lakes Landowners Association confirming ownership. Larger decals will make it easier to read from a distance.

The current decals measure 4.75" wide by 2.75" high and has red lettering with a black registration number on a white background. The current decal expires April 30, 2007.

The next work session is

Thursday, July 20, 2:00 pm, in the Conference Room of the Seven Lakes Landowners Association office building.

Residents are welcome to

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Photographer honored

by Jill Margeson

Vivian Smith, about to celebrate her 100th birthday this July, was recently presented an Honorary Membership in the Sandhills Photography Club.

For many years she was an active participant and regularly attended field trips and club meetings. Hugh Morton, recently deceased, owner of Grandfather Mountain and George Butt, current member, are the only other recipients of this membership honor.

"Inspired Images" will be the

theme of the Sandhills Photography Club exhibition at the Campbell House from July 7 -28. Approximately 75 photographs on a variety of subjects will be on display and for sale.

The opening reception is July 7 from 6:00 -8:00 pm and the public is invited to view the photographs, talk with the photographers and enjoy refreshments.

A judged print competition with "Holiday Season" as the topic will be held during the Photography Club monthly meeting on July 10 at 7:30 pm.

The group meets at Christ Fellowship Church, on the corner of Pee Dee Road and Midland Road in Southern Pines.

Anyone who is interested in joining the club is welcomed to attend. The Sandhills Photography Club has a variety of workshops as well as field trips throughout the year.

For further information please visit the web site www.sandhillsphotoclub.org or call Marilyn Owen at 235-0520.



Mike Stratil, President of the Sandhills Photography Club, presenting an honorary membership in the club to Vivian Smith of Quail Haven.

Radford releases CD

David Radford, grandson of Loren and Judy Swearingen of Seven Lakes, released a special collector's CD. "Swing On By," on Saturday, June 17, at a concert appearance at the Raue Center for the Arts in his hometown of Crystal Lake, III.

"The CD celebrates the modernized crooner style that David is known and loved for," says his grandfather.

The 17-year-old Radford, one of six children, was one of the top 12 male contestants on this past season of 'American Idol,' which was eventually won by Taylor Hicks.

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Camp gives kids a taste of school

During the week of June 26-June 30, twelve rising kindergarten students participated in a summer enrichment program

During the week of June 26- at West End Elementary School.

The students attended a halfday of school every day for one week. The goal of the program was to make an easy transition to kindergarten. The students would become familiar with routine,

The goal of the program was rules, and classroom schedule.

The students would have expe-

riences with language building, social interactions, fine and gross motor skills, and basic concepts of color, numbers, shapes and letters.

The staff included two kindergarten teachers, Mr. David Landolt and Mrs. Peggy Overton, and two teacher assistants, Mrs. Gina Kelly and Mrs. Linda Caddell.

Principal Judith Douglas is very grateful to Mrs. Ginny Richmond (president) and Seven Lakes Kiwanis whose monetary contribution enabled each child

to be furnished with a book bag of "goodies."

The book bag had many books and materials that could be used with the students at home during the summer.

The parents attended a hot dog supper/workshop on the Friday evening preceding the program.

Parent Cristy Hunt says of the program, "This is great!"

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Beautifiers hard at work sprucing up 7 Lakes

by Terry Hunt Seven Lakes Village Beautifucation Committee

had a productive morning of work recently and what a great

Seven Lakes Village Beautifiers group they are - everyone pitches in and does it with good



Barb Horan, Vi Everhardt, Barbara Mercer pitch in at the corner of Lakeway Drive and High-

NC Zoo Olympics with Special Guest Joey Cheek

Local hero and Olympic gold medalist Joey Cheek will visit the North Carolina Zoo on Saturday, August 5 to kick off a day of games and activities designed to educate kids about animals' strengths and abilities.

The cost of participating in this event is a \$1 donation to Joey's charity, Right to Play. Kids will receive a game ticket personally signed by Cheek.

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Beaconette Member/Guest

Guest Tournament and Luncheon was held on Thursday, May 4.

First place winners were (photo) Barbara Scagnelli, Sally

Baker. Second place winners with a 53 were Mary Snead, Claire Cypryna, Jo Ann Dyson and Elaine Conlin.

The winner with the strongest

The Beaconette Member- Terrutty, Paula Hill and Kathi drive on #10 was Kathi Baker. Closest to the pin on hole 15 was Elaine Conlin.

> Chairwoman Paula Hill presented prizes to all winners and



'Ellen Foster' next on Foxfire list

by Elizabeth Schettler

Members of the Foxfire Book Club met in the Members' Room on Monday, June 19 to complete their discussion of Marion Zimmer Bradley's "The Mists of Avalon."

Because this book, based on the King Arthur legend, is actually four books in one, the club devoted the months of May and June to it.

The Book Club's founder, Helen Munro and her husband had just returned from a trip to Russia, Helen shared some of their experiences with the mem-

For their July reading, members have selected Kaye Gibbons' "Ellen Foster," and will discuss it on July 17.

The next book will be David McCullough's best-selling "1776." This narrative of George Washington and his heroic contemporaries in the Revolutionary War is lengthy book, it will be discussed in both August and September.

Members are asked to bring to the September meeting their suggestions and comments on

books for their Fall meetings. The Book Club meets the third Monday of each month in the Members' Room at 3:00 pm.

There are no dues, and a book swap takes place at each meeting.

All Foxfire men and women are welcome at these meetings.

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