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## Auman Dam repair detailed

by Greg Hankins  
Times Editor

It was about an hour and fifteen minutes into Dr. Dan Marks' presentation on the remediation of Lake Auman Dam when Maureen Mead came up with the right question.

Marks, the engineer responsible for designing the remediation plan for Lake Auman Dam, made his long awaited appearance at a meeting of the Seven Lakes West Landowners Association [SLWLA] on Tuesday night, July 22.

Once the presentation was done and the question and answer period began, Mike

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Gorenflo gave it his best shot. "When the Board engaged you to develop a remediation plan for the dam, was the intent to create a remediated dam that was usable as it was before the

road was closed, or just to remediate the dam?" Gorenflo asked.

"The purpose of the remediation of the dam is to get it back up to an acceptable safety level," Marks replied. "I don't care about the road."

Gorenflo tried again. "Most everyone believes the remediation is necessary," he said. Everyone is for protecting the lake and the dam, he told Marks. "You won't find people upset about that. The only thing that many people feel has been overlooked in the process, is that not only is it a dam, but it is the

(See "Auman Dam" p. 32)

## Board wants no part of railroad crossing debate

by Greg Hankins  
Times Editor

"I wish you hadn't asked," was the sentiment expressed by several members of the Moore County Board of Commissioners when the topic of West End area railroad crossing closures came up toward the end of a lengthy Thursday, July 17, meeting.

The North Carolina Department of Transportation [NCDOT] has proposed closing the crossings at Mode Road and Edgewood Terrace as part of a railway safety initiative that would upgrade the crossings at the entrance to Seven Lakes West and the intersection of NC Highway 73 and NC Highway 211

near West End Fire and Rescue.

At the suggestion of NCDOT, which has ultimate authority over the project, the Seven Lakes West Landowners Association [SLWLA] has asked the Board of Commissioners to endorse the project.

The Commissioners were clearly uncomfortable with having this hot potato thrown in their laps.

"Why do they think these five commissioners know the best place to close a railroad crossing?" he added, referring to NCDOT.

Addressing Seven Lakes West's desire for an upgraded, public crossing, McKenzie said, "I sympathize with those people

up there . . . They knew they got on the wrong side of the tracks when they built their houses over there, if you want to put it

(See "Railroad," p. 29)

## Should volunteers patrol?

by Laura Douglass  
Times Reporter

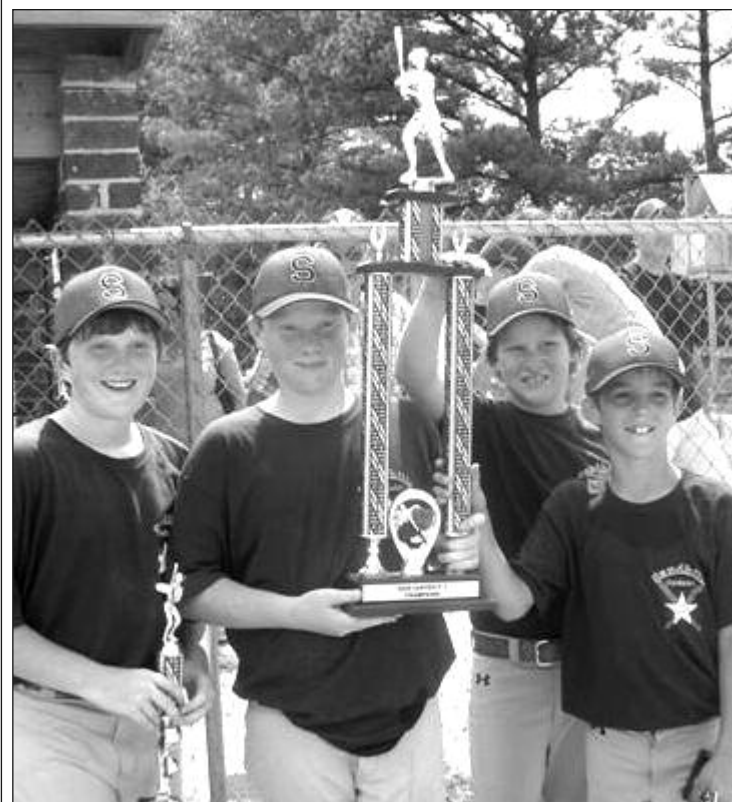
Should volunteer groups be encouraged to enforce community rules and regulations? The Seven Lakes Landowners Association [SLLA] Board of Directors wrestled with this question during their Work Session on Thursday, July 17.

The majority of the board,

including Security Director Gary

agreed that using members of reporting committees, such as Lakes & Dams and Community Standards, to directly engage violators put them in an unfair,

and possibly dangerous, position. (See "Volunteer," p. 31)



**Clay Thomas, Zachary Atkins, Jay Thomas, and Jack Carpenter** are pitchers for the Sandhills Optimist 10U All Star Team. They led their team in an undefeated season and recently and won the District Championship.

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# Should SLLA common areas be protected?

by Laura Douglass,  
Times Reporter

Seven Lakes Landowners Association [SLLA] covenants allow any board the right to sell off land owned by the Association.

Mindful of several big ticket expenses in the future for roads and dams, Director Gary Caulk proposed in a July 17 Board Work Session that a conservation easement be placed on several community common areas, specifically the stables, soccer field, and Northside Park.

Such an easement would not preclude future boards from sell-

ing the land, but could prevent the property from being developed for commercial or residential uses.

"I was shocked to find out our green spaces aren't sacred," said President Randy Zielsdorf. "They provide us with our identity — they are what make us Seven Lakes."

Community Manager Dalton

Fulcher provided the board with highlighted maps of all common areas and those identified by Caulk for consideration of a conservation easement. The board has consulted with attorney Hunter Stovall and agreed during the Work Session to move forward with obtaining legal descriptions and estimates for required surveys.

Director Denny Galford questioned whether the project was too expensive, "I want to empha-

size that we are ninety-nine percent protected already [under the covenants]. I have no problem with it as long as it doesn't cost money."

Zielsdorf said a board vote on adoption of a conservation easement was at least a month away and any costs would be included in the discussion during an Open Meeting.

He encouraged residents with concerns or suggestions to contact the board.

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## Northside Dams may look shaggier

by Laura Douglass,  
Times Reporter

Stating that safety must come before appearance, the Seven Lakes Landowner's Association [SLLA] Board of Directors is preparing to vote on a new policy limiting the mowing of dam embankments to twice a year.

"This is a departure from what we've done before," Lakes & Dam Director Don Truesdell told Board members during a July 17 Work Session.

A recent report by dam consultants recommended the change to allow more root structure of the ground cover to develop and to reduce erosion, which was determined to be primarily caused by mowing equipment.

Truesdell suggested that weed-eating and mowing would need to continue along the ten foot right-of-way on each side of dam roadways.

Director Bud Shaver agreed that safety should be first, but

expressed concern over the appearance of dams not mowed, and potential costs of weed-eating large areas.

Shaver recommended that dam embankments with less slope should be reviewed separately before instituting any mowing policy change.

Community Manager Dalton Fulcher said it would be important to communicate the necessity of such a change because of appearance concerns.

"We need to let people know because we will have a lot of comments," said Fulcher.

## SLLA needs help in the office

The Seven Lakes Landowners Association is looking for a recording secretary available for two to three meetings a month. Hours may vary but will include the morning Work Session and evening Open Meeting. This is a paid position.

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# Borrowing money to repave SLLA roads?

by Laura Douglass,  
Times Reporter

Repaving Seven Lakes North and South roads will cost at least \$1 million, an estimate which could rise exponentially as oil prices climb.

During the Board's Thursday, July 17 Work Session, Seven Lakes Landowners Association [SLLA] President Randy Zielsdorf said there are two options; pave a few miles at a time and pay a

premium, or pave all the roads at the same time using funding from a short term loan.

"I feel it is important to get this information in front of our members. I don't see us ever saving the amount of money we'll need to repave, which is much needed on over half of the roads," said Zielsdorf.

Currently the association has approximately \$200,000 in a reserve account for road main-

tenance.

Treasurer Denny Galford reported the Finance Committee has researched five, ten, and fifteen year short term loans and recommend the board focus on a ten-year fixed rate loan. At 6.5 percent, the loan repayment would be a little over \$9,000 per month, paying \$290,000 in interest.

"We are in the early stages of the discussion but it's a worth-

while thing to be aware," said Galford. "This association is not under the Planned Community

expressed concern that dams must take priority over any other capital projects or major financial decisions, including roads.

"We have not had a dues increase since 2005 — it may be time we started looking at that. We are a bar-

gain," said Truesdell. Zielsdorf replied that funds from a short term loan did not necessarily have to be restricted for roads. Funds could be diverted to cover an emergency dam project.

He continued, "We've operated on a cash basis with little savings or reserves because dues were kept at a minimum," said Galford.

Director Don Truesdell

"I think it is prudent for this (See "SLLA Finance," p. 30)

## Upcoming SLLA votes

by Laura Douglass,  
Times Reporter

Three items will be voted on during the next SLLA General Meeting on Wednesday, July 30, including a By-law change.

The board proposes revising By-law 6.9.1 to eliminate the requirement that board Work Sessions be held at a particular day and time, as long as they are held at least ten days prior to the Open Meeting.

Also under consideration is an addition to the community rules and regulations. Director Caulk proposes 4.17 which will address vandalism of property controlled or owned by SLLA.

"This will fill in the gap and allow us to take violations to our own Judicial Committee, in addition to using the courts. It allows us more options," explained Caulk.

Caulk also presented two bids for refurbishing the North and South gatehouses. Work includes painting inside and outside, and new flooring in the bathrooms.

"The gates are the first thing people see — we want them to look nice," said Caulk.

### Special Meeting

A Special Meeting will be called to discuss several combined lot requests along Cedar Lane, in Seven Lakes North. Currently an unpaved and undeveloped area, many of the lots are very wet and are located behind Timber Dam. Construction could impact whether the dam would need to be reclassified as a High Hazard Dam.

Caulk recommended two of three Time Warner Cable links connecting camera feeds to the landowners office should be

dropped. Instead, recording devices would be installed at remote locations, an option that could potentially save the association \$300-\$500 per month in fees.

"We've looked into what we need to have to take a case [criminal] to court and that is what we will set our cameras to," said Caulk. "Courts want to see a face and vehicle and that's what we're shooting for. We are going to make this a more secure place."

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# Directors address lawsuit and new ARC rules

by Greg Hankins  
Times Editor

Both Legal Director Ed Silberhorn and Architectural Review Director Ron Shepard provided updates during the July 22 General Meeting of the Seven Lakes West Landowners Association [SLWLA].

## Lawsuit Update

Silberhorn said that Westsiders Jim and Linda Terrill have filed lawsuit against the Association alleging damages from sedimentation and soil erosion into a cove of Lake Auman. The

suit was first filed in 2006, dismissed by the plaintiffs and then refiled in 2007. It has now been amended and refiled again.

The Association, in response, has filed a complaint against third-party defendants, including developers, contractors, and "some folks who constructed some roads," allegedly creating runoff into the lake, Silberhorn said.

A hearing on the Association's motion to dismiss part of the suit is scheduled for July 28, Silberhorn said, with court-ordered mediation scheduled for August

or early September, and a trial set for mid-September. He said

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the latter date is likely to be set back, in order to allow some defendants named by the Association to prepare their defense.

Silberhorn said the Board has not discussed the case publicly,

even though it has been pending for two years, on advice of counsel, who felt there might be some chance to reach a negotiated settlement if it could be kept confidential.

"But when the case was set for trial, we felt the landowners had a right to know about it," Silberhorn said. "This Board believes in doing business in the sunshine and want everyone to know what they can know."

He said he would report back to the community after the July 28 hearing on the motion to dismiss.

"We have some good defendants in the suit to help disperse our risk," Silberhorn said.

## Revised ARC Standards

Director Ron Shepard told Landowners that the ARC Standards for Design and Construction in Seven Lakes West have been updated and are available for review and comment by the membership. Copies are available on the SLWLA website and in the Community Center office.

Shepard said comments from residents and other have been

incorporated into the revised document, which has been vetted by Legal Director Silberhorn, as well as the Association's legal counsel.

Key changes include:

- Referring to ARC volunteers as "observers" rather than "inspectors."
- Enhancing the role played by the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources to ensure that proper erosion control procedures are used.
- Improving the language the describes enforcement procedures.
- Tightening up some standards — for example, banning to use of above-ground propane storage tanks in new construction and requiring that driveways be constructed and surfaced so as not to wash into roadways.

Comments on the new standards — which apply only to new construction — should be addressed to the ARC Committee through the Community Center Office.

## Website hosts 'Community Views'

The agenda for the Seven Lakes West Landowners Association July 22 general meeting included introductory comments from President Jim Haggard entitled "Railroad Crossing — Wrong Side of the Tracks!"

Haggard evidently planned to respond in some way to comments made by Chairman Colin McKenzie of the Moore County Board of Commissioners, who, in a Thursday, July 17 meeting, said residents of Seven Lakes West "knew they got on the

wrong side of the tracks when they built their houses over there."

But Haggard said he had heard some concern expressed that the SLWLA Board was presenting a one-sided view of the railroad crossing issue and instead had asked SLWLA Webmaster Betsy Mikula to add a "Community Views" section to the Westside website that would present factual information about controversial issues facing the community and offer residents a

chance to submit their own conclusions and opinions.

The new section of the website is up and running now with information on the railroad crossing issue. Comments may be emailed to Haggard or Mikula for posting on the page.

Haggard said the webspace will be used for information about and discussion of other issues as they arise.

"We have a great website, and this is an opportunity to use it and have a dialogue going in the community," he added.

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# Who's responsible for sediment in a cove?

by Greg Hankins  
Times Editor

If runoff from a construction site deposits silt in a lake cove, making it hard for boats to enter, restricting diving and swimming, who is to blame?

Who pays to fix the problem — or to compensate lakefront property owners for the damage to their cove?

That's the simple question at the bottom of a complicated lawsuit against the Seven Lakes West Landowners Association [SLWLA] and a local builder that has been percolating in the Superior Court of Moore County for nearly two years.

The damages sought by the plaintiffs could cost SLWLA, the builder, or a host of third-party defendants more than \$250,000.

A hearing on Association motions to dismiss portions of the suit is scheduled for Monday, July 28; court-ordered mediation is in the works; and the suit is scheduled for a mid-September jury trial, though SLWLA Legal Director Ed Silberhorn expects that date will be pushed back.

Initially filed in 2006, the complaint was voluntarily dismissed by the plaintiffs, refiled in 2007, and recently amended, starting the argument all over again from

the top. The ever-expanding file on the current case, housed in the Moore County Courthouse, occupies three file folders and a good ten inches of shelf-space. That file contains a blizzard of motions and counter-motions, the thrust and parry of a civil suit. And what are likely the most interesting bits, the depositions taken from more than a dozen folks involved in the case, are not contained in the file at all.

That makes it difficult at best to report on the case in any detail, but the documents do provide the basic outlines of the arguments on both sides.

Linda and James Terrill, the Plaintiffs in the suit, own a lakefront home at 135 James Drive in Seven Lakes West, as well as a vacant lot just across the narrow cove, at 139 Wertz Drive. The Terrills are suing the SLWLA, along with Accent Design Build, LLC, and Accent Design Build II, LLC, two related homebuilders, alleging that runoff from Accent projects silted in the cove on which their properties lie and alleging that SLWLA failed to protect the cove.

Responding to the complaint in documents filed at the county courthouse, the Association denies any neglect and much of the Terrill's version of events.

However, it does admit that there is silt in the cove, and responds by suing a half-dozen builders, the developer, and some association members who own or have moved dirt on property on James and White Drives.

According to the complaint filed by the Terrills, the problem began with Accent's 2004 construction of the home at 132 James Drive, when piles of dirt were left uncovered and inadequate erosion control methods resulted in runoff into the cove every time it rained. This continued throughout 2004, despite complaints to the Association and letters from the Association

to the builder asking to have the problem remedied. The result, they say, was a shallow cove, full of aquatic weeds, difficult to use for boating or swimming.

In its response to these complaints, the Association admits that Accent was building the home in question, admits that the Terrills have photos of reddish brown water flowing down Wertz Drive, and denies almost everything else.

The Terrills allege that, in 2006, Accent was involved in preparing additional homesites in the area, along James and White Drives, and again failed to adequately control runoff, resulting

in additional sedimentation in the cove. Again, they claim, the  
(See "Lawsuit" p. 32)

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# Boylan's office weighs in on Westside hydrants

by Patti Cleary,  
Claire Czupryna,  
Betty Milligan,  
and Johanna Moran  
Westside Fire Hydrant  
Committee

Earlier this year a group of concerned Westsiders formed an ad hoc Fire Hydrant Committee to research the need for additional fire hydrants within Seven Lakes West.

A letter dated November 15, 2007 from Infrastructure Director Ray MacKay, to County Manager Cary McSwain stated in part:

*According to a study done by Seven Lakes West Landowners Association [SLWLA] in 2004, the original thirty-two platted subdivision [lands inside Longleaf Drive] lacks some seventy [70+/-] fire hydrants. Also, several locations that require fire hydrants are not served by a water main that meets the minimum size code for a hydrant.*

The entire letter can be found at [www.sevenlakeswest.org](http://www.sevenlakeswest.org).

After reading a copy of MacKay's letter a member of the Hydrant Committee contacted two Moore County Commissioners regarding this issue. Several weeks without a response prompted a further inquiry to Representative Joe Boylan in Raleigh.

The following is the response from Representative Boylan's office:

*The Seven Lakes West Homeowners Association has noted both a shortage of fire hydrants in an area of their neighborhood, located in Moore County, and a deficiency in the size of the water pipes that some new hydrants would be installed on. Who is responsible for these problems and how can they be corrected? It seems that the solution will likely rely, at least in part, on members of the Homeowners Association.*

Ray MacKay with the Homeowners Association reports that a study of the subdivision's fire hydrant system, evaluated using current regulations regarding hydrant placement every 1,000 feet in certain residential areas, showed a shortage of approximately seventy hydrants. Additionally, the two-inch water lines where some new hydrants would have to be placed are not large

enough to supply sufficient water to hydrants. The Homeowners Association has been trying to get more hydrants in that area of the subdivision to improve fire protection.

*It does not appear that any Moore County fire hydrant reg-*

*ulations, if there were any at the time, required any more hydrants than were installed when the original portions of the subdivision were developed in the 1970s. Newer areas of the subdivision are built to a new, higher standard of fire pro-*

*tection and the Homeowners Association wants to upgrade to the current standard.*

*Actually, there is no legal requirement that an unincorporated, non-municipal area receive fire protection, according to Richard Strickland, chief fire*

*code consultant for Office of the State Fire Marshal, and State government does not play a large role. Local fire protection is left to the local fire marshals, and in unincorporated areas volunteer departments are* (See "Westside hydrants," p. 25)

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# Kinney, Murray named to Planning Board

by Greg Hankins  
Times Editor

Seven Lakes Civic Group President Dave Kinney will be joined on the Moore County Planning Board by Les Murray of Big Sky Construction, who served last

year as President of the Seven Lakes Business Guild. The Moore County Board of Commissioners made the appointments during a Thursday, July 17 meeting.

Kinney was reappointed to a three-year term, as was Richard

Lea of Carthage. Murray and Martha Blake — who both live in the rural area between Seven Lakes and Carthage — were appointed to three year terms as new members of the Board. Current Planning Board member Aaron McNeill of Robbins was not given another term on the panel.

Commissioner Tim Lea nominated former Foxfire Councilman Carl Munro for a seat on the Board, but that motion died for lack of a second.

The Commissioners still have one alternate member to name to the Planning Board; they deferred that decision to their August 4 meeting. Alternates attend meetings when a regular member of the Board must be absent. Chairman Colin McKen-

zie said it is customary to select former Planning Board members to serve as alternates, because "they are already trained."

## More appointments

In addition to their Planning Board appointments, the Commissioners:

- Appointed Seven Lakes West Resident and West End Fire and Rescue member Erik Stromberg to the Moore County Emergency Services Advisory Committee.
- Re-appointed John Garner as Chairman and Frederick Robinson as a members of the Moore County ABC Board.
- Appointed Gert Strine and Bryan Rainbow to three-year

terms as members of the RSVP Advisory Council. Dick Roesler and Curtis Gilbert were reappointed to three year terms.

- Appointed Peter Madsen and Theron Bell to the Regional Library Board.
- Appointed Commissioners Clerk Megan Owrey as the voting delegate to the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Annual Business Meeting.
- Appointed Jonathan Paris as an Extraterritorial Alternate member of the Whispering Pines Board of Adjustment.
- Appointed Johnny Ransdell as an extraterritorial member of the Town of Aberdeen Planning Board.

## Dems to gather

The Moore County Democratic Party and the Democratic Women of Moore County have teamed up to host a "Meet the Candidates RALLY" on August 9 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Pinecrest High School Cafeteria.

At the Rally voters will have a chance to listen to and meet nine candidates, with representatives and /or literature about the other Democratic candidates will also be available.

Most notable of the candidates in attendance will be Kay Hagan, who is running for US Senate, the seat that has been held for many years by Republican Elizabeth Dole.

Also attending the Rally will be Teresa Sue Bratton, Democratic nominee for the District 6 Congressional seat, running against the Republican incumbent Howard Coble.

For the first time this decade,

Moore County has a Democrat running for NC House of Representatives in District 52. Native North Carolinian and Pinehurst resident, Betty Mangum will be at the Rally.

Candidates running for these offices will also be in attendance at the Rally: Beth Wood, State Auditor; Sam J. Ervin, IV, NC Court of Appeals; Judge Linda Stephens, NC Court of Appeals; Judge Cheri L. Beasley, NC Court of Appeals; Wayne Goodwin, Insurance Commissioner; and Tony Berk, Moore County District Attorney.

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# Commissioners approve junk yard rezoning

by Greg Hankins  
Times Editor

The Moore County Board of Commissioners approved the controversial rezoning of a 17.76 acre tract in the Eastwood Community during their Thursday, July 17 meeting, in order to correct what the Planning Department represented as a mapping mistake when the original paper zoning maps were converted into electronic form.

The property included portions zoned B-2 Highway Commercial and other portions zoned RA-40 Residential Agricultural. A portion of the property is currently being used as a salvage yard and the recommended rezoning in effect redraws the map to apply the commercial zoning to the areas used for the salvage operation.

Neighboring property owners objected to the rezoning, though it was clear from their comments that what they really objected to was the salvage operation. Planning Director Joey Raszkowski and Planner Cris Armstrong told the Commissioners that aerial photos show that the salvage operation was underway on the property before countywide zoning was implemented — which means the county cannot zone it out of existence.

Raszkowski did say that the Planning Office would be monitoring the operation for and

massive increase in business, traffic, or volume, which could constitute an expansion of the business that would require county approval.

## Software decision tabled

The Commissioners tabled a decision about a proposed a contract with Tyler Technologies for new software systems spanning a number of county departments: tax administration, financial services, human resources, planning, environmental health, and property management. The three-year contract would cost the county \$2.3 million.

Finance Director Lisa Hughes told the Commissioners that the system will save both county employees and the public substantial time and effort. As proposed, the system would be housed and supported by the vendor rather than in-house. The software could be purchased and installed on local hardware after the three-year contract is up, Hughes said. Darlene Yudell of the Information Technology Department said it would be advantageous to have Tyler bear the responsibility for training and data translation during the transition period, after which the county would be better prepared to bring the system in-house.

Commissioner Lea said he had reservations about the cost of having the system housed and supported by the vendor

and asked for a direct cost comparison of that option with the in-house option. The commissioners tabled any decision on the matter until that comparison could be produced.

## No Decision on Taylortown

The Commissioners deferred action on Public Works Director Dennis Brobst's suggestion that the county reduce by 75 percent \$186,000 in county landfill charges incurred by the Town of Taylortown during state mandated cleanup of homes in that community that had been razed and buried.

Brobst told the Commissioners that about three-quarters of the material the town deposited at the

landfill was actually dirt that could be used as daily cover of other landfill material.

"What we got from the town was very dense wet fill; what we normally get is two-by-fours and plastic," Brobst said. "Eventually we are going to run out of dirt. Within four or five months we'll have to bring in outside dirt."

County Attorney Misty Randall Leland told the Commissioners that she was "really concerned about the county's liability in waiving what we would normally charge anybody that might go out there." She suggested that she could draft a contract that would have Taylortown hold the county harmless and indemnify

the county from any potential liability.

The Commissioners deferred any decision, asking Leland to draft the contract and then determine whether Taylortown officials would be willing to sign it.

## Other Business

In other business, the Commissioners:

- Approved the issuance of \$7,661,000 of general obligations bonds for the East Moore Water District to fund construction projects.
- Approved a resolution that will allow Public Works to seek a grant from the North Carolina Rural Center to help defray

(See "County," p. 29)

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# Sheriff's office reports arrest in Northside thefts

by Greg Hankins  
Times Editor

The Moore County Sheriff's office last week reported arrests in connection with two thefts in Seven Lakes North.

## Sometimes your worst nightmare is the kid next door

Moore County Sheriff's deputies report that their investigation of a May 31 Seven Lakes North burglary led to the Friday, July 18 arrest of Andre Van-Schalkwyk, 22, of 7904 Pinecrest Road in Raleigh.

According to the incident report filed by Deputy Jonathan Cole, Jonathan Bradshaw was asleep on his couch when something woke him at about 1:30 am. He arose to find a young man walking out the front door of the Bradshaw residence. When Bradshaw yelled at the intruder, the

young man dropped some frozen ground beef and set off running down Pine Cone Court in the direction of Timber Drive.

Deputy William Morley arrived with K-9 Ricco, who, trailing the suspect, found a discarded cell phone and a frozen pizza, which Bradshaw identified as belonging in his freezer.

Detective Kip Dennis told *The Times* that Van-Schalkwyk had been visiting friends in Seven Lakes.

Van-Schalkwyk was charged with first degree burglary, felony larceny, and possession of stolen goods. He received a \$1,000 unsecured bond and was given a first court date of July 31.

## And sometimes it's the guys working on your house

The Moore County Sheriff's office reported on July 16 the

July 3 arrest of James Larry Rollins, Jr, 28, and Jesse James Clarke, 26, both of Sanford on charges relating to the theft of tools from the basement of Lannie Lee Patterson, of 111 Scuppernon Court in Seven Lakes North.

According to a report filed by Deputies James Lucas and Don Shingleton, Patterson's son Scott reported that a reciprocating saw, air compressor, socket set, and level were missing from his father's home. Patterson told Lucas that he suspected two former employees of a contractor working at the Patterson residence.

Deputy Shingleton reported that both Rollins and Clark were arrested on July 2, and each implicated the other in the crime. Both men were charged with breaking and entering, larceny, and possession of stolen prop-

erty. Rollins received a \$7,500 secured bond, and Clark, a \$5,000 unsecured bond.

The first court date for both was July 7.

## SLCC Hawaiian Luau

Everyone's invited! You do not have to be a member to attend the Seven Lakes Country Club's Hawaiian Luau on Saturday, August 16. Just imagine a night in paradise without spending money on airfare.

Festivities begin with cocktails at 5:30 pm, featuring special tropical drinks available at the cash bar, followed by a fabulous Hawaiian buffet at 6:00 pm. The menu features pork loin with bourbon sauce, Hawaiian chicken, grilled veggies, rice, salad bar, rolls and butter,

and topped off with an ice cream station. DJ Harold Pickett will provide music and dancing at 7:00 pm.

Member's pricing is \$23.00 inclusive. Non-member's pricing is \$28.00 inclusive. Reservations may be made by calling 673-1100, non-member's may call after July 27.

The dress code for the Luau suggests Muu-muus, Hawaiian shirts, or anything cool and casual. Hosts are Shirley & Ralph Shank, and Sue & Gordon Zeller.

# Thief hits Prescription Shoppe

The Seven Lakes Prescription Shoppe was broken into in the early morning hours of Wednesday, July 16. The thief or thieves made off with 700 hydrocodone pills.

According to an incident report filed by Deputy Robert Aklus, Jr., he responded to a breaking and entering call at 4:47 am Wednesday morning and found the glass front door of the shop

shattered; the perpetrator evidently left by the back door.

Deputy Beck and Detective Whitaker helped process the scene, but found no usable fingerprints.

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# Pinecrest footballers rescue Westside sailor

Four Pinecrest High School football players recently rescued a new Westside sailor from a difficult situation.

Johanna Moran told *The Times* that on just her third ever solo trip sailing her Sunfish on Lake Auman, the wind proved a bit too much for her to handle. The boat over-turned and then "turtled." In other words, it was floating upside down with the mast pointing straight down toward the bottom of the lake.

And, soon enough, the mast in fact connecting with the bottom of the lake, making Moran's problem even more difficult to solve.

While a sailor can often right a small craft by him or herself with some leverage and patience, the turtled Sunfish with its mast stuck in the mud needed a bit more leverage than Moran could provide.

As luck would have it, Moran's mishap occurred near the Johnson Point, where four young men with plenty of leverage — all members of the Pinecrest High School varsity football team — were cooling off after practice.

In short order, they swam to Moran's rescue, righting the Sunfish, so that her husband Tom Moran could tow it back to safety.

The young footballers included Jake Bebout of Seven Lakes West, Jesse Korenoski of Aberdeen, Philip Hause of Souther Pines, and Conner Neville of Pinehurst.

Moran told *The Times* she was grateful for the help she received from the young men and that the mishap in no way dampened her enthusiasm for learning to sail — though she might pick a less breezy day for her next outing.

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## Guild Tourney & Raffle

The 4th Annual President's Cup fundraiser golf tournament of the Seven Lakes Business Guild will be held on Saturday, August 23 at the Beacon Ridge Golf & Country Club. The event will feature a Captains Choice format featuring three-person teams and a 9:30 am shotgun start.

The proceeds from this year's tournament will be applied to the ongoing business village roadway project. The Guild is currently in the process of having the roads surveyed as the first step in converting them into public roadways.

At this time, the Business Guild and its members are providing all of the funds to maintain and improve the roadways in the Business Village. Playing

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# Planning Board discusses new power line

by Laura Douglass  
Times Reporter

"We have reached a juncture in our history when we need to take better care of the environment from utilities and transportation infrastructure when a project of this magnitude is coming through farms, fields, forests, and wetlands," declared Joe McDonald, a member of Save Our Sandhills [SOS], before the Moore County Planning Board. "It makes sense there should be an Environmental Impact Statement. My position is if they have the authority of eminent domain then they should also have the burden of an impact statement."

McDonald was invited to speak to the board by Planning Chair Nancy Roy Fiorillo during the Thursday, July 10 monthly meeting.

McDonald and Ruth Stolting presented a proposed resolution, drafted by SOS, which would require Progress Energy to plan, construct, and maintain their electric lines while working closely with county, state, and federal agencies.

Currently, Progress Energy is developing a new thirty-two mile transmission line that will begin in Rockingham substation and end at an existing West End substation. According to the company, the \$27 million line is a necessary enhancement of the current transmission and distribution systems due to past and anticipated growth, and will ensure a continuous, reliable flow of electricity to homes and businesses in the region.

The 230-kiloVolt (kV) electric line will be attached to eighty to ninety foot tall H-frame structures every 600 to 900 feet and built on 100-foot wide property easements along a route determined, according to Progress Energy, through public information meetings as well as with state and federal agencies with an interest in the project.

Acquisition of the transmission line right of way will take place from 2007-2009, with clearing and construction for the line to begin in 2009, and ending in mid-2011.

Environmentally sensitive areas affected by the intended route

include crossings along the edge of state game lands, the Millstone 4-H Camp, and a planned deviation around the Wimberley Tract – Nat's Creek Ecosystem Enhancement Area. [Note: Detailed maps are available at the Progress Energy Rockingham Operations Center and on the web at the Office of the Chief Clerk of the Commission, [www.ncuc.net](http://www.ncuc.net) under Docket No. E-2, Sub 933].

Public hearings are scheduled in October in Rockingham and Raleigh, but Progress Energy has reserved the right to cancel if no significant protests are received subsequent to public

notice.

"In my experience they'll do an environmental study after the survey [of proposed route]. What's the point? It's a done deal by then," argued Mike Wilson of West End.

A member of the Small Planning Area A Steering Committee, Wilson's property outside of Foxfire has already been damaged as a direct result of the developing project.

Fellow Steering Committee member and Planning Board member Dave Kinney called the SOS resolution a good place to start.

"Any good law starts from the

grass roots, bubbles up through the Planning Board and Board of Commissioners, and on to the general assembly – demonstrating it's what people want," said Kinney.

Fiorillo agreed saying, "This is a good way for problems like this to be identified and solved."

The board, however, did not raise the resolution for a motion. Instead the board tasked Planning Director Joey Raczkowski with researching the issue and drafting a letter to Progress Energy suggesting that they coordinate long range plans with the county government.



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He was preceded in death by his son, Charles Brown; four

brothers, Vester Brown, Clyde Brown, Roy Brown, and Wilbert Brown.

Mr. Brown is survived by his wife of fifty-six years, Bonnie Myrick Brown; four sons, Lowell Brown of Albermarle, Bobby Brown of Eagle Springs, Danny Brown and Randy Brown, both

of Robbins; two brothers, Russell Brown and Odell Brown, both of Eagle Springs; three sisters, Inetta Brewer of Eagle Springs, Esterlene Boone of Seagrove, and Octavia Baxter of Bennett; twelve grandchildren; and four

great-grandchildren.

A private graveside service was held Sunday, July 20, at Williams Cemetery with the Rev. Billy Reynolds and the Rev. Lowell Brown officiating.

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# Lions learn about energy conservation

by Howie Pierce  
Seven Lakes Lions

Moore County Extension Agent, Agnes Evans, presented a program to the Seven

LakesLions Club on Energy Conservation. Her talk included a comprehensive discussion of the Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs, and tips on how to con-

serve energy throughout the home.

The Seven Lakes Lions Club will next meet on Thursday, August 7 at 6:00 pm in the West Side Park Community Center. The guest speaker will be Professor Bill Croft, Respiratory Care Department Chair. He will discuss food and drug interactions. The community is invited to attend this meeting.

For reservations, please call Roger at 673-0845 or Tina 673-3037.

For membership information, call Keith 673-2611 or Sam 233-



Agnes Evans accepting a Certificate of Appreciation from Shirley Donaldson for Evan's program on Energy Conservation

## Chapel sponsors talk by memory loss specialist

Dr. Sangeeta Varanasi will speak about Alzheimer's disease on Thursday, August 28 at 4:30 pm at the West Side Park Community Center. The Chapel in the Pines Outreach Ministry is hosting the program.

Dr. Varanasi garners praise from patients and colleagues alike. She is board-certified in both Internal Medicine and Geriatric Medicine. She heads up the Pinehurst Medical Center's Geriatric and Memory Disorders Clinic. Her consul-

tation-only practice is dedicated exclusively to the evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment of a wide variety of issues and diseases related to memory.

This is wonderful opportunity to come and learn about Alzheimer's disease.

### Support Group

The Seven Lakes Alzheimer's - Memory Loss Caregivers Support Group meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the Chapel in the Pines on Seven Lakes Drive. Call 673-5493 for more information.

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# Family works to help realize daughter's dreams

by Laura Douglass  
Times Reporter

Like many six-year old little girls, Takajia McLaurin, dreams of becoming a ballerina. Baboo, as her family calls her, also loves playing in the water and wants to grow up and be a model like her idol, Tyra Banks.

With a quick smile and positive attitude, her family hopes Takajia will realize her dreams despite the fact that she is clinically blind.

Relocating from Laurinburg to be closer to her eye specialist located in Southern Pines, Samorii and Shavon McLaurin said they first moved to Foxfire but settled in Seven Lakes North to be close to the lakes, other families, and recreational opportunities for their daughter and other children; Brianna, Akia, and Taiachii.

"I'm trying to find a safe way for her dreams to come true," said Samorii. "She wants to do more and more stuff and hears about dance classes and swim les-

sons and wants to participate but I'm concerned because it could be dangerous."

Last Fall, Takajia went completely blind. After surgery at Duke, she has regained about twenty percent of her vision but has no peripheral ability. Her condition, called "congenital nystagmus" progressed to "optic nerve hyperplasia," and causes frequent involuntary eye movements, even when she sleeps. According to her father, the recent surgery slowed the movements and aligned her eyes together but she still struggles with focusing on an object. The result is catastrophic for a budding dancer.

"Turning around really discombobulates her," explained McLaurin. "She dances and spins – which throws off her center of gravity."

After a request from Takajia to learn how to jump rope, he said she did experience some success after he purchased an enclosed, lighted rope from a

hardware store.

"She is so resilient even though she has this disability," said McLaurin. He admitted he often does the crying for her, including this past Spring during Field Day at West End Elementary.

"She was able to participate and I cried the whole day. She always wanted to do that stuff," said McLaurin.

Actually her wish list simply reflects the desires of most children – to swim and jump rope, to ride a bike and play golf, and of course, to dance, because as she explained it, "Little girls should be able to do stuff like that."

McLaurin said he welcomes any suggestions or ideas, "I just want to help one of God's angels

find her wings."

A first grade student at West End, Takajia will also begin learning how to read Braille this year.

Her family said she loves to receive letters and messages and encourage well-wishers to contact Takajia at baboo3k@yahoo.com or samoriimclaurin@yahoo.com



The McLaurin family

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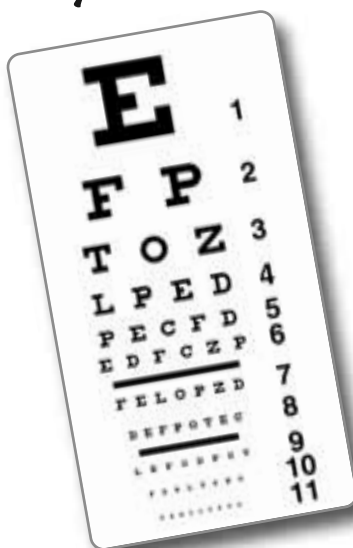
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# Luther & Friends orientation is August 8

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Luther Diablo Vassallo founder of Luther and Friends began his

career as a Moore County School Volunteer in September, 2005. A rescue dog from the Haven, Luther is certified through Therapy Dogs International and has a Canine Good Citizenship Certificate issued through the Amer-

ican Kennel Club. He continued his education by becoming the first canine to receive orientation and training for the Volunteer C.A.R.E Canine Assisted Reading Education Program developed by Moore County Schools.

Luther completed his training in June, 2006.

The mission of the CARE program is to expand a child's interest and confidence in reading, thus laying the groundwork for a lifetime of education that will

ultimately lead to a higher quality of life.

For information about Luther and Friends and how to become a member of the bureau call Linda Hubbard at 947-2342 or Beverly Lashley at 947-2976.



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**MONDAY, JULY 28**

- **Out of this World VBS** – 6 pm – 8:30 pm, Seven Lakes Baptist Church. In keeping with tradition, this year's Seven Lakes Baptist Church Vacation Bible School is Out of this World. Report to the starship starting Monday, July 28. Activities continue each evening through Friday, August 1. Information, 673-4656.
- **Sandhills Natural History Society Meeting** – 6:30 pm, Weymouth Woods Auditorium, 1024 Ft. Bragg Rd, Southern Pines. Potluck dinner and show and tell – bring a natural history related specimen, photo, or story to share. Visitors welcome. 692-2167 or

visit [www.sandhillsnature.org](http://www.sandhillsnature.org)

- **Moore County Board of Education Meeting** – 7 pm, Schools Central Office, Carthage.

**TUESDAY, JULY 29**

- **American Red Cross Health & Safety Class** – Infant/Child CPR



## What's When Calendar

– 6 pm  
-9:30 pm, Certification fee \$40. Call 692-8571 for more information. All fees must be paid in advance and are nonrefundable, but fees may be applied to another course.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 30**

- **Seven Lakes Landowners Association Open Meeting** – 7:30 pm, Seven Lakes North Clubhouse.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 31**

- **Bookgroup by the Lakes** – 7:00 pm, at the Coffee Scene. Join the Bookgroup for discussion of "What Ever You Do, Don't Run" by Peter Allison.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 2**

- **Electronics Recycling & Paper Shredding Day** – 10 am – 2 pm, Wal-Mart parking lot, Aberdeen. *Free event*; recycle computers,

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**MONDAY, AUGUST 4**

- **Moore County Board of Commissioners Meeting** – 4 pm, Historic Courthouse, Carthage.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6**

- **Project Linus Craft Workshop** – 10 am to 3 pm Seven Lakes North Clubhouse. Our Project Linus Chapter is responsible for raising funds to purchase fabric and supplies needed to make blankets for children in need. Craft fairs are a great fundraiser for us.

Please join us for a day of fun and creativity. Lots of projects with something for everyone to do. Bring a snack or lunch if you plan to stay all day. Pat Weber, Chapter Coordinator, 673-1457.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 7**

- **Moore County Planning Board** – 6 pm, Historic Courthouse, Carthage.
- **Seven Lakes Lions Club Meeting** – 6 pm, West Side Park Community Center. Guest speaker Professor Bill Croft, Respiratory Care Department Chair, will discuss food and drug interactions. The community is invited to attend this meeting. Reservations, Roger at 673-0845 or Tina 673-3037. Membership information, Keith 673-2611 or Sam 233-4551.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 9**

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### SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

- **Eddie Barrett & Goodman Legacy Orchestra** – 4 pm – 6:30 pm, Mint Juleps Club, 155 Hall Ave, Southern Pines. Eddie's big band sound is a popular part of Sandhills music scene. Information, 603-7660.

### MONDAY, AUGUST 11

- **Moore County Board of Education Meeting** – 7 pm, Central Schools Office, Carthage.

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 12

- **Seven Lakes West Landowners Association Work Session** – 8 am, West Side Park Community Center.
- **Kid's Government 101** – 8:30 am – 3:30 pm, Carthage. Participants, age ten to eighteen, shadow with different Moore County departments with an emphasis in wellness, tour of the jail, Sheriff's Office, and special projects relating to GIS. Lunch provided. A two-day event, continues Wed, Aug 13. Applications online at

www.moorecountync.gov Information, Eli Arroyo-Allen at 947-6363.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 14

- **Seven Lakes Landowners Association Work Session** – 8:30 am, Game Room.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 16

- **SLCC Hawaiian Luau** – 5:30 pm cocktails, 6:30 pm dinner, Seven Lakes Country Club. Everyone's invited, you do not have to be a member! A night in paradise, fabulous Hawaiian buffet featuring pork loin with bourbon sauce, Hawaiian chicken, grilled veggies, rice, salad bar, and ice cream station. First time appearing DJ Harold Pickett with music and dancing at 7 pm. Member pricing is \$23.00 inclusive, non-members is \$28.00. Reservations, 673-1100, non-members may call after July 27. Luau dress suggested

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### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20

- **Project Linus Blanket Workshop** – 10 am to 3 pm Seven Lakes North Clubhouse. Join us for a day of blanket making: fleece, flannel, crochet/knit, or quilt. We will have fleece, fabric and yarn. Bring sharp scissors, needle, and thread and be ready for fun and fellowship. If you plan to stay all day, pack a snack or lunch. We hope to see you there! Pat Weber, Chapter Coordinator, 673-1457.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

- **4th Annual President's Cup Golf Tournament** – 9:30 am shotgun, Beacon Ridge Golf & Country Club. Captain's choice format featuring three-person

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### TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

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



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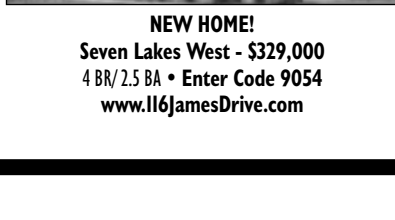
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# Crape myrtle makes lovely garden addition

Our weather in July has been rather variable but still dryer than normal, although some areas have received more rainfall than other neighborhoods.

Some in Seven Lakes say heavy showers seem to go around us but we get only sprinkles. I remember once conducting research on a large soybean field where rows were approximately a half mile long, one end of the field got more than an inch of rainfall while the other end of the field received only a trace. Thunderstorms rarely come in this manner, although over the longer period rainfall shower amounts seem to balance evenly. Hopefully, showers will come more frequently and relieve us of the drought.

Many have commented on the flowering beauty of the Crape myrtle and would like more information about it. Lagerstroemia indica, commonly known as the Crape myrtle is one of the most popular shrubs grown here in the Sandhills and throughout the South. It is generally adapted to the southern states but can be grown as far north as southern Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and Massachusetts.

It is a flowering deciduous plant that produces small clusters of blooms from July until September. There are three sizes of plants; the standard variety ranging in height from fifteen to twenty feet tall with a spread of five to fifteen feet, a dwarf size ranging in height from five to

ten feet tall with a spread of three to five feet, and a miniature size [myrtlette] almost as vigorous which grows from one and half feet to three feet tall.

The color of foliage is medium green until Fall when the leaf color will change to yellow, red, or rust, and remain until shedding. The bark is pale grey-brownish shedding to reveal lighter underbark. The flower colors are white, pink, red, or lavender. In some instances, they are variegated or in various shades of the mentioned colors. Flowering may be prolonged by fertilizing now, during late July, and by pulling off early formed seed pods.

Crape myrtles, for optimum growth and beauty, should be planted in full sun in a soil with good drainage. It's necessary to build up your soil to a medium to high fertility level, keep plants adequately watered, and growing. Crape myrtles are relatively pest-free, although powdery mildew can be prevalent when grown in the shade, but most newer varieties and cultivars are somewhat resistant, especially the Indian varieties.

Aphids or lice often are prevalent on the plant. You will recognize heavy infestations when black, sooty-mold will collect and cover the leaves. Pruning is recommended when plants are dormant in the late Winter or early Spring, after the danger of hard freezes. Plants may be pruned back severely to determine desired shrub size.

Crape myrtles can be used effectively in the landscape as a

specimen multi-trunked shrub or small tree; or as groupings.

with an evergreen background.

Caution: it has been noted that

Crape myrtle plant parts and leaves are poisonous. Handle with care and keep children away from plantings. Use gloves when han-

dling and wash your hands after contact with plants.

They aren't recommended as screening plants; however they can be very showy when used

## Tomato primer

Here are answers to some of the questions that have been asked in the past few weeks:

Tomato problems – plants wilting and slowly dying. Tomato wilt shows up annually about this time of year. The grower has two options; first, be sure to plant your tomatoes in a different area that is in new soil, second, every year, always plant varieties that contain the letters on the package or cell peak VFNT. This will largely control diseases

(See "Gardens" p. 21)



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# Spectators welcome at Junior Classic

For the nineteenth consecutive year, the American Junior Golf Association will bring the best junior golfers in the country to the Pinehurst area for the Golf Pride Junior Classic, to be held August 11-14. The fifty-four hole event will be played at Pine Needles Lodge & Golf Club in Southern Pines, and features a field of ninety-nine boy and girl junior golfers

ages twelve to eighteen.

An official tournament practice round will take place Monday, August 11 at 1:30 pm. The first and second rounds will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 12-13 with tee times running from 7:00 am to 11:48 am. The final round will take place Thursday, August 14. An awards presentation will take

place immediately after the final round.

Spectators are welcome and admission is free of charge. Volunteers are needed and may contact Andrew Parr, Tournament Director, at 770-503-4303 or aparr@ajga.org

The Golf Pride Junior Classic is one of eighty-three events the AJGA will conduct in 2008.

This year, events will take place in more than twenty-five states. The American Junior Golf Association is a 501 c3 nonprofit organization dedicated to the overall growth and development of young men and women who aspire to earn college golf scholarships through competitive junior golf. AJGA alumni have risen to the top of amateur, collegiate, and professional golf. More than 160 former AJGA juniors currently play on the PGA and LPGA Tours and have compiled more than 300 wins. AJGA alumni include Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson, Jim Furyk, Stewart Cink,

Davis Love III, Cristie Kerr, Pat Hurst, Paula Creamer, Morgan Pressel, and Julieta Granada.

For more information, contact Stacey Whyte at 678-425-1787, or [swhyte@ajga.org](mailto:swhyte@ajga.org), visit the AJGA website at [www.ajga.org](http://www.ajga.org)

## Gardening

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and nematodes.

Tomato cracking of the fruit has been observed by some gardeners. This condition is usually caused by fast growth, too much water, fertilizers, along with changing weather conditions – hot days, cool nights, etc. Also some varieties have a tendency to crack more than others.

Blossom end-rot is an indication that the plant is deficient in calcium and sometime in boron. A blossom end-rot spray can be obtained from your garden supply dealer.

"Weeds and grasses are about to take over my landscape, what can I do?"

The options are hand-weeding, mechanical weeding, or chemical weed control. For chemical weed control use some form of phenoxy, 2, 4-D, dicamba etc. It is sold under various trade names for broad-leaf weed control only. Use Poast and Vantage product names for grass control and for multi-control, use some form of Round-Up or glyphosate.

### Time to fertilize lawn

Now is the time for the second fertilizer treatment for Summer lawns of zoysia, Bermuda, and centipede, if needed. Use a slow-release special or a weed-and-feed special. It's too early to fertilize your fescue lawn. Wait until September or early October, also a second light fertility application on your shrubs and trees.

If an insecticide is required to control vegetable garden and shrub insects, malathion spray is recommended. By mixing insecticidal soap to the spray, it will give broader spectrum control. Caution: when using any chemical control or pesticide,

use it safely and strictly according to recommendations.

Some have indicated they have a difficult time finding some of the recommended chemicals. Cardinal Chemical Company in Aberdeen and Carthage Farm Supply in Carthage, can supply you with your needs.

### Suggested vegetable plantings for July:

Bush beans, southern field or crowder peas, late tomato

plants. You can extend your gardening season by planting Fall and Winter vegetables now, such as beet, broccoli, carrot, cauliflower, and rutabaga seed or plants, also onion seed or plants. Late vegetable plantings require frequent watering, fertilizers, abundant sunlight, and pest control, especially weed and grass control, and close observation and attention.

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# Laker's work to be featured at Market Place

Featuring hybrids of painting and collage, the Market Place Gallery will host a reception on Sunday August 3, from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm for guest artist Carol Yeoman. A signature-style using metallic, often mono-chromatic colors that are washed over a variety of textured and found objects, her work is best described as expressive and simply unique.

Yeoman received a Fine Art degree from Western Illinois University in 1986, and worked several years as a freelance illustrator and graphic designer. Her art career was "rudely interrupted," as she put it, when she and her husband operated a grain and livestock farm in central Illinois while raising two children. The ups and downs of farming drove her to seek a steadier income.

She went to work at Maytag, one of her clients, where she created an employee newsletter. Ten years later, after stints in labor relations, training, and organizational development, she was promoted to Vice President, Human Relations in Maytag's U.S. Appliance Division. Several years later while based in Chicago, fate changed her journey again. An onset of health problems left her deaf in one ear and severely impaired in the other ear.

She returned to work but found it very stressful, so she and her husband took early retirement and settled in Seven Lakes North. They built a studio-workshop onto the garage and Carol fulfilled her dream of returning to her love of art.

While Yeoman frequently uses nature as a point of departure, the finished pieces bear little

resemblance to traditional scenes. Rather, they offer a rich melding of abstraction and representation, symbol and cliché. She paints a world where opposites abound – geometric and organic shapes collide, overlap, or transform into one another to form the basis of composition.

In terms of media, "mixed" is an understatement, said Yeoman.

man. "I'll use anything."

"While acrylic and watercolor paints over a textural buildup of gesso lay the foundation for all my pieces; I'll add pastel, colored pencil, magic marker – even fingernail polish – if it suits me," said Yeoman.

There are no boundaries for Yeoman when it comes to adding found objects into her art, as

well. Bottle caps, packaging material, rhinestones, buttons, toothpicks, hardware, pressed leaves, burlap – anything that catches her artist eye. She looks for shapes, color, and texture to incorporate into her art pieces. These items hang in clear plastic bags pinned to a clothesline in her studio. Below them is a worktable, filled with pliers, hammer, wire cutters, paint, and paint brushes.

"It's part art and part craft," said Yeoman. "That's the appeal

for me – I like to make things with my hands, as well as paint. It's not intended to be serious art, it's intended to be fun. When people look at a piece of traditional representational art they say, 'how beautiful,' and know exactly what it is. When they view my art, I want them to say, 'how interesting, but what exactly is it?'"

"I want them to look closer and smile when they finally recognize what the found objects are that compose the painting," said

(See "Yeoman," p. 23)



Carol Yeoman

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# Vietnam Vets announce raffle winner

by Joe Kristek  
VVA Chapter 966

Moore County West End Chapter 966, Vietnam Veterans of America, sends its sincere appreciation to the entire community for supporting our recent fund raiser raffle.

Your participation and generosity far exceeded our expectations. We are now in a better position to support programs and activities for fellow servicemen and women who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Chapter members sold raffle

tickets for donated prizes at the annual Buggy Festival and Five Mile Flea Market in Carthage, Gulley's Garden Center in Southern Pines, Medleyanna's antiques in West End, Lowe's Food Store in Pinehurst, Golden Corral in Aberdeen, and the Seven Lakes

North, South and Westside mail houses.

This year's winners are: Shirley Allen, Beacon Ridge golf package; Dick & Peggy Olson, Seven Lakes CC golf package; Roxanne Hammerle, O'Quinn Pottery platter; Henry Hansen, Fire-

shadow Pottery vase. An earlier winner, Lynn Moore of Seven Lakes South, won the Mid Pines golf package.

The members of VVA Chapter 966 thank the community for supporting our efforts.

## Tourney was big success

by Steve Auditore  
Seven Lakes West

A golf outing to benefit the Wounded Warrior Project, an organization that provides programs and services to thousands of servicemen and women returning home to a hospital bed, was held at Beacon Ridge Golf and Country Club on Friday, June 20.

Over a hundred golfers enjoyed a wonderful day of golf and fellowship. Among the players were

four servicemen from Ft. Bragg; Staff Sgt. A.J. Alston, Sgt. Zach Collett, Pvt. William Forson, and Sgt. First Class Paul Olson. The outing raised \$7600 to benefit the Wounded Warrior Project.

Committee members were Steve Auditore, Norm Dyson, Mike Foreman, Mike Keenan, Bill Lyons, Larry Sizemore, and Jim Tobias.

The game of the day was a captain's choice step-aside scramble. The winners of flight

1 were: John Yerves, Charlie Malone, Todd Camplin, and Ted Ray. The winners of flight 2 were: Jim Tobias, Karen Tobias, Adrienne Bonner, and Phil Baker. Closest to the pin prizes were awarded to: Joyce Loney, Barb Card, Floyd Johnson, and Mike Loney with an ACE! Closest to the line prizes went to Karen Tobias and Charlie Malone.

## Yeoman

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Yeoman.

Carol Yeoman's work will be exhibited August 3 through August 30 at the Gallery. Please join us on Sunday, August 3 to welcome her during a reception from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm. She will also be on hand Tuesday, August 5, as the "Meet the Artist" programs guest. She will demonstrate her technique and answer your questions.

Art at the Market Place Gallery represents other recognized artists including Fay Terry, Cele Bryant, Joan Williams, Harry Neely, Jeanette Shehan, and Betty DiBartolomeo. Gallery Hours are Monday thru Saturday

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# Kiwanis learn about Home Choice Network

by Frank Krohn

Seven Lakes Kiwanis

The Seven Lakes Kiwanis Club welcomed Cynthia Pizzini as its speaker on July 15.

Pizzini is the Sales Director of Home Choice Network. This organization supplies in-home services of a non medical nature throughout Moore County.

These services are available to everyone who needs help in their home with basic functions such as getting dressed, bathing, letter writing, bill paying, every-

day household chores, etc.

The organization is not franchised and its sixty caregivers are trained by Home Choice before starting to work in the field.

Services are available for a fee and can be scheduled to meet the agenda of both the caregiver and the client.

For those who may find the fees difficult to manage, the Department of Aging can work with the client to help with the cost of the service.

These services are proving

to be invaluable to people who are recuperating from serious illnesses or operations, as well as elderly folks who find that some of the ordinary day-to-day functions of living have become too much for them to handle.

The Seven Lakes Kiwanis Club meets each Tuesday at noon at the Seven Lakes Country Club. Visitors are always welcome.



Cynthia Pizzini with Ken Jenkins, Program Coordinator

# Blood donors urgently needed

While temperatures and fuel prices continue to rise this summer, the American Red Cross reports that the blood inventory levels are so low it is unable to sufficiently meet the demand of local hospitals.

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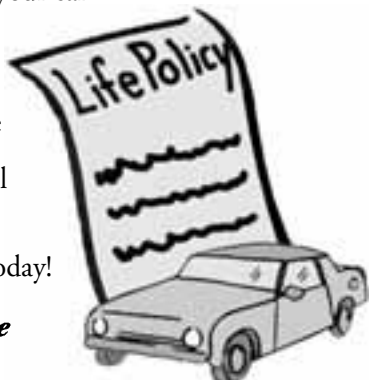


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# Westside hydrants

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formed, as necessary, to fill gaps in coverage between towns and other departments.

Hydrants are required, under current Moore County fire code, in areas such as Seven Lakes West where there is a public water system. But Carlton Cole, the Moore County Fire Marshal, does not recall there even being a fire code at the time of the construction of the original areas of the subdivision. In any case, fire hydrant standards do not operate retroactively – there is no responsibility by the developer or the county to upgrade an old hydrant system. One thing the county has done, Cole said, is to install “dry hydrants” on a lake in the neighborhood – hydrants that are not linked to a formal water system, but allow firefighters to quickly pump water directly from the lake.

With regards to the size of water pipes as well as the hydrants, the water systems themselves were not originally designed for firefighting, according to Ben Vaughn, Moore County Utilities Operations Manager. The systems, rather, were designed for supplying potable water with the hydrants largely intended for flushing the system.

The current code, according to Lex Kelly, Moore County Engineer, requires hydrant spacing every 1,000 feet in residential areas with a housing unit density of less than six units per acre. Kelly said he is not aware of any hydrant regulations at the time of the older areas of the subdivision’s original construction. In any case, he noted, the standards are not retroactive. He said that normally a homeowners association handles the need for additional hydrants.

Seven Lakes West has been doing this. In recent years, the Homeowners Association has been buying hydrant assemblies, so far about ten which each cost approximately \$2,600, and the county has been installing them free of charge. This roughly splits the cost of a new, installed hydrant. MacKay said the county has recently been slow in playing its part.

As another alternative, Professor Richard Ducker of the UNC School of Government noted the possibility of creating some variety of a special tax district in the county to pay for the additional services.

Ultimately, installing new

hydrants and putting in new, larger water lines may be matters the Homeowners Association must handle with the county.

Many of the SLW Landowners may be unaware of the location

of their closest fire hydrant. Therefore the Fire Hydrant Committee will have a map on display at the August 26 General Meeting showing the location of all existing fire hydrants. The map will remain on display at West Side Park Community Center

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## Step right up! Just 15¢ for this vintage blender

Five cents, ten cents, heck maybe it's worth a whole dollar. This is what I'm thinking as I pile heaps of castoff clothing and trinkets into my garage.

Yes, you guessed it. The Douglass' are getting ready to have a yard sale. A direct result, I'm sure, of reaching my lifetime milestone — the longest period ever in one place.

In this new sphere of domestic dormancy, I thought I'd start calling myself a Carolina girl except that I'm still saddled with that pesky Baltimore-by-way-of-Canada accent: a real linguistic gift bestowed upon only a very few fortunate military brats — my brother comes to mind.

I also lay blame on our Armed Forces for my cousin Ronnie's twisted twang. Born and raised in South Cackalacky, his deep drawl is now comically off-set

by too many years stationed in the upper Midwest: Fargo meets Fried Green Tomatoes.

Luckily, living here amongst a population of mostly transplanted Yankees allows me to fly below the carpetbagger radar of the locals.

"Oh yeah . . . you blend!"

Back in the black hole, err, I mean our two-car never-parked-there garage, lurks those things in my life that no longer blend.

If Play It Again Sports is scouting for a new location in Area A, look no further. I've got enough sporting goods inventory to stock a YMCA. There is not an athletic pursuit not represented; boating, balls, bikes, and backpacks. However, all this stays.

It is instead those tables we've set aside — groaning under the weight of discarded toys and kitchenware that are branded for execution. Okay, let me

rephrase — that are tagged for quick sale.

Being the seller rather than the sellee is not my norm. Hot on the heels of my cherished grandfather, Pop Pop, I learned as a youngster to relish the excitement of a found deal. Week-ends



### Laura's Learning Curve

Laura Douglass

in his country home came with lots of iced tea, meat loaf, and early mornings in the car — racing to sales and auctions.

He too was much better at collecting than distributing. In his later years, I spent a full Summer helping him empty the

family home: a Victorian treasure built on a hillside by his father before him.

Deep under the belly of that craftsmanship was a true honest-to-goodness cellar. With its dirt and spider-web laced floor, that dark space had been off limits to us kids until the very end.

Days before he moved, Pop Pop, my mother, and I took a big breath and entered the

abyss.

Let's just say those gardening bottles labeled DDT and strychnine were the least of our concerns. We knew what they were!

It was those other bottles . . . Moonshine, homemade wine, and various concoctions of dubi-

ous origin and substance: I had always heard rumor that my great-granny was a flapper. Now I had proof — 100% proof.

Later that day, I had the privilege of driving said family history to the hazardous materials dump. Here's the visual — me in shorts and halter jump out of the car to face dump dude wearing an astronaut inspired head-to-toe waste suit.

My future ability to procreate came to mind.

Though that question was finally answered a decade later, I still tread with fear into the dark corners of my garage.

But hey, don't let that deter you from my sale!

I'm sure there will be a few deals, plenty of surprises, and maybe even a mystery Mason jar or two.

## NC banks healthy, Bankers Association reports

Dear Editor:

As a result of numerous, complex circumstances, including dramatically rising energy costs and conditions in the housing market, our nation and state are currently experiencing economic circumstances that adversely affect consumers, businesses, and governmental entities.

Responding to public interest and concern about the state of the global, national and state

economies, the news media issue reports and comments literally daily about those circumstances and their impact on our state's citizens and its business community. With respect to North Carolina's financial services providers, we think it is important to fully inform the public of their banks' continued strength, safety, soundness, and ongoing commitment to meeting the financial needs of their individual and

commercial customers.

Some items worthy of note:

North Carolina's banks are well capitalized, enabling them to weather the current economic downturn.

The North Carolina Bankers Association's members entered this current downturn following years of unprecedented earnings. Capital levels stood at an all-time high. As painful as the low points of every economic cycle

may be, and we are certainly at or near such a low point, each such valley has always been followed by the ascension to new heights. The strength of our state's and nation's banks prior to this valley should assure that future peaks will also be of unprecedented magnitude.

Banks are subject to strict supervision and examination by state and federal regulatory agencies and employ risk management practices that are closely audited and examined.

No segment of the economy undergoes more rigorous oversight on a routine basis. While individual institutions may struggle, the banking system is and will remain strong.

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in excess of the basic limits. A typical example shown by banks to their customers reflects the fact that a family of four may quite simply attain an FDIC-insured deposit total of \$1.4 million in a single institution. Many banks also offer various pooling vehicles which provide FDIC coverage of tens of millions of dollars. Two such offerings in North Carolina are the CDARs program from Promontory Interfinancial Network and deposits through Anova Financial Corporation.

The North Carolina Bankers Association and its 151 member banks, savings associations, and trust companies appreciate the public and media interest in banking issues and are pleased to provide information about North Carolina's banking industry and its role in the financial well-being of our State.

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# Warning! Wanton cellular destruction ahead!

I'm going to annihilate my cellphone. I just haven't decided how.

I reckon I could lay it on the backyard grill, apply a little lighter fluid, and toss on a lit match.

I could wait for a rainy evening, drop it in the driveway, and, then, the next morning, back over it with my car. That's how I got rid of the last one.

It's not that I'm some technophobe or latterday Luddite. My family would tell you that I'm actually a geek, though my nerdity clusters more around computers, email, and the web than around mobile telecommunications.

I don't really use the cellphone much. If I'm not working at my desk, which is mercifully equipped with an old-fashioned desk phone, I'm attending a meeting of some deliberative body, where talking on the phone would be more than a tiny bit rude.

I don't even use my phone often enough to know who made it, though I'm sure it was one of those multinationals like Magnavox or Mercedes, Nokia or Nautilus, BMW, LG, or O.

I do, however, know the model. It is the Harry Houdini Special Edition with the Edgar Bergen option. "Houdini" because of its profound ability to disappear, which it generally does just before one of those rare occasions on which it rings.

After it has disappeared and begun ringing is when the Edgar Bergen option kicks in. Bergen, for those of you who have yet to reach a certain age and are therefore too young to remember Edgar's wooden-headed friend Charlie McCarthy, was a most entertaining ventriloquist.

My cellphone, having disappeared, and begun to ring, is every bit as accomplished as Mr. Bergen at throwing its voice, making it impossible to determine just where the "ring" is coming from.

*Editor's note:* Let me pause here to confess that, of course, it is not a "ring" — the noise that my cellphone makes. It makes instead a variety of odd electronic noises. Most of the time it goes "Bam! Bam!" as though it had a sort of cellular crush on Barney Rubble's male offspring.

But occasionally it plays a

pleasant little jingle. Mostly the pleasant little jingle seems to be associated with incoming calls from my cellphone-savvy younger daughter Sarah, who undoubtedly sweet-talked my cellphone into giving her a special ring all her own.

pair of pants in the laundry hamper only to find that the "ringing" cellphone is in fact resting in the lefthand back pocket of my bibbed overalls — the bibbed overalls I happen to be wearing at the time.

I understand that I could remedy this last problem by setting my phone to "vibrate" as well as "ring." But I'm concerned, being a person of a certain age, and fearing that the cell-

phonia meaning of "vibrate" may be as wonderful and various as the cellular meaning of "ring," that I might mistake a harmless phone call from my spouse or Dick Cheney as the onset of a nervous disorder or something even more interesting and disturbing and give myself an anxiety-induced coronary infarction.

The solution, I am convinced, is to simply put the annoying little telephonic beast out of its misery.

Come to think of it, I do have a fishing trip with my brother on next week's calendar. Maybe I could tie the electronic gizmo to a hook, set it to vibrate, lower it into a fishy-looking spot, and call it periodically with my brother's cellphone. The resulting vibrations might be just the trick to entice one of those hundred-pound

blue cats that are rumored to roam the deepest holes in Badin Lake.

If you come up with a better strategy for mobile phone hari kiri

before next week's fishing trip, do give me a call.

But, please, call me on my office phone.

## Digging Deeper

Greg Hankins



I have some reservations about the malleability of these cellphone alerts. I have seen a grandmotherly type of person in the supermarket checkout line desperately digging through her not inconsiderable purse trying to silence the cellular equivalent of Rod Stewart screeching "Do you think I'm sexy" over and over and over again.

At these times I am grateful for my simple Bam! Bam! and happy jingle, though I do wish they had not been engineered to appear to come from both anywhere and nowhere all at once.

I cannot count the number of the times that I have removed the entire contents of my vehicle's trunk only to find that my cellphone had slipped under the front seat. Or dug through every

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Last Sunday, my wonderful husband decided to serve me a nice breakfast in bed, something that I haven't had in awhile . . . Junk cereal with whole milk and a glass of juice AND coffee. In other words . . . Sugar, sugar and more sugar!

Before he or I knew what hit, I was on a rampage and my perception changed from being happily married to having a marriage on the verge of divorce! Thankfully, both my husband and I know from past experience that I definitely have a sugar sensitivity that leads to Sugar Shock! So, he forgave me for the horrible words that came out of my mouth and I forgave him for serving me sugar for breakfast . . . after all, I wasn't forced fed.

In addition to mood swings, there are over 40 signs and symptoms for sugar shock which indicate sugar addiction, including brain fog, irritability, and inflammation. Sugar destroys a person's health over time, rotting out their teeth, disrupting normal brain function, promoting heart disease and directly causing diabetes and obesity.

The sad truth is that most Americans are addicted to sugar. If they don't have sugar in the morning (in breakfast cereal and coffee), sugar at lunch (salad dressing, BBQ sauce, soda, tea), and sugar at dinner (pizza, ketchup, pasta sauce and most restaurant foods) they suffer serious withdrawal symptoms.

If you're not sure if you have a sugar addiction, try going "sugar free" for 10 days. Most people fail this test and find themselves crawl-

ing to the pantry for a can of soda or other form of sugar sooner than they think.

Here are some steps for dealing with sugar addiction:

1. Drink water. (Caution: soft drinks are now America's number one source of added sugar)
2. Get physical activity. Start with just 10 minutes a day and gradually increase. It will help balance your blood sugar levels and reduce tension.
3. Get more sleep, rest, and relaxation. When you are tired or stressed, your body will crave energy — in the form of sugar.

Keep in mind that we all make mistakes . . . especially me! Usually, the one we are most unforgiving of is ourselves. Next in line is usually our spouse or the ones closest to us. So I would encourage you to practice loving yourself and others without judgment . . . even us sugar addicts!

Try it! For just one day, make the commitment to love yourself and others without judgment! Remember, we all make mistakes and sometimes it's the mistakes we make, or through the mistakes of others, that we learn the importance of releasing wrongs, and understanding of others.

*The man who does things makes many mistakes, but he never makes the biggest mistake of all — doing nothing.*  
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# Dr. McKay rides for MS research

Dear Editor

& Seven Lakes Friends:

Many of you have heard from me in the past, seeking donations to help those with Multiple Sclerosis, and that time has come again this year.

I am a bit late on making the request this year. My joint problems continue to be bothersome and this past November, I had surgery on my left knee and in May, I had an operation on my left elbow. I needed to have some recovery time to see if I would be able to make this year's event.

The Tour to Tanglewood is a ninety-mile bicycle ride where participants are sponsored by donors providing generous support for those with Multiple Sclerosis and to help fund research into the disease and its treatment. I just am getting back on my bicycle with some discomfort, but it's not too bad.

My challenge pales in comparison to what those with MS experience every day. It is thinking about these people that inspires me to continue this fundraising effort.

This is my fifteenth year of doing this. Please help me help people with MS and feel good about your contribution in that it does help. I started with this event fifteen years ago when the first medicine specifically for Multiple Sclerosis treatment was approved by the FDA. Many advances have been made since

then.

Help keep those advances coming by sending me your donation. Write your check to The National Multiple Sclerosis Society and return it to me at PO Box 628, West End, NC 27376.

Thank you in advance for your support of this special event taking place September 6-7. If possible, send donations by August 5, however donations will be accepted until the event.

My attachment to this cause runs deeply into my personal life. I have had close association with many people with MS, including friends, patients, and my grandfather.

One individual who was a mentor and was most admired by me, was my college professor Dr. McWilliams. I saw how challenged he was by his disease, but he did not let it get him down.

I learned from his example that you have to keep on keeping on or stop. Keeping on is better and that's what those with MS do!

Dr. Pete McKay  
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## Persistence

Attempts to improve ourselves as members of the human race can be impeded by a host of obstacles. But if you talk to someone who has persevered you might find that he or she has faced up to a relatively humdrum existence and conquered it through sheer determination.

God bless such a person for persistency that paid off.

We all know persons who seem to be living on the edge of nowhere, so to speak. There's something missing. It seems that we all have more potential than we realize. Potential that can not only help ourselves along the path of life, but radiate out to impact family, friends, and even strangers.

It seems that lives with heavily over-laced structure could leave sparse opportunities for inherent qualities like imagi-

nation, awe, or the urge to clarify some of life's bafflements.

Yes, every day is an opportunity to at least consider the possibility of change, renewal, or at least partial regeneration. The chance to learn, grow, and feel as we experience what life has to offer.

Even at my advanced age, I look for ways to impart at least a smidgeon of what I have learned if it can help someone: but only at the proper time or moment.

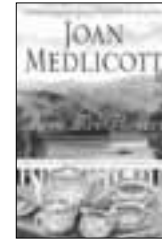
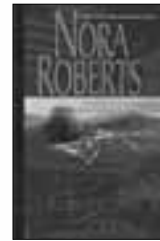
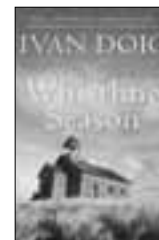
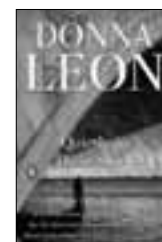
We all have witnessed someone who appears to be living on the edge of nowhere. What an opportunity lies before us to help in whatever small ways we can.



### Mason's Musings

Mason Gould

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# Railroad crossings

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that way."

Referring to Edgewood Terrace and Mode Road, he added, "But to close off people that have been there for years and years, and a business . . . Stanley Furniture . . . and the Presbyterian Church, and some little village back in there . . . there's quite a few houses . . . you can wear yourself out making excuses. I think their fight, Seven Lakes' fight, is with DOT and Mr. Menzies [owner of the Aberdeen Carolina and Western Railway]."

"They're trying to get us to

accept responsibility, or to say yes, we approve of it?" McKenzie asked County Manager Cary McSwain, who replied, "I don't think it's an approval process; it's an input process, as I understand it."

"Whatever you want to call it," McKenzie said. "If I we're asked to vote on it right now, I'd say I wouldn't close a one of those crossings."

McKenzie recounted the details of a similar railroad project in Pinehurst that resulted in the closing of a crossing near Pinehurst Hardware, hurting that business. "Now you have to drive around your thumb to get to your finger," McKenzie said.

"I don't know where it says in any regulation that the commissioners have any authority about crossing a railroad."

County Manager Cary McSwain said, "We are starting to get letters from what I would call 'splinter groups.' I was concerned that they weren't sharing information."

McSwain said he had met

with representatives of Seven Lakes West, who had expressed concerns about safety at the Lakeway Drive crossing. "I think there are some misunderstandings. I have offered to meet with all the groups. We will continue to work on that until we find a more appropriate resolution for that situation."

McSwain said he has been working with NCDOT District Engineer Chuck Dumas to identify a crossing elsewhere in the state that could be closed in lieu of the Edgewood Terrace and Mode Road Crossings.

Both McKenzie and Commissioner Jimmy Melton said they had received calls from constituents opposed to the crossing closures. Melton said he was in favor of upgrading the crossings at Seven Lakes West and NC 73, but opposed to closing the other crossings. Noting that he was raised in the West End Area, Melton said he had never known of an accident at any of the crossings that are being considered for closure.

"I got several calls," McKenzie said, "from the church up there, and people that are involved in the building at Stanley Furniture. I told them I don't think that's a commissioners' problem."

"They are being told that this board will approve or not," McSwain said, and I'm trying vacate that, because that's not the correct position."

"This decision will be made by DOT," Commissioner Tim Lea said, calling NCDOT's invitation for commissioner input on the projects "a courtesy." He compared it to a presentation, made earlier in the meeting, of NCDOT's plan for secondary road improvements. NCDOT makes that presentation each year, as a courtesy to the county. But NCDOT makes the actual decisions.

Commissioner Larry Caddell made clear he was uncomfortable with the Board of Commissioners being involved in the decision to close railroad crossings.

"There's people that live in those developments, there's people that go to church there," Caddell said. "I have a problem with us even being involved in the process, because you are sitting there in judgement over . . . Those people, when they bought those houses, that railroad crossing was there. One of those crossings they are talking about blocking, a guy I know owns a flower shop, and, if they close that, how are they going to get to his place unless they fly in?"

The conversation ended when Commissioner Melton suggested allowing the County Manag-

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the cost of replacing the solids handling system at the county's Addor Wastewater Treatment Plant.

- Heard from Jim Thomas, the Chairman of the Board of Equalization and review, who reported that the Board reviewed 251 parcels, granting a decrease in value on 121 and increasing the value of 6, for a net decrease in valuation of \$18.5 million.
- Heard from Tax Administrator Wayne Vest his report on the settlement of 2007 taxes. Vest said 99.6631 percent of taxes due were collected. The tax department has posted a collection rate over 99 percent for 17 years straight and has collected better than 99.5 percent in each of the past five years.
- Granted Carolina Power & Light an easement to run underground power lines and place a transformer to supply power to the Hillcrest Park Field House. Billy Ransom informed the Commissioners that the Filed House is expected to be completed "in the next couple of months."
- Agreed to match one-for-one a \$59,000 grant from the Governor's Highway Safety Program to continue funding for two traffic enforcement deputies in the Sheriff's Office. For the past two years, the state funded 75 percent of the cost of the two positions. State funding for the positions will disappear next year, Chief Deputy Neil Godfrey told the Commissioners.

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## SLLA Finance

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board to set aside \$125,000 in annual reserves to meet loan expenses," proposed Zielsdorf.

### Dues compared to other communities

The discussion of funding such a large expense was frequently redirected towards another on-going Finance Committee project, a community comparison report.

Newly appointed Director Don Welch suggested that if \$800 per year in dues was inadequate for our needs, that this information would be better understood by members if they could see a comparison.

"It might begin to soften the feeling about raising dues in order to provide for these structures. I would like the report to become public knowledge," said Welch.

Galford said he would have some initial information ready for board review in the near future.

He explained that the report compared the average home in Seven Lakes with the average home in other communities, both incorporated and unincorporated, gated and ungated.

"We are focusing on what it costs rather than revenue sources. It's really difficult to compare because you have to

factor in how, in some communities, if want an amenity, then you must join the Country Club," said Galford.

Community Manager Dalton Fulcher concurred, "We can't compare our dues to Pinewild because they cover no amenities — just administrative [costs]. You have to be careful when comparing, because something might look the same, but you'll find that association is charging only administrative dues and the developer does everything for recreation facilities."

Zielsdorf said that the comparison report would be presented to the membership in an Open Meeting when it was com-

plete.

In continued discussion of finance, Galford recommended the board approve several administrative accounting procedures; withholding full payment to contracts until a final inspection was completed, policy controls on internal payments of checks, credit cards, and voucher requests, and limits on managerial approval for those expenses.

"There will be set limits on signatures and any project approval will have to have the initials of the committee chairman," said Galford.

### Records requests denied

He also recommended that two requests for financial information received this month should be denied.

One, from a party of the recent SLLA/SLCC lawsuit requesting a copy of the attorney invoice, was requested because the invoice mentions the individual by name.

"When someone is party to a suit, we should not provide them an invoice," said Galford. "I recommend his attorney should go to our attorney if he wants a copy."

Galford said the second financial records request was for a

(See "SLLA Finance," p. 31)

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# Volunteer policing

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"A board should be for oversight only," said President Randy Zielsdorf. "If yards aren't picked up it should go to staff . . . having neighbors law enforce on neighbors will lead to problems."

How use of the lakes should be monitored — and by whom — were topics that generated more discussion, specifically on the safe operation of power boats.

Lakes and Dams Director Don Truesdell said his committee has trained volunteers available to keep a watchful eye on the lakes around the clock, versus the eighty-hour work week for roving security patrol.

"The concern I have for long term is that, without enforcement of safety on the lakes, we expose ourselves to an accident," said Truesdell. "There has never been a serious attempt to report and enforce; and, until we are ready to enforce, we may as well take the rules and regs and throw them out the window."

A recent attempt at improving safe operation on the lakes required boat owners to sign an agreement that they had read and understood community boating rules.

"This had no effect on violations," argued Truesdell.

He suggested a more drastic approach — an open-book test — should be required next year,

but the idea drew little support from the other directors.

If anyone sees something wrong on the lakes, then call security," said Director Bud Shaver.

Caulk agreed, "Congress says that a volunteer group should not enforce — anytime, anywhere. There's not a rule on our books worth anyone getting hurt. We need to pay people and that's what we're trying to do."

Community Manager Dalton Fulcher reported that funding had been set aside and a lake enforcement patrol separate from roving security was in place for weekends and holidays throughout the Summer.

To better reflect the board's consensus, Truesdell agreed to revise wording for the Lakes & Dams Committee boat safety team guidelines from "enforce" to "report" on violations of rules and regulations.

The board was unanimous in agreement that all future SLLA boat identification numbers should meet the state and Coast Guard standard 3" height requirement.

## Managing volunteer groups

In a related discussion, Zielsdorf suggested procedures or guidelines should be drafted related to volunteer groups that are initiated and run independently of the association.

"We welcome volunteers and don't want to discourage them but they need to run independent," said Zielsdorf. "Sometimes the office can get sucked into administering volunteer groups and I think it is a good idea to put in guidelines."

During the Work Session, Ron Erskine, speaking on behalf of The Advocates, asked the SLLA board for recognition of their group and mission.

"Our sole objective is to listen to residents and augment existing lines of communication. Any resident may offer suggestions and make comment," said Erskine of the newly formed group.

The Advocates will meet the

second Wednesday of each month in the SLLA conference room to review all comments and suggestions.

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## SLLA Finance

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transcript of association investments to verify the budget amount of anticipated interest.

"I don't think we want to put out a complete list, by investment, of all funds of the Association. I will provide a summary of the type of investments to show we are secure," said Galford. "We do have FDIC backing and use every bank in Moore County."

Galford explained that SLLA dues are collected in advance, providing a current investment of \$1.2 million in CD's.

"We use down on that each month with a budgeted amount of \$35,000 [in interest]. The requestor thinks that amount should be \$25,000, but I don't think there is an error by the time we get all the information,"

said Galford. "The difference is less than one percent of our budget, so I don't see any reason to disclose every investment by bank to resolve this type of minor issue."

Truesdell asked Fulcher how previous budgets compared to actual over the past few years.

"We are usually within a few thousand but this year we are right on the money. Revenue is about two percent higher than anticipated," said Fulcher.

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# Auman Dam

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connector to both sides of that lake that allows our community to be driven around, that allows us to be one community."

"We're going to try," Marks said. Then he reminded Gorenflo that the original plan for Seven Lakes West had no road crossing the top of Lake Auman dam.

The suspicion has been bandied widely about Seven Lakes West over the past several months that the SLWLA Board has set too low a priority on the reopening of Longleaf Drive across the dam and that some remediation strategy than the

one selected — even if more expensive — would make it more likely that the dam road could be reopened.

Impatient with Gorenflo's line of questioning, SLWLA President Jim Haggard said the Board had decided to fix the dam first, and then, based on testing the seepage level within the dam, decide whether to reopen the road.

"If the remediation isn't designed to put the dam back into the condition that it can be used as a road, then we haven't accomplished a real remediation of the dam," Gorenflo said as

he left the microphone.

Soon it was Mead's turn at the mic.

She asked Marks, "If you had done a remediation plan where the first priority was repairing the dam and the second priority — almost just as important — was reopening the road, would you have selected a different remediation plan?"

"No ma'am," Marks answered, provoking applause from those in the hall in favor of reopening the road, perhaps because Marks' simple response allayed the fear that the Board had traded away that benefit for a cheaper dam repair.

Not that Marks' "no ma'am" was an endorsement of reopening the road. "Are the odds favorable for opening it as a road if we can control the traffic across the dam?" Mead asked.

"I don't think it's unreasonable," was the best she could get out of the engineer.

## A primer in dam design

Marks' hour-long presentation was a primer in earthen dams, and Lake Auman Dam in particular.

After Director Mary Anne

Fewkes introduced the engineer, detailing his professional background and qualifications, Marks began by telling Westsiders that "a dam is a living thing; it changes every day, just like you do. The dam is changing every day."

What is changing, he later explained, is that the clay particles contained in the dam's core are being suspended in the water that naturally seeps through the dam and carried away as that water makes its way to the foot of the dam and into the creek below.

"All dams seep. All dams leak," Marks said. But seepage through Lake Auman Dam has reached a point that it is "significantly above the original dam design estimate."

The seepage through a dam can be drawn as a line on a cross section drawing of the dam. When the dam is functioning as designed, that line begins high on the dam on the lake side and curves rapidly downward toward the foot of the dam on the back side.

In Lake Auman dam, the line has risen well above that normal curve, as the seepage level rises

higher and higher on the back side of the dam. This threatens the stability of the soil on the back side of the dam.

## Why fix the dam now?

The seepage level in the dam can be measured physically with piezometers and Marks said he plots those measurements every

(See "Auman Dam," p. 33)

# Lawsuit

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Association failed in its duty to protect the cove. Both Accent and SLWLA received Notice of Violation from the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources [NCDENR] because of this runoff, the Terrills allege.

Asking the court for relief on a number of grounds ranging from breach of the covenants to liability pursuant to the Sediment Pollution Control Act of 1973, the Terrills ask the court to award them an amount at least equal to the cost of removing the silt from the cove and the loss in value of the Terrill's lots.

In its defense, the Association denies almost all of these allegations, as well, admitting that it received Notices of Violation from NCDENR, but denying that it was responsible for the violations cited.

The Association, instead, alleges that silt-bearing runoff reached Lake Auman when portions of James Drive and White Drive were being paved, and that runoff forms the basis of SLWLA's complaint against third-party plaintiffs Robert L. and Wendy P. Edwards, Gene C. & Rene Jennings White, and Lakeside Development, LLC, which is the current developer in Seven Lakes West.

The Association claims that these third-party defendants were responsible for the paving in question and thus liable for the alleged runoff it caused, citing Notices of Violation and inspection reports filed by NCDNR staffers.

The Association asked the court to find in its favor and award damages at least equal to the cost of removing the sediment from the cove.

The Association also names Sunrise Carpentry, Inc., Paradigm Holdings, LLC; Bartlett Construction, LLC; Compass General Contractors; Quadrant Holdings, LLC; and RMA Investments, LLC as third-party defendants, alleging that they, along with the other third-party defendants, as well as defendants Accent and Accent II, all disturbed land in the area in 2006 and 2007, resulting in runoff into Lake Auman.

Should the Terrills be awarded damages from the Association, the complaint argues, then SLWLA should be able to look to the third-party defendants to indemnify it against those damages.

The most recent developments in the case file include an affidavit from James Terrill, filed July 17, providing his testimony regarding the runoff of sediment in both 2004 and 2006-2007, including supporting photographs. Amidst Terrill's testimony is an estimate for cleanup of the cove obtained from an expert witness that puts the price tag at over \$215,000.

Also filed July 17 was a Terrill motion for partial summary judgement on the issue of the defendant's violation of the Sedimentation Pollution Control Act of 1973.

The case file, it appears, is likely to grow much fatter before the issue is resolved.

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# Auman Dam

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three months.

From that, he calculates a stability score — a number the state uses to gauge dam safety and the need for dam remediation. The state requires a score of 1.5, Marks said. Lake Auman Dam had a score of 1.55 when it was built, 1.53 when it was full, and 1.43 to 1.45 as of Fall 2007.

"The reason the state is not too excited about that, is they know Dr. Dan is down here looking after it," the engineer said. "They know that Dr. Paul Kirst is looking after it, that Dr. Mary Anne Fewkes is looking after it."

Marks said projecting the seepage curve out four years yields a stability score of 1.35, "which is totally unacceptable." "Then you will get a nasty letter from the state and they are going to give you thirty days to fix it" — an impossible task, Marks said. Along with that letter comes the risk of incurring \$500 per day fines for non-compliance.

It will be less expensive to do the repairs now than in three or four years, Marks noted.

"We're ahead of the state. We're looking good. We're not having to beg and plead for extensions. We're doing what responsible dam owners should do: take care of your dam."

## The vibrating beam slurry wall technique

Marks said he evaluated nine different options for repairing Lake Auman Dam, talking with fellow engineers throughout the US, evaluating the options in terms of:

- Effectiveness ("How much does it cut the seepage off?")
- Constructability ("Can you build it?")
- Cost, and
- Economical benefit ("How much are you going to have to maintain this deal after we're done?")

He — along with the Lake Auman Dam Committee and the SLWLA Board — settled on the "vibrating beam slurry wall" approach.

A vibrating beam is inserted into the ground to a depth of 25 feet. "It's like a vibrating pile driver," Marks explained, using a foot-square beam with a two-foot square head. The beam is then extracted at a rate of three

feet per minute while a slurry of cement and bentonite is pumped into the void.

The machinery then moves a few inches and the process is repeated, ultimately creating an impervious wall twenty-five feet deep across the center portion of the dam. The material hardens in a couple of weeks.

Marks said he has successfully used the techniques to stop seepage from industrial waste lagoons in New Bern and Fayetteville.

The wall will be inserted roughly 11 feet in from the lakeside shoulder of Lakeway Drive as it passes of the dam, Marks said. The impervious wall will block the seepage high in the dam, forcing the seepage line lower and eliminating the slope stability problem on the back side of the dam.

"We're not going to have to fix this dam again in my life-

time," he added. "You won't have to work on this dam for another 50 years. Marks said he projects the stability score will rise from the current 1.43 or 1.45 to 1.67 — better than when the dam was first built.

In addition to the slurry wall, "we're going to go down on the first bench on the face of the dam, where water has been popping out, and install an old-fashioned subdrain," Mark said, comparing it to a common French Drain or footing drain used to carry water away from a home. These drains will be built out from either side of the dam and overlap the edge of the slurry wall, helping to carry away redirected seepage water.

## Questions

Several landowners asked questions once Marks' formal presentation was finished.

**Risk.** Joel Martin asked what

risk is associated with the repair.

"We have done a million feet of slurry wall," Marks responded. "We do drains every day. There is really no risk involved — or very low — much lower than the other options" that were discarded. Marks said the biggest risk is that the rapidly escalating cost of diesel fuel and material will mushroom the cost of the repairs. "I wish we had done it last year," he said.

Marks refused to be pinned down on a price, because, with state approval still pending, the project has not gone out for bid.

**Affect on Lake Level.** In response to a question from Todd Mead, Marks said the proposed repair would not require lowering the level of the lake any more than is common in dry summer conditions. One of the discarded options, digging a trench and filling it with slurry, would have required dropping

the lake twenty-five feet, he said.

"Some of you wouldn't live long enough to see it fill back up," he added. "I don't want to lower this lake. We're not going to lower it at all more than what nature is doing."

**Timeframe.** Marks said the state office that must approve the repair is "backed up," but that he hopes approval will be in hand by early September. Based on conversations with several contractors, he said, the repairs should take six to eight weeks.

**Dam Road Petition.** Maureen Mead said she is gathering a list of landowners who are in favor of reopening Lakeway Drive as soon as possible after the remediation is complete. "As soon as possible, I would like that dam reopened, Mead said. "We'll collect the list so that we will know how many people want the road reopened as a high priority."



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