

Freiert outlines planning process

by Stacy Naughton
Times Reporter



A key objective for the Seven Lakes West Landowners Association [SLWLA] Board of Directors has been to create a vision and master plan for the Seven Lakes West community. During the Board's Tuesday, October 25 meeting, Long Range Planning [LRP] Director, Don Freiert proposed a five-step process to forward this objective.

The first step in the proposed process is to create an integrated master plan that would include:

- The existing Lake Auman master plan, as well as an amenities and infrastructure plan;
- A guideline for the internal image of the community;
- A ten year financial forecast; and
- A current and accurate map of the community.

This master plan would serve as a living document that would be usable and kept up to date, Freiert said.

The second step is to create a new marketing plan and image for the community.

"People refer to Seven Lakes, and they do it generically, and we [Seven Lakes West] fall into that mix," said Freiert.

The third step is to look at whether Board member responsibilities need to be realigned in the future. "A big consideration for the future," according to Freiert, is the possibility of creating a parks and recreation program in the community.

The fourth step is to consider combining the various sets of covenants that apply to different neighborhoods in Seven Lakes West. This is a "huge task," said Freiert. At a minimum, the LRP has said the community needs to explore a mechanism for permitting changes to permitted uses of property.

Lastly, the LRP Committee will enlist the services of outside consultants to help pull the effort together, while, at the same time, gathering feedback from the community.

"This will be a long term effort," Freiert said. "It will take many, many months to work through this process correctly."

(See "Westside," p. 16)

Escrima, you scrima?



Students at Goshin Dojo in Seven Lakes Business Village demonstrate the use of short fighting sticks in the discipline called "escrima." The Dojo is hosting a series of beginner level seminars this Fall in a number of martial arts disciplines. See page 2 for details.

Water options for 7 Lakes

by Stacy Naughton
Times Reporter



Increasing the supply of water to the county's utility customers in Seven Lakes was at the top of the agenda for the Thursday, October 13 meeting of the Greater

Seven Lakes Community Council [GSLCC] and the Moore County Board of Commissioners. Other items addressed during the meeting included redistricting, zoning, and the county budget.

There are at least seven options available to bring additional water to the Seven Lakes area, Public Works

Director Randy Gould told Council members and Commissioners. Seven Laker "have a tremendous amount of opportunities" when it comes to water, Gould said. However, the pros and cons of each option — and its impact on water rates — must be nailed down before
(See "Community," p. 27)

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Election will fill four of five Foxfire Council seats

by Laura Douglass
Times Reporter

Four of the five Foxfire Village Council seats are on the ballot for Election Day, Tuesday, November 8. But those seats aren't necessarily "up for grabs." Each is being

sought by a single candidate, running unopposed.

Polls at the old West End Gym will be open on Election Day from 6:30 am to 7:30 pm; and One-Stop Absentee Voting is available Thursday, October 20 through Saturday,

November 5 at the Moore County Ag Center in Carthage, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm Monday to Friday, and 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, on Saturday.

Running unopposed for two four-year terms are

Steven Durham, who is seeking his first term of office, and Mayor George Erickson, who has served on the Council since 2003.

Also running unopposed are Councilmen John Eltschlager and Mick McCue.

Both were appointed to fill vacancies created by resignations and are now seeking to serve out the remaining two years in those terms of office.

Veteran Councilman Ed Lauer is not seeking re-election. Finance Director Leslie Frusco is continuing in office as the only midterm member of the Council.

Foxfire's prorated share of the costs of this year's municipal elections is expected to be \$4,500. Though it's in the Village budget, it's a costly process for a small community.

The most recent municipal election in 2009 attracted only thirty-two voters.

Martial Arts classes for beginners

Goshin Dojo Karate will host a series of beginner level seminars this Fall. No experience is necessary to par-

ticipate; but space is limited and preregistration is required.

Nunchaku Jutsu will focus on the art of twirling sticks and chains on Friday, November 18, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Taught by Shihan Dan Howard and Soke Dan McCaslin, class fees are \$20 per person, or \$10 if you are also participating in the Escrima workshop.

The American Escrima seminar will feature the safe and proper use of short, fighting sticks on Saturday, November 19. Class times vary for children and adult participants. Fees are \$35 per person, or \$25 per person

with a family discount.

Preregistration is required by November 1 for both the American Escrima and Nunchaku Jutsu workshops.

A Ladies Self-Defense class will be held Saturday, December 10, from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. Taught by Instructor Randy McElwee, the fee to attend is \$50 — and this course is for women only ages thirteen and up.

A Jiu Jitsu grappling seminar, with classes for both adults and children ages seven and up, will be held on Saturday, December 10. Taught by Instructor Randy McElwee, the class fee is \$50 per person.

Preregistration is required by November 19 for the Ladies Self-Defense and Jiu Jitsu grappling seminars.

Goshin Dojo is located near Subway and Mac's Breakfast Anytime restaurants.

For more information or to register, contact Sensei Frankie Tapia at 673-5370.

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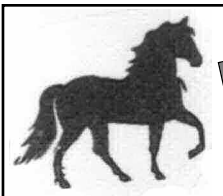
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County looking for Land Use Plan volunteers

by Stacy Naughton
Times Reporter



Moore County's Land Use plan is more than ten years old, and the process of updating it is getting underway, with the selection of a Steering Committee the first order of business.

During the Board of Commissioners' Tuesday, October 18 meeting, the Planning Department and the Commissioners agreed to compile a list of major organizations in the County, representing key sectors of the community. That list, to be reviewed during the Board's November 1 Commissioners meeting, will give the Commissioners an idea of the type of representation needed on the Steering Committee.

County Planner Jeremy Rust presented the Commissioners with an outline of the appointment process that was used during the 1999 Land Use Plan as a guideline for this year's selection process.

The previous Land Use Plan Steering Committee included a wide variety of Moore County residents — twenty-one members who ranged from elected officials and business leaders to environmental advocates and educators. The 1999 Land Use Plan process stretched over eighteen months, with committee members meeting twice a month during ten of those months.

The 1999 Steering Committee was formed in part by allowing each Commissioner the opportunity to

select one person from each of the five Commissioners districts to serve on the Committee. However, this may be narrowed down during this year's selection process.

Rust advised the Commissioners that industry standards suggest a committee is most productive when it consists of nine to fifteen members. But, Commissioner Jimmy Melton — who served on the 1999 Steering Committee — suggested the new committee should include as many as thirty members. Rust said he is already hear-

ing from County residents who wish to serve on the committee.

The next steps in the process — all pending guidance from the Commissioners — are to initiate the application process for the Steering Committee, to solicit potential committee members, and, finally, to select the committee members.

Public Works contracts amended

Convening as the East Moore Water District [EMWD] Board of Directors, the Com-

missioners approved a request by Public Works Director Randy Gould for an engineering services contract amendment with Hobbs Upchurch and Associates for \$30,700. The extra funds are needed due to additional roads — and customers — that have been added to the EMWD. The amendment also extends the contract by 60 days.

The Commissioners also approved the purchase of Badger Meters from Carolina Meter and Supply for the EMWD Phase III not to exceed \$101,000 — a previously-

budgeted expense.

The Board approved a change order for the contract with CB&I Constructors to extend the length of the Monticello Road storage tank elevation project by forty-nine days. The extension means the project will not be completed on time, resulting in a \$37,000 charge to the contractor.

The Board approved a contract amendment to the Old Town/Lake Pinehurst project that would allow the County Manager or designee to authorize contract amend-
(See "Commissioners," p. 26)

Seven Lakes EMS hosts benefit for paramedic

Everyone in the community is invited to attend a Spaghetti lunch and supper benefit for EMS Paramedic Gary Tadlock.

The benefit is being held due to the tragic loss of Tadlock's home and property due to a fire.

The lunch and supper event will be held at the Seven Lake EMS building on Seven Lakes Drive, Friday, November 18, 11 am to 7:30 pm.

Cost is \$6 for a plate of

spaghetti, salad and dessert. 100% of proceeds will be donated to Tadlock and his family.

The Seven Lakes EMS is accepting donations of noodle, sauce, plates and dinnerware that can be dropped off at the EMS building. They are also accepting donations of cakes, cupcakes and cookies to be sold as well.

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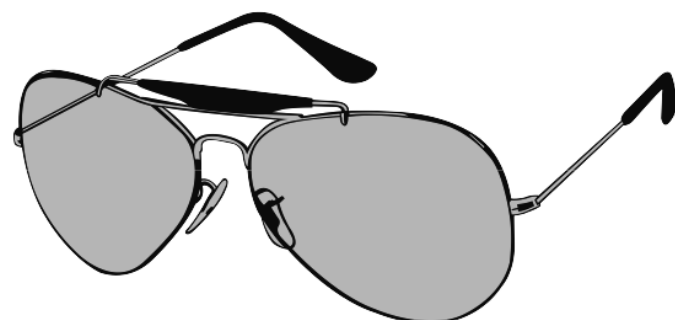
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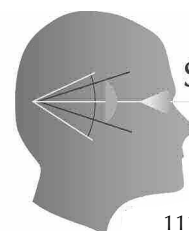
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Winners share a generous spirit

by **Laure Douglass**
Times Reporter

Paws and applause to Lindsay Douglass and Sara Renfrew for their award-winning entries in the Speuter Bowl essay contest at West End Elementary, sponsored by the Citizens Pet Responsibility Committee of Moore County. Demonstrating a talent for writing and a kind spirit as well, both girls donated their prizes of a free spay or neuter surgery.

Integrated into the county's Character Education program — which focuses on positive behavior traits such as good judgment, integrity, kindness, perseverance, respect, and responsibility — the Pet Responsibility curriculum is a five-week program taught by volunteers each year to over 1,000 fourth grade students in the Moore County Schools system.

Now in its fourth year, the program is also linked to the NC Standard Course of Study, has successfully expanded into area private schools, and is currently being piloted in several other counties in North Carolina.

Student participation in the Speuter Bowl essay contest is a voluntary component of the program. The winning prize is funded through a generous donation by Betsy

Ficarro, publisher of the *Sandhills Pet Gazette*.

One winner is selected from each school and is awarded a certificate to acknowledge their hard work, love and dedication toward their pet, as well as the many homeless animals still awaiting homes.

With the support of their families and at no cost, each pet owned by an award win-

ner is altered at the Spay Neuter Veterinary Clinic of the Sandhills.

In her winning essay, Renfrew explained that, while her own cat needed to be spayed, she really wanted the prize so she could provide the surgery for her friend's dog.

"I want Cloie [the dog] to have it because I would just

be thinking about myself and it is better to give than it is to receive. That is why I want to win. I would rather have other people win though," she wrote.

Touched by her honesty and inspired by her desire to help another before herself, volunteers with the Committee hoped they could honor (See "Pet winners," p. 24)



West End Elementary fourth graders Lindsay Douglass & Sara Renfrew were winners in the Moore County Pet Responsibility Committee's "Speuter Bowl" essay contest.

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Princess program pairs girls with mentors

by Laura Douglass
Times Reporter

Beautiful and talented, nine-year old Kendall Hilliard and ten-year old Alexa Castro-Giovanni will spend a glamorous but hardworking year under the graceful men-

torship of the newly crowned Miss Moore County and Miss Moore County Outstanding Teen.

Established ten years ago to offer young ladies a better insight into the Miss North Carolina and Miss America

pageants, the Carolina Princess program provides a forum for personal growth and mentoring with positive role models. Working side-by-side with their mentors, the girls will have the opportunity to participate in special

events, parades and volunteer service projects, in addition to the state-level pageant next June.

Summer Dare Hennings, a student at UNC-Chapel Hill and the daughter of Colton and Rose Cooper of Whispering Pines, was crowned Miss Moore County 2012 on Saturday, October 8. Her service platform is "Students

Helping Honduras" and, as a talented singer, she also received top honors for her classical rendition of "The Little Horses."

Her Carolina Princess, Kendall Hilliard, shares that love for music and is a member of the five-member singing group 'Ovation' with the Performer's Workshop, where

(See "Princesses," p. 21)



Carolina Princesses Alexa Castro-Giovanni & Kendall Hilliard

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Meetings seek input on Western Bypass

by Laura Douglass
Times Reporter

Now is the time to get involved in the discussion of potential routes and options for the proposed Western Connector bypass.

Long debated and frequently controversial, the purpose of the proposed bypass is to reduce congestion at the Pinehurst traffic circle and along Hwy 5 by providing a more direct route between West End and the commercial corridor of Southern Pines and Aberdeen. Various options have been considered and discarded over the years; however, most recently, the Moore County Transportation Committee has reopened discussion and actively encouraging residents to participate in the planning process.

Between November 1 and November 4, seven charettes – basically community workshops – will be held at varying times and locations throughout Moore County to collect

public input on the Western Connector and two other major proposed NC-DOT projects, the 24/27 Carthage Bypass and improvements to Hwy 1. Extensive maps will be provided and Moore County Planning staff will be on-hand to assist interested residents.

The closest charrette for the Foxfire and West End areas will be held on Wednesday, November 2 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm at the West End Senior Building at 126 Old West End School Lane.

Additional charettes are also scheduled for:

November 1 from 3-5pm, at the Pinehurst Fair Barn at 200 Beulah Hill Road South.

November 1 from 6-8 pm, at Aberdeen Lake Park Recreation Station at 301 Lake Park Crossing.

November 2 from 6-8 pm, at Carthage Community Building at 203 Barrett Street.

November 3 from 1-3 pm, at Cameron Fire Department at 170 Red Hill Road.

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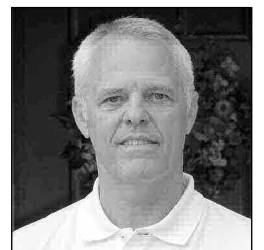
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Global sugar consumption for kids increases by about two percent annually and currently amounts to 50

million tons per year, which means parents need to be sure their kids' teeth are being cared for more than ever. Candy, as well as hurting children's teeth by causing cavities, can lead to hyperactivity and weight gain. In some cases, the wrong types of candy can also lead to broken teeth and damaged braces.

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Laker arrested for fraud

A Seven Lakes North contractor faces a charge of obtaining property by false pretence in connection with a commercial renovation.

According to reports filed with the Moore County Sheriff's Office, Richard David Phillips, 38, of 153 Firetree Lane is accused of accepting \$1,977 in advance payments toward a \$40,000 remodeling project on a commercial building on Seven Lakes Drive.

Charles Massey told Sheriff's officers that Phillips was



Richard Phillips

to use the funds to secure building permits from Moore County.

According to Massey, he paid Phillips in April, but discovered in July that no permits had been secured. As a result, Massey had to pay the County directly for the permits.

Phillips appeared before a Moore County Magistrate in response to a warrant issued on the charges and was given a \$10,000 unsecured bond and a initial court date of November 3.

Cigarettes and a little cash

A Carthage-area man accused of breaking into both Seven Lakes Friendly Mart and Mac's Food Store #5 in West End needed only a few packs of cigarettes and \$350, according to a press release issued by the Moore County Sheriff's Office.

Curtis Errol Boler, 44, of 184 Sugar Branch Trail was charged with two counts of felony breaking and entering, two counts of felony larceny after breaking and entering, two counts of felony possession of stolen goods, two



Curtis Errol Boler

counts of injury to personal property, resisting a public officer, and fail to heed to blue light or siren.

A routine check of area businesses discovered the Friendly Mart break-in on Thursday, October 6.

The Mac's Food Store break-in was reported while in process on Sunday, October 9. Deputies apprehended Boler when he attempted to flee the scene.

Boler was placed in the Moore County Jail under a \$25,000 secure bond.

Jackson Springs dinner & auction

The Jackson Springs Community Club will hold their annual Chicken & Dumpling Dinner, plus an auction on Saturday October 29 from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm. Professional Auctioneer Joe Parsons is providing his services to help raise funds for the Club's Scholarship Fund.

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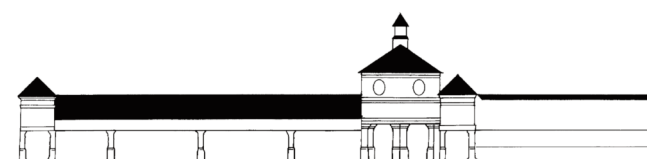
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Rockettes visit Sandhills Children's Center

Local Seven Lakes twins met two of the Radio City Music Hall Rockettes when they toured Sandhills Children's Center in preparation for the upcoming Festival of

Trees. The Rockettes are entering a wreath into the silent auction at the festival that will include four tickets to their Friday, November 18 performance at The Durham Performing Arts Center.

The Festival of Trees will be open to Tuesday, November 8 – through Sunday, November 13 at The Carolina Hotel in Pinehurst where you

can bid on the wreath!

An Angel tree will also be featured at the festival this year, with ornaments that the Rockettes made with children at the center. Festival Marketplace, a Christmas, Craft and Collectibles show, is new this year on Saturday, November 12 and will be open for shopping from 10 am – 5 pm.

Festival of Trees features live entertainment daily from local musicians. A full schedule can be seen at www.FestivalofTrees.org

Beth St. John joins Martha Gentry's Team

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Women's Week – Seven Lakers in Paris

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Twenty-two women explored various aspects of Paris as they walked in the footsteps of famous French women.

Seven Laker Peggy Crawford planned the trip. According to Crawford, "My husband Dudley and I have been organizing trips for over 20 years, but this was the first one designed for women.

It was also unique as travelers did research on a variety of French women – from Joan of Arc, Marie Antoinette, and Josephine Bonaparte to Marie

Curie and Coco Chanel – and shared the information with others in the group."

Highlights included a special meal on the Eiffel Tower, a guided visit to the Louvre that featured women's lives through French paintings and decorative arts, and an evening with two Parisian women to discuss the French feminine mystique.

Central Europe is the destination of the Crawford's next group trip on May 14-29, 2012: Prague, Vienna, Budapest, Krakow, and small villages in between.

Dudley and Peggy Crawford can be contacted at 673-0680 or peggycrawford@nc.rr.com for information.



Seven Lakes women with daughters and friends in front of the Château Hotel Mont Royal Chantilly outside Paris.

Safely dispose of unused medications

Get rid of your unused and out-of-date prescription medication during Operation Medicine Drop, sponsored by the Moore County Sheriff's Office the week of October 24.

Seven Lakes Prescription Shoppe in Seven Lakes will

be accepting unused or expired medications on Saturday, October 29, from 11 am to 3 pm.

Operation Medicine Drop is a prescription drug take back event where citizens can safely dispose of expired or unused prescription or

over-the-counter medications and prevent the potential for abuse.

Unintentional poisoning from prescription medications is on the rise in North Carolina, accounting for approximately 4,500 deaths since 1999. Operation Medicine

Drop offers the public a free and convenient option for disposing of their prescription and over-the-counter medications to protect their families and the environment.

Volunteers and representatives from Drug Free Moore County and the Moore Drug

Prevention Task Force will be on site to offer assistance and provide information about substance abuse.

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In memory of . . .

Cornelia Mae Phillips, 88, of Ararat, VA died Wednesday, October 19, in Seven Lakes, after a brief illness.

Mrs. Phillips was born in Moore County, daughter of the late Jones M. Yarborough and Emma Knight Yarborough. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Lee Phillips, Sr.; two sons: Robert Lee Phillips Jr., William Joseph Phillips; and her daughter, Lohonna Phillips Moore and two grandsons.

Funeral services were held at the Church of God of Prophecy, in Ramseur, on Friday, October 21. The Rev. Tommy Johnson and Rev. Tony Conner officiated. Burial followed at Staley Cemetery.

She is survived by three daughters: Lawhanna Langley, of Ararat, VA; Jerrie Webb, of Ararat, VA; Tina Richardson, of Seven Lakes; her son, Bobby Ray Phillips, of Asheboro. She is also survived by seven grandchildren; fifteen great-grandchildren; and four great-great grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to FirstHealth Hospice, 150 Applecross Rd., Pinehurst, NC 28374.

Boles Funeral Home of Seven Lakes assisted the family.

Judy Ingram Adams, 67 of Aberdeen, died Saturday, October 15, at her home.

Mrs. Adams was born in Anson County, daughter of the late James Bailey Ingram and Mary Wall Hadley

Ingram.

Grave side services were held Monday, October 17, at Culdee Presbyterian Church Cemetery in Eastwood. The Pastor George Ingram officiated.

Mrs. Adams was a long

time member of the Sonlight Baptist Church in West End.

Mrs. Adams is survived by her two daughters, Teresa Paszko, of West End, and Mary Faulkner, of Raleigh; two brothers, George Ingram, of Eastwood and Charles

"Chick" Ingram, of West End; three sisters, Frances Fuller, of Greensboro, Ann Moree, of Rockingham, and Virginia Gibson of Hamlet, her fiancée, Gerald Kerns of Red Springs; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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Questions? Call the church at 673-4656. 1015 Seven Lakes Drive, Seven Lakes.

'Bleeding Pines of Turpentine' at Sandhills

A spirit-filled woods, trees marked with V-shaped cuts by former slaves or their descendants, and an age-old tale about a woman's heroic carriage ride into the Carolinas last great stand of virgin longleaf pines are the inspiration for the cultural theater production *Bleeding Pines of Turpentine*.

Bleeding Pines will be performed one night only, Saturday, November 5, at Sandhills Community College's Owens Auditorium. The event utilizes dance, music, projected images and poetic monologue in celebration of the strange beauty of the turpentine trees in Southern Pines. Hundreds of the trees

remain, more than in any other town in America, their trunks scarred with gashes to let loose the flow of sap collected for turpentine, pitch and rosin. Many of them are vestiges of the virgin forest, a remnant of a once 90 million acre expanse of longleaf pines, spared from the axe in the early twentieth century

by a remarkable woman named Helen Boyd Dull.

Bleeding Pines of Turpentine is a form of performance art known as "cultural theater." Essentially, it is a minimalist dance/musical drama with its thrust coming from the layering of various artistic elements. And the inclusion of performers whose personal history is related to the theme anchors the story within powerful cultural intersections.

The core group of artists include photographer and filmmaker Brady Beck, com-

poser and guitarist Ryan Book, choirmaster Rod Brower and Together-N-Unity Choir, actress and singer-songwriter Abigail Dowd, photographer Frank Hunter, choreographer and dancer Diana Turner-Forte, and Ray Owen, who is the writer, director, and producer.

In addition to the principal artists, performers include the St. Andrews Presbyterian College Pipe Band, cellist Chase Johnson, violinist Emily Braun, photographer (See "Bleeding Pines," p. 13)



Bleeding Pines of Turpentine will be performed one night only at Sandhills Community College's Owens Auditorium on Saturday, November 5.

Golf Capital Chorus Show November 5

Old School, the 2010 Barbershop Harmony Society International Champions, will headline the Annual Golf Capital Chorus Show on Saturday, November 5, at 7 pm at Robert E. Lee Auditorium, at Pinecrest High School.

The show's theme this year is "Harmony in Nature," and is the chorus's main fundraising event.

Last year, the chorus donated \$18,000 to local charities. The goal this year is \$22,000.

Come, enjoy and help support Golf Capital Chorus. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased from any chorus member. Information: (910) 246-6551.

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Seven Lakes Kiwanis install new officers

by Rollin Tomberlin
Seven Lakes Kiwanis

On Tuesday, September

13, the Seven Lakes Kiwanis introduced their new officers for fiscal 2011-2012. Of spe-

cial interest was the announcement of the newly elected Lt. Governor of Divi-

sion 10 of the Carolinas, Ken Jenkins, a North Side Seven Laker. The Lt. Gov. has 11 Kiwanis clubs reporting to him.

Outgoing president, Marty Matula, announced the installation of the following new officers:

President – Bud Darraugh,
President Elect – John Clohessy

Treasurer – Ed Schemp
New Directors – Pat Weber & John Strohmer

Kiwanian of the Year – Ken Jenkins

President Matula also honored nine Kiwanians with Special Appreciation awards for their “duty over and beyond the call” for services

during his watch. Recipients included Ed Schemp, Pat Weber, John Clohessy, Gerry Buelow, John Shaughnessy, Lee Ann McClendon, John Strohmer, Jack Lynn, and Frank Krohn.

Lt. Gov. Ken Jenkins joins an elite duo of former Kiwanian overachievers who have served in this position in the past – Jay Stemmer and Andy Lowe.

The Seven Lakes Kiwanis Club has the mission of serving the community and its children, and is always looking for new members. Meetings are at the Seven Lakes Country Club on Tuesdays at 11:30 am.



Kiwanis Officers – Ken Jenkins, Lt. Governor 2012; John Clohessy, President Elect 2013; Bud Darraugh, Incoming President; and Marty Matula, Outgoing President.

West End Methodists invite all to Fall Festival

On Sunday, October 30, 5:30 pm to 7 pm, West End United Methodist Church will have a Fall Festival at the West End Scout Lodge (3164 Carthage Road – just outside Seven Lakes).

There will be food, games, crafts, a cake walk, bingo, a campfire and much more. Costumes for children and adults are welcome (please not too scary!).

All are invited to attend this time of fun and fellowship.

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'Go Pink' Committee celebrates success

The Susan G Komen Golf/Lunch event held September 12 at Beacon Ridge Country Club, was a great success.

The "Go Pink" committee consisting of Chair: Carolyn James, Cindy Osborne, Ellen Leslie, Linda Dunning, Sandy McDermott, Nita Hartless, and Marianne Foley would like to thank everyone for their generosity of time, donations, and talents. Because of that, the event had another successful year collecting approximately four hundred dollars more than the previous year.



Carolyn James, Ruth Shannon, Marianne Foley, Donna Fellows, Pat Blair, and Ellen Leslie

The special raffle, the private donations and adding hole sponsors made it possible to reach goal in this very difficult economy.

Carolyn James announced that she would be stepping down chairing this event for 2012; the committee is actively seeking a new chair or co-chair.

In the six years that the event has been held, it has

grown substantially.

The growth in the event is contributed to the many women willing to actively participate in the golf or lunch, donate their time, and contribute in soliciting the funds, which is much needed for research and ultimately the hope to find a cure.

You can make a difference.

Bleeding pines

(Continued from page 11)

Caroline Young, and Dance-Fusion, the resident dance company of the Carolina Performing Arts Center.

Behind the artistry of the play is the powerful story of the trees, identified by The Cultural Landscape Foundation in Washington, DC as one of the most important groupings of historic trees in America. Images of the turpentine trees in Southern Pines are included in an exhibition, titled "Every Tree Tells a Story," that is currently making its way around the country.

Over the past year, the turpentine trees in Southern Pines have been featured in several national publications, including the magazines American Photo, Garden Design and American Forests, and USA Today. The exhibition, "Every Tree Tells a Story," will open at Campbell House Galleries in Southern Pines in March, 2012.

The performance starts at 7:30; doors open at 6:45. Admission is free, but an entry ticket is required. Free tickets are available at the following locations:

Southern Pines: Arts Council of Moore County (Campbell House), Country Bookshop, and Traveling Chic Boutique.

Pinhurst: Given Memorial Library and Sandhills Com-

munity College Library.

Seven Lakes: Goldie's Gourmet.

The performance is presented by the Walthour-Moss Foundation, the SCC Fine Arts Department & the Arts Council of Moore County.

There will be a panel discussion about the "Bleeding Pines of Turpentine," at 2:30 pm on Sunday, November 6, at the Douglass Community Center, 1185 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Southern Pines. Panelists will include George Holt, director of performing arts at the NC Museum of Art, Lawrence Early,

former editor of Wildlife in NC & author of "Looking for Longleaf," Earl James, curator of African American history, NC Museum of History, Ammie Jenkins, founder of the Sandhills Family Heritage Association, Ray Owen, writer, director & producer of Bleeding Pines of Turpentine, and Bruce A. Sorrie, botanist, the NC Natural Heritage Program.

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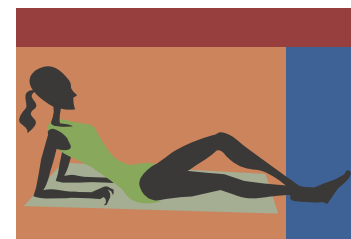
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Plant trees & shrubs between the Holidays

Fall is here on schedule and dogwoods, persimmons and some of the other deciduous trees are showing leaf coloring.

Some folks are planning trips to the North and West toward the mountains this weekend. As you travel these directions, you will observe more leaf coloring and beauty. Also I have observed our pine trees beginning to show some signs of needle or straw falling which indicates dormancy is on its way even in evergreens.

There are many articles published recently suggesting Fall planting and some home gardeners are doing it. Having lived in the Sandhills for more than thirty years, my

experience has shown that planting trees and shrubs between Thanksgiving and Christmas is perhaps the best timing.



Gardening in the Sandhills

Jim Caudill

More information on planting shrubs and trees and others will be discussed in next month's article.

No, it's not too late to plant pansies, but do it as early as possible. Pansies planted during the Fall will become

established, last all Winter, and provide beautiful flowers in the Spring until hot weather arrives. They require well-

drained soil and prefer a pH of 6.0 to 6.5. There are many varieties and are available in many colors. Hybrids planted in late October

and early November range in height from six to seven inches. Those planted earlier tend to become leggy. Fertilize

every two to three weeks throughout the growing season.

Fall to-do list

Some other things to do in October and early November:

- Check shrubs, trees, lawns and perennials for insects, diseases, and make the necessary control treatments.
- Prune out dead branches of plants and trees and clean out weeds.
- Freshen up and add new mulch around your plants, but don't overdo it. Two to

three inches is enough.

- For green growth during Winter, over-seed your Bermuda or zoysia lawn with rye grass. It is not recommended to over-seed a centipede lawn with rye grass. Do not use more than five pounds of seed per 1,000 square feet of lawn. Heavier over-seeding often damages stands and delays Summer grass growth.
- For late avid vegetable gardeners, I recommend radish, mustard, and turnip seeds, also onion sets.

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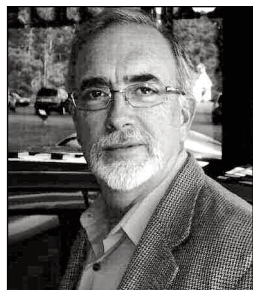
The Women of Seven Lakes will present a Fall Fashion Show & Card Party Luncheon on Thursday, November 3, at 11:30 am, at the Westside Park Community Center.

Featuring fashions by Lisa's Boutique, located in the heart of Carthage, and a delicious soup, salad & sandwich luncheon provided by Basco's Catering, tickets are \$20 per person and sell

quickly.

All are invited to attend and proceeds from the luncheon will benefit the many local charities supported by the Women of Seven Lakes.

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Dad! I can't believe you just said that!

Journalist Tom Brokaw coined the term "The Greatest Generation" for folks born between 1901 and 1925. Often referred to as the "G.I. Generation," this group grew up during the depression and went on to fight in W.W. II. The Silent Generation (1926-1945) shared many of the values of the previous generation, putting priority on family, duty, and honor. They respected and adhered to social order and authority, paid in cash, and put money away for a rainy day.

It could be said they were a strong generation that was not afraid of hard work, and they kept their eyes fixed on the future. They met adversity and challenge head-on and survived to tell the tale. Their life experiences shaped their behavior and desires, and molded who they became.

The G.I. and the Silent generations were also shaped by the social dynamics of the time, which included racial discrimination, as well as gender and sexual stereotyping. Many fought against those dynamics, but they were well entrenched and integrated into the culture. It would take the next generation, the Baby Boomers, to rattle the cage of the status quo.

The Boomers were also shaped by events that defined their generation. They questioned authority; rallied in the streets and across college campuses; fought for civil rights; embraced the sexual revolution and rock 'n roll; watched their leaders be assassinated; and, for the first time, watched the horrors of war brought into their home in "living color" on the nightly news.

Humans are shaped by their genetics, which in turn, are massaged by the environment. As people age, they bring with them the ideologies, experiences, images, and social norms of their generation. As a result, humans tend to default to what is familiar and comfortable. Some elders who were reared in an era of stereotyping and discrimi-

nation can, on occasion, default to the norms of their generation and make comments that are by today's standards socially inappropriate. For Boomers and oth-

verbal scolding about inappropriate comments will most likely have little effect.

What can one do when an inappropriate comment is made? Consider the following suggestions:

- Gauge the individual's ability to understand that their comment was inappropriate. Some elders, just like

some "Hippie Dead-Heads", get stuck in the social dynamics of their generation and are unable to move forward and adopt new perspectives or opinions.

- Rather than shy away from or ignore an inappropriate comment, kindly and quietly (especially in public), remind the elder that their

words or comments, while commonly used during their lifetime, are hurtful to others.

- Be proactive. If an elder makes an inappropriate remark, consider taking the time to quietly and discreetly apologize to the person on their behalf. The recipient of the comment will most likely appreciate the apology and the effort you took to deliver it.

Boomers forged a path for civil rights and gender equality. Generation X (1965-1980) and the Millennials (1981-2000) continued those efforts and are forging a path for Gay rights. There is no doubt that Boomers will hear, "I can't believe you said that!" from the current generation, as they scrutinize the

Boomers ability to adopt the latest social norms. Billy Joel summed it up in the chorus of a song:

*We didn't start the fire
It was always burning
Since the world's been turning
We didn't start the fire
No we didn't light it
But we tried to fight it*

The lyrics are a reminder to each generation that we inherit all of the bumps, bruises, and warts of the previous generation, as we inch our way through.

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West Side

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Remote Locking System for Emergency Gates

The SLWLA Board is reviewing a proposal to add a remote locking system for the gates across the Lake Auman Dam Road, as well as the emergency gate on Bainbridge Drive, which would allow the gates to be opened from the front gatehouse, in the event of an emergency.

Community Manager Joan Frost said Electronic Services — the same company that handles the electronics for Westside security systems — has offered to install the remote locking system for \$12,000.

The system would be operated 24 hours a day from the gatehouse and could unlock any of the three emergency gates, if needed. The locks could be battery-operated or wired for AC power.

The Board will further discuss the remote locking system at their next board meeting on November 8.

Safety and Security

Westsiders have given a “less than a favorable response for the west gate,” reported Safety and Security Director Jim McCarthy. In the last month, thirty-one residents offered input on the proposal to install an outward opening exit gate off Bainbridge Drive at a cost of \$14,000.

The feedback has been evenly divided, with half in favor and half opposed, McCarthy said. However, given the options of installing a remote locking system that can open the gate in emergencies, McCarthy said he is, “looking at both directions.”

During member comments, Westsider Chuck Spellman complained about persistent speeding in the back gate area. He also asked what security measures are being taken at the RV and boat storage area. McCarthy said security cameras will be installed in the RV and boat storage area, however the speeding issue has not been resolved at this time.

McCarthy and Frost are working together to find a solution to that problem.

New Security Company

SFI, the security company that provides Seven Lakes West's gate guards, has merged with Universal Forces. As a result of the merger, the district supervisor, on-site supervisor, and two regular officers that served the West Side have been replaced, reported Secretary Jane Sessler. Along with staff changes, changes to the contract for the next fiscal year are possible.

Sessler asked that those who read the Westside newsletter online “refrain” from taking a copy from the mailhouse, since those are set aside for individuals who do not use a computer. Anyone who wants a hard copy of the newsletter can have one printed at the CAS office in the West Side Park Community Center.

The Area Reps have made some “organizational

changes,” Sessler reported, and are moving towards becoming an “information source” for new residents of Seven Lakes West.

Infrastructure

Infrastructure Director John Goodman reported that the next “substantial project” in the community will be at the lower pond dam at Lakeway Mall, which will benefit from the following improvements:

- The road will be widened with a curb and gutter being added.
- The dam will also be widened for a pedestrian walkway.
- Vehicular guard rails will be added, possibly to both sides of the road.
- The existing overflow pipes will be removed and a spillway drain valve with durable components will be added.
- The black flume for storm drainage will be removed and replaced with underground drainage.

- The back of the dam will be reshaped and widened so that it is easier to maintain.

The project is expected to start in mid-November and extend through the end of the year. The Board will be discussing the type of vehicular guard rails that may be used in the area, with the options including a spring-loaded cable system or a heavy timber system — similar to those on the Blue Ridge Parkway. Goodman noted that the Parkway-style guard rails may be “very expensive.”

Road patching will continue throughout the community for the next few weeks, Good-

man reported. During member comments Westsider Judy Pendleton asked why roads are being patched instead of completely repaved.

Goodman said the patching is a “functional solution that is long term.” Since the roads in the community have no “road base,” the patching is fixing structural issues and eventually all the roads will receive an asphalt overlay as part of the community road plan, he explained.

Legal Issues

A lot in the Clubhouse Commons section of Seven Lakes West — Lot #6812 — has been foreclosed and was

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- **Casual Friday at Seven Lake Country Club** – 5 to 9 pm. Buffet 5 to 6:30 pm. Beef Stew, salad, rolls & dessert. \$10 (inclusive). Food, games & socializing.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

- **Seven Lakes Prescription Shoppe Operation Medicine Drop** – 11 am to 3 pm, will be accepting unused or expired medications. Operation Medicine Drop is a prescription drug take back event where citizens can safely dispose of expired or unused prescription or over-the-counter medications. 120 MacDougall Drive, Seven Lakes.
- **Pusser Pumpkin Show** – begins at sunset and ends at 10:00 pm. Cartoon characters, animals, and people caricatures all carved in pumpkins. No charge, but please bring a donation of canned goods or a monetary donation to benefit the Cameron Boys home. Located off Highway 211 between Eagle Springs and Jackson Springs. 1100 Flowers Road. Please do not bring pets. Enjoy!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

- **St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church** – 9:30 am, Holy Communion. 1145 Seven Lakes Drive, Seven Lakes 673-3838.
- **Naturally Scary Stuff** – 3 pm, meet at the Visitor Auditorium. Folklore about plants and animals find their way into your imagination. Join the Park Ranger in the auditorium, followed by a short hike. Weymouth Woods, Sandhills Nature Preserve, 1024 Fort Bragg Rd. Southern

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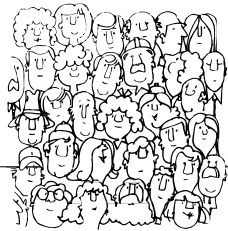
games, crafts, a cake walk, bingo, a campfire and much more. Costumes for children and adults are welcome. Everyone is welcome. Questions call 673-1371.

- **The Rooster's Wife** – 6:45 pm, doors open at 6 pm, in the gallery of Poplar Knight Spot. *Jon Shain Trio and Will Kimbrough* in concert tonight. Buy your tickets on line with debit or credit cards.

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Springs and Jackson Springs. 1100 Flowers Road. Please do not bring pets. Enjoy!

- **WEPC Hosts Trunk or Treat** – 5 to 7 pm, West End Presbyterian Church will be hosting their annual "Trunk or Treat." There will be games for kids, a hot dog and chili dinner, and plenty of trunks for trunk-or-treating. Everyone is invited to join the church for this night of fun! West End Presbyterian Church, 275 Knox Lane, West End, just off of Hwy 73 and Hwy 211.
- **WEUMC Church Fall Festival** – 5:30 – 7 pm, West End United Methodist Church will have a Fall Festival at the West End Scout Lodge (3164 Carthage Road – just outside Seven Lakes). Food,

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

- **Weight Watchers Meeting** – 5 pm-6 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive, Seven Lakes. Group leader Rachel Carr.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

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- **Pinecrest PTSA General Meeting And Principal's Forum** – 7 pm, to 8 pm at the Boys and Girls Club of the Sandhills, 160 Memorial Park Court, Southern Pines. All current or prospective members are encouraged to attend. Following the general meeting, the PTSA will host Pinecrest Principal Joel County, who will answer questions from the audience about Pinecrest High School. Open to the public. Questions? 910-692-6554.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

- **Gallery at Seven Lakes** – 1 - 4 pm, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1145 Seven Lakes Drive,

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3

- **Women of Seven Lakes Fashion Show & Card Party Luncheon** – 11 am,

Westside Park Community Center. Fashions by Lisa's Boutique and luncheon provided Basco's Catering. Tickets \$20, call Joyce Freiert at 400-5051, or Patsy Thomas at 673-5268.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

- **White Elephant Sale and Raffle** – 8 am to 1 pm. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary of Sacred Heart Church, in Founders Hall, Rte 211 and Dundee Rd, Pinehurst. On Friday, November 4, from 1 pm to 6 pm there will be a Pre Sale of furniture and outdoor items only. Buy baked goods to take home; purchase raffle tickets for almost 100 prizes. INFO or to donate items: Call (910) 255-0785 or (910) 295-0886 or (910) 215-5967.
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- **Golf Capital Chorus Show** – 7 pm, Old School, the 2010 Barbershop Harmony Society International Champions, will headline the show at Robert E. Lee Auditorium, at Pinecrest High School. The show's theme this year is "Har-

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- **Bleeding Pines of Turpentine - A Cultural Theater Production** – 7:30 pm, doors open at 6:45 pm, Owens Auditorium, Sandhills Community College, 3395 Airport Road, Pinehurst. Admission is *FREE*, but an Entry Ticket is required. Tickets available online at www.walthourmoss.org or The Arts Council of Moore County (Campbell House), Country Bookshop, and Traveling Chic Boutique. Given Memorial Library and Sandhills Community College Library or Goldie's Gourmet. A spirit-filled woods, trees marked with V-shaped cuts by former slaves or their descendants, and an age-old tale about a woman's heroic carriage ride into the Carolinas last great stand of virgin longleaf pines are the inspiration for the cultural theater production Bleeding Pines of Turpentine. The performance utilizes dance, music, projected images and poetic monologue in celebration of the strange beauty of the turpentine trees.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

- **St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church** – 9:30 am, Holy Communion. 1145 Seven Lakes Drive, Seven Lakes 673-3838.
- **"Bleeding Pines of Turpentine" panel discussion** – 2:30 pm, Douglass Community Center, 1185 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Southern Pines. *Free & Open To The Public*. A panel discussion about the theatrical performance "Bleeding Pines of Turpentine." Panelists will include George Holt, director of performing arts at the NC Museum of Art, Lawrence Early, former editor of *Wildlife in NC* & author of "Looking for Longleaf," Earl Ijames, curator of African American history, NC Museum of History, Ammie Jenkins, founder of the Sandhills Family Heritage Association, Ray Owen, writer, director & producer

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7

- **Moore Republican Women Luncheon host** – Dr. C.L. Gray, at Pinehurst Members Club, 11:30 am. Cost is \$16. Dr. Gray's work has taken him to Washington where his book, *Physicians for Reform* has been tapped to help craft a solution to save Medicare from fiscal collapse. Public is welcome to attend. Reservations or for information call Kay Wildt at 235-4654 or mkgw824@gmail.com

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

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bereaved or deceased. All are welcome.

- **Seven Lakes Computer Club** – 3 pm, at Seven Lakes North Game Room.
- **Sandhills Children's Center Celebrating their 15th Annual Festival of Trees** – through Sunday, November 13, at The Carolina Hotel, Pinehurst. Daily Admission is by any dollar donation. For additional information, contact Teresa Copper (910) 692-3323 or www.Festival-ofTrees.org
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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

- **America and the Courts Program** – 1 - 3 pm, Peter Yellin will visit the Senior Enrichment Center with an inside look at the legal system. An experienced federal

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scheduled to be auctioned on Thursday, October 27 at the Moore County Court House in Carthage. The Board authorized Legal Director Jack Stevens and another representative to bid on the lot at a price not to exceed \$5,000.

The tax value of the property is \$47,500, Stevens reported. The SLWLA is owed dues on the property. By making sure the winning bid is over \$5,000, the Association can recoup the money it is owed in back dues, he explained.

The Board approved the ratification and annexation of Chandler Hills and Clubhouse Commons as presented by Stevens.

Architectural Review

After a second reading by Architectural Review Director John Hoffmann, the Board approved and adopted changes to the ARC Standards. "A big thank you goes out to all the people who worked on this," said Hoffmann. Recognized by Hoffmann during Tuesday night's meeting were the "core people" who worked on the project, including Jim Johnson, Jim Ballew, Dick Williams, Mandy Goodman, Sam Narayan, and Ed Schempp.

The ARC Committee is working with Community Manager Joan Frost on the wording of compliance letters and the process of sending them out. Hoffmann presented the Board with three proposed letters that would be sent to a resident who is not in compliance with an ARC standard. They include:

- First, a "reminder letter;"
- Second, a "second notice letter;" and
- Third, a "judicial notification" — a certified letter would be sent with return receipt requested, notifying the resident that the violation would be heard by the judicial panel.

The Board will further review the recommended letter changes at their next Work Session.

There are currently nine

new homes or major additions underway on the West Side, with thirty-nine additional projects that are being monitored by ARC.

Events on the West Side

Events Director Jim Ferguson made the following announcements:

- A Trunk-or-Treat event will be held on Saturday, October 29 from 2-4 pm at the West Side Park Community Center.
- The Events Committee is in the process of assembling Holiday decorations.
- The recent Oktoberfest was attended by 100 people.

During member comments, Judy Pendleton thanked Director Ferguson for his help in securely fastening wall shelves in the community library.

who does not feel it is a "major issue," reported President Mick Herdrich. Marks will make a complete investigation of the area, Herdrich added.

Lake and Dam Director Adam Wimberly was absent from Tuesday night's meeting.

Westside Park

Community Manager Joan Frost said she is still working on repairing or replacing the West Side Park pool cover. Umbrellas and cushions for the pool area have been repaired, along with as some chairs and chaises. Hussy's Home Improvement will install a ceiling in the storage room of the pool house.

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Princesses

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she takes weekly voice and performance lessons.

"What I also have in common with Summer is that we both like *The Chronicles of Narnia* and Harry Potter books," Hilliard said. "When I went to the pageant practices, I was nervous, because I wasn't sure if Summer would be there, since she goes to university. It was hard, but fun at the same time too. The show was magnificent, and I had an awesome time!"

A fourth grade student at West End Elementary, Hilliard is the daughter of Kenneth and Stacey Hilliard of McLendon Hills.

Sharing the local spotlight this year will be newly crowned Miss Moore County Outstanding Teen, Alessandra Gironda, a junior at

Pinecrest High School. Like Hennings, she also garnered top honors in the talent category, with a lyrical jazz dance to "My Strongest Suit." The daughter of Vito and Jan Gironda of Southern Pines, her service platform is "Plie with Purpose."

Like her mentor, Carolina Princess Alexa Castro-Giovanni loves to dance and is a star performing member of the Seven Lakes Dance competition team. In addition, she plays piano and takes voice lessons, and performs with the Arts Council of Moore County. She is the daughter of Craig and Debbie Castro-Giovanni of Seven Lakes West.

A family friend of the Girondas, she also recently participated with Alessandra in the Miss Greater Sandhills pageant and said they both

share a unique sense of spirit and style.

"When she said she wanted to do the Miss Moore pageant, I said, 'I'm with you, I'm with you!'" exclaimed Castro-Giovanni.

"Then a few nights before, I saw a shooting star on the way to practice. That was a stroke of luck. Then my mom had entered me with a national talent agency and we received an email asking for my resume, so that was another stroke of luck," she said. "On the night of the competition, when we won, I was crying backstage. I was so happy for her [Gironda], I was like a fountain."

As the winning Carolina Princesses, both Castro-Giovanni and Hilliard were crowned backstage following the official pageant — and also were thrilled to receive special keepsake thank-you gifts from their mentors.

The Miss America Pageant program is the world's largest provider of scholarship assistance for young women, who compete for millions of dollars in cash and tuition assistance. The Miss Moore County organization provides local young women the opportunity

to compete in the areas of interview, talent, community service, fitness, poise and personality. The ultimate goal is to be a spokesperson for the community, while representing Moore County and receiving assistance in furthering her education.

Also representing the West End and Seven Lakes areas were several other outstanding participants including:

- Karis Edwards, a student at Grace Christian School and a resident of Seven Lakes and her Carolina Princess Kelsey Thompson, the daughter of Melanie and Mark Thompson, of West End;

- Abby Keller of Seven Lakes North, the daughter of Vance and Amanda Keller, and her Carolina Princess Amy Bumgarner, daughter

of Sandra and Carey Bumgarner of Seven Lakes North;

- Amy and Amanda Felix, daughters of Toni and Brad Felix of Seven Lakes South, who both participated in the Miss Moore OT pageant, with Amy being named first runner-up. Their Carolina Princesses were Megan Huff, daughter of Lesa and Martin Huff of West End, and Macy Armstrong, daughter of Kristen and Daniel Armstrong of West End.

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West Side

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New network wiring will be installed in the Community Center that will bring the Wi-Fi internet up to date, increase speed, and improve coverage, Frost reported. A

new laptop has been purchased to use with the projector in the Great Room.

Two walls are being painted in the Great Room and Frost is soliciting bids for blinds for the windows.

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OPINION

Green is the new black

It took years, literally years to finally make the decision, and it's green. And not just any old green, but a pale, grayish hue that carries a slight underlying hint of celery.

It was a good choice.

Fortunately, I liked it enough to splash it up and down the living room walls; unfortunately, I ran out of paint — and time — before I ran out of walls, so half of the epicenter of Douglass family life is "Autumn Haze" and the other half is builder's beige.

Not that there's anything wrong with beige. It's a basic, safe neutral that goes with

everything: sort of like my black pumps. Despite a closetful of shoes, I grab that same trusty pair of heels time and again.

Though, after ten years of wear and tear on both the walls and the shoes, there is no denying it is time for something new. Well, that and the fact that I've already emptied the garage of old, rusting buckets of leftover touch-up paint.

The fate of those black pumps is a different matter.

I'm reminded of my grandmother, which is not an irregular occurrence since my daughter seems to channel her presence on a frequent

basis. A girly-girl from head to toe, Lindsay is a thoroughly modern day version of Dorothy Ann.

But it's

Grann's shoes that I miss.

Lined up under her side of the bed, or sometimes at the door,

would be several similar pairs of these heels, since she wore them for all seasons, year after year: ladies loafer-style heels with a low, buckle strap in front.

She called them her "good

shoes," and they were navy blue. Always, navy blue.

As a kid I didn't get it.



Laura's Learning Curve

Laura Douglass

Why would you need two, three, or even four pairs of what was essentially the exact same shoe? I figured it must be some quaint Baltimore fashion or perhaps just an old lady thing.

Now I know: it's both.

Raised by a strong maternal line of Old Bay-seasoned proper ladies of mettle, I cannot deny that grating traditional accent or elude my natural, inner Hon. That's short for honey and not the bee-kind either. It's more of a standard Charm City greeting that is casually tossed at anyone crossing your daily path — kids, strangers, dogs . . . shoe salesmen.

As in, "Yes, I'd like to see what you have in a plain black pump, size 6. Thanks, hon."

What are we to do about 'healing the sick?'

Question: The Bible says that Jesus, when he was on earth, healed the sick — and told us to do as he did. If that is true, why are so many Christians opposed to the health care plan adopted last year by Congress?

Response: I have talked with many Christians about this issue. Their answers tend to fall along political lines rather than religious or theological ones. People who are members of the President's party usually favor the plan, and people who are

from the opposing party or independents are opposed.

Very few of those who are either are for or against the current health care plan give me theological or Biblical reasons for their positions.

I have heard economic, political, and personal reasons. Some believe that this plan will bankrupt the country. Others fear that this is another government intrusion into their lives. And still others simply don't want to share any of their wealth with those who have little or nothing.

Actually, Christians have a pretty good record on health care for the poor. A century ago, many of the hospitals in the United

States were begun and funded by Christians, Catholic and Protestant.

I remember, as a young pastor in Kentucky, raising money to support indigent care at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Lexington, Kentucky. I have been a patient and visited with patients in hospitals run by religious orders of the Catholic Church.

Even now, the Chapel where I am the pastor contributes annually and substantially to the Moore County Free Health Clinic operated by doctors of many faith traditions who volunteer their time and medical skills.

But the number of ill people in our nation is now so large that the need is greater than the charity of churches can

meet.

If you read the Gospels carefully, you will see that, although Jesus did heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, and



Ask the 'Rev'

Rev. Don Welch

cast out demons from those who were possessed, he did not heal all the sick that came to him.

Indeed, he often attempted to escape from the crowds of sick people because he did not want his ministry of proclaiming the Kingdom of God to suffer. When he was in the crowds, however, he had compassion on the sick and lame, and he healed all he could.

I personally support universal health care for all people in our country. The health care plan before us now is not a perfect one, but I do not hear the opponents of the plan offering up a better

one.

I do not, however, support health care because of something Jesus did, but because of something Jesus said: "Love one another as I have loved you."

I sit in hospitals and doctors' offices and hospitals and watch scores of uninsured struggle to pay for their care — or even ignore treating illnesses or seeking preventative care, either because they cannot afford it or because they are uninsurable.

Didn't Jesus also say: "Whatever you wish others to do for you, do also for them?"

I simply ask, not just Christian, but all people of good will: How long could you survive without adequate insurance and health care?

Enough said?

Don Welch, the minister at the Seven Lakes Chapel in the Pines welcomes your comments and questions at dwelch1@nc.rr.com. His sermons can be heard each week at sevenlakeschapelinthepines.com

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Gas prices – from the retailers point of view

Dear Editor:

In response to Bob Nelson's comment that the Seven Lakes gas retailers are attempting to "rip us off," I feel the need to provide a few facts.

There are many factors that go into the retail price of gasoline, and these factors can vary greatly from one merchant to the next.

First is the terminal from which the gas is delivered. There are at least nine Shell terminals in the VA, NC, SC region, and on any given day, there could be a spread of four or five cents a gallon for what is called the "rack price."

Delivery charges are based on the station's distance from the terminal, but are generally in the three to four cents a gallon range. Another factor is the wholesaler's "up charge," which is their profit. Depending on the contract the station has, it would typ-

ically be .25 to 1 cent per gallon.

Another big expense for retailers is credit card fees, and they vary depending on the bank handling the merchant account. But typically American Express is the most expensive card for us to accept, and a bank debit card is the least expensive — right now.

Respectively, they are 2.35 percent plus 15 cents per transaction and .95 percent plus 15 cents per transaction.

So, let's cut to the important figures. As I write this, my price is \$3.50 per gallon (we'll leave out the tenths). My profit per gallon is 8 cents. A 20 gallon fill-up at \$3.50 per gallon would cost me \$1.79 or 8.9 cents per gallon.

Yes, you read that correctly: I would lose 0.9 cents per gallon if an AMEX card is used.

Currently 75% of my gas

is paid for by customers with a credit or debit card, generating a fee expense often in excess of \$5,000 in a single month.

So you see, retailers don't like to see high gas prices either, since our fee expense is based on dollar volume, not gallon volume.

I do not know why gas might be 25 cents less in Asheboro or Albemarle; and, frankly, I don't care, because they are not near competitors for me.

Mr. Nelson is absolutely correct to point out that if enough people drive to neighboring areas to purchase gas, the price will drop here. That's the nature of a market economy.

I am smart enough to know that my explanation will not put this matter to rest, but I feel it's always good to have some facts when you're accusing someone of picking your pocket.

Randy Merritt
Seven Lakes Friendly Mart

Bookies II invites all to meet author

Join Bookies II Book Club on Thursday, December 1 to meet guest author Pat MacEnulty as she presents her book, *Wait Until Tomorrow, a Daughter's Memoir*.

This Special holiday luncheon will begin at 11:30 AM, at Seven Lakes Country Club. Cost is \$13 all-inclu-

sive.

Please make your reservation early, as space is limited. The last date to reserve is Tuesday, November 15. Call Judy Trivett 673-2188, Ally Vogel 673-7211 or Patricia McKeon 673-6733.

Thanks for the shoes!

Dear Seven Lakes Community and Friends:

The Moore County Extension & Community Association would like to thank everyone for their generous donation of shoes. The group was able to collect 1350 pairs. Shoes were provided to Share Our Shoes in Raleigh, God-Sent Angels Mission in West End and Aberdeen Primary School.

Merchants providing collection points were Eastwood Florists & Monuments, Seven

Lakes Hardware, Sandhills Winery, Carolina Car Care, Ornaments Antique Shop and BB&T Bank. Your help is greatly appreciated. John Garner will have a collection box at the Seven Lakes Hardware for all future donations. Still needed are children's, women's and men's shoes in good condition.

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Pet Winners

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Sara's wish and also help with her own cat's needs as well. The opportunity to do both arose from Douglass' winning essay, in which she requested that the prize, if won, should be donated to a needy family.

"The big problem with over-population [of pets] is there are not enough homes for cats and dogs," Douglass wrote. "Since there are so many, some have to be put down or euthanized. We need more spaying and neutering and less animals being euthanized."

During a special assembly on Monday, October 24, the volunteer Pet Responsibility teachers presented both girls with plaques to honor their achievements. Douglass donated her prize certificate to Renfrew, who donated her prize certificate to her friend.

"That is just her heart, to be generous," said Sara's mother. "From a little age, she's loved all types of animals: horses, frogs, you name it. She has that nurturing heart to take care of things, even her friends."

A resident of Eagle Springs, Sara is the daughter of Jessica and Tom Renfrew. Animal lovers all, the family shares their home with a dog named Tanner and two cats, Charlie and Miss Kitty.

A resident of Seven Lakes North, Lindsay is the daughter of Jim and Laura Douglass. She enjoys spending time with the family dog, Biscuit the Wonder Hound, and three cats, Licorice, Milkshake, and Gravy.

"Lindsay's enthusiasm towards pets, writing, and succeeding in school were a good combination for this project," explained her father, Jim. "What was extra special was her consideration of sharing the prize with others."

Addressing the student assembly, Committee members said the hardest part was in choosing the winning essay.

"West End students wrote more essays than any other school," said Tim Waesche. "We were so impressed and so many were excellent."

The volunteer teacher teams for the West End Elementary program included

Judy Pund and Kellee Hakki, Lois Pollard and Mary Smith, and Waesche and Linda Bitner.

To conclude the five-week course, all of the students were given small presents of bookmarks. The special assembly also featured Bobby Lane, a professional team leader and dog trainer with K2 Solutions. Police officers and K9 officers representing seven agencies were on-hand to meet the students and allow them to inspect their service vehicles. K2 trainers also offered several demonstrations of canine tracking and attack command skills.

The Citizens Pet Respon-

sibility Committee was appointed by the Moore County Board of Commissioners in 2006 to provide solutions to the pet overpopulation crisis.

For more information, contact Co-Chair Angela Zumwalt at 910-949-9953

or angelazumwalt@earthlink.net.

For more information on or to contribute to the Speuter Bowl Contest, contact Betsy Ficarro at www.sandhillspetgazette.com or call 910-315-9569.

Republican Women to hear health care reform expert

Dr. C.L. Gray will be the speaker on Monday, November 7 at the Moore Republican Women luncheon. Dr. Gray is a nationally known writer, speaker, and practicing Board certified internal medicine physician in Hickory.

In 2006, Gray founded Physicians for Reform, a nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving patient-centered healthcare.

His current book, *The Battle for America's Soul*, resulted from a decade spent in research and analysis of the history and philosophy of medical ethics.

Gray's work has taken him to Washington, where Physicians for Reform has

been tapped to help craft a solution to save Medicare from fiscal collapse.

He will speak about the organization, which is a nonprofit, nonpartisan advocacy group designed to organize physicians, patients, and the business community in an effort to shape the nation's healthcare debate.

The public is welcome to attend the luncheon; reservations are required. The meeting will be held at Pinehurst Members Club, Monday, November 7 at 11:30 am. The cost is \$16.

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ments and change orders up to \$50,000. Gould said that, due to the nature of the project, some issues may arise that need to be addressed immediately. The Board will be apprised by the County Manager on a weekly basis of any change orders that do occur.

Grants accepted

The Board approved a Home and Community Care Block Grant for \$747,000 for the year 2011-2012, as requested by Moore County Aging Director Terri Prots. The grant is the "primary funding source" for the following Aging services: In Home Aide program, Nutrition programs, Transportation, Senior Center Operations, and Information and Referral. The grant requires a local match of \$83,000 which has been included in the Aging Department Budget.

The Commissioners approved a Moore County Transportation Services-Community Transportation Program Grant agreement for the year 2011-2012, as requested by Manager of Moore County Transportation Services Tawanna Williams. The grant includes \$241,000 for administration and \$118,000 for capital expenditures. The local match of \$48,000 will be met through user fees. A portion of the grant will be used for the purchase and installation of fare boxes and tokens that will allow the system to begin the process of collecting user

fees. If user fees fall short of covering the local match, funding is available in the current budget to make up the difference.

The Board approved the Individual Development Account Community Development Block Grant for \$70,000 as requested by Tim Emmert. The grant will help thirty low income families or individuals become home owners in northern Moore County. The County has set aside \$15,000 for the project, which will be combined with a like amount from the Northern Moore Family Resource Center to meet the \$30,000 required local match.

Lea suggests paying down bond debt

The Commissioners tabled consideration of the refunding of General Obligation [GO] Series 03 Bonds that was presented by the County's financial advisor, Davenport and Company. Commissioner Tim Lea asked that the Board explore the idea of paying off the debt using money held in the capital reserve fund, rather than refunding the GO Bonds and continuing to pay interest on that debt.

Recognitions

Commissioner Larry Caddell recognized more than thirty Dixie Youth World Series Volunteers during the Board's Tuesday, October 18 meeting. Over 280 volunteers helped with the youth baseball championship, hosted at Hillcrest Park. "People went beyond the call of duty

to make this happen," said Caddell.

Chairman Nick Picerno recognized Craven Hudson, who has led the Moore County Extension Team for the last six years and will be moving to a new position in Raleigh.

Personnel Revision Policy

The Board tabled consideration of a personnel policy revision in a four to one vote with Commissioner Tim Lea casting the dissenting vote. Commissioner Craig Kennedy — who requested the policy revision — has asked County Attorney Misty Leland to draft language that will remove a requirement that every top-level County employee must reside in Moore County.

The policy currently applies to twenty-four department heads, as well as the County Manager and Assistant County Manager. Kennedy proposed having the policy apply only to the County Manager.

Other Business

Other business conducted during the Board's Tuesday, October 18 meeting included:

- The Board approved a contract with Vanderveer's L.P. Gas Service for \$70,000 as requested by Property Management Director Rich Smith, for the delivery of 36,000 gallons of propane gas at a price of \$1.92 per gallon to be delivered to different County locations.
- The Board approved a request by Heath Director Robert Wittmann to accept \$50,000 provided by the North Carolina School Nurse Funding Initiative [SNFI] that will fund a School Nurse for Moore County Schools, under a contract with FirstHealth of the Carolinas.
- After a discussion of Commissioner compensation and travel expense reimbursement, Chairman Nick Picerno asked County Human Resources Director

Denise Brook to develop a recommended policy that would clarify those issues.

- The Board has asked Information Technology Director Darlene Yudell develop a low-cost proposal for video-taping the Commissioner's regular meetings.
- The Board of Commissioners Tuesday, December 6 meeting will begin at 3:00 pm rather than the usual 5:00 pm, and will include than annual election of a Board Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Appointments

The Board approved the following appointments during their Tuesday, October 18 meeting:

- Virginia Elder was appointed to the Aging Advisory Council
- Ernie Hanford and Lois Holt were appointed as Moore County's representatives to the Triangle J Regional Aging Advisory Council.

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a decision is made.

Commissioner Larry Cad-dell, a former Mayor of Carthage who has long experience with water issues, said, "We are not in a bind for water right now . . . we want to make sure we choose the right source."

"We [Commissioners] have an obligation to the taxpayers of Moore County," he added, "but we also have an obligation to the [water] rate payers."

Water: Current Supply Adequate

The current supply of water in Seven Lakes is adequate to meet current demand, Gould explained. The question is how to meet the community's — and the county's — needs in the future. By 2030, the County will need an additional two million gallons per day [GPD] of water to support the projected "maximum day" water needs of residents.

"If you can meet the maximum day demand, you can meet any other day," Gould said.

In Seven Lakes, the current maximum demand for water is 880,000 GPD — on an average day, that demand drops to 430,000 GPD. The County projects that, in the year 2030, the maximum daily water need in Seven Lakes will be 1.2 million GPD — a nearly 40 percent increase.

Systemwide, the county can currently supply seven million GPD of water available to its customers. The Public Works department is projecting systemwide maximum day water demand to increase by two million GPD by 2030, bringing the total to nine million GPD. That means Moore County will have to find at least two million more gallons per day to meet the 2030 water demand.

Plenty of options

The seven options for increasing the water supply in the county system — and in the Seven Lakes Area in particular — include:

- Montgomery County: This

neighboring county could supply up to 500,000 GPD.

- Harnett County: Moore County could buy into a water treatment plant expansion, adding two million gallons per day to the two million gallons per day already purchased from Harnett County.

- Asheboro: Another water plant expansion that could supply up to two million gallons per day.

- Westpoint-Stevens: Purchase of this former industrial water plant could serve all water suppliers in Moore County.

- New wells in Pinehurst: The least costly option, this could generate 158,000 GPD per well.

- Robbins: Building a new water plant near an unused reservoir in Robbins could generate 1.5 million GPD.

- Sanford has also expressed an interest in selling water to Moore County.

Westsider Dennis Raub asked why the wells in Seven Lakes can't meet the community's demand for water. Gould said that the Seven Lakes area once had seventeen wells but is now down to three, largely due to the poor quality of the aquifer in the area.

According to Gould, the aquifer in Seven Lakes can't supply adequate amounts of water — plus, radium has been found in area wells. When considering drilling for water in any part of Moore County — including Seven

Lakes — the ground water "has to meet drinking water standards," said Gould.

In addition to identifying the best source for additional water, another question is how best to create a structure to pay for the system expansion that will deliver that water to Seven Lakes and other Moore County users. In addition to simply expanding the current county utility system, Gould presented three other options that would tie Seven Lakes to other water users:

- Northwest Moore Water District [NWMWD]: Commissioners have said they will let Seven Lakers vote on whether or not they want to be part of this district, which would include the Town of Robbins and surrounding communities.

- Pine Forest: This new development between West End and Pinehurst has agreed to finance \$3 million of the cost of bringing additional water to serve the development.

- Heart of North Carolina Mega Park: This industrial park that straddles the Montgomery-Moore County border near Biscoe could create many jobs and will need an adequate water supply. The County sees that as a future initiative to bring water into the area which could benefit Seven Lakes as well.

At this point the Commissioners are awaiting a recommendation from the County (See "Community," p. 28)

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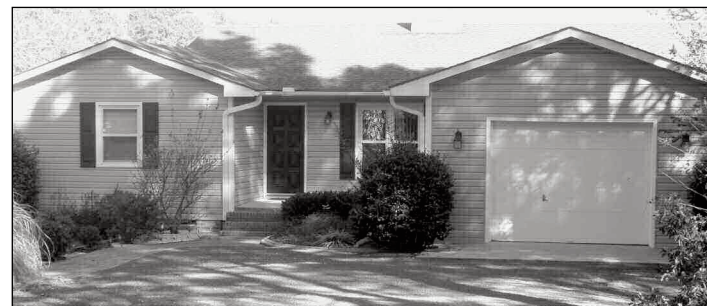
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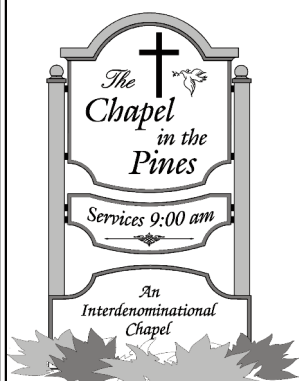


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ty's Public Works Department on which option is the best fit for Seven Lakes. Public Works and the GIS Department are working to develop a recommendation — expected as early as February.

Redistricting

Results from the 2010 Census indicate that Moore County has 88,000 residents, and some districts are more "top heavy" than others, Chairman Nick Picerno said. The Commissioners are considering a wide range of options for rebalancing them. The districts are "residency districts," meaning each member of the Board of Commissioners must reside in their district, even though all voters in the county vote for each of the Commissioners.

County GIS Director Chris Kolytk presented the GSLCC with six possible maps, and there are potentially plenty more where those came from.

"We are drawing lines and adding numbers," said Kolytk, adding, "there are endless possibilities."

Ideally each of the five districts should have 17,600 residents. However, District II — which includes Seven Lakes — is significantly larger than that and needs to lose some residents to District III, which has too few residents, to even out the numbers.

Aside from evening out the populations, another possible objective in redrawing the lines is to make sure all sitting Commissioners and School Board members continue to reside in their current districts.

Of the six maps Kolytk presented, the only one that meets both of those objectives is "Option Six." It allows all current Commissioners and School Board members to remain in their current districts, but, in order to balance the population numbers, it splits Seven Lakes between District II and III.

That could result in two County Commissioners being drawn from the Seven Lakes area, one residing in District

II and the other in District III. But it could also dilute the ability of Seven Lakes to combine their votes to elect a particular candidate to the Board.

"At this point in the process the Commissioners have not taken official action," Picerno said. The goal is to have a decision made sometime in November.

The deadline to complete redistricting is the middle of February, so that candidates who might consider running for office in November 2012 know the district in which they reside.

The redistricting is voluntary and is not required by law or under any mandate. Moore County has not been redistricted since 1995.

Reflecting the fact that each of the Commissioners is elected by all County voters, Commissioner Tim Lea said, "Our responsibility is the entire County."

Zoning

An update of the County's Land Use Plan — developed in the late 1990s, is getting underway, with the next step being to select the members of a Land Use Plan Steering Committee.

For those interested in more information on the process, the Moore County Planning Department will hold a meeting on Wednesday, November 2 from 1 to 3 pm at the West End Senior Building, near the old West End Gym.

Budget

The Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Moore County budget was approved in June. The Commissioners will begin planning for the FY 2012-2013 budget in their November 17 Work Session, which will be held at the Senior Enrichment Center on NC Highway 15-501, starting at 8 am.

The Commissioners decided last year to postpone revaluation of real property in the county until 2015.

Commissioner Craig Kennedy did not attend Thursday's meeting, nor did Seven Lakes West Landowners Association President

Mick Herdrich, who was represented by Treasurer Don Freiert.

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