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CLPOA Board of Trustees Meeting • October 13, 2009

Substantive Motions Approved in this Meeting —

Motion 09-014: Gene Brundige made a motion that the Board recognizes the Choctaw Cruisers as a resident club which will permit them to utilize the sign board for announcements and a lake facility for meeting when there are no conflicting activities. Seconded by Bob McKinley. Vote was taken. Motion passed.

Call to Order:

The Board of Trustees meeting convened at 7:00p.m. in the CLPOA conference room. A roll call was taken as follows:

Shannon Hastings: present, Tom Boyd: present, Bob McKinley: present, Ruth Sowers: present, Bill Laney: present, Gene Brundige: present, Thad Gifford: present, John Foote, Sr.: present, Rick Ballard: present.

Mike Hexamer (CLPOA Lake Manager), Carla Dye (CLPOA Office Manager) and Craig Smith were also present.

Property Owner's Time:

Charlie and Linda Rinehart (lot 895) were present to discuss the building permit they have requested to erect a boathouse over the existing slip. Mr. Reinhart showed the Board photos of what he is proposing. He was told that the Board needs to look into the issue of the shoreline and whether it would affect his permit. To be discussed in new business.

Michael Hoffman (lot 439) was present to represent the Choctaw Cruisers social group and submit a club charter. The group intends to continue being involved in the community. To be discussed in new business.

Minutes:

Bob McKinley noted that the CLPOA Variance Notification Policy wording does not reflect all the updates agreed upon by the Board. Bob McKinley made a motion to amend the minutes. Gene Brundige seconded the motion. Vote was taken. The minutes were amended. Gene Brundige made a motion to accept the amended September minutes. Seconded by Ruth Sowers. The Board approved the amended minutes.

Patrol Report:

(Presented by Mike Hexamer)

Dan Summers was not in attendance. The Patrol report was accepted as submitted.

Maintenance Report:

(Presented by Mike Hexamer)

Maintenance report accepted as submitted.

Office Report:

(Presented by Carla Dye)

Carla reported on a property that has been in foreclosure since 2006 and is scheduled for closing. She said the company handling the foreclosure has a policy of not paying dues, liens, etc. Richard Flax would like to know if the Board would like to forgive these unpaid dues & assessments. The Board agreed to treat mortgage companies the same as everyone else. Carla will treat them as normal property owners.

Treasurer's Report

(Presented by Ruth Sowers)

The treasurer's report was approved as submitted. The Board reviewed several accounts to prior year noting reasons for variation.

Manager's Report:

(Presented by Mike Hexamer)

The activity report was approved as submitted. Mike updated the Board on other lake's policies regarding boat stickers. It is now time to purchase the larger stickers based on a 5-year cycle. Mike and Carla will shop around for best price.

Mike reported that Lakeside Plaza would like to run a sales promotion endorsed by the Board and have the proceeds returned to the lake. The Board discussed this and decided not to endorse any business.

Mike and Bob McKinley attended the Ohio Lake Community Association fall meeting. Mike asked the Board if they would consider hosting the spring meeting. The Board agreed to host it.

Committees:

- Beautification: John Foote reported that Mike is continuing to work on several items including the lodge exterior. Everything is looking very nice.
- Lake Drainage and Roads: Rick Ballard will present a proposed communication regarding shoreline maintenance during old business.
- Publications and Public Relations: nothing to report.
- Recreation: nothing to report.
- House and Office: nothing to report.
- Land/Facility Use: nothing to report.
- Choctaw Utilities: John Foote reported on the Utility Board meeting. The Board member terms are one 5-year, two 4-years and two 3-years. They would like to set up a committee of members from both Boards to review their budget for long-range capital planning.
- Sewer: Bill Laney explained that the two at-large Choctaw seats on the Sewer Board are appointed by the CLPOA Board. One of these seats will expire March 2010 and the other in March 2011. These are 3-year seats. The Sewer Board is reviewing service call data to determine if any changes need to be made in service response procedures.
- Long-range Planning: Bob McKinley reported on the recent meeting. They are preparing a questionnaire and would like to send it out with the property owners' billing.
- Security: nothing to report.
- Personnel: nothing to report.

Old Business:

Rick Ballard discussed the proposed communication for shoreline maintenance prepared by the Lake, Drainage and Roads Committee. He asked the Board for any recommendations or changes. He and Mike will finalize it and have it published in The Peace Pipe. The Building Committee will look into any proposed changes to the rules concerning shorelines.

John Foote reported on fencing material. The committee does not want to limit fencing to a specific material due to the vast selection available. Their recommendation to the Building Committee

is to enforce the aesthetics of the fencing rather than the material. The Board agreed with this recommendation.

New Business:

Gene Brundige made a motion that the Board recognizes the Choctaw Cruisers as a resident club which will permit them to utilize the sign board for announcements and a lake facility for meeting when there are no conflicting activities. Seconded by Bob McKinley. Vote was taken. Motion passed. (see Motion 09-014)

The Board discussed the Rinehart building permit request for a boathouse. The plan calls for placing a support post beyond the lot line. Also the roof extends one foot beyond the post. This plan does not satisfy the existing building code and would require a variance. The Board's stance is to not grant a variance for this type of situation. This was communicated to Mr. & Mrs. Rinehart. No action taken.

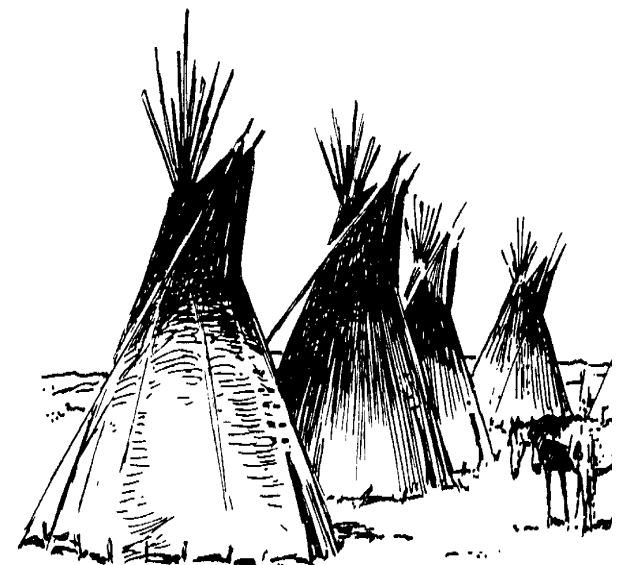
Gene Brundige made a motion to enter executive session to consider legal advice that could lead to possible legal action and that the lake manager be included in said executive session. Bill Laney seconded the motion. The Board entered executive session at 9:02p.m. The Board returned from executive session at 9:40p.m.

Ruth Sowers made a motion to adjourn. Bob McKinley seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 9:41p.m.

Minutes recorded by Craig Smith.

Christmas Trees Needed

The fish committee would like Christmas trees to be placed at the Maintenance building, so we can use them for structure placement this spring.



HALLOWEEN HAUNTED HOUSE



The front of Zan Broyles and Dave Osterloh's house at 2301 San Chez Trail decorated for the Trick or Treaters on October 29th.

Patrol Report

OCTOBER 2009

SPECIFIC ACTIVITY

Dispatched Calls	22
House Checks	719
Business Checks	402
Alarm Drops	2
Open Doors	8
Squad Runs	4
Fire Runs	0
911 Hang up.....	0
Backup Deputy	1
Other Assistance Calls.....	134
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	0
Theft.....	2
Criminal Damaging/Vandalism...0	
Other Criminal Complaints	0
Domestic/Neighbor Disputes.....2	
Juvenile Complaint	3
Animal Complaints	5
Vehicle Crashes	0
Suspicious Persons	6
Suspicious Vehicles	7

Lake/Speeding	7
Lake/Trash Container	4
Lake/Watercraft	0
Lake/Curfew	0
Lake/Miscellaneous	0
Warnings	2
TOTAL CITATIONS.....	14

ARRESTS

Felony	0
Misdemeanor	0
Juvenile Complaints Filed	0
TOTAL ARRESTS.....	0

OTHER ACTIVITY

Reports Written.....	3
Investigations Conducted	0
Recovered Property	1
Civil Papers Served	0
Bike Patrol Hours	0
Boat Patrol Hours	0
Patrol Miles	4428
Fuel Consumption	385

CITATIONS

State	1
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OUR SPEED LIMIT

IS 25 MPH

NOTICE TO ALL SNOW BIRDS

The office would like to remind anyone leaving for the winter months that your forwarding address is needed in order for you to receive all mailings from the CLPOAoffice. Please fill out the following form and return it to the office before your departure.

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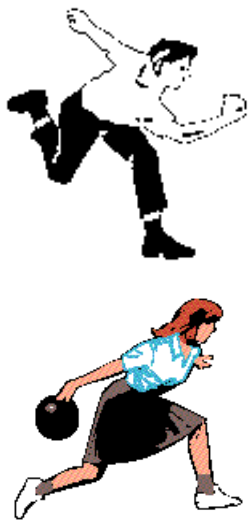
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The Just For Fun Bowling League for Choctaw residents and friends starts on January 2, 2010 at Madison Lanes. Practice starts at 5:15 p.m. and league play starts at 5:30. We bowl every other Saturday through May. This is a fun league.

At the current time, there are no openings as all the teams from last year are returning. To be put on a sub/cancellation list, or if you have any other questions, contact Laura Hotchkiss at 614-531.0489.



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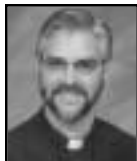
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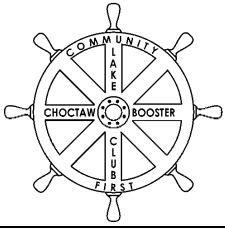
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# **Booster Club News**

## **Choctaw Lake Booster Club**

*An all-volunteer organization working hard for our community*

The Booster Club meets the first Thursday of every month at 7pm in the lodge conference room. If you have any ideas for a community event, please attend and share your thoughts. You do not need to be a booster club member to attend. Volunteers are always welcome. Please contact a booster officer if you wish to volunteer with any of the upcoming events.

### **2008 BOOSTER CLUB OFFICERS**

President ..... Kim Yousey (852-5072)  
 Vice President ..... Susan Malone (852-5028)  
 Treasurer ..... Charlotte Beaver (852-6255)  
 Secretary ..... Laura Hotchkiss  
 Website ..... clboosterclub@yahoo.com

| <b>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</b> |                          |                               |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Date                      | Event                    | Chairperson(s)                |
| Dec. 3                    | Booster Club Mtg. (CR)   |                               |
| Dec. 31                   | New Year's Eve Party (L) | Susan Malone, Laura Hotchkiss |

*Watch the calendar for more events to come! Volunteer and chairperson opportunities are available. Please call Booster President Kim Yousey @ 852-5072 or attend our monthly meetings for more information. Have an idea for a community event? Bring your ideas to the next Booster meeting.*



*Make Plans Now to Ring in the*  
**NEW YEAR**

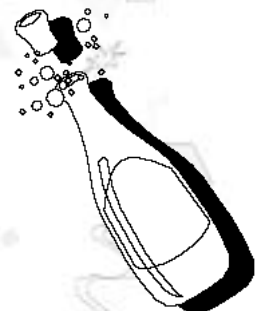
*at the New Year's Eve Party*  
**December 31, 2009**  
*at the Choctaw Lake Lodge*

**Cover charge is \$10 per person.**  
**Includes DJ Jimmy Boyd, party favors and champagne toast at midnight.**  
**It's BYOB and snacks, if wanted.**

Choctaw Residents and Guests (21 and over only)

*For further information,  
 contact Susan Malone or Laura Hotchkiss.*

*Presented by the Booster Club.*







# MULTI SUDOKU

These puzzles consists of two grids with overlapping 3x3 boxes. In each grid, each row, column and set of boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9. The solution in any set of 3x3 boxes shared by two grids applies to both. That's all there is to it. Have fun! Answer on page 15.

|   |   |   |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |
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| 6 | 3 |   | 1 |   |   |  | 2 |   |   |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |
|   | 5 |   |   | 7 |   |  |   | 3 | 9 |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |
|   |   |   | 3 | 2 |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |
| 3 |   | 7 |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |
|   | 6 | 5 |   | 8 |   |  | 7 | 9 |   |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |
|   | 2 |   |   |   |   |  | 3 |   | 6 |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |
|   |   |   | 7 | 4 |   |  |   |   | 5 |   |   |   |  |   | 7 |   |  |  |
| 2 | 8 |   |   | 3 |   |  | 7 |   |   | 8 |   |   |  |   | 6 | 2 |  |  |
|   | 4 | 3 |   |   | 8 |  | 5 |   |   | 1 | 7 |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |
|   |   |   |   |   |   |  | 8 |   | 9 |   |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |
|   |   |   |   |   |   |  | 4 | 1 |   | 3 |   |   |  | 6 | 2 |   |  |  |
|   |   |   |   |   |   |  | 2 |   |   |   |   |   |  | 8 |   | 9 |  |  |
|   |   |   |   |   |   |  |   |   |   | 2 | 5 |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |
|   | 4 | 1 |   |   |   |  | 4 | 1 |   | 9 |   |   |  |   |   | 5 |  |  |
|   |   |   |   |   |   |  | 5 | 6 |   |   | 7 | 3 |  |   |   | 8 |  |  |

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## CHOCTAW LAKE DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

NOTE: Contact the office to find out how to remove your name from this list.

| NAME                        | LOT #     | ADDRESS            | AMOUNT              | ACTION    |
|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Shaw, Teresa                | 767       | 1920 Chickasaw Dr  | \$18,273.55         | Lien      |
| Barker, Jeffrey & Terri     | 239       | 1844 Suqulak Trl   | 9,624.90            | Lien/Atty |
| Spradlin, Wayne & Jill      | 952       | 2410 Yuma Dr       | 7,595.65            | Lien/Atty |
| Ewing, Thomas & Alice       | 785       | 2105 Huron Dr      | 6,638.80            | Lien/Atty |
| Snyder, Robert & Geraldine  | 90        | 1393 Itawamba Trl  | 6,280.78            | Lien/Atty |
| Wallace, William & Lori     | 583       | 1885 Shoshone Dr   | 5,252.21            | Lien/Atty |
| Dyckes, James & Brenda      | 787       | 3000 Trensa Dr     | 3,272.50            | Lien/Atty |
| Harris, Gregory & Teresa    | 951       | 2400 Yuma Dr       | 3,123.41            | Lien/Atty |
| Cronenwett, Mary Jane       | 1087      | 2648 W Choctaw Dr  | 2,769.97            | Lien      |
| Haskins, Scott & Susan      | 153       | 2375 San Chez Trl  | 2,440.39            | Lien      |
| Baronda, Paul               | 745       | 1940 Palouse Dr    | 1,897.49            | Lien      |
| Schrader, Brian             | 514       | 1540 W Choctaw Dr  | 1,865.89            | Lien/Atty |
| Dickerson, Gloria           | 8 & 9     | 1060 E. Choctaw Dr | 1,689.24            | Lien      |
| Cole, Barry & Cynthia       | 950       | 2480 Cherokee Dr   | 1,633.36            | Lien/Atty |
| Couch, Bradley & Sandra     | 987       | 2558 Karok Dr      | 1,437.48            | Lien      |
| Cline, Arnie & Leah         | 71        | 1231 E. Choctaw Dr | 1,297.65            | Lien/Atty |
| Rapp, Brock                 | 428       | 1440 Chickasaw Dr  | 1,175.77            | Lien      |
| Daugherty, Terrence & Jayme | 782       | 2075 Huron Dr      | 1,132.80            | Lien      |
| Newsome, Randall & Bigina   | 271 & 272 | 1660 Itawamba Trl  | 844.80              | Lien/Atty |
| Nolan, Dan & Laura          | 1082      | 2623 Cayuse Dr     | 774.68              | Lien      |
| Eads, Brian                 | 323       | 1990 Itawamba Trl  | 741.85              | Lien      |
| Murray, Kevin & LuAnne      | 496 & 497 | 1300 W Choctaw Dr  | 627.59              |           |
| Smeck, Terry & Tracie       | 107       | 1475 Itawamba Trl  | 613.47              |           |
| Ilderton, Kenneth Jr        | 120       | 1450 Itawamba Trl  | 613.31              |           |
| Fenske, Pamela & Roy Jr     | 1001      | 2592 Karok Dr      | 519.37              |           |
| Chevalier, Deanna           | 649       | 3225 Trensa Dr     | 441.67              | Lien      |
| Ruiz, Michelle              | 911       | 2326 Pawnee Dr     | 359.81              |           |
| Wittman, Paul               | 996       | 2578 Karok Dr      | 348.19              |           |
| Wood, Donna L               | 571       | 1851 Shoshone Dr   | 347.54              |           |
| Robinson, Robert & Vickie   | 692       | 2060 Huron Dr      | 260.69              |           |
| Sexton, Jeffrey & Kathy     | 344       | 1995 Itawamba Trl  | 260.69              |           |
| Thomas, Kent & Lynda        | 227 & 228 | 1610 Suqulak       | 260.69              |           |
| Underhill, Marilyn & Tim    | 302       | 1789 Itawamba Trl  | 260.69              |           |
| Willis, Sherri              | 215       | 1731 E Choctaw Dr  | 260.69              |           |
| Mayes, Gregory              | 958       | 2545 W Choctaw Dr  | 253.69              |           |
| Slack, Roger                | 1089      | 2652 W Choctaw Dr  | 227.73              |           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                |           |                    | <b>\$ 82,295.58</b> |           |

## Property Transfers

| Lot No. | Name of Buyer               | Address           | Name of Seller          |
|---------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| 755     | Bryan Laney & Emily Rodgers | 2111 Chickasaw Dr | Paul & Geri Peters      |
| 776     | Brandon & Anna Lambert      | 2920 Twana Dr     | Robert & Bonnie Sprafka |
| 787     | Ty Blake                    | 3000 Trensa Dr    | Wm. Specialty Mortgage  |

## CHOCTAW UTILITIES DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

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| NAME                         | LOT #     | ADDRESS           | AMOUNT              |
|------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Ewing, Thomas & Alice        | 785       | 2105 Huron Dr     | \$ 1,635.69         |
| Spradlin, Wayne & Jill       | 952       | 2410 Yuma Dr      | 1,293.85            |
| Snyder, Robert & Geraldine   | 90        | 1393 Itawamba Trl | 1,195.63            |
| Bryant, Barbara              | 752       | 2055 Chickasaw Dr | 643.84              |
| Couch, Bradley & Sandra      | 987       | 2558 Karok Dr     | 612.72              |
| Shaw, Teresa                 | 767       | 1920 Chickasaw Dr | 500.53              |
| Schrader, Brian              | 514 & 515 | 1540 W Choctaw Dr | 362.50              |
| Smeck, Terry & Tracie        | 107       | 1475 Itawamba Trl | 345.00              |
| Rapp, Brock                  | 428       | 1440 Chickasaw Dr | 325.30              |
| Baronda, Paul                | 745       | 1940 Palouse Dr   | 314.17              |
| Daugherty, Terrence & Jayme  | 782       | 2075 Huron Dr     | 283.31              |
| Fenske, Pamela & Roy Jr      | 1001      | 2592 Karok Dr     | 197.00              |
| Hanawalt, Larry & Sandra     | 1040      | 2617 W Choctaw Dr | 196.30              |
| Schatzke, Matt & Valerie     | 901       | 2329 Pawnee Dr    | 195.90              |
| Clark, Chris & Lanna         | 315       | 1835 Itwamba Trl  | 181.80              |
| Lowry, William & Nicole      | 654 & 655 | 1954 Cherokee Dr  | 160.80              |
| Ruiz, Chris & Michelle       | 911       | 2326 Pawnee Dr    | 158.93              |
| Baronda, Paul                | 745       | 1940 Palouse Dr   | 158.19              |
| Greenhill, Ronald & Jennifer | 870       | 2360 Yuma Dr      | 156.17              |
| Birman, Greg                 | 59        | 1115 E Choctaw Dr | 155.83              |
| LaPuz, Miquel                | 365       | 1119 Chickasaw Dr | 155.83              |
| Robinson, Robert & Vickie    | 692       | 2060 Huron Dr     | 155.83              |
| Slack, Roger                 | 1089      | 2652 W Choctaw Dr | 155.83              |
| Stroble, John & Cheryl       | 995       | 2576 Karok Dr     | 155.83              |
| Sweet, Jeffrey               | 721       | 2085 Palouse Dr   | 155.83              |
| Thornhill, Michael & Deborah | 143       | 1475 E Choctaw Dr | 155.83              |
| Willis, Sherri & Brian Koon  | 215       | 1731 E Choctaw Dr | 155.83              |
| Clark, Julie & Jason         | 136       | 1409 E Choctaw Dr | 155.44              |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                 |           |                   | <b>\$ 10,337.80</b> |

### Procedure for Viewing CLPOA Records

- Written request with:
  - Information requested
  - Date
  - Purpose
  - Signature
- President and Secretary to approve or deny request within three (3) working days.
- If denied, it will be brought up at the next Board Meeting.



*Happy Holidays!*



The Nominating/Election Committee  
Is Now Accepting  
**Candidates**

For The Choctaw Lake Board of Trustees  
To Take Office in February 2010.  
There Will Be Four (4) Positions Available.  
(3 Three-Year Terms and 1 One-Year Term)

**Choctaw Lake Needs You!**

Candidates Must Be Full Voting Members in Good Standing for Choctaw Lake Property Owners' Association Board of Trustees. DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: December 1, 2009.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Lot # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Membership & Affiliations

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Reason for desiring Board position; Any challenges facing the Association; and how you would like to see them dealt with.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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Involvement (if any) in Choctaw Lake (Committees, etc.)

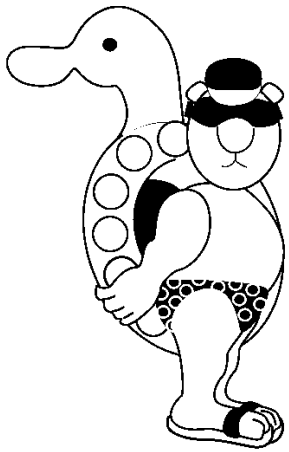
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Mail to the address below or drop them off at the CLPOA Office.

Choctaw Lake Property Owners' Association  
c/o Nominating/Election Committee  
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# Choctaw Lake 3rd Annual Polar Bear Swim

## January 1, 2010 at noon

- \* Be the first to join the “Choctaw Lake Polar Bear Club.” \*
- \* Exact location at Choctaw Lake for swim to be announced. \*
- \* Must pre-register no later than December 28, 2009. See the registration form below. \*

### Helpful Hints For Swimmers

#### Pre-register!

- \* Registration and required waivers must be completed, signed, and turned into the lake office by noon, December 31, 2009.

#### Wear Protective Footwear.

- \* Wear something on your feet, i.e., old tennis shoes or “aqua socks,” etc. to prevent cuts on your feet from the ice and to prevent your feet from sticking to the snow and ice on shore.

#### Bring Warm boots.

- \* Have warm/dry boots or shoes to put on once you get out of the lake. This is an important point! Once your feet get cold, your entire body will want to go on strike. Not good for a walk back to your car.

#### Bring a Blanket to sit on.

- \* Bring an old blanket or towel to put down on the ice shoreline to sit down on and change before/after the swim.

#### Do you wear glasses?

- \* If you wear glasses, we suggest you obtain an “athletic strap” or something similar to hold them to your face, or not wear them at all! It is impossible to find glasses that have been dropped in the water.

#### The swim is at noon, but arrive early.

- \* The swim itself is exactly at noon, but get there by 11:30 a.m.

— Hot chocolate will be available for all swimmers. —

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## Choctaw Lake Polar Bear Club Waiver and Release Agreement

### PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING. THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER OF CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS.

In consideration of my being permitted to participate in the Choctaw Lake Polar Bear Club’s 2nd Annual New Year’s Day Swim, (hereafter referred to as “the Swim”, I agree to the following waiver and release: I acknowledge that jumping into cold water, standing and walking upon ice, walking and lingering in the snow in the vicinity of the Swim, lingering near and among the crowd gathered for the Swim, and traveling to and from the Swim and its various attractions have inherent risks, hazards and dangers. I understand that these risks, hazards and dangers include without limitation:

Risks arising from exposure to large and sudden changes in environmental temperatures that can lead to loss of consciousness, Hypothermia, heart attacks, and other life-threatening conditions; Risks involved in standing and moving about on frozen portions of Lake Choctaw and on snowy, icy or irregular terrain; Such other risks, hazards, and dangers that are inherent to the sport of cold plunging and being out of doors during winter.

I am voluntarily participating in the Swim with full knowledge of the inherent risks, hazards, and dangers involved and hereby assume and accept any and all risks of injury, paralysis, or death, and agree to abide by all Choctaw Lake rules, regulations and guidelines.

I, for myself, my heirs, successors, executors, and superiors, hereby knowingly and intentionally waive and release, indemnify, and hold harmless the Choctaw Lake Polar Bear Club, Choctaw Lake Board of Trustees, Choctaw Lake Property Owners Association, or any of its officers, agents, affiliates, employees, contractors, sponsors, or volunteers, from and against any and all claims, actions, causes of action, liabilities, suits, expenses (including reasonable attorney’s fees) and negligence of any kind or nature, whether foreseen or unforeseen, arising directly or indirectly out of any damage, loss, injury, paralysis, or death to me or my property as a result of participation in the Swim, whether such damage, loss, injury, paralysis, or death results from the negligence or other acts however caused by or contributed to by the Choctaw Lake Polar Bear Club and all related entities named above, or from some other cause. I, for myself, my heirs, my successors, executors, and superiors, further agree not to sue the Choctaw Lake Polar Bear Club, its officers, agents, affiliates, employees, contractors, sponsors, or volunteers, as a result of any injury, paralysis or death suffered in connection with my participation in the Swim. I attest that I am of the age of 18 years or older.

I have carefully read, clearly understand, and voluntarily sign this waiver and release agreement

\_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone

#### If under 18 years of age, parent or guardian must sign the following Indemnification

In consideration for the above minor being permitted to participate in the Swim, I agree to the following waiver, release and indemnification: The undersigned parent and guardian of the above minor, for himself / herself and on behalf of said minor hereby joins in the foregoing waiver and release and hereby stipulates and agrees to save and hold harmless, indemnify, and forever defend the Choctaw Lake Polar Bear Club, and any of its officers, agents, affiliates, employees, contractors, sponsors, or volunteers, from and against any and all claims, actions, demands, expenses liabilities (including reasonable attorney’s fees) and negligence made or brought by said minor or by anyone on behalf of said minor, as a result of said minor’s participation in the Swim. I, for myself and on behalf of said minor, further agree not to sue the Choctaw Lake Polar Bear Club or any of its officers, agents, affiliates, employees, contractors, or volunteers, as a result of any injury, paralysis or death that said minor suffers in connection with participation in the Swim.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian of Minor and Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Minor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness and Date

## Mindful Mothers' League O.C.C.L.

Six members of the Mindful Mothers' League attended this year's State Convention on October 23 & 24 at Sawmill Creek in Huron. The theme was "Home For the Holidays." Five workshops were held on Friday and six workshops on Saturday. There were two wonderful speakers, a holiday fashion style show, delicious turkey dinner, Sandusky High School Bell Choir, silent auction for decorated Christmas trees, a Christmas gift exchange, Santa photo op (please see photo), open houses, raffle baskets, and drawings.

There were nine (9) districts from all over Ohio represented. The state business meeting was conducted on Saturday with a State Board elected. District Presidents were previously elected at their individual Spring Conferences and installed in the afternoon portion of the business meeting. Lindy Wolf is State President and Bev Wasserbeck is the new Central/W. Central District President.

Mindful Mothers' program book from 2008-2009 was recognized as one of the state's winners, and a donation to the Scholarship Loan Fund was made in their name.

In November, members and their guests met at the Arrowhead to hear Life Coach Linda Wisler Luft (<http://www.fireballcoaching.com>). Her topic was, "Uncover Your YOU uniqueness, Know Your Gifts and Stand in Who You are Naturally." Elaine Nutt introduced her. Diane Darling, Barb Niemeyer and Lisa Berkey were the hostesses. (Please see Photos.)

An annual holiday party for members will be held at the lodge on Tuesday, December 8. Soup and Subs will be served, and there will be lots of fun activities for the children as well as special guest, Santa. Hostesses will be Twila Boyd, Melissa Coates, Paula Herald, Mary Zawodny, and Mary Atchison. Members and their families will also be adopting patients from the Essex of Springfield.

For more information about OCCL (<http://www.occl.org>) and/or the Mindful Mothers' League, please contact Barb Moore at 852-5806.

Submitted by Caryl Laney, Publicity



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## Care and Use of Your Grinder Pump

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- |                |                                        |
|----------------|----------------------------------------|
| Glass          | Diapers, socks, rags or cloth          |
| Metal          | Plastic objects (toys, utensils, etc.) |
| Seafood shells | Sanitary napkins or tampons            |
| Goldfish stone | Kitty litter                           |

In addition, you must **never** introduce into any sewer:

- |                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Explosives                    | Strong chemicals |
| Flammable material            | Gasoline         |
| Lubricating oil and/or grease |                  |

### Periods of Disuse

If your home or building is left unoccupied for longer than a couple of weeks, perform the following procedure:

**Purge the System.** Run clean water into the unit until the pump activates. Immediately turn off the water and allow the grinder pump to run until it shuts off automatically.

**Caution: Do not disconnect power to the unit.**

### Power Failure

Your grinder pump cannot dispose of wastewater without electrical power. If electrical power service is interrupted, keep water usage to a minimum.

### Pump Failure Alarm

Your Environment One grinder pump has been manufactured to produce an alarm signal (120 volt) in the event of a high water level in the basin. The installer must see that the alarm signal provided is connected to an audible and/or visual alarm in such a manner as to provide adequate warning to the user that service is required. During the interim prior to the arrival of an authorized service technician, water usage must be limited to the reserve capacity of the tank.

## Building Permits

### A. Scope of Permits:

Building Permits shall be required for the construction or alteration of the following items as defined by Section 4 Express Standards of Construction: (a) Houses, (b) House Additions, (c) Garages & Outbuildings, (d) Sheds, (e) Boathouses, (f) Driveways, (g) Fences, (h) Decks, (i) Patios, (j) Docks, (k) Seawalls, (l) Swimming Pools, (m) Siding, (n) Patio Roof, porch roof, sun room, screened porch, (o) Roofing, (p) Other structural alterations not covered above. Other Structures shall be defined as anything with a footer and / or any mechanics applied to it.

### (2) Building Permit fees and deposits will be paid according to the following schedule:

(Amended Jan. 17 1996, Sept. 14,1998, July 8,2008)

|                                                            |                      |       |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|
| (a) House Additions up to 300 square feet .....            | \$1000 deposit ..... | \$150 |
| (b) House Additions 301 to 600 square feet .....           | \$1000 deposit ..... | \$300 |
| (c) House Additions 601 to 1200 square feet .....          | \$1000 deposit ..... | \$500 |
| (d) New Homes and Additions over 1201 square feet .....    | \$1000 deposit ..... | \$750 |
| (e) Garages .....                                          | \$1000 deposit ..... | \$300 |
| (f) Boathouses .....                                       | \$1000 deposit ..... | \$300 |
| (g) Patio Roof, porch roof, sun room, screened porch ..... | \$500 deposit .....  | \$150 |
| (h) Driveways.....                                         |                      | \$50  |
| (i) Fences .....                                           |                      | \$50  |
| (j) Decks .....                                            |                      | \$50  |
| (k) Patios .....                                           |                      | \$50  |
| (l) Docks .....                                            |                      | \$50  |
| (m) Seawalls .....                                         | \$500 deposit .....  | \$150 |
| (n) Swimming Pools .....                                   |                      | \$50  |
| (o) Siding.....                                            |                      | \$25  |
| (p) Sheds .....                                            |                      | \$50  |
| (q) Roofing.....                                           |                      | \$25  |

## Public Notice...

Property Owners must have a permit for all Permanent Structures including the following projects: House, House Additions, Sheds, Boathouses, Driveways, Fences, Decks, Patios, Docks, Swimming Pools, and Satellite Dishes over 24" in diameter. Anyone failing to secure the necessary permit will be assessed a penalty of 50% cost of the original permit. Section E-4 of the Choctaw Lake Building Code.



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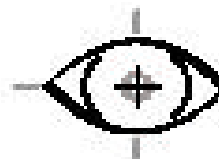
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### — BABYSITTER SERVICE —

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Mornings (until 12 P.M.). I charge starting \$3 an hour, and additional \$1 an hour for each child under 8. You can contact me via Email: ftwkid56@yahoo.com, Phone, 1-740-852-2082, ask for Tyler, or I live on 1685 West Choctaw Drive. Thank you for your consideration.

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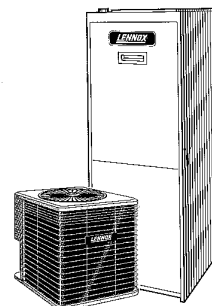
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| December  |                                                     |                                                   |                                    |                                              |                        |           | Key: A - Arrowhead<br>CR - Conference Room L - Lodge<br>G - Gazebo |
|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| SUNDAY    | MONDAY                                              | TUESDAY                                           | WEDNESDAY                          | THURSDAY                                     | FRIDAY                 | SATURDAY  |                                                                    |
|           |                                                     | <b>1</b><br>Sewer Board Meeting (CR)<br>7:00 p.m. | <b>2</b><br>Seniors (A)<br>12 noon | <b>3</b><br>Booster Club Mtg. (CR) 7:00 p.m. | <b>4</b>               | <b>5</b>  |                                                                    |
| <b>6</b>  | <b>7</b><br>Trash Pickup                            | <b>8</b>                                          | <b>9</b>                           | <b>10</b>                                    | <b>11</b>              | <b>12</b> |                                                                    |
| <b>13</b> | <b>14</b> Peace Pipe Deadline<br>Trash Pickup       | <b>15</b>                                         | <b>16</b>                          | <b>17</b>                                    | <b>18</b>              | <b>19</b> |                                                                    |
| <b>20</b> | <b>21</b> Garden Club (A) 7:00 p.m.<br>Trash Pickup | <b>22</b>                                         | <b>23</b>                          | <b>24</b>                                    | <i>Merry Christmas</i> | <b>26</b> |                                                                    |
| <b>27</b> | <b>28</b><br>Trash Pickup                           | <b>29</b>                                         | <b>30</b>                          | <b>31</b><br><i>New Year's Eve Party</i>     |                        |           |                                                                    |

## Choctaw Lake Board of Trustees 2008-2009

|                                |                       |                 |
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|                            |                  |                 |
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### Board Committees

|                                       |                                             |
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|                       |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
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| MARCH    | FEBRUARY 15          |

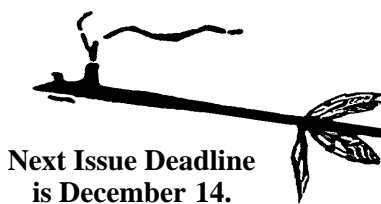
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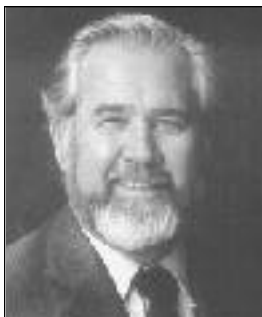


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