

**Lake Rabun Association
General Membership Meeting
May 28, 2006**

1. Welcome/General Comments:

- a. LRA President, Kirk Knous, called the meeting to order at 10:09
- b. Kirk reads the names of the member of the LRA who have passed away since our last meeting.
- c. Warren Huddleston, Pastor of Clayton First Methodist Church, opened the meeting in prayer.
- d. Kirk asks that new members stand and introduce themselves.
- e. The reading of the minutes of the last meeting is waived.

2. Reports:

- a. Vice Chair, Rick Asbill, gives a report on the pavilion project. Rick introduces the pavilion committee, discusses the need for donations and giving recognition levels. Rick announces that Pat Pitard has agreed to donate a portion of the proceeds of the sale of his book to the pavilion fund. Finally, Rick reminds everyone that the pavilion is to benefit the entire lake community.

Trustee and Contractor, Chris Clay details the schedule and scope for the pavilion construction.

- b. President, Kirk Knous, acknowledges the great work that the Lake Rabun Association does in the community. Kirk introduces the candidates for county commissioner that are present.
- c. Vice President, Thad Warren, gives a brief overview of the upcoming July 4th weekend activities including the boat parade, picnic, golf tournament and fireworks.
- d. In the absence of Bob Voyles, Thad Warren gives the Secretary /Treasurers report, stating that the Trustees discussed the possibility of raising the dues because of the rising cost of conducting association business. See financial report attached.
- e. Carol Raeber gives a report on the LRA memorial plaque.
- f. Dave Cowen offered the LRA Foundation report. Alan Price introduces the five new scholarship winners. See attached.
- g. Libby Mathews gives a tour of homes report, stating that volunteers are still needed.
- h. Michel Bramlett reports on the activities of the Mountain Patrol, thanking everyone for their support.
- i. John Woodridge, Chief of the LWV Fire Department, tells about the forest fire around the "Big Basin" in the spring. John hands out a brochure on fire prevention for homes in wooded areas. He also states the need to acquire a "burn permit" to do any outdoor burning. Kirk Knous announces that the LRA Trustees voted to donate \$100.00 to each firefighter for their good work. The membership gives the members of the Fire Department a standing ovation.

- j. Kirk introduces the representatives from Georgia Power, stating that they would entertain any questions after the meeting.

5. Old / New Business:

- a. Kirk Knous reminds everyone about the LRA website, June lake clean-up and new Trustee nominations.
- b. Jean Sheldon invites the women on the lake to the Ladies of the Lake Bible Study.
- c. Leckie Stack encourages everyone to attend this year's Wine Tasting to benefit the LRA Foundation.
- d. Georgia Power representative, Cheryl Parker, answers questions regarding swim buoys stating that they must be taken in at night.
- e. Thad Warren gives a bingo report.
- f. George Longino asks that those with wakeboard boats be more considerate with their large wakes. Additionally, George states that everyone should put their family names on their boathouses in an effort to build a stronger lake community.
- g. Chris Clay speaks as President of the Rabun Co. Builders Association about some of the new developments in building practices in the county.
- h. Alan Price states that a new law has been passed to limit the length of boats on Lake Rabun (as well as other lakes) to 30 ft.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:13

Respectfully submitted,

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