

**Lake Rabun Association
General Membership Meeting
May 27, 2007**

1. Welcome/General Comments:

- a. LRA President, Thad Warren called the meeting to order at 10:00.

In honor of all veterans, Thad asked any veteran present to stand to be recognized. He then asked those who had a family member currently serving in the armed forces to stand and join the veterans. Finally, all Americans were asked to stand for the pledge to the flag. Boy Scouts from Mountain City Troop #41 presented the colors. After the pledge, the Scoutmaster spoke of his appreciation of the LRA for providing funds for the troop to be able to purchase equipment (including a trailer) and giving camp scholarships for boys in the troop.

Thad read the names of those members of the association who had passed away in the past year and asked for a moment of silence to remember them.

- b. Warren Huddleston, Minister at the First United Methodist Church of Clayton, opened the meeting in prayer. Rev. Huddleston will soon be leaving the UMC of Clayton and be replaced by Rev. Carol Cook. In recognition of his service an inscribed canoe paddle was given to Rev. Huddleston with our thanks.
- c. A motion was made and passed waving the reading of the Labor Day minutes.
- d. Thad read the names and acknowledged of all the new members who have joined the association over the past year.

2. LRA Foundation Report:

Buzz Stone introduced the recipients of the Lake Rabun Fund College Scholarships for this year. The following students were recognized with a round of applause:

Haley Porter-N Ga. College	Lauren Elliott- NG College
Lauren Ricks-Emmanuel College	Blair Elliott- Brigham Young
Daniel Wilson-UGA	James Shope- Emory at Oxford
Horatio Windermere- Vanderbilt	

3. Officers Reports:

- a. LRA Chairman, Rick Asbill was out of town so Vice Chair, Kirk Knous gave the Trustee report. Kirk stated that the trustees are your ambassadors on the lake so please meet with them if you have any questions. He also spoke of the importance of having at least one person in your household to vote in Rabun County. He will provide information on voting in Rabun County at the Labor Day meeting. With regards to the Pavilion, it has been rented 11 times thus far. The Pavilion will impact the community feel of the lake; there are still about 1/3 of the households who have not given to the fund. We need \$155,000.00 in order to have a note burning on Labor Day!

- b. Thad Warren gave the presidential report. He commented on the typical summer activities- Bingo, Dances, Lake-Cleanup, as well as additional activities. He asked everyone to refer to the schedule in the WAVES newsletter for dates and times of this year's activities. These can also be found on the LRA website. Thad also noted that the new directories were available for pickup. Thank you to Libby Mims and Patty \$155,000.00 in order to have a note burning on Labor Day!
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- d. Thad prompted Flea Market Co-Chair, Jeanne Cowan to give a brief report. The LRA Flea Market will be held June 16th from 9-2:00. They are still looking for Gray for providing the artwork on the cover and inside the new directory. Also, found with your directory packet is a laminated copy of the Boating Safety Guidelines to be posted in each boathouse. Please inform your children and your guests of these rules and reminders of good will.

Thad prompted Flea Market Co-Chair, Jeanne Cowan to give a brief report. The LRA Flea Market will be held June 16th from 9-2:00. They are still looking for auction items if anyone has anything to offer. The Pavilion will then be transformed by the caterer Lee Epting into a venue for a lovely seated dinner and live auction to be held that evening. Seats are limited to the first 200 reservations. The ticket price of the dinner is \$130.00.

Ladies of the Lake Bible Study will start back at 10am at The Wiley Presbyterian Church on Monday, June 18th. The Bible Study will last for 6 weeks.

- e. Vice-President, Bob Voyles presented the agenda for all the 4th of July activities:
- Friday, June 29th - Lake Cleanup at 9am-meet at Hall's
 - Saturday, June 30th - The First Annual Rabun Ramble. The Race will start at 7:30am at the Pavilion. Sandy O'Brien is chairperson of the race and she spoke about this inaugural event. Sandy encouraged members to get involved in this fundraiser for the Lake Rabun Fund by either running or walking in the race or by volunteering to help. Mountain Patrol will be providing traffic control the morning of the race. Applications to run the race are available around Clayton, at both marinas and on line.

Saturday, June 30th - 6:00 The Dillard House will provide dinner and the Foxfire Boys will be providing the entertainment. Price will be \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children 11 years old and younger.

Sunday, July 1st - 10:30 The 29th Annual Wooden Boat Parade will take place.

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Monday, July 2nd - 9:30 LRA Golf Tournament at the Orchard Golf Club

There will be an award for the Best Decorated Boathouse.

- f. Secretary/Treasurer, Nan Troutman gave a membership and financial report. Currently the LRA has 549 paid members this year compared to 530 last year. The LRA has almost \$55,000.00 in the "War Chest". (C.D. at Mountain Heritage Bank) The LRA bank account has approximately \$90,000.00. This will cover our traditional expenses that we have over the summer. These expenses include: 4th of July activities, Labor Day, 5 band parties, printing of the directory and Clayton Tribune subscriptions etc. Detailed copies of the financial report were made available by contacting Nan.

5. Other Business:

Leckie Stack reminded the membership of the Tiger Mountain Winery fundraiser for the Foundation. It will be held June 9th from 6-8:00. Leckie also reminded the members about the opportunity to hear Sam Nunn speak on behalf of the Chattooga Conservancy this evening.

Bonnie spoke on behalf of the Lakemont-Wiley fire Dept. They had 23 calls this year. 200 calls total in 2006. They are building a training center. They have the only helipad in the county. She asked that all boat houses have reflectors on the corners on the dock so they can see at night. She also requested that each boathouse have reflective 4" 911 numbers (street address), so they can find each home quickly. Bonnie also commented on the state wide burning ban and this includes fireworks on the 4th of July unless we have rain.

Roses Longino re-presented the Whippoorwill Award to Denny and Ann Webb for their dedication, service, and love of the lake. They were out of town at the Labor Day meeting so they officially received the award today.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10

Respectfully submitted,

Nan Troutman
LRA Secretary / Treasurer