

**Lake Rabun Association
General Membership Meeting
May 25, 2008**

Welcome/General Comments:

LRA President Bob Voyles called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees.

Our local Boy Scout Troop presented the flag and the led the pledge of allegiance.

Bob then recognized all veterans by their specific branch of military service. Bob asked the families present that had family members currently serving in the military to please stand. He then asked for a moment of silence for those that are currently serving our country.

Carol Cook, Pastor of 1st United Methodist Church of Clayton, gave the invocation.

Bob read the names of those who had passed away since last September and asked if there were any names that he might have missed. Then a moment of silence was offered in respect to the loss of those members.

Bob then asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Motion was made and seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Buz Stone then gave a Foundation report. He introduced the scholarship recipients of 2008. We are currently supporting 26 students. Anita Pittman matches each student with an LRA member who keeps up with them during their college career. Buz then noted that the return on the Foundations investments is the lowest since 2001.

Bob introduced the new members of the LRA and asked them to stand and introduce themselves.

Dave Cowan updated the assembly about the Lake Burton/Rabun golf tournament that was held the 1st weekend of May. Once again, "Team Lake Rabun" was victorious over the team from Lake Burton!

Bob then recognized several key groups:

1. Bob acknowledged the LRA trustees and asked for them to stand noting that they are your lake ambassadors. We appreciate them very much.
2. Department of Natural Resources (DNR) - We appreciate all that you do. Bob mentioned the rules of the road - stay on the right hand side of the lake. Wakeboard boats should please be mindful of the erosion that their wakes create.
3. Lakemont-Wiley Fire Department - Warren Blye noted the new training tower and outdoor classroom.
4. Mountain Patrol – reported everything peaceful.
5. Bob asked for support of the stores in Lakemont.

Officer's Reports:

A. Chairman's report

Kirk Knous introduced the local politicians that were at the meeting.

Kirk noted that tax assessments from Ga. Power for the leased lots are now about \$6,700 a year. Thus, we need to register to vote to make a difference in Rabun County. Trustee meeting was held yesterday. They are your representatives, so communicate with them.

B. Vice-Chairman's report

Thad Warren told the general assembly about Ron Hinson and his daughter's accident and asked that they keep the Hinson family in their prayers.

C. President's report

Bob Voyles asked Michael McGaughey to talk about the Tour of Homes. There are six great houses on tour Saturday June 14th. Tickets are \$35.00 each.

Bob asked Nancy Pruitt to talk about the Tiger Mountain Wine Tasting Event to be held June 21st 5:30-7pm. All profits go the Lake Rabun Foundation.

Bob reminded everyone about the August 2nd Beach Music Band party at the Pavilion.

Bob asked Michael Crow to talk about a CPR class to be held June 21st at the Lakemont-Wiley Fire Department.

D. Vice-President's report

Nana Troutman updated for the following summer activities:

1. Janet Saltmarsh - bingo.
2. Melissa and Bobby Clinkscales- Lake cleanup day-June 13th at Halls, 9-5:00
3. Lee Keeler-July 3rd-Kingwood Golf Resort- 9am tee-off
4. BBQ and Foxfire Boys- Friday July 4th 6pm
5. Rabun Ramble- Saturday July 5th at the Pavilion-7:30 pm
6. Fireworks at dusk-earthen dam- Saturday July 5th
7. Wooden Boat Regatta- Sunday July 6th, 10:30 starting at the dam
8. Labor day BBQ and dance band, August 30th 6pm at the Pavilion

E. Secretary/Treasurer report

Bob Voyles stated for Ron Hinson that our finances are in order.

Old Business:

Rick Asbill thanked Carol Raeber for Plaques and thank you notes for Pavilion donors. He then announced that we need \$41,000.00 to be debt free. A rally began to challenge members to pledge \$1000.00 to help pay off the debt. Lisa and George Longino along with Dick Stormont and other trustees were instrumental in rallying the membership to give. Roughly \$33,000 was generously pledged at the meeting to pay off the remaining pavilion debt.

Bob asked members to pick up summer packets to save on postage.

Bob thanked Rick Asbill and his firm for the directory updates and thanked Warner Veal for agreeing to take over the LRA directory publishing for next year.

Bob announced the Lake Rabun art show - Saturday June 26th at the Pavilion – 10% of the proceeds will go to the Foundation.

Bob announced “Ladies of the Lake” Bible Study at the Wiley Presbyterian Church on Monday mornings.

Bob thanked John King for operating and updating the LRA website.

Bob asked if anyone has family photos from the 70’s or earlier, we would love to create a collage with them for the Pavilion basement.

Bob asked that people please call Carol Raeber if you would like to have a memorial plaque made.

Bob asked members to contact Roses Longino with nominations for the Whippoorwill award.

New Business:

There was no new business.

President Bob Voyles asked if there was a motion that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was made, seconded and the membership voted to dismiss.

Respectfully submitted,

Nan Troutman for Ron Hinson