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This newsletter is so full of important things for the membership that I will not take up space other than to say a special thanks to Susan Butler, the new LSCA Newsletter Chairman, for sharing her time and talent putting together this very important newsletter

I also need to publicly thank the Board of Directors for their many hours of dedicated hard work. As you will see from the reports that

follow, we have many serious issues on the association's agenda and your BOD, without fail, has come to the table to represent your best interest and protect our quality of life. Thank You.

With that being said, the following reports and notices represent only part of the work being done but the part we feel is most important for you at this time.

Property—Jeff Werho

A reminder from Jeff Werho, Properties Chairman...

In the spring, the BOD made the decision not to lower the lake this year due to the historic drought we are experiencing; however, many of you may still plan to do work on your dock and/or seawall.

Please remember if you plan to renovate or re-build docks and/or seawalls, you must follow the guidelines in the LSCA Rules and Regulations Section 7 of the handbook. In

effect, you will need to call or email Jeff Werho or Brent Benedetti for the application for a "permit". They will email, fax or mail you the necessary paperwork.

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Community Affairs—Don McMillian

LSCA continues to work with Lake Spivey Community, Inc., (LSCI) on several projects in the community:

1. GA Highway 138 work proceeds with the planters being built and plans are being finalized for the landscaping from the city of Jonesboro to Interstate 75.
2. Zoning and planned development of the property at the intersection of Walt Stephens Road and Highway 138 is a concern.

3. Monitoring the progress of the Spivey Club development remains on our agenda.
4. Working with realtors from the community to develop ways to market the Lake Spivey area and to protect our property values.

Drought Information—
Jerry R. Griffin—Governor's Drought Task Force

We Must Protect Our Biggest Asset

As you have all heard, North Georgia is in the midst of an extreme drought with current long-range predictions being that it will continue through the normally wet months of the winter and spring. This prediction is based on the fact that we have a La Nina developing and that usually brings a warmer and dryer winter for us. In addition, the principle water supply lakes in Georgia are at historic lows with little change of recovery without a couple of major tropical storms. The state has imposed for all of North Georgia, the LEVEL FOUR water conservation plan which basically bans all outside watering.

Earlier this year, your Lake Management Committee made the decision to postpone the lowering of the lake this fall based on meteorological information available at that time. Lake Spivey is a very special place to those of us who live here, but a large part of the value, both socially and financially, is the lake itself. The Lake Spivey Civic Association has the responsibility of managing this resource for the benefit of everyone, and we urge you to institute conservation measures with respect to your landscape watering.

Many of us set our sprinkler systems and they run without regard to the needs of the plantings and lawn. We are entering the season when the water needs of many plants decline. The same applies to the lawns. Once a week watering is adequate in most cases. To get more information on this topic check out <http://www.conservewatergeorgia.net>.

The Board is carefully monitoring the lake level and will continue to keep you apprised of the situation. It is hoped that voluntary conservation will get us through this current situation.

At the October 9, 2007 Board of Directors meeting, there was a unanimous vote to notify the membership of the following request:

"It is the request of the LSCA Board of Directors that all residents using lake or stream water to water/irrigate outdoor landscaping limit withdrawal from the lake to one day a week for a reasonable amount of time.

Further, at such time as the lake level drops six (6) inches below full pool residents will be notified of a total restriction/ban on watering from the lake or streams:

The BOD certainly feels an obligation to be good stewards of the water we enjoy, however, we must also consider the possibility of legal action from our neighbors - both citizens and governments - downstream should we not release water from Lake Spivey.

We should all remember that our next-door neighbors who are not privileged to have access to the lake water are prohibited from watering their much loved and expensive lawns and shrubs.

Visit www.lakespivey.org for news, free classifieds and upcoming events

Lake Safety - Tom Nowell

The summer is over and it is time to begin working on ways to enhance the overall safety for everyone on the lake, work on the buoy system and prepare the boat for next year. The new lake safety committee members are Tom Nowell, Peter de'Guzman, Mike Hyjek and Don Whitman. The 'report lake safety violation' signs were very effective and prompted many telephone calls pointing out various violations, and violators were notified.

Please remember the mandatory lake safety course in the early spring and begin making plans for you and your teenagers to attend.

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The work to remove the silt from the Bay View/Landings canal is complete and the Rum Creek removal is nearing the final stages. Our consulting/engineering firm will soon have an evaluation and long-range plan for keeping the silt out of the lake.

Most importantly, our consultant CH2Mhill and Steve Schroeder, Chairman of LSCA Silt Committee are monitoring the planning and development of the Spivey Club development. We will do everything within our power to ensure this project does not negatively affect Lake Spivey.

Newsletter— Susan Butler

Future editions of the newsletter will offer advertising to help offset the cost of printing and mailing. Ads will be sold in four sizes; business card size \$75.00; quarter of a page \$150.00; half a page \$300.00 and a full page for \$1,000.00. These ads will also be posted on the Lake Spivey.Org web site. If you are interested in placing an ad in the spring newsletter, please contact Susan Butler at 770-231-2831 or newsletter@lakespivey.org

Social— Lane & Julie Farmer

The end of the summer boat party was a huge success. A host of Lake Spivey neighbors enjoyed the lake, the sunshine and watching college football. There is nothing better than spending an afternoon on the lake with neighbors, eating, drinking and being merry. What a great place to live! Many thanks to Julie and Lane Farmer for the great sandwiches and for planning this great outing.

We are on the WEB !!!
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