



LAKE JORDAN HOME OWNERS AND BOAT OWNERS ASSOCIATION

HOB O NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2020

President's Message

As we begin a New Year, let's be thankful for all of our blessings in the past year. While we endured some difficult times, we came together as a lake family to help those in need. That inspiration and helping your neighbors was strengthened even greater with our Christmas Tree Pier Project. As neighbors joined with neighbors to work together to share fellowship, inspiration for a common goal and to bring happiness to others. We ask that you continue to show your HOB O spirit and are thankful for all we have been able to accomplish together. We have so much to look forward to in the coming year, I thank you and appreciate your membership and commitment to our beautiful lake.

I would also like to thank those who signed up for the Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) classes that start this month and go through February. We appreciate everyone getting involved in helping serve our community in more ways. Our annual lake cleanup is planned for April 18, 2020 and we are planning on a family lake day at Camp Chandler in May, 2020. We will have a signup sheet for those interested at our January meeting.

Our first meeting of 2020 will be on January 27, 2020 at YMCA Camp Chandler. An optional dinner will be offered at 6:30 and the meeting starts at 7:00 pm. We will be electing new officers, presenting our annual budget for the upcoming year and discussing events for 2020. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Thanks again and Happy New Year! *Jeff*

**HOB O's and Friends
1st Quarter HOB O meeting**

Monday, January 27th, 2020

**Camp Chandler YMCA — Lake Jordan
Meeting at 7:00 p.m. • Dinner at 6:30**

**A new Newsletter Editor is being sought
to start with the April 2020 edition.**

Needed by February 1, 2020

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Holiday Traditions

Celebrating the season on Beautiful Lake Jordan

One of the most beloved parts of the holiday season is enjoying traditions year after year. Whether a holiday gathering, sharing time with family and friends or bringing out decorations to welcome in the Christmas spirit, the holidays are a time for memories and traditions.

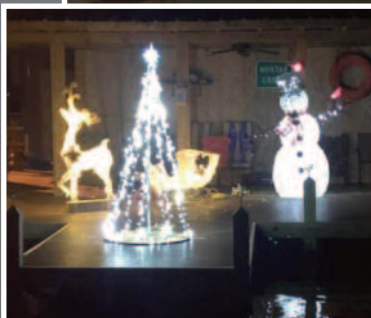
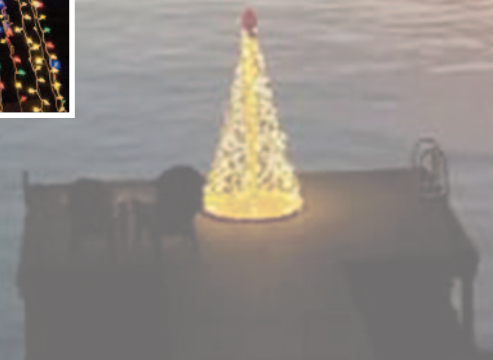
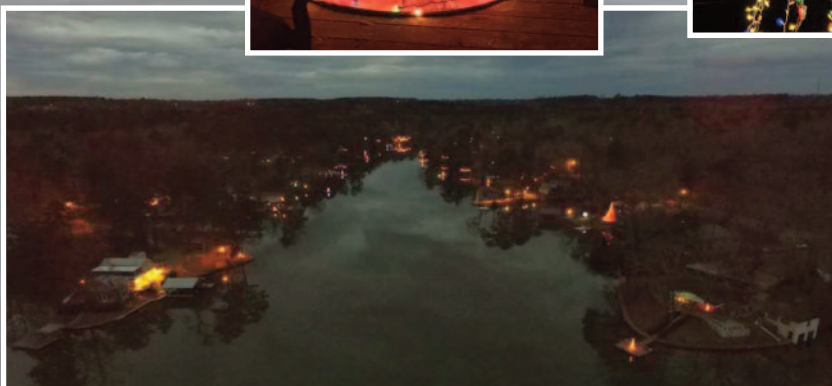
The tight-knit community on the shores of Lake Jordan took holiday décor to a new level this year by illuminating the lake with festive lighted trees on their docks and piers. The tradition, started more than 20 years ago in Blue Heron Slough by Mrs. Barbara Dreyer, dazzled each and every year so why not the entire lake? The Lake Jordan HOB Association made it a goal and reality by encouraging the Area Representatives to coordi-

nate "building parties" to gather neighbors together to kick off the holiday season and add a little "bling" to our already beautiful lake.

A simple construction project of plywood, PVC pipe, hooks and lights made gorgeous, shiny trees of every shape, size and color. Lighted trees literally popped up all over the lake and even became "friendly competition" between neighbors on who would have the best display.

Thank you to all who participated and encouraged your neighbors to join the fun. It's hard to imagine Lake Jordan being any more beautiful, but I do believe we succeeded.

Marci L. Williams



2019 Santa & Friends Christmas Parade on Beautiful Lake Jordan



7 Tips for Winter Water Safety

Article from “Coast Guard Compass – Official Blog of the U.S. Coast Guard”

The winter season brings added hazards while enjoying the water. With colder air and water temperatures, it's crucial to be prepared for anything if you happen to be heading out on the water for any activity this winter –boating, kayaking, paddle boarding or even fishing.

If you plan to participate in any water activity this winter – know what will keep you safe! Planning and preparation are key to any safe outing on the water, but also knowing some basic safety and cold water immersion tips can help save your life.

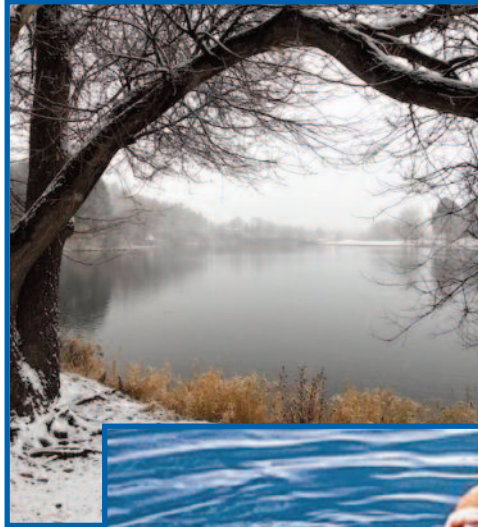
Here are 7 tips to help keep you safe on the water this winter:

1. Have a plan and share it

Always tell a loved one where you are headed and when you plan to return. Leaving this crucial information with someone on shore can help rescuers narrow down where to look if you don't return when scheduled.

2. Always wear a life jacket

Make sure the life jacket is Coast Guard-approved and fits properly. Just as important as wearing one yourself, you should always make sure the people with you have one on as well. Even if you think having a life jacket onboard your boat or you are a strong swimmer and need one, just wear it. It's so much easier to be prepared for the worst than reach for a stowed life jacket. There are so many different types of life jackets these days, you



can easily find one that fits your needs and lifestyle to keep you safe.

3. Have some form of communication on you at all times

On a boat, the easiest thing to have is a working marine-brand VHF radio and a handheld GPS. This will easily allow you to call for help and give rescuers your position if necessary. Cell phones don't always receive reception in the areas you may be

going on your boat – so better to be prepared with extra equipment and not need it, than need it and not have it.

If you're staying close to shore on a kayak or paddleboard, the next best thing is to have a cell phone with you to call for help if something happens. Keep your cell phone along with your other valuables

in a zip locked bag to keep them safe until you need to use them.

4. Dress for the water, not the air

Even though the temperature outside may be 60 to 70 degrees, the water temperature could be near freezing. It's always crucial to check the water temperature and know the proper protective equipment that will keep you warm in the worst case scenario.

5. Know the 1-10-1 principle

Knowing some basic cold-water immersion principles can greatly increase your chances of survival if something goes wrong. Although the times are approximate, in general you should try to remember 1-10-1:

1 – You have one minute after being submerged in water to get your breathing under control and realize what has happened. If breathing isn't controlled immediately, the possibility of drowning

drastically increases. This is often referred to as the body's response to "cold water shock."

10 – After gaining your awareness, there are 10 minutes of meaningful movement to help someone self-recover. After ten minutes, it's likely the cold water temperatures will cause a loss of dexterity in fingers and arms, lessening the ability to recover yourself.

1 – There is approximately one hour until hypothermia will set in and someone could become unconscious.

6. Maintain situational awareness at all times

As a general safe boating tip, situational awareness should always be maintained when on the water. Whether it be knowing what is happening around the boat, keeping an eye on changing weather or even knowing where the boat is, good situational awareness can help a bad situation from getting worse.

7. Always be responsible and never boat under the influence

Boating under the influence decreases overall situational awareness and lessens their ability to recognize dangerous situations before they occur. There should always be a designated boater when heading out. The safety of each person aboard the boat depends on it!




Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) Marine Patrol Division will be offering a boater's safety course. Classes will be held at YMCA Camp Chandler on

February 22, March 7, or April 18, 2020. We will be electing new officers, presenting our annual budget for the upcoming year and discussing events for 2020. Classes will be taught by Lake Jordan's Marine Police Officer Trooper Corey Robinett. We appreciate him offering to do these classes for our organization.




Please don't kill us with bread !



Bread is actually a danger to us ducks and other water birds

It causes Angel Wing which can make our feathers grow too quickly. This strains our muscles and can stop us flying.




Our friends the swans develop fatal gut and heart disease

Bread is bad for our water environment. It rots, and pollutes the water.

This allows bacteria to grow and encourages rats. It causes algal bloom which gets into our lungs and kill us birds.

If you want to feed us We like lettuce, peas and sweetcorn



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WINTER FISHING TIPS AND TACTICS



Fishing through the winter months can be very rewarding for a number of reasons. Cold temperatures keep fair-weather anglers home and hunting seasons lead many anglers to trade lakes for the woods. Winter is also the time of year when most freshwater species group up. The result: more fish for cold-weather anglers. During the coolest months of the year, preparation, research, and the proper tackle can make for memorable fishing trips.

Pick the Perfect Spot

The first step in a successful fishing trip, no matter what species is being targeted, is to know where to go. The internet has a wealth of useful tools to guide anglers to fishing meccas. Department of Natural Resources or Wildlife and Fisheries websites are great resources for information about local lakes, and will detail what types of fish they have to offer, what times of the year provide the best angling for certain species, and any creel limits.

If the impoundment is run by the Corps of Engineers, a visit to their website provides lake levels and current flow predictions. Both conditions can affect safety and success. Very high lakes or ones experiencing overflow conditions will limit your chances, especially during cold-water months. Avoid a lake or river with high current or predictions for high current. Not only will the fishing be difficult, but elevated currents can also be dangerous and generate debris in the waterway. Look for lakes and rivers that are in normal winter condition and have a stable or natural current.

Find the Right Time to Go

While many of us have to plan fishing around work schedules, the weather is another consideration. A look at the forecast can narrow down which days will be more productive. Keep in mind that, while the best fishing conditions may not be the most comfortable for anglers, some conditions are sure to improve catching odds. Weather fronts affect the activity level of all freshwater species. In general, fish are more active prior to a front and less active after it. Whenever possible, optimize your chances by planning fishing trips just prior to the passing of a cold front.

During the winter, the best fish-catching times are typically between 10 am and 4 pm. That's not to say a couple won't bite at daybreak and dusk – they will just be few and far between. Take the opportunity to sleep in and enjoy a more comfortable fishing experience with the warming day.

Gather Your Equipment

In general, winter fishing puts extra strain on fishing equipment. After determining where to go, make sure all your equipment is up to the task. To start, make sure the reels are in good working order. A reel bearing that was noisy or stiff under warmer conditions will completely fail in the cold. Old grease and oil will thicken, making reels difficult to use. To prevent frustration, clean and lubricate them. That way, when the perfect fish is hooked, you'll be able to land it. If you're not comfortable disassembling and cleaning reels, repair shops will perform this service for around \$25 a reel – money well spent.

Choose the Best Bait

Lure choice in the winter months can be difficult; however, a few basic tips will greatly improve success. Live bait is the best choice, because it will react to the water naturally. Typically, anglers work artificial baits too quickly for the winter conditions. Both forage and predators are cold-blooded creatures and the cold water slows their metabolisms, making them move slowly. Bait that

moves unnaturally quickly will turn fish away. Anglers trying to mimic these forage species should slow down their presentations to a methodically sluggish retrieve. Most anglers simply can't fish slowly enough with artificial baits to accurately mimic the speed and movements of forage during winter temperatures. Live bait will be more enticing. Minnows or shiners are a great choice; so are live worms. However, they somewhat limit the species of freshwater fish that may bite.

If catching fish on lures is the goal, choose lures that will catch multiple species. Shad, herring, or yearling sunfish/perch will be the primary winter forage for all freshwater species, so match these forage species with lures. Most other forage species, crawfish, and other vertebrates will be hibernating and will emerge only after an extended warming trend. Soft plastic baits, including straight-tail worms, grubs, and tube baits, can be very effective. Choose colors that mimic the winter forage: anything white, silver, or transparent in color will work well, especially if they contain colored flakes. Hard baits such as crankbaits, spinners, and spoons can be very suitable on warmer days. Color choices for these baits should include chrome, silver, or gold.

In winter, it is important to use a reduced lure size. Cold temperatures drastically reduce a fish's

metabolism and the fish don't need to feed as often. Smaller prey is easier to catch and digest. Presenting something small and slow best mimics the natural feeding habits at this time of year. Baits in the two- to four-inch range are perfect. If the goal is to catch the biggest fish in the area, use three- to four-inch baits, but if the goal is to catch the most fish possible, select baits in the two- to three-inch range.

Stay Safe Winter Fishing

The most important tip for winter fishing is to be mindful of the weather and respect the conditions. Dress in layers, have a good game plan, and tell someone your timing and itinerary. If you should run into trouble, you'll need help as soon as possible. Notifying a friend or family member of your location, expected travel route, and expected return time will help speed up the search process should something catastrophic occur.

With some planning and mindfulness of the conditions, you can have some of your most successful fishing adventures during winter months. Research your waterway, make sure your equipment is in good working order, and select multi-species lures or live bait, and you will be on your way to some of the best fishing our great country has to offer.

Mike Cork, Fix.com; December 31, 2014

A Special "Thanks"

We appreciate everyone that attended the Lake Jordan HOB0 Association's 4th Quarter Meeting on October 28, 2019. We had 78 in attendance and 2 new members. We were extremely honored to have Governor Kay Ivey take time from her busy schedule to be in attendance. Ivey is a longtime HOB0 member and supporter of our organization. Governor Ivey encouraged members to watch



for and participate in the upcoming 2020 Census. Alabama has a tremendous opportunity to positively affect the future of our state and our children by simply taking about five minutes to say, 'I Count' by completing the 2020 census forms.

We'd also like to thank our guest speakers Wes Anderson and Tim McLean with Alabama Power Company Shorelines, Todd Horton from SePro Corp and Jimmy Harris from Alabama Wildlife Federation.

What's For Sale On the Lake?

Lake residents are always interested in what's for sale on the lake so they can tell their city dwelling friends and relatives. This column is available to all HOBO members with listings or property for sale on or near Lake Jordan. If you have a listing that you would like to appear in the next HOBO Newsletter, please send it to Marci Williams at marci.williams@yahoo.com. We hope this is a useful tool for home sellers and buyers alike.

Submit your homes for sale to marci.williams@yahoo.com



385 Joe's Fish Camp – \$150,000
BACK IN THE DAY, many a good time was had at Joe's Fish Camp Here is a chance to create your good times for

generations to come at 385 Joe's Fish Camp. It has 2,534 square feet of heated and cooled space and lots more storage space that isn't. Paved driveways give you easy access to all sides of the property. 163 feet of waterfront and access to Lake Jordan and 6 feet depth at corner of the boathouse make this property offered at \$190,000 the best deal around. Home has 4 bedrooms/2 baths and a full kitchen on the bottom floor and a kitchenette on the second floor. A little dated in decor in parts of the house but ready to move in. Lots more to share about this house. Call Belyn Richardson with ReMax Cornerstone Realty at 334-328-0249 for more details. Call Belyn Richardson with ReMax Cornerstone Realty for details. 334-328-0249.



645 Cartwright Rd Titus – \$379,900 **CUSTOM BUILT HOME WITH TREY CEILINGS,** crown molding, sitting on approx. 1.6 acres with 4 bedrooms and 2 baths!

Beautiful kitchen with quad pantries, pull out drawers, island with sink and many other special amenities. Master bedroom is on main level with a walk in shower featuring dual shower heads and double sinks. Enjoy lake life from wrap around porches! Entertain in huge multi-purpose room! Walk-in-closets in all 4 bedrooms! Separate laundry! Storage Galore! Located less than 3 miles from hwy 231 which makes this home an easy commute to Montgomery tri-county areas. Phone Gay Carlisle with ReMax Properties II at 334-398-2514 for a personal showing!



135 Blankenship Lane, Wetumpka – \$198,799

A ONCE IN A LIFETIME Opportunity ... AWAITS ~ RELAX and ENJOY this 60+/- ACRES of QUIET and RURAL COUNTRY SETTING! LOADS OF NATURE ALL AROUND THE PROPERTY! This property offers an 1+/- acre spring feed stocked pond. The Barn and the 20x40 Building are Wired and Plumbed. The 1987 Mobile Home is 900+/-sq. ft. and offers 2 Bedrooms, 2 Full Bathrooms, Living room and an Eat-In-Kitchen. It is being sold "AS IS" and is quite livable. Very well maintained for its' age. Covered Parking with a metal 2 car carport. Approx. 40+/- acres are gently sloping and wooded and 20+/- acres are flat and not wooded. Approx. 4+/- acres had been select cut about 20 years ago. One Septic Tank with Pump House and Two wells are located on the property, one well is currently being used and the other well has never been used. This could be your primary residence or your own private hunting place. DON'T MISS THIS RARE OPPORTUNITY! Contact Heather Oates at #334-657-3302.

**SUBMIT YOUR STORIES,
PHOTOS OR ADS**

for the next issue of HOBO

by March 1, 2020

to:

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Save energy and money this winter

You can help control your power bill by using energy more efficiently this season. Just follow these helpful hints from Alabama Power:



- Set your thermostat at 68 degrees or lower during the day, and even cooler at night.
- Dress warmly; this will allow you to lower your thermostat and still remain comfortable.
- Seal around wiring and plumbing penetrations to stop air leaks.
- Close fireplace dampers after a fire is out.
- Close garage doors to keep out cold air.
- Install a storm door to create a pocket of insulated air between the door and the storm door;

helping to reduce heat loss.

- Open drapes and blinds on sunny days to let in the sun's warmth.
- Replace old caulk and weatherstripping around windows and doors.
- Use ceiling fans in reverse mode to push hot air from the ceiling to the occupied areas of the room.
- Have your heating system professionally serviced annually to keep it running at top efficiency.
- Wrap your electric water heater with an insulated blanket to keep in the heat.
- Insulate attics, crawl spaces and unheated basements to keep out the cold.



Learn how to save more with Alabama Power's online Energy Checkup. Just log on to www.AlabamaPower.com/tips

DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

If you haven't already done so, your annual Lake Jordan HOB0 membership dues were due in January. We appreciate your membership and want our organization to continue to grow each and every year.

Your dues help fund:

- Participation in the Renew our Rivers Campaign (the annual lake clean-up);
- Financial contributions to the volunteer fire departments and rescue squad that serve and protect the communities surrounding Lake Jordan;
- Chemical and bacteriological water testing and reporting;
- Community lake events such as the recently renewed annual 4th of July Boat Parade and Santa and Friends Visit Lake Jordan;
- Establishment and maintenance of the Slough Naming Project (slough signs)
- Financial contributions to YMCA Camp Chandler and the Alabama Wildlife Federation's Annual Elmore County Water Festival; and

Participation in the establishment of a severe weather siren warning system operated by the Elmore County Emergency Management Agency.

Dues are \$25.00 per year. We also encourage members to consider a financial contribution to the Lake Jordan Fireworks Fund.

Payments can be made three different ways:

1. Mailing a check to Lake Jordan HOB0, P.O. Box 431, Wetumpka, AL 36092

2. Pay online with a credit or debit card at: <https://www.lakejordanhobo.org/join-lake-jordan-hobo.html>

3. Pay in person (cash or check) at any of our quarterly meetings held on the last Monday of the months of January, April, July and October at 7:00 pm at YMCA Camp Chandler.

Remember - Dues are Tax Deductible. HOB0 has been recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a tax-exempt entity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to HOB0 are tax deductible by the contributor.

A new **Newsletter Editor** is being sought to start with the April 2020 edition.

Marci Williams has done a wonderful job for at least 7 years and would like to have someone with new ideas take over.

Contact her by February 1, 2020 if interested.

HOBO Newsletter Editor

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The Lake Jordan HOBO Association was officially established on February 12, 1992 with goals of enhancing

recreational opportunities on the lake, improving the quality of life for residents and others that enjoy the lake, and to work with the Alabama Power Company, state and local government agencies to make the lake a safe and healthy place to live and play. We are a 501(c)(3) so all donations are tax deductible.

Our organization is growing each and every year and we couldn't be happier. A big welcome to our new members:

Steve & Becky Hart

Maureen Neighbors

Tracy Pieper

Brian & Christie Bates

Bubba Allison

We ♥ Our Lake!

Beautiful Lake Jordan

Proud Sponsor: Lake Jordan HOBO Assoc.

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Following are the designated chairs for each of the committees of the Lake Jordan HOBO Association:

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Area Representatives

Areas 1 through 6 are on the East side of the Lake and areas 7 through 12 are on the West side of the Lake. Call your area representative if you need information.

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Lake Jordan Home/Boat Owners Association Minutes of the Quarterly Membership Meeting

October 28, 2019

The Lake Jordan Home Owners /Boat Owners Association Quarterly Membership Meeting was called to order by President Jeff Royal at 7:00pm on October 28th, 2019 at Camp Chandler on Lake Jordan.

President Jeff Royal began the meeting by recognizing Camp Chandler Director Matt Thomas who talked about the recent Halloween Carnival that was held at Camp Chandler on October 22nd. He thanked the HOBOS Association for the donations that were given to help with the Carnival and for all the past contributions that they have received from the HOBOS to help with camper scholarships.

President Royal declared that a quorum was present to conduct business. Jeff recognized Lake Jordan Resident Governor Kay Ivey who was in attendance. He welcomed everyone, and new members and guests introduced themselves.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the July 22nd, 2019 Quarterly HOBOS Association meeting. The motion carried.

HOBOS Treasurer Tommy Counts presented the Financial Report dated September 30, 2019 with an ending non-restricted cash balance of \$37,714.49.

Jeff introduced the first guest speaker of the night, Wes Anderson, a representative from Alabama Power's Water Management and Environmental Affairs Division. Wes was present to give an update on the Hydrilla that is vigorously growing in the Walter Boulden Dam area of the Lake. Alabama Power is currently attacking the hydrilla with an insecticide made by SePRO Corporation. They are also in the process on stocking the area with Grass Carp fish which has shown to be very effective in other lakes. They will also possibly install an aerator in the canal area which would work as an underwater air curtain to prevent the carp from being able to escape from the affected area. Residents and boaters can help to prevent further spreading of the plant by not traveling on the water into the area where the plant is. Also, it is very important to thoroughly rinse boats and boat trailers after removing them from other lakes and prior to putting them into our Lake. And lastly, it is extremely important to report any suspicious vegetation as soon as possible to Alabama Power by calling (205) 257-2393. Studies have shown that it takes 7 years to deplete the plant with aggressive treatment using a combination of the insecticide and grass carp fish. For all aquatic plants concerns,

please call Alabama Power at 1-800-Lakes11 or for more information, please visit <https://apcshorelines.com/aquatic>.

Jeff introduced Jimmy Harris with the Alabama Wildlife Federation who talked about the Elmore County Water Festival. The Annual Festival is an educational opportunity that targets all 6th graders (approximately 960 students) in Elmore County to go to the Alabama Nature Center in Millbrook. The students will learn about the importance and value of our water resources as well as how their actions affect the environment. He thanked the HOBOS Association for its continued support each year.

Jeff announced to the membership that the October 28, 2019 meeting (this meeting) is technically the last meeting of his 2-year term as President. All Officers and 3 Board Member Seats are up for re-election. Jeff has spoken to the HOBOS Officers (President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Parliamentarian) who are currently serving, and all are willing to serve another term. There are three 4-year term vacancies to be filled on the Board of Directors. Elections to fill all positions on the 2020 – 2022 HOBOS Board will be held at the next meeting on January 27, 2020. Jeff Royal, Marci Williams and Joyce Wright will serve on the Nominating Committee. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please contact anyone of the 3.

Signup for the upcoming CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) training was urged for our membership. CERT is a program that educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact our area and it trains them in basic disaster response skills such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. This course will be taught on Mondays beginning January 6th and the run through February 24th from 6:00 to approximately 8:30 PM. There is no cost for members.

This Holiday Season, Let's Light Up Lake Jordan. The HOBOS Association is encouraging lake residents to put up Christmas trees on their docks. The trees are constructed out of plywood (or a pallet) for the base, a pvc pipe, wire and a Christmas Lights. Alan Williams is coordinating the "Illuminated Christmas Trees on Piers" project with the Area Reps. Please contact your Area Rep for more information.

Lake Jordan HOBOS's Santa and Friends Parade Event will be Sunday, December 8th, 2019 from noon to 5:00

pm, weather permitting. The parade will make 2 stops at public locations, the State Dock (Rotary Ramp) around 1:30 pm and Bonner's Landing Boat Ramp - Jordan Lake around 3:30 pm. The route will begin at the state ramp and travel north up the Titus side along the main water to the entry of Blackwell's Slough and will then return down the Slapout side to Bonners. Please contact Jill Murchison for additional information.

Area 7 Group met with Alabama Power about the trash issues and the burning that is happening in the Canal area. Alabama Power was very receptive to the concerns brought to their attention.

Committee Reports

Area Reps – Alan Williams talked about the “Illuminated Christmas Trees on Piers” project and had instruction sheets on how to make the trees available. Please contact your Area Rep for more information. All Area Rep info can be found in the quarterly newsletter which are also available on the HOBO Website at www.lakejordanhobo.org.

Lake Clean-Up – Allan Basnight reported that the Annual Lake Clean Up is tentatively scheduled for April 18th, 2020. If you are interested in being a sponsor, please contact Allan at 334 399-7370 or abasn379874@gmail.com

Water Quality – Judy May reported that the next water testing certification class will be held in April of 2020.

Lake Safety – Dave Kowalski reminded the membership of the dangers of fresh water drowning and the importance of checking that all wiring near the water is GFI protected and that existing GFI protected outlets are still working properly. He reminded everyone that “no wake” buoys are the responsibility of the homeowner, however, installation of hazard buoys is coordinated with and put out by the Marine police. The hazard buoys are still in the process of being installed in Weoka Creek. Dave further reminded everyone that docking lights must be off when boating that blue lights are allowed on a boat as long as they are not flashing.

Fireworks – Nikki Miller received high praise from the membership for organizing an outstanding show this year! Thanks to Nikki's fundraising, the HOBO Fireworks Fund has a \$7,000 surplus. However, the cost for the show continues to go up each year so please consider donating to the fireworks fund with your annual dues in 2020 or being a sponsor!

HOBO Newsletter and Publicity – Marci Williams will be highlighting photos of Lake Jordan residents celebrating Christmas on the Lake in the next Newsletter.

Please email your photos of past Christmases and any other topics, articles and/or suggestions for inclusion in the HOBO Newsletter to her at marci.williams@yahoo.com by December 1, 2019. Don't Forget – the Newsletter is available for view online at www.lakejordanhobo.org.

Marci is taking donations for the Salvation Army Angel Tree Charity Project. The HOBO Association will make a donation and anyone else wishing to participate is urged to contact Marci.

Website – If you would like anything posted to the HOBO website, please contact Vanessa Royal at vroyal@river.bank. If you are not receiving HOBO Association emails and you wish to, please visit the website at www.lakejordanhobo.org and click on the “Join Our E-Mail List” link.

Membership – Please continue to encourage your neighbors to join or renew! Remember, dues for 2020 can be paid on the HOBO website through PayPal. Also, please consider adding a donation for the fireworks. Remember that all donations to the HOBO Association are tax deductible.

Boat Parade Committee – Jordan and Danielle Adams announced that they will have more information available about the July 4, 2020 Boat Parade closer to that time.

Governmental Relations – Logan Gray urged everyone to be watching for the 2020 Census. In March 2020, a Census Survey will be sent to every household requesting participation via online, toll free phone, or traditional paper form. It is imperative that our state have 80% participation to continue receiving federal funding at the current rate for the Alabama state budget. We are also in danger of losing 1 of our 7 U.S. Congressional Seats. Please be sure to respond to the Census and encourage your neighbors and friends to do the same.

Thank you to Sunny Donaldson for organizing a clean up effort on Jones Corner Road. There will possibly be another clean up organized in the Spring.

The \$50 Raffle drawing was held. Congratulations to the winner, Tracy Pieper.

There being no further business, Jeff Royal adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will be held on Monday, January 27, 2020 at 7:00 pm (6:30 pm if you want to eat) at Camp Chandler.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joyce Wright
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