



The Voice of StillWaters

A MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER, KEVIN EASON

By today's date, all StillWaters property owners should have paid their 2022 SWRA annual fee. SWRA offers a payment plan for property owners who need a little more time to pay the annual fee. After February 14, 2022, a non-payment fee in the amount of \$125 will be added to all property accounts where the owners have not paid the annual fee or who have not signed a payment plan agreement. Please contact the SWRA office if you would like to use the payment plan option for your unpaid annual fee.

The 2022 StillWaters vehicle window decals will be mailed to all property owners who have paid their annual fee or signed a payment plan agreement on February 15, 2022. A ballot to vote for SWRA Board of Director members will be included in the same envelope as the window decals.

There are three candidates running for two open seats on the SWRA Board of Directors. A brief bio of each candidate is included in this newsletter. Eligible voters will receive an election ballot in the mail. Make sure you vote for two candidates. The names of the two candidates who receive the most votes will be announced at the annual SWRA meeting on March 5th.

The SWRA roads engineer is currently working on the 2022 road repair project. Repairs to the roads are subject to available budgeted funds. In order to reduce mobilization costs, SWRA only repairs the StillWaters roads once a year. Road repairs are usually made during warmer weather as suggested by the asphalt paving company. Property owners should see repairs made to roads around the end of spring or the first part of the summer.

Due to the current computer chip shortage, SWRA is unable to obtain additional pool and tennis court electronic gate opening cards. SWRA has received notice that a shipment of new cards will arrive at the end of April. The pool/tennis electronic cards are the same type previously used to open the vehicle entrance gates before SWRA switched to the current in-vehicle transmitters. It will be greatly appreciated if anyone with an old vehicle gate card would donate it to SWRA so it can be recycled and given to a new property owner who does not have a card. Cards can be brought by the SWRA office. If the office is closed, please drop the cards in the night deposit box adjacent to the front office door.

Please drive slowly when exiting and entering the 34 gate. Recently several drivers have hit the barrier arms before the arm could raise up high enough to allow their vehicle to either enter or exit StillWaters. The lights on the barrier arms will flash green when it is safe to proceed past the arms. SWRA is not responsible for damage to vehicles that hit the barrier arms.

This newsletter was published before Ground Hog Day so I am not sure how many more weeks of cold weather our area will experience. But soon warm weather will return and StillWaters will be awash with new spring flowers, Lake Martin will fill up with water, and the trees will be sprouting a new coat of green leaves. Until warmer weather arrives, get out of the cold at one of the local restaurants in and around StillWaters. They are less crowded this time of year so you can sit and enjoy their great food and drinks while staying out of the cold.

February 2022

SWRA Business Hours

Monday 9 to 4 pm
Tuesday 9 to 4 pm
Wednesday 9 to 12 pm
Thursday 9 to 4 pm
Friday 9 to 5 pm

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SWRA ELECTION COMMITTEE

The Election Committee oversees the election for the SWRA Board of Directors. The committee also counts and verifies all ballots received by SWRA.

Elections Ballots will be mailed to SWRA members and should be returned to the SWRA office addressed to: Secretary, SWRA Board. Ballots must be in the office no later than February 28, 2022. Ballots that are postmarked by February 28th will be counted as long they arrive before the Election Committee meets. Members must be in good standing in order to vote, which means that all monies due to SWRA must be paid by that date.

SWRA BYLAWS - ARTICLE VII - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Section 7.2 *The Board of Directors shall appoint an Elections Committee consisting of five (5) members, in good standing, at least 60 days prior to the election. The Committee's duties include verifying all ballots and proxies and announcing the results to the membership at the annual meeting and by other means. The Nominations Committee may serve as the Elections Committee at the discretion of the Board of Directors.*

Section 7.3 *Elections to the Board of Directors shall be by written ballot. The Secretary shall prepare ballots listing the Board vacancies and those properly nominated to fill them and shall mail ballots to each member at least 14 days prior to the election. The member may cast as many votes as parcels owned for each candidate but may not cumulate those votes for one candidate in elections with more than one vacancy. The ballot must be signed by the member or proxy and returned to the Elections Committee for verification. The Elections Committee will verify all votes including those made by proxy and comparing the number of votes to the*

number of parcels owned. All Ballots will be held by the Committee as confidential. The Elections Committee may disallow all ballots not received by the due date or improperly executed by the member or proxy.

Section 7.4 *The Elections Committee will count all proper ballots and publicize the results to the membership at the members' meeting and by such other means deemed appropriate. All ballots will be destroyed unless a recount request is filed with the Elections Committee by at least one third (1/3) of members casting ballots within ten (10) days of the members' meeting.*

SWRA ELECTION CALENDAR

- January 18, 2022 - Nominating Committee recommendations announced.
- January 31, 2022 - Biographies for Board candidates recommend by Nominating Committee or running by petition due in SWRA office to be published in February newsletter.
- February 5, 2022 - Last day for Board candidates running by petition to have completed petitions presented to the SWRA Secretary to be placed on the ballot.
- February 15, 2022 - Board election ballots are mailed to SWRA members.
- February 28, 2022 - Ballots due in SWRA office by 5pm.
- March 1, 2022 - Election Committee meets to count and certify ballots.
- March 5, 2022 - Annual SWRA meeting begins at 10:00am, election results announced



KATHRYN DICKEY (KAY) BIO

Kay and her husband, Michael, purchased a condo at The Pointe at Sunset Point in 2010. They were looking for a place on Lake Martin, but also wanted to be part of a community. At that time Kay was still employed and their primary residence was in Montgomery. It did not take long for them to fall in love with the Still Waters community. When Kay retired in 2015 they sold their home in Montgomery and moved into the condo. It was wonderful to have the time to more fully enjoy the condo and lake living. They were on vacation every day!

After two years of vacation, they decided it was time for a more permanent life setting and sold the condo to build a house at 70 Overlook Court, which is their “forever home”.

While enjoying their condo Kay served on the HOA Board as secretary and president. Community involvement has always been important to Kay. She currently serves on the SWRA Board. She has started a New Comer’s Club which is open to any member of the SWRA community. The main purpose of the club is to bring neighbors together and connect them to activities and friends that bring joy to their lives. So far the new members have started a supper club and joined others in pickleball, bridge, quilting, and a book club. In the process, new friendships are forming and members are enjoying life in Still Waters.

Kay served on several boards in Montgomery, including one at Maxwell Air Force Base and a Montessori School in the area. Her husband was on the Board of Education in Montgomery for twelve years and Kay was very active with the educational community. It is a privilege

to serve the community. Fiduciary duty to all members of an HOA is the primary responsibility of those who serve on the board. Other important responsibilities include community safety, the attractiveness of the community, and member involvement. It has been a privilege serving on the SWRA Board and Kay looks forward to continued service.

Previous board membership and Kay’s three careers provide a variety of skills that are assets to the SWRA board. Over a span of forty years, Kay has been a teacher, attorney, and Department Head of Legal Studies for a local university. Nearly twenty of those years were in the legal field beginning with a six-year employment period as an associate attorney with McPhillips, Shinbaum, and Gill, LLC, before becoming a partner with Prestwood, Lewis, and Dickey, and then opening her own office. All of Kay’s positions over the years have provided career growth, valuable experiences, and enjoyment. During her teaching career she was elected Teacher of the Year in the school where she taught for the innovations she implemented in Special Education and her support to the faculty. Kay is highly rated in both legal ability and ethical standards by Martindale-Hubbell, who manages the high peer review rating earned through a strenuous process.

Michael and Kay are members of Red Ridge Methodist Church. Kay is also a member of the Still Waters Book Club, Bridge Clubs, Dadeville Performing Arts, and the Delphic Club.

Kay’s favorite part of living in Still Waters is that her two grandsons enjoy visiting! They are especially fond of tennis and riding the SeaDoo.



**STILLWATERS RESIDENTIAL
ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING
SATURDAY, MARCH 05, 2022 - 10 AM
LOCATION: Church of the Living Waters
Please plan to attend.**





TRIPP BARNES BIO

My wife Sharon and I moved to StillWaters in 2014. Previously, we lived in Auburn for 35 years.

While in Auburn, we lived in the Grove Hill Subdivision for 20 years. I served on the Grove Hill HOA Board for 3 terms (9 years). I served as Vice President for 1 year and as President for 3 years.

For the past 34 years, my wife has been employed as a nurse at EAMC in Opelika, AL. I have been employed in the golf course maintenance industry for 31 years. Currently, I am the golf course superintendent at StillWaters Golf.

I feel that my experience in HOA's and business management will be a great asset to the SWRA HOA, along with the expertise I have in turf and landscape management.

TOM NICHOLSON BIO

I grew up in Southwest Indiana and graduated with a BS degree in Mechanical Engineering from The University of Evansville.

After working as an engineer for a small manufacturing company, I joined GE in their Plastics business where I spent the next 25 years in various Plant Management positions in Indiana, West Virginia, and Alabama. My last position with GE was General Manager for the Lexan plastics manufacturing business outside of Montgomery.

After leaving GE, my wife and I operated a franchise in Birmingham. I next worked as the Site Manager of US Pipe plant in Bessemer before retirement in 2010.

I was a member of the Board of Directors for the Chamber of Commerce in both Montgomery and Bessemer to help the local communities.

I have been married to my wife Julie for 47 years. We have 3 children and 7 grandchildren who all enjoy spending time visiting us at the lake.

We have owned our Stillwaters property since 1999. We moved here full-time in 2011. Since then, I have served on the SWRA Neighborhood Council, the Architectural Review Committee, and I was elected to the Board of Directors in 2016, where I currently serve as the President. I am also Treasurer for the Stillwaters Volunteer Fire Department. I've served in leadership positions at the Dadeville First United Methodist Church and the Stillwaters Yacht Club.

I am pleased with the way the board has maintained and improved the development in the past years while also improving the financial reserves that protect us in case a major issue occurs. I look forward to continuing that trend and responding to the needs of our development and the residents that live here. Some of our objectives for the coming year include the development of a Business Continuity Plan, developing a long-term plan to improve our covenants, continuing to maintain and improve our roads and drainage systems, and resurfacing the tennis courts that will provide additional pickleball courts.



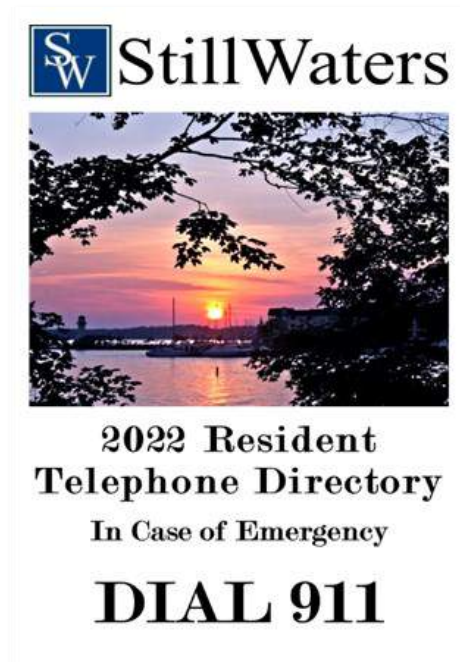
STILLWATERS GOLF

The golf course is open seven days a week and play can begin as early as daybreak and end with golfers still on the course a little after sunset. As a reminder, the golf course cart paths are only for use by golfers playing golf and riding in a StillWaters Golf Club-owned golf cart.

Privately owned golf carts, other motorized vehicles, people jogging, walking their pets, or riding a bike are not allowed on the golf cart paths. People can be injured by a stray golf ball and unauthorized people on the cart paths can interfere with golfers who have paid to play a round of golf. Please stay off the golf cart paths unless you have paid for a round of golf at the clubhouse.

PICTURE FOR THE FRONT COVER OF THE 2022 DIRECTORY

Each year SWRA uses a picture or pictures taken by StillWaters property owners on the front cover of the annual owners' directory. If you have a picture taken in StillWaters and would like it considered for the cover of the 2022 Directory please email it to Kevin Eason at kevin@stillwatersra.com. Any picture sent to Kevin Eason or the SWRA office becomes the property of SWRA and may be used at any time by SWRA without compensation to the original owner of the picture.



DUMPSTERS AT PARKING LOT ADJACENT TO 49 GATE ENTRANCE - FEBRUARY 7 - 8, 2022

Tallapoosa County will have large dumpsters in the parking lot adjacent to the 49 gate entrance for two days starting February 7th.

Only household trash can be placed in these dumpsters. No yard debris or toxic items can be placed in the dumpsters.

The dumpsters will be monitored by Tallapoosa County and emptied as they become filled. This is a great opportunity to start spring cleaning a little early.



LADIES GAME DAY

A ladies' meeting is held every Thursday from 9 AM to 1 PM in the Magnolia Room at Copper's Grill. The meeting is for fun and fellowship; to play cards and board games. There is also the option to place an order for lunch and have it brought to the Magnolia Room so the games can continue. This is an open invitation to all who are interested in joining the group. Please call Karen Swindall at 334-750-5088, if you have any questions, or just come to the Magnolia Room before 9 AM on a Thursday.



**STILLWATERS VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE
ANNUAL MEETING
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2022 - 10 AM
LOCATION: SWRA COMMUNITY CENTRE**



Please plan to attend.



A MESSAGE FROM STILLWATERS VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS.



Seven out of ten firefighters and emergency responders are volunteers, and StillWaters needs more volunteers like you.

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A MESSAGE FROM STILLWATERS VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE



Fire Safety during Winter Storms


Winter storms can happen almost anywhere. They can cause us problems. Know what to do before, during and after a storm. This will help keep you and your family safe from a winter fire.

- Test all smoke alarms. Do this at least once a month. This way you will know they are working. Install carbon monoxide alarms in your home. Test the alarms.
- Plan two ways out of the home in case of an emergency. Clear driveway and front walk of ice and snow. This will provide easy access to your home.
- Make sure your house number can be seen from the street. If you need help, firefighters will be able to find you.
- Be ready in case the power goes out. Have flashlights on hand. Also have battery-powered lighting and fresh batteries. Never use candles.
- Stay aware of winter weather. Listen to the television or radio for updates. Watch for bulletins online.
- Check on neighbors. Check on others who may need help.
- Generators should be used outdoors. Keep them away from windows and doors. Do not run a generator inside your garage, even if the door is open.
- Stay away from downed wires. Report any downed wires to authorities.
- Be ready if the heat stops working. Use extra layers of clothes and blankets to stay warm. If you use an emergency heat source, keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet away.
- Turn portable heaters off when you leave the room. Turn them off when you go to bed.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

There are more home fires in winter than in any other season. Half of all home heating fires happen in December, January and February.

As you stay cozy and warm this winter season, be fire smart!



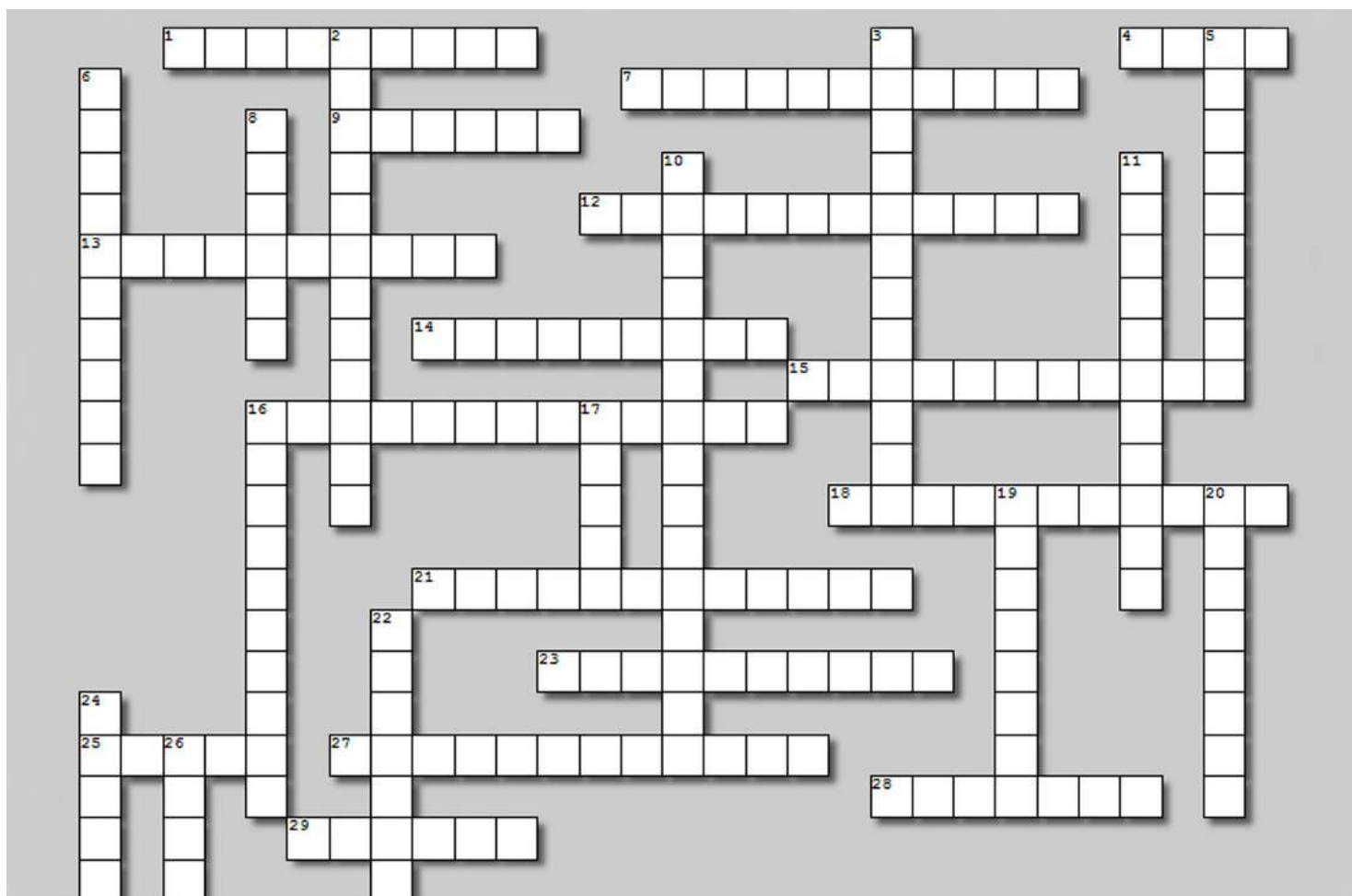
Fact
Nearly half of all space heater fires involve electric space heaters.



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HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW LIFE AROUND THE LAKE?



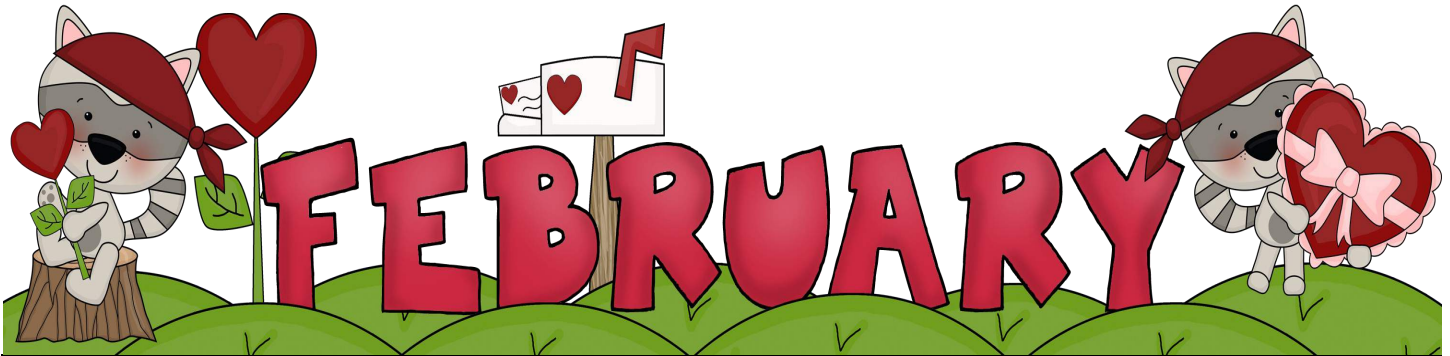
Across

1. A fun place to have a campout on the lake
4. A tiny Elmore County community now located beneath Lake Martin
7. Your community
9. An island on the lake where you may find a treasure, matey
12. A popular hang-out spot for boaters and is named after a place in Mexico.
13. When this was created, it was the largest man-made lake in the world
14. Famous ice cream boat you may see on the lake
15. Jumping from here is fun, but can be dangerous
16. Cruise over here for some yummy frozen yogurt on the lake
18. Cruise here on your boat for a salty treat
21. A friendly person who is always willing to help a fellow resident
23. Don't come here empty handed!
25. You may spot one of these nesting on the lake
27. Place on the lake to fill up your fuel tank and your tummy
28. Pay these annually at SWRA
29. To stay fit, play this sport regularly

Down

2. Restaurant that features good food & live entertainment
3. Store your boat at this marina in off-season
5. Park located in SWRA
6. Similar to tennis, but played with paddles
8. If you are making any changes to the exterior of your property, you will need one of these
10. You'll need one of these to enter SWRA from highway 34
11. You will see lots of these cruising out on the lake
16. Lots of steps lead to a beautiful view
17. General Manager at SWRA
19. Some refer to lake life as this
20. If you're hungry, search for this blue boat on the lake
22. A favorite sport on the lake. Be careful, you may get hooked.
24. Put one of these on your vehicle window every year
26. You have to be on the green to play this

(ANSWERS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE MARCH NEWSLETTER)



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| JAN 30 | JAN 31 | 1 SWRA Board Meeting 9:00 AM | 2 Bridge 9 AM - 1 PM ARC Meeting 4:00 PM | 3 | 4 Bridge 9 AM - 1 PM | 5 |
| 6 | 7 Lake Martin Creativity Group 1 PM - 4 PM Dumpsters at 49 Gate All Day | 8 Dumpsters at 49 Gate All Day | 9 Bridge 9 AM - 1 PM | 10 | 11 Bridge 9 AM - 1 PM | 12 |
| 13 | 14 Lake Martin Creativity Group 1 PM - 4 PM VALENTINE'S DAY | 15 SWRA Board Meeting 9:00 AM | 16 Bridge 9 AM - 1 PM ARC Meeting 4:00 PM | 17 | 18 Bridge 9 AM - 1 PM | 19 SWVF&R ANNUAL MEETING 10:00 AM |
| 20 | 21 Lake Martin Creativity Group 1 PM - 4 PM | 22 | 23 Bridge 9 AM - 1 PM | 24 | 25 Bridge 9 AM - 1 PM | 26 |
| 27 | 28 Lake Martin Creativity Group 1 PM - 4 PM Election Ballots due in SWRA office by 5 PM | MAR 1 | MAR 2 | MAR 3 | MAR 4 | MAR 5 |

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