The Voice of StillWaters

A MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER, KEVIN EASON

April showers bring May flowers! We certainly had enough rain in StillWaters during the month of April to have plenty of flowers blooming in May. This time of year is not only for flowers but also the start of the "lake" season when Lake Martin is at full pool and the summer homeowners return to StillWaters.

Kick off the "lake" season with a bang by spending Memorial Day weekend at your property in StillWaters. The annual Family Fun Day is a great way to start the season; Saturday, May 28th at Moonbrook Park. There will be waterslides, music, hayrides to the fire department, and fun for the whole family. More information about Family Fun Day is included in this newsletter.

SWRA is working with our road engineer to finalize the 2022 paving and drainage project. Paving and patching of potholes should begin around the middle of June. Dates for drainage work are still being determined due to limited contractor schedule time. The amount of road work performed by SWRA each year is based on available budgeted funds. There is almost always more repair work needed than available funding. The covenants restrict the dollar amount of the annual fees charged by SWRA. Until the covenants are changed to allow increases to cover road work costs, the amount of paving and drainage work will be restricted to the available budgeted funds.

Please remember all golf carts and other similar vehicles (side by side UTVs, etc.) must be registered with the SWRA office to operate on StillWaters roads. Anyone driving a golf cart or similar vehicle on StillWaters roads must possess a valid driver's license and the golf cart/vehicle must meet the StillWaters vehicle requirements. Please read the SWRA golf cart and similar vehicle policy in this newsletter.

Temperatures are now warm enough for most people to enjoy a dip in the swimming pool. The SWRA community pool is located adjacent to the SWRA office at 1816 StillWaters Drive. An electronic key card is required to access the pool area. Property owners who qualify to use the SWRA pool and do not have an electronic key card can obtain one from the SWRA during regular business hours. This is the only swimming pool open to all qualified StillWaters owners. The swimming pools and lake access areas at the different condominium associations are limited to only owners who own a condominium in that complex. Using a swimming pool without authorized permission from a condominium owner may result in the violator being arrested for trespassing.

Memorial Day weekend is usually the busiest weekend of the year in StillWaters. Please be courteous of your neighbors and guests. Parking can be difficult so make sure you park in a designated parking space and inform your guests that an illegally parked vehicle may be towed or booted. There will be a higher than normal number of **MAY** 2022

<u>SWRA</u> 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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people walking, running, and riding bikes on StillWaters roads. Please remember to drive safely and the speed limit in StillWaters is 20mph unless otherwise posted.

I hope everyone has a great Memorial Day weekend and an even better summer. Enjoy all StillWaters has to offer. Please contact the SWRA office if you need assistance or have questions about StillWaters.



TIPS FOR A HEALTHY LAWN

Many homeowners think you need to wait on the sun and rain to get the turf you desire. However, there are some steps you can take to make sure you get a lush and green yard. Follow these tips this spring to ensure a healthy lawn:

1. Apply a pre-emergent with a crabgrass preventer. This typically needs to be put out by the end of April to help prevent any new weeds from germinating and popping up this summer. This is probably the most important step for a successful lawn.

2. Let your first mow of the spring be a low mow. Drop the blades on your mower and cut out all that dormant grass. Mowing low will cut away the winter dead and pick up all the leaves, leading to a spring green. But is mowing low really a good practice? Mowing low in the very early spring or late winter does remove the winter layer of debris. Mowing low also removes much of the debris that is shading the soil.

3. Get your fertilizer out by April/May. This will give your turf the desired nutrients it needs to achieve that lush green lawn you are looking for.



STILLWATERS GOLF CART POLICY

Property owners who use a golf cart or similar type vehicle in StillWaters must follow the requirements of the golf cart policy. Please contact the SWRA office if vou have any questions.

StillWaters Golf Cart Policy

Policy Statement – Motorized Utility Vehicles

The StillWaters Residential Association (SWRA) Board of Directors recognizes the value and pleasure of utility vehicles in the StillWaters Community. The SWRA Board further recognizes the need for responsible use of such vehicles. The SWRA Board is especially concerned for the safety and well-being of all StillWaters residents and visitors.

Golf carts and other motorized vehicles can be quite dangerous, especially when used on roads. The SWRA Board recognizes the inherent hazards of motorized vehicle use in StillWaters and desires to head off accidents with the promotion of common sense operation and public awareness.

Golf Cart Policy

All motorized vehicles (golf carts, ATVs, etc.) on StillWaters' roads and common areas must be operated by licensed and insured drivers as required under Alabama law.

SWRA Board of Directors Resolution (November 27, 2007)

All motorized vehicles (golf carts, ATVs, etc.) on StillWaters' roads and common areas must have headlights, brake lights, and rearview mirrors.

All motorized vehicles (golf carts, ATVs, etc.) on StillWaters' roads and common areas must have a registration decal attached.

SWRA Board of Directors Resolution (June 28, 2016)

Policy Enforcement

The SWRA Board wishes this policy to be a self-enforcement policy, as much as possible, by the owners and visitors of StillWaters. The Board asks that owners make a sincere effort to act responsibly in the use of motorized vehicles and adhere to this policy.

In an effort for the Board to act responsibly, violators will be reminded of the policy and asked to adhere to the policy immediately. Based on the registration, a notice will be filed with the SWRA for review.

Violations of Policy:

- 1. Under-aged or non-licensed driver of the vehicle (unaccompanied by a licensed driver)
- 2. Reckless or destructive behavior
- 3. Lack of required equipment (headlights, brake lights, or rearview mirror)
- 4. Lack of proper SWRA registration decal

- <u>Violation of Policy Protocol:</u>First Violation: A notice will be placed in the property owner's file for future reference and a written "Advisory Notice" will be delivered to the registered owner.
- Second Violation: A letter from the SWRA Board will advise the property owner of its multiple violations of policy and ask the owner to strictly adhere to the policy or expect to be assessed a fine of \$100.00 for each additional incident.
- Third Violation: A letter from the SWRA Board will advise the property owner of its multiple violations of policy and assess the owner a \$100.00 fine.
- Further Violations: The SWRA Board will access additional \$100.00 fines in cumulative.

Note: Unpaid fines may become a lien again the registered owner's property.





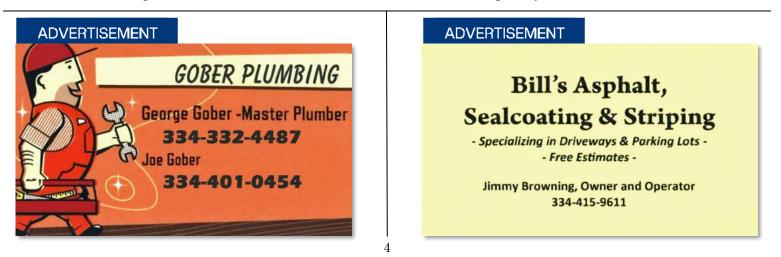
SEVERE WEATHER SAFETY



Warm weather usually means fun in the sun, but summer heat also can bring severe weather. Threatening thunderstorms often loom large on summer afternoons so it's important to be prepared for downpours and accompanying lightning, which can strike outdoors or indoors. Consider these suggestions when planning both outdoor and indoor events this summer to reduce the risk of a lightning strike.



- Watch the weather. Pay attention to your local weather forecast before participating in outdoor activities. If there's a chance of thunderstorms, consider rescheduling or moving events indoors.
- Stay inside. If severe thunderstorms are imminent, go indoors and wait until they pass. Safe, enclosed shelters include homes, schools, offices, shopping malls, and vehicles with hard tops and closed windows. Open structures and spaces do not provide adequate protection.
- **Duck and crouch**. If you're caught outside during a severe storm, it's important to crouch low on the ground, tuck your head and cover your ears to help protect yourself from harm. Do not lie down; lightning strikes can produce extremely strong electrical currents that run along the top of the ground, and laying horizontally increases electrocution risk.
- **Turn off faucets**. During a thunderstorm, lightning can sometimes be conducted through the plumbing. Avoid any type of contact with running water, including bathing, showering, and washing your hands, dishes, or clothes.
- **Turn off electronics**. All electrical appliances televisions, computers, laptops, gaming systems, stoves, and more—that are plugged into an electrical outlet could carry a current from a lightning strike.
- Stay away from windows. Not only is lightning a threat, but high winds and hail create flying debris that could be harmful during a thunderstorm. Close all windows and doors and keep away from them.



STILLWATERS MOST WANTED COVENANT VIOLATOR





A few days ago, Bo (Bo is short for his given name of Bovine) the bull decided to leave his pasture across Hwy 49 close to the StillWaters main entrance gate and move into our community. You can't blame Bo, StillWaters is a great place to live, we have great amenities, a quiet community with plenty of activities, great neighbors, and we are convenient to all Lake Martin has to offer.

What Bo did not do was read the recorded covenants before moving into StillWaters. Had he read the covenants he would have realized that farm animals of any kind, including chickens, are prohibited by all four sets of StillWaters covenants. Everyone that has met Bo

likes him but a covenant violation of any type has consequences. By not following the covenants Bo could have been fined, incurred additional legal costs, or lost the ability to use many of the amenities including the easy access gate opening transmitter if he had purchased one.

Bo's owner Ken Davis, with the help of a few owners in StillWaters, convinced Bo that if he cannot follow the covenants, he needed to leave StillWaters. Bo is back in his old pasture and although he enjoyed his short time in StillWaters he understood living in a community with recorded covenants and deed restrictions was not the best place for him.

Property owners can obtain a copy of the covenants that govern their property from the StillWaters webpage <u>www.stillwatersra.com</u> or from the SWRA office. Although all four covenants have minor variations, they all have the same purpose of protecting property values and keeping our community one of the best places to live on Lake Martin.

NEWCOMERS CLUB DINNER





New property owners in StillWaters and owners who have been here for several years, enjoyed the covered dish supper held at the SWRA community room at the end of March. The Newcomers Club is a great place for new and longtime property owners to meet, get to know one another and make new friends. Contact Kay Dickey at 334-462-0835 if you are interested in joining the Newcomers Club. New and longtime Owners are invited. The next event will be a book exchange on Tuesday, May 24th, at 2 pm in the SWRA Community Room.

CRYPTOGRAM PUZZLE ANSWER

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STILLWATERS ANNUAL FAMILY FUN DAY

The annual StillWaters Family Fun Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 28th at Moonbrook Park from 10 am until 4 pm. Everyone is invited to attend the event. There will be waterslides for the children and adults who want to cool off so make sure you wear a bathing suit. OZZ will be playing the tunes and giving out T-shirts to the hula-hoop contest winners. There will be a hayride that will take guests to and from the StillWaters Fire Department open house. Free snow cones for the kids. Come join the fun!





















SWVF&R OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, May 28th 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM



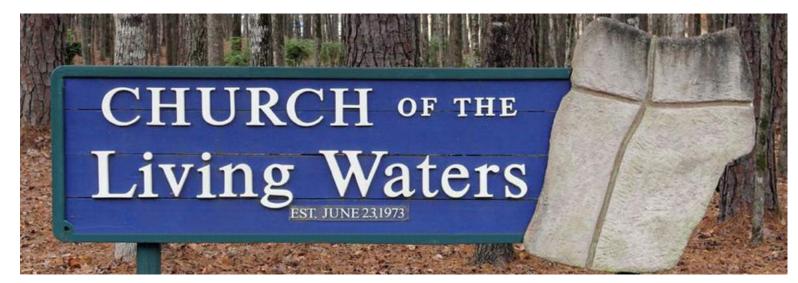
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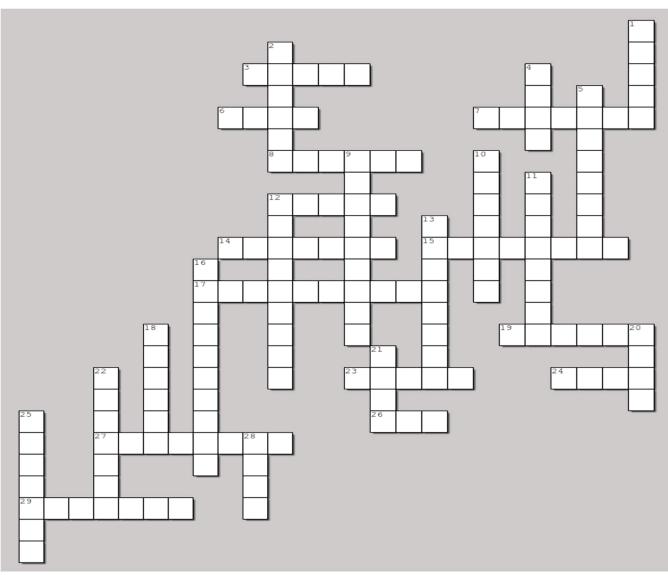
GUEST PREACHER LISTING - 2022 SEASON

| Apr 17 Rev. John Mann - Dadeville | Easter Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. |
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| May 29 Billy Coleman - Alexander City | Memorial Day Opening 9:00 a.m. |
| Jun 05 Rev. K.G. Jones - Tuskegee | |
| Jun 12 Rev. Faron Golden - Dadeville | |
| Jun 19 Rev. Matt Mobley - Auburn | |
| Jun 26 Rev. Lee Cadden - Auburn | |
| Jul 03 TBD | |
| Jul 10 Dr. George Mathison - Auburn | |
| Jul 17 Rev. Larry Patton - Carrollton, GA | |
| Jul 24 Rev. Viki Cater - Dadeville | |
| Jul 31 Rev. James Cullins - Dadeville | |
| Aug 07 Rev. Pat Bethea - Auburn | |
| Aug 14 Rev. Skip Long - Opelika | |
| Aug 21 Rev. Marcus Poppenfoose - Auburn | |
| Aug 28 Rev Kevin Flannagan - Auburn | |
| Sep 04 Dr. Tim Thompson - Jackson Gap | Labor Day Closing |

*** Communion served on May 29th, July 17th, and September 4th ***

Please join us! Dress is casual. Actual address is 782 Lakeview Ridge across from the Golf Colony Villas - a short distance from the Harbor Pointe Marina in StillWaters. You can come by car, bike, golf cart, or boat - GPS Coordinates N 32° 44.554' W 085° 48.867'. You are cordially invited to examine our website at <u>www.colw-sw.com</u>

SPRINGTIME PUZZLE



<u>Across</u>

3. THE FOURTH MONTH OF THE YEAR

6. DIRT IN A GARDEN

7. PLANTS THAT FLOWER AND DIE IN ONE SEASON

8. VEGETABLES GROW IN A

12. ANOTHER NAME FOR A RABBIT

14. WHEN A CHICK COMES OUT OF AN EGG, IT HAS _____

15. THIS HELPS SHIELD YOU FROM THE RAIN

17. PLANTS THAT CAN LIVE FOR THREE OR MORE GROWING SEASONS

19. RAIN COMES FROM THESE

23. VITAL TO A HEALTHY PLANT

24. ON A WINDY DAY YOU CAN FLY THIS ON A STRING

26. THIS INSECT LIKES FLOWER

27. A YOUNG DUCK

29. THE FLOWERY PART OF A PLANT

<u>Down</u>

1. WHAT WE MOW IN OUR YARD

2. THE FIRST SEASON OF A YEAR

4. AIR BLOWING IN THE TREES

5. ONE OF THE FIRST YELLOW

FLOWERS OF SPRING

9. A GRASSWEED WITH A YELLOW FLOWER

10. THE BOW OF COLOR CREATED BY RAIN AND SUN

11. A SUMMER GAME USING BALLS AND BATS

12. A CATERPILLAR TURNS INTO THIS

13. WARM RAYS FROM THE SUN

16. A DAY FOR PRANKS

18. EATING ON A BLANKET OUTDOORS,

PERHAPS AT A PARK 20. A PLANT GROWS FROM THIS PART

21. A BABY SHEEP

22. THESE HAVE EIGHT LEGS AND SPIN WEBS

25. SMALL ROUND BEETLES THAT AREOFTEN RED WITH BLACK SPOTS28. A BIRD'S SLEEPING SPOT

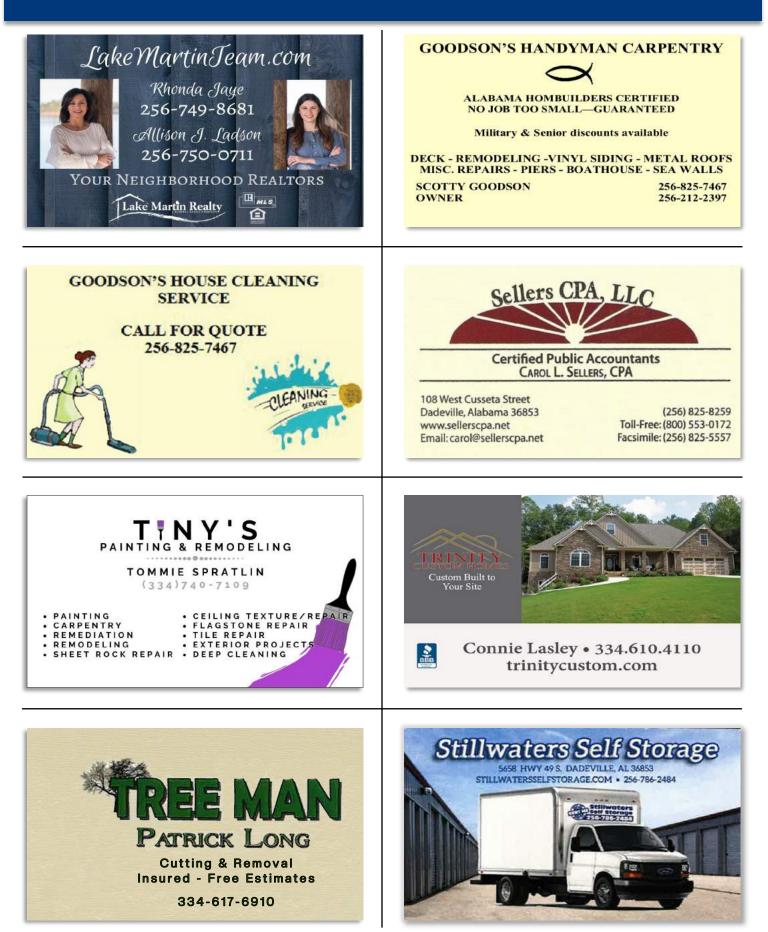


SWRA CALENDAR OF EVENTS



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| 1 | 2 Lake Martin Creativity Group 1 PM - 4 PM | 3 SWRA Board Meeting 9:00 AM | 4 Bridge 9 AM - 1 PM ARC Meeting 4:00 PM | 5 | 6 Bridge 9 AM - 1 PM | 7 |
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| 29 | 30 Memorial Day SWRA Office Closed | 31 | JUN 01 | JUN 02 | JUN 03 | JUN 04 |

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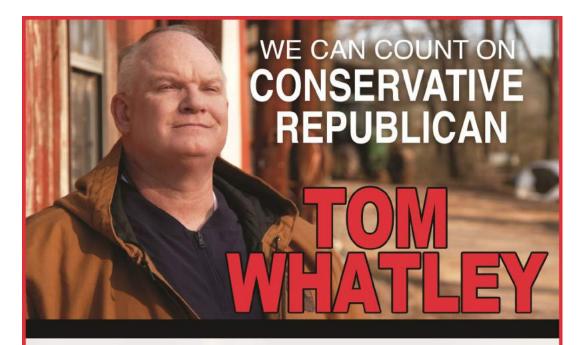
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