

SHORELINE



Raintree Lake Property Owners Association

February 2022

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The Annual Meeting of the Raintree Lake Property Owners Association will be held as we have in the past, as an in person open meeting. The annual meeting will be held on Thursday March 31, 7:00 pm at the Clubhouse. In the meantime, we encourage all residents to vote electronically. Please note that voting will be restricted to members in good standing (dues and fines paid). Ballots will be mailed directly to your home and should be received mid-March. You may vote electronically, fill out a ballot and drop it by the RLPOA office, mail directly to Vote-now or give your ballot to someone to vote on your behalf.

This year, terms expire for the following members of the RLPOA Board of Directors: Marsha Powell Class A, Daniel Merrick Class A, and David York Class B.

If you'd like to be a candidate, fill out and send in the form on page 4. Also, please call the General Manager, Rachelle Vandiver, or contact any member of the Nominating Committee (David Elliott, Joan Bruns, San LaPoint, Mary Lynn Tolle, Joe Walter, Joe Willerth).

HAPPY
VALENTINES
DAY!

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**Remember! Boat Slip Leases are due by
Tuesday, March 15th!**

Boat stickers will be available for purchase in April

Financial Statement

As of December 2021

Money Market Sweep Account:
\$627,917.60

Income:
\$124,980.09

Expenses:
\$102,116.90

2020 Roll-Over Funds:
\$75,472.00

Future Projects:
Facilities:
\$15,000

Raintree View:
\$17,350

Siltation Loan:
(\$45,000)

Ward Road:
\$10,000

Capital Asset Reserve:
\$57,735

Delinquency Report Comparison

2021	2020
One Quarter Past Due:	
72 Lots totaling \$9,186.54	69 Lots totaling \$9,312.25
Two Quarters Past Due:	
11 Lots totaling \$3,388.85	7 Lots totaling \$1,726.38
Three Quarters Past Due:	
1 Lot \$545.00	5 Lots \$1,904.07
Liens:	
13 Lots totaling \$27,701.22	17 Lots totaling \$40,851.79



Board Approvals for January 11, 2022

- ◆ Approval for Raintree Rays Swim Team requests
- ◆ Approval for New Audit Firm
- ◆ Approval for permanent easement to be given to the city for the underground storm pipe (Cheddington Drainage)



Unsatisfied Judgments/Liens

LIENS			
Lot#	First Name	Last Name	Address
63	Phillip	Williams	3857 SW Harbor Court
256	Kimberly	Grigsby	4068 SW Marline Dr.
359	Devin	Grimes	4043 SW Clipper Ln.
449	Mark	Keith	4169 SW Lafayette Pl.
694	Tiffany	Reese	400 SW Seagull
C7C	Mary	Kenney	336 SW Raintree Dr.

UNSATISFIED JUDGMENTS			
Lot#	First Name	Last Name	Address
43	Angela	Marks	3829 SW Harbor Circle.
52	Latonya	Wren	3716 SW Harbor Circle
295	Brett	Lloyd	4069 SW Pendant Dr.
1053	Corey	McDonald	4424 SW Gull Point
NS04	Tim	Fortier	4468 SW Raintree Shore Dr.
NS24	Brian	Morgan	4477 SW Aft



**WATER PATROL
HIRING**

Raintree Lake Property Owners Association is looking for Water Patrol Officers for this summer. The duties of the job include but are not limited to patrolling bodies of water to enforce the rules of the lake, checking fishermen, towing vessels, minor mechanical fixes, dock work, and overall interaction with our residents on the water. CPR and AED experience preferred. Applicants need to fill out an employment application on our website rlpoa.com. So if you are looking for a fast-paced seasonal job the application is located under the resident tab, click forms and employment application. Please send the completed application and resume to jcresswell@rlpoa.com. Pay negotiable with experience.

**NOW HIRING!
SEASONAL
GROUNDSKEEPER**

Application available in the office or on the website: www.rlpoa.com.
Apply in person or in the office, or send resume and application to: trew@rlpoa.com.




**WANTED:
Skilled Grounds
Maintenance Technician
to fill an immediate
position**

Raintree is looking for a self-motivated, driven individual, physically capable of performing various responsibilities in a fast-paced environment with minimum supervision. Must possess effective multi-tasking, managerial, organizational and problem-solving skills. Good oral and written communication skills are a necessity.

Grounds Technician is responsible for properly diagnosing and performing repairs and maintenance on all grounds equipment (gas, diesel and small engine.)

Experience in operating a variety of equipment including tractors, mowers, chainsaws, and weed eaters, to assist in various grounds keeping duties. Landscape experience preferred.

Pay range based on experience. High School Diploma or GED required. Valid Drivers License needed.

Application available in the office or on the website: www.rlpoa.com
Apply in person in the office, or send resume and application to trew@rlpoa.com.

BOARD CANDIDATE INFORMATION

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

I AM

I AM NOT

A MEMBER OF RLPOA.

LOT NUMBER _____ (IF APPLICABLE)

PHONE: _____ YEARS AT RAINTREE: _____

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: _____

CURRENT OR PREVIOUS SERVICE ON RAINTREE BOARD (if any): _____

I WANT TO SERVE AS A DIRECTOR FOR CLASS A CLASS B

GIVE A BRIEF BIOGRAPHY AND STATE WHY YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (suitable for possible publication in the *SHORELINE* – you may attach up to one additional page, if necessary, and furnish a photo for publication):

[It is suggested that, in addition to your personal and professional background, you address the following factors: (1) previous volunteer or government service or other experience, if any, which would contribute to your effectiveness as a Board member, (2) service on Raintree committees, if any, (3) your views on Raintree Covenants, Rules and Regulations and their enforcement, (4) issues at Raintree you are particularly concerned about and solutions you would support if elected to the Board.]

I HEREBY REQUEST THAT THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE PLACE MY NAME ON THE BALLOT FOR THE 2022 ELECTION:

SIGNATURE: _____

2022 Board Election—Attention Board Candidates

Annual Meeting. At 7:00 pm on Thursday, March 31, 2022, the annual meeting of the membership of Raintree Lake Property Owners Association (RLPOA) will be held in accordance with RLPOA By-Laws. The most important item of business for the annual meeting is the election of the Board of Directors. This year, the annual meeting will be held in person for those who wish to attend.

To Become a Candidate. If you are interested in running for the Raintree Lake Board of Directors, you will need to notify the office by Tuesday February 15, 2022, in order to be named on the mailed Proxy Ballot. Please remember that there is no provision for write-ins on the Proxy Ballot. We will also publish your biography and statement, along with your photo, if you furnish one (deadline is February 15, for the March Shoreline). Although nominations are required to be accepted (and will be added to the electronic ballot) until nominations are closed at the annual meeting on March 31, candidates who miss this publication date will be at a significant disadvantage for having lost the opportunity to have their information published in the March Shoreline, particularly because most members will have already voted electronically or by mail before the annual meeting. Please complete the form on page 4 of this edition of the Shoreline and turn it in to the Raintree office by Tuesday, February 15, 2022.

Candidate Forum. We will be doing videos of the candidates as we did last year. These videos will be posted on our website www.rlpoa.com for your review.

Service to the Community. Over the years, our Association has benefitted from the service of our Board of Directors. All are dedicated men and women who have been willing to give their time to maintain and improve our lake community. The RLPOA is a not-for-profit corporation which functions as a “private government” under the recorded covenants, responsible, among other things, for management of millions of dollars, worth of lake and other common real estate and enforcement of rules to help maintain property values for all for us. Without a continuing supply of such dedicated volunteers to provide continuous governance and oversight, our community would cease to be the attractive and comfortable neighborhood that we enjoy, and property values would suffer accordingly. It is the responsibility of the Nominating Committee to identify and encourage good candidates to run for the RLPOA Board, and in that spirit we especially encourage new residents as well as established residents who have never served on the Board to consider declaring their candidacy for the March election. Further, it is neither fair nor prudent to rely too heavily on the willingness of incumbents to seek re-election.

Differences between Class A and Class B Directors. In past years there has been some confusion regarding election of Class A directors and Class B directors. Our By-Laws, as amended, provide for a board of nine directors: seven elected by Class A members and two elected by Class B members. Simply stated, this determines how many directors can be elected by the membership of each class and does not require that board members be members of the class they represent (or that board members even be RLPOA members at all). Since we elect three directors each year to serve three-year terms, two of those years the members of Class A elect two directors, and the Class B members, one. The third year the Class A members elect all three (after that, the cycle repeats). This year two Class A and one Class B director will be elected.

Board Candidate Forms, Nominating Committee Contact. Forms are available in the RLPOA office (at the Clubhouse) or on page 4 of this issue of the Shoreline, to declare candidacy for the Board, or you can contact any member of the Nominating Committee to express your interest or ask questions. Give something back to your community. Both you and the community will benefit.

Nominating Committee:

David Elliott, Co-Chair (816) 524-6868

Joan Bruns, Co-Chair (913) 940-6003

San LaPoint (816) 537-6973

Mary Lynn Tolle (816) 537-6507

Joe Walter (816) 537-8486

Joe Willerth (816) 537-8820



BOARD CANDIDATE PROFILE



Name: Brian Marcotte

Address: 4701 SW Gull Point Drive

Employment: Retired- Law Enforcement

Years at Raintree: 3 ½ years

Current or previous service: Finance Committee-RLPOA.
Raintree Lake water patrol and grounds maintenance.

Class A Single-Family

In 2019, my wife, Kristy, and I moved to Raintree Lake from Orange County, California. Since then, I have spent the last three years contributing to both the safety and beautification of Raintree Lake as a member of our water patrol and the ground maintenance team. This opportunity has provided a unique perspective to our community's inner-workings and to the identification of areas where improvements may be possible.

I am currently retired after a 30-year law enforcement career at a southern California police department. I served a number of assignments within all three divisions at the agency. These assignments included patrol, investigations, and administration. During my fourteen year tenure within management, I had the opportunity to oversee our \$17 million dollar patrol budget. Moreover, I am familiar with the concept of performance budgets, reflecting both the input of resources and the output of services.

I feel it is important to mention, I was a board member to my former agency's line-level association and vice-president to the management association, for a combined total of twelve years service. Furthermore, I am a graduate of the Sherman Block Leadership Institute, a program designed to stimulate leadership, ethical decision-making, and analyze issues from multiple perspectives.

In closing, I shall work towards consistently improving the Raintree Lake community for all residents. I am a firm believer in building relationships with government stakeholders and law enforcement to address issues which are outside the scope and authority of the Board. Lastly, I promise to serve all residents equally, without prejudice or bias, while embracing fairness and transparency to gain the trust and confidence of all who call Raintree Lake their home.

I want to thank you for your consideration and I would appreciate your support with an opportunity to serve you.

2022 FEES

Assessments:	Fee
Class A Single Family Annual	\$580.08
Class A Single Family Quarterly	\$145.02
Class B Multi-Family Annual	\$386.52
Class B Multi-Family Quarterly	\$96.63
Commercial Annual	\$516.24
Commercial Quarterly	\$129.06
Boat Slips:	Fee
Boat Slip Lease (Annual)	\$400.00
Boat Stickers:	Fee
Motorboat	\$75.00
Non-motorized	\$20.00
Clubhouse:	Fee
Full Day Use Friday-Saturday-Sunday (9am - 12am)	\$500.00
Half-Day Use Monday - Thursday (excluding holidays) (Noon-10 pm)	\$200.00
Deposit	\$300.00
Mandatory Cleaning Fee	\$150.00
Duck Pond Activity Center:	Fee
Full Day Use Friday-Saturday-Sunday (9am - 10pm)	\$200.00
Half-Day Use Monday - Thursday (excluding holidays) (4-10pm)	\$75.00
Deposit	\$250.00
Mandatory Cleaning Fee	\$75.00
Pontoon (includes one tank of fuel!!):	Fee
Weekday, Full Day Use (8 am - 9 pm)	\$160.00
Weekday Early Bird Special (Mon-Thu, 8 am-2 pm, non-Holiday)	\$60.00
Weekday Afternoon (3:00 pm - 9:00 pm)	\$125.00
Weekends Full Day Use (8 am - 9 pm)	\$185.00
Weekend Morning (8 am - 2 pm)	\$125.00
Weekend Afternoon (3 pm - 9 pm)	\$125.00
Holiday Full Day Use (8 am - 9 pm)	\$200.00
Holiday Morning (8 am - 2 pm)	\$125.00
Holiday Afternoon (3 pm - 9 pm)	\$125.00
Deposit	\$250.00
Pool:	Fee
Residents	FREE
Guests - First 10 guests per lot	FREE
Guests - Visits after the 10th	\$2.00
Babysitter/Caregiver Pass	\$50.00
Resident ID:	Fee
First card per resident	FREE
Replacement card per resident	\$5.00
Activities:	Fee
Easter Egg Hunt, Summerfest, Visit with Santa, etc.	FREE



I don't understand why Cupid was chosen to represent Valentine's Day.

When I think about romance, the last thing on my mind is a short, chubby toddler coming at me with a weapon.



2022 Tentative Activities Schedule

EASTER EGG HUNT APRIL 16	SPRING GARAGE SALE APRIL 28-30	CINCO DE MAYO MAY 5	KITE FESTIVAL MAY 14
MEMORIAL DAY FISHING DERBY MAY 30	PONTOON RIDE & STREET DANCE JUNE 4	SUMMERFEST JUNE 25	PARADE, BOAT PARADE & FIREWORKS JULY 4
ADULT LUAU AUGUST 6	FAMILY SWIM AUGUST 20	FALL GARAGE SALE SEPTEMBER 8-10	CAR SHOW & COMMITTEE FAIR SEPTEMBER 17
TRUNK OR TREAT OCTOBER 22	SANTA PARADE DECEMBER 3		



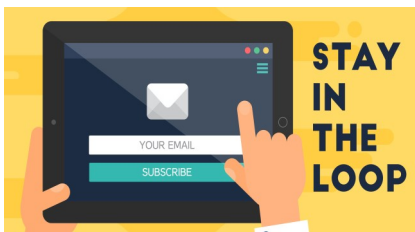
Home Improvements May Need Approval!!!!

Please remember that exterior changes may need approval from the Architectural Review Board (ARB). To accommodate residents' needs, the ARB meets on Monday's of each month. Applications to be considered need to be turned into the office the Thursday prior to the meeting. Please plan ahead when planning a project and get your approval early because you then are allowed 6 months to begin the project. ARB applications can be found on our website at www.rlpoa.com under "For Residents" > Forms > Architectural Review Forms. Please select the application required for your project. Some applications do require "plot plans," so contact the office if you do not have one available and we can check to see if we have one on file.

ALL APPLICATIONS HAVE TO BE TURNED INTO THE RAINTREE OFFICE—PLEASE DO NOT EMAIL THEM TO THE ARB DIRECTLY.

Here are some of the items that have to be approved: Roof Replacement, Exterior Paint (repainting existing color or new color choice), Fences, Pools, Decks/Patios, Retaining Walls, Play Equipment, and Driveways. This is to name a few.

Failure to receive prior approval will result in a \$200 fine. If you have any questions, contact the office at 816-537-7576.



Sign up for e-News and stay current on Raintree events with weekly bulletins and instant news alerts on important items of interest such as water quality reports, police alerts, and changes in Raintree activities.

Sign up at: www.rlpoa.com

1,863 members are already signed up!

DID YOU KNOW???

Current rules and regulations can always be found on the website:

www.rlpoa.com

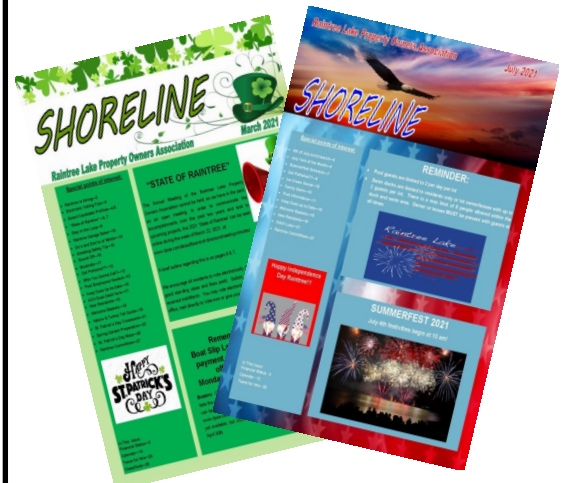
Then click:

Area Information > Rules and Guidelines > 2021 Searchable Directory

Did you know you can see previous editions of the Shoreline on our Raintree website:

<http://rlpoa.com/new-e-shoreline/>

Check it out!



Lee's Summit crews plow and treat more than 1,000 lane miles of streets and cul-de-sacs

Snow Control Response Levels

Lee's Summit has established snow control goals which include a completion time for each level of response. The goal time starts when accumulating winter precipitation ends and is dependent upon the severity of winter weather conditions.

Level 1: pre-treatment

Level 2: one inch or less; 24 hours

Level 3: one to six inches; 32.5 hours and six to ten inches; 40 hours

Level 4: more than ten inches; 48 hours

Level 5: sustained winds of 30 MPH; 48 hours



Street Classifications

Three street classifications are used for snow control. Primary and secondary roads are the main priority when the snowfall begins. Residential streets are plowed last.

Primary: major four-lane or high volume two-lane streets

Secondary: minor thoroughfares

Residential: local streets, includes dead end streets and cul-de-sacs

Residential Streets

When snow is falling or when heavy snowfall is predicted, the Public Works Department plows one pass on residential streets and around cul-de-sacs which allows for a drive lane down the center of the street. Once snowfall stops or one pass is complete, crews will return and plow streets open as much as attainable.

Private Streets, Driveways and Sidewalks

Plowing snow on private property is the property owner's responsibility. Shoveling snow to the side of the driveway will lessen the amount of snow left at the driveway entrance and/or sidewalks during plowing.

Tips to Remember

- Remove vehicles, basketball goals, and trash cans from streets to prevent delays and to improve the snow control process.
- Clear snow from around fire hydrants so they can be easily located during emergencies.
- Do not make snow tunnels on or near the street and driveways. Snow plows and other drivers may not see these and could accidentally injure someone playing inside of them.



Are you a "Snow Bird"?

Many of our Raintree Lake residents fly south for the winter, or other locations, looking for a warmer climate. It is important to let the office staff know if you are one of our "birds". This helps us reach you if questions come up regarding billing, boat slip leases or other issues. Additionally, we are the first contact of the Police and Fire Departments in the event there is a problem with your home. Please take the time to let our office staff know before you "fly south" and when you return.

A simple phone call will do the trick! **Raintree Office: 537-7576**

Muskrats



It's that time of year again to be on the lookout for muskrats. Please report any sightings of muskrats to the office. We appreciate your help in assisting us with the control of these rodents.

Things to Keep in Your Car During Winter



Ice Scraper / Snow Brush



Shovel



Gloves and Other Warm Clothing



Blanket



Flashlight



Reflector or Flares



Rock Salt, Sand, or Kitty Litter



First Aid Kit



Extra Windshield Washer Fluid



Chain or Rope



Cell Phone & Car Charger



Basic Tool Kit



Water and Non-Perishable Snacks



Sunglasses (to reduce sun glare on snow)



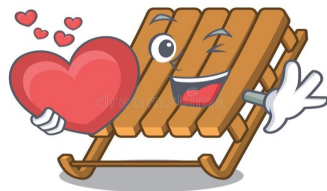
Jumper Cables



Half Full Tank of Gas

Do's & Don'ts of Winter

Any activity on the ice is strictly prohibited. Please keep off the ice!



One of Raintree's family fun events is sledding down the dam. Please remember that cars cannot be parked between the signs on the dam. This is a federal violation and you can be ticketed by police! All sledding activities are at your own risk. **Please be safe!**

Stay Warm & Be Safe!

Got Potholes?? Help out your Raintree Neighborhood by reporting.



LS Connect Helps you:

Get Connected. Report Concerns. Stay Engaged.

LS Connect keeps you connected to important City of Lee's Summit news and information, and also allows you to easily report some common non-emergency concerns such as potholes, codes violations, streetlight outages, and more. LS Connect is available as a free mobile app, and the reporting feature is also available online at LS Connect.

Raintree Residents: This is a great tool to let the city know about the potholes that are on your street! Please help the neighborhood by contacting the city!

WHO YOU GONNA CALL?

Frustrated! Don't know who to call? Here are some helpful phone numbers, for some of our every day problems.

Police Non-Emergency: 969-7390

- Graffiti
- Loud music/noise
- Public drinking
- Suspicious solicitor
- Abandoned car
- Illegal dumping
- Illegal fireworks
- Underage drinkers
- Car or home alarm
- Belligerent person



Lee's Summit Neighborhood Services 969-1200

- Overflowing trash bins
- Tall grass
- Abandoned appliance
- Foul odor
- Trash in yard
- Abandoned & deteriorating houses

Lee's Summit Public Works Dept. 969-1800

- Repair of City streets and sidewalks
- Broken traffic signal
- Flooded street
- Broken street sign
- Clogged storm drains
- Hazardous sidewalk
- Potholes

Lee's Summit Snow Desk: 969-1870

Lee's Summit Animal Control 969-1640

- Wild animals
- Dead animals
- Barking dog
- Rats

Lee's Summit Water Dept. 969-1900

- Polluting/pouring oil in drain
- Leaking fire hydrant
- Water main break

A great big **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped with the Santa Parade. A **BIG** thank you to Santa as well for visiting Raintree!





February

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Ladies Bridge 9:00 am & Men's Club 1:30pm both at DPAC	2 Cards 1 pm DPAC 	3 ARB DEADLINE Mahjong 1pm DPAC Daisy Troop 2998 5:30-7 pm DPAC	4	5
<p>Sign up for the Raintree e-News at www.rlpoa.com to get the latest information!</p>						
6	7 ARB MEETING	8 Ladies Bridge 9:00 am & Men's Club 1:30pm both at DPAC RLPOA Board Mtg.	9 Ladies Bunco 10 am at DPAC Canasta 1-4 pm at DPAC	10 ARB DEADLINE Book Club 10am DPAC Mahjong 1pm DPAC	11	12
13	14 ARB MEETING Girl Scout Troop 3688 4:30-6pm DPAC Brownies Troop 2170 6:30-8 pm DPAC <i>Happy Valentine's Day</i> 	15 Ladies Bridge 9:00 am & Men's Club 1:30pm both at DPAC	16 Fountain's Activities 1:00 pm at DPAC Garden Club Mtg. 7pm at DPAC	17 ARB DEADLINE Mahjong 1pm DPAC Daisy Troop 2998 5:30-7 pm DPAC	18	19
20	21 ARB MEETING	22 Ladies Bridge 9:00 am & Men's Club 1:30pm both at DPAC RLPOA Work Session	23 Canasta 1-4 pm at DPAC Wine Club 7 pm at DPAC	24 ARB DEADLINE Mahjong 1pm DPAC	25	26
27	28 ARB MEETING Fountain's Bunco 1-3 pm at DPAC Girl Scout Troop 3688 4:30-6pm DPAC Brownies Troop 2170 6:30-8 pm DPAC					

GREETINGS FROM THE GARDEN CLUB

What is happening in February besides the **Garden Club Meeting on Wednesday, February 16th, at the Duck Pond Activities Building at 7:00pm**? Of course, the answer is Valentine's Day on February 14th. **Flowers** are a classic choice as a gift and a token of love. Valentine's Day is the most popular holiday for flowers. Valentine's Day is the single busiest date for florists. The floral industry experiences its highest volume of sales, production and delivery volume on February 14th. Men buy flowers primarily for wives or significant others (82%) while the remaining balance goes to daughters, mothers and friends.

The **ROSE** is the most popular flower for Valentine's Day. It is hard to miss sale displays of roses in floral shops, supermarkets, drugstores and even gas station mini markets. Two hundred fifty million roses are produced for Valentine's Day. The favorite flower of Venus, the Goddess of Love is a red rose. The different colors of roses have different meanings. The red rose is for deep love and passion, white is for chaste love, yellow is for friendship, coral is for desire, pink is for admiration and primroses are for new love and new beginnings. A "Single Rose" is a simple way to tell someone you have fallen for them at first sight; "Two Roses" represents a deep kind of love; and "Three Roses" shows the number is enough to say the three words of "I love you."

"Life is like the flower for which love is the honey." Victor Hugo

Garden Chores for February: Prune your roses before they start coming out of dormancy. Just remember *"February is merely as long as is needed to pass the time until March"* (Dr. J.R. Stockton) and *"Every gardener knows that under the cloak of winter lies a miracle... a seed waiting to sprout, a bulb opening to the light, a bud straining to unfurl, and the anticipation nurtures our dreams"* (Barbara Winkler).

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY



PATROL ADDRESSES COLD WEATHER WATER SAFETY

Winter temperatures have arrived and that means the water temperature of lakes and rivers is becoming colder. In some areas, ice has begun to form on smaller bodies of water. Cold weather means cold rivers and lakes. If you have plans to be near or on one of the state's many bodies of water, please be careful and stay alert.

When someone is suddenly immersed in cold water, they are at risk for cold shock and hypothermia. Cold shock occurs when the body is suddenly immersed in cold water. Once the trunk of the body goes under, the blood vessels constrict to conserve core body heat. This will quickly limit the use of a person's arms and legs. Likewise, these conditions may cause a sudden increase in heart rate and blood pressure—in some cases resulting in cardiac arrest. Cold shock can cause involuntary gasping reflex. When the body hits the water, cold shock can cause the person to gasp for air, but inhale water and result in drowning.

The body loses heat 25 times faster in water than in the air. Lifejacket use becomes even more important in cold water because hypothermia can quickly rob the body of the ability to perform the most basic tasks and drowning is always a concern. If you take an unexpected plunge into cold water, it is vital to get out of the water and into dry clothes as soon as possible. If dry clothes are not an option leave the wet ones on. Even wet clothes will offer some insulation and trap body heat. A warm drink can be given to someone suffering from hypothermia if they are conscious. Caffeine and alcohol should be avoided. Drinks with sugars for quick energy are preferable. Hypothermia can be deadly even if you are wearing a PFD, so it is important to never go boating alone in the winter. If no one knows you are in trouble, no one can help.

Many cold weather anglers use lakes or ponds for winter recreational activities. Youngsters are often attracted to ice covered private ponds for skating and playing. Theoretically, the only "safe" ice is at a skating rink. The ice forming on lakes, rivers, and ponds place a person at much greater risk due to natural variables. It's impossible to judge the strength of ice by its appearance or daily temperature. Missouri weather moves from single digit temperatures to the upper 40s within short time periods, which will greatly affect the construction of ice.

Adults should educate children about the dangers of playing on ice and always supervise them when they play on or near ice. Make sure they understand the dangers of being on the ice and insist that they wear a lifejacket/PFD. Never let them play on ponds or lakes unattended.

Many ice victims start out as would-be rescuers. To prevent this from happening, do not go onto the ice to rescue another person or retrieve a pet. To aid someone who has fallen through the ice the first step should be calling for emergency services. A local fire department should have the quickest response time, the proper equipment, and have trained to handle ice emergencies. Rather than going onto the ice to attempt rescuing someone, you should extend a ladder, pole, or rope to a victim along with something that will float.

Another winter water safety concern is related to docks. Ice and heavy snow combinations have caused major damage to boat docks in the past. The extra weight of snow and ice can cause such structures to collapse. The Missouri State Highway Patrol would like to caution dock owners about attempting to remove snow and ice from their docks during inclement weather. It is easy to end up in the water accidentally. Due to the extreme cold water, hypothermia can set in quickly and render a person helpless in the water.

If dock owners insist on being on docks during icy conditions, life jackets should always be worn. Use the buddy system to make sure that someone is there to assist you if you end up in the water. Remember that damaged electric wires around docks should be treated as if they are live. Any boats operating in areas where major dock damage has occurred are encouraged to operate at no wake idle speed, to prevent further damage to docks already under the added stress off heavy snow and ice.

Troopers encourage everyone to remain vigilant around water. If you are on or near the water and an emergency occurs, call *55 on your cellular phone to reach the nearest troop headquarters. Marine enforcement troopers and emergency response services will respond.

<https://tribune.net/index.php/2020/12/10/patrol-addresses-cold-weather-water-safety/>



Raintree Boaters:

With the new boating season coming up, please make sure your insurance company provides the office with an updated copy of your Declaration page. Email office@rlpoa.com or our fax number is (816) 537-5621.

This year, those who have an EVEN lot number, or are new to Raintree, will be required to take the open-book safety test. The safety test can be taken by accessing it on the website at www.rlpoa.com. At this time boat stickers are not available, but the 2021 stickers are valid until April 30th.

Boat Slip Leaseholders:

Did you know you could sublease your boat slip while retaining your lease? Many boat slips remain unused every summer, and many residents are anxious to sublease your slip from you! Every month there are ads in the classified area of this newsletter, from people looking for a slip to sublease.

This is a win-win situation! You remain the leaseholder while earning back your money and another resident has the pleasure of using your slip for the summer. Sublease forms are available at our website at www.rlpoa.com or in the office.

Boat slip lease contracts have been mailed.

Both contract and payment are due in the office by Tuesday, March 15th.

Keep Dues Up-to-Date!

First quarter billing for 2022 was mailed out in January and will be due by March 31st.

For your convenience, there are **FOUR WAYS TO PAY** your Raintree dues:

- ◆ **Direct ACH Debit**— Stop by with a voided check and we'll help you get set up!
- ◆ **Drop it off!** Pay in the office with check or cash (same address as above.) Also, there is a drop box available by the office door, in case you want to drop something off when office is closed.
- ◆ **Mail it in!** (825 SW Raintree Drive)
- ◆ **Online at RLPOA.com**—pay from the comfort of your home (fees apply). **Show your receipt in the office if you need immediate proof of your transaction.**



Raintree Lake POA is pleased to offer electronic ACH Debit to you, our residents. ACH direct debit payments provide an alternative and easy way to pay your dues, affording you the following advantages:

- ◆ Certainty of on time delivery
- ◆ Establishment of excellent payment and credit records
- ◆ Eliminating paper check handling and check depositing
- ◆ Being part of "Going Green" by reducing paper

How do I get started? Complete and sign an ACH Enrollment Form. Bring the form and a copy of a Voided Check into the office to set up.

This month let's focus on reaching out to connect with others and doing our best to be a good friend. Our acts of kindness and connection ripple out and impact so many more people than we realize and they also boost our own happy hormones too! In stressful times people around us may be feeling the strain, so let's try to keep calm, take time to listen and show compassion.



ACTION CALENDAR: FRIENDLY FEBRUARY



1 Send someone a message to say how much they mean to you

2 Ask a friend how they have been feeling recently

3 Do an act of kindness to make life easier for someone else

4 Organise a virtual 'tea break' with colleagues or friends

5 Show an active interest by asking questions when talking to others

6 Get back in touch with an old friend you've not seen for a while

7 Make an effort to have a friendly chat with a neighbour

8 Share what you're feeling with someone you really trust

9 Thank someone and tell them how they made a difference for you

10 Look for the good in people, even when they frustrate you

11 Send an encouraging note to someone who needs a boost

12 Focus on being kind rather than being right

13 Send a friendly message of support to a local business

14 Tell your loved ones why they are special to you

15 Smile at the people you see and brighten their day

16 Check in on someone who may be struggling and offer to help

17 Respond kindly to everyone you talk to today, including yourself

18 Appreciate the good qualities of someone in your life

19 Share a video or message you find inspiring or helpful

20 Make a plan to connect with others and do something fun

21 Actively listen to what people say, without judging them

22 Give sincere compliments to people you talk to today

23 Be gentle with someone who you feel inclined to criticise

24 Tell a loved one about their strengths that you value most

25 Thank three people you feel grateful to and tell them why

26 Give positive comments to as many people as possible today

27 Call a friend to catch up and really listen to them

28 Make uninterrupted time for your loved ones



"The best way to cheer yourself up is to cheer somebody else up" - Mark Twain



"The only way to have a friend is to be one" - Ralph Waldo Emerson

New Residents

Welcome to the Neighborhood!

Charles Rouse
4613 SW Raintree Drive

Robert & Stacy Whitney
331 SW Albatross Ct

Alec & Angela Chambers
4045 SW Clipper Lane

Catherine Curtis & Pasquale George
306 SW 163rd St.

Michael Blunt
4112 SW Minnesota

Justin & Audrey Hitchens
4201 SW Sapelo Drive

Anthony George
4389 SW Breezy Point

Michal & Omri Guelfand
728 SW Windsong Cr.

Robert & Shannon Leadford
602 SW Raintree Drive

Michael & Sally Hile
4653 SW Soldier Dr.



Frank & Linda Bolbecker
4007 SW Homestead Dr.

Larry & Marinell Zion
4105 SW James Younger Dr.

Stephen Schafer
4625 SW Soldier Dr.



Welcome Baskets: An Opportunity for Advertisers

RAINTREE Are you a resident who would like to advertise the products or services offered by your company?

Consider adding an item to our Welcome Basket that would contain your logo or information regarding your business or product. There is no cost to you to add something to the basket.

New residents to Raintree typically receive a Welcome Basket when they come visit the office for the first time. The Welcome Baskets contain things like koozies, cups, key chains, toothbrushes, pens, coupons, lotion, hats or visors, magnets, ads for local businesses and at one point we even had bar-b-que sauce! You never know what might be included!

Would you like to add something to our Welcome Baskets to advertise your business?
Bring your item(s) by the office during office hours.

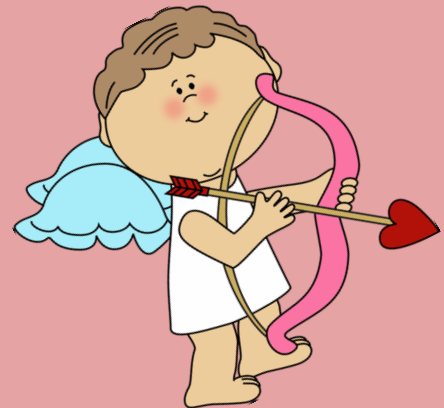
Winter Office Hours

Monday - Friday
9 am - 4 pm

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In Roman mythology, Cupid is the **son of Venus**, the goddess of love and beauty. And he is known as the god of affection. Legend has it that Cupid shoots magical gold-tipped arrows at gods and humans alike. By piercing their heart with an arrow, he causes individuals to fall deeply in love.



Love Your Neighbor

Neighbors can be anyone – your mail carrier, your pastor, a mom at church, the grocery store employee, bank teller, etc. Today let's mean it to be your actual neighbor, the people who live next to you or near.

Here are 3 ways you can brighten up your neighborhood this Valentine's Day with little acts of kindness and love.

#1 – Give your neighbor a **HEART ATTACK**.

Not the kind that lands your neighbor in a hospital bed, but the kind that will hopefully leave them feeling better than ever. Simply cut up a bunch of hearts from pink, red or purple paper, write sweet messages on them, then tape them up on your neighbor's outside front windows. They will be so surprised when they come home.



#2 – Bake them a **TREAT**.

Who wouldn't like receiving something homemade from your kitchen?? We all know that food is a great way to get to someone's heart! Cookies, brownies, cupcakes, or a fresh loaf of bread, whatever you fancy. Try looking online for **FREE** Printable Baked With Love Tags. They are perfect for sharing a bit of deliciousness.

#3 – Spread the love with a **CANDY GRAM**.

Try going to the Dollar Tree or your local CVS for various candies and snacks and turn it into a fun little candy gram. Use a red poster board from the Dollar Tree and cut it into a heart before writing your message and attaching the treats with a little tape. Then leave the heart on your neighbor's doorstep, knock, and make a run for it!

These simple ideas are inexpensive and something you can throw together in only a couple of days!



<https://happyhomefairy.com/love-your-neighbor/>



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Spring is upon us and Buyers are eager to purchase a home at Raintree Lake! Interest rates and lake home inventory are still very low so opportunity knocks for sellers. There could not be a better time to put your home on the market if you are considering moving. Eager Lake Enthusiast Buyers want to enjoy the lifestyle at Raintree Lake! We want to speak with you regarding your next move and/or assistance in selling your home. We look forward to putting more SOLD signs at our #1 selling Lake Community-Raintree Lake!

Visit: LeesSummitLakeHomes.com, the best source for buyers looking for newly listed Lake Homes.

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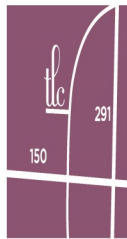
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Wanted: Boat slip to sub lease! We will pay up front for anywhere between 1-8 years. We are a family of 6 but my husband travels extensively for weeks at a time. It's difficult for me to maneuver the boat in and out with my 4 children solo. Any slip, anywhere on the lake, for any length of time...we will gladly utilize it! Thank you for considering us. Call Nicole at 913-638-6657.

Wanted: SUBLEASE YOUR BOAT SLIP for 1-5 years. Prepay you all \$\$\$ today. You pay HOA when due! Call for details! EJ (913-220-7317) Angela (816-456-8477).

Wanted: Boat slip to sublease for the 2022 season or longer. Please call Mark or Terri Asher 816-686-7077 or 816-716-4788.

Wanted: Looking for a boat slip to sublease next season and seasons thereafter if possible. Losing our current one due to owners moving. Would prefer north side but open to any possibilities. Please contact Frank 816-204-0177 or Brenda 816-617-4466. Thank you!!!

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Wanted: Boat slip to sublease for the 2022 season and possibly longer. Will pay upfront or however is best for you. I have 3 kids that would greatly appreciate it. Please contact Tony 816-506-2130.

Wanted: Raintree Family looking to sublease slip. Interested in full time, shared, anything. Call or Text 816-820-9303 Greatly appreciated!



2021 Shoreline Ad Rates

Business Card - \$47.25

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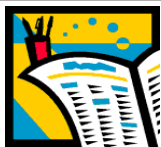
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Common Ground: Kathy Goldman
Lake: Tim Hamilton & Bob Burasco
Pool: Dianne Hanlin
Activities: Tonya Gundersen
Raintree View: TBD
Duck Pond Activity Center: Marilyn Burasco
Nominating: David Elliott & Joan Bruns
Finance: Marsha Powell
Siltation: Brian Ratigan
Welcoming: Rose Marie Walter
Pond: Roger Sense
Security Committee: David Mitchell
Social Media Committee: Megan Gentile

**Committee Meetings
& Locations:**

ARB: 1st & 3rd Mondays 7pm @ Clubhouse
Appeals: 1st Tuesday 7pm @ DPAC
Common Ground: 3rd Tuesday, 6:30pm @ DPAC
Lake: 1st Monday 7pm @ Clubhouse
Pool: WATCH CALENDAR
Activities: 2nd Thursday, 7:00 pm @ DPAC
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