

SHORELINE

50 years

600 months

2,600 weeks

18,262 days

438,300 hours

26,298,000 minutes

and the best is yet to come



Happy **50th**

Anniversary

RAINTREE LAKE

Raintree Lake Property Owners Association

September 2023

Financial Statement

As of July 2023

Money Market Sweep	Future Projects:
Account:	Facilities:
\$809,816.63	\$15,000.00
Income:	Raintree View:
\$164,994.62	\$17,350.00
Expenses:	Siltation Loan:
\$128,163.06	(\$45,000.00)
Net Income/Loss:	Ward Road:
36,831.56	\$10,000.00
2022 Roll-Over Funds:	Pond Walking Trail:
\$53,131.00	\$50,700.00

Capital Asset Reserve:	Principal Payments
\$200,000.00	Reserved:
	\$100,000.00
	Future New Storm
	Water Project:
	\$150,000.00

HELLO!
SEPTEMBER

Board Approvals for August 8, 2023

◆ Approved the purchase and installation of an air bubbler in the northern part of Sunset Cove in the amount of \$13,000.



Fall Yoga with Bridgette

Mondays at 12 noon in the Clubhouse.
First class is September 11, 2023.

Please check the calendar for any changes to the schedule.

***No class on September 25, 2023*

Delinquency Report Comparison

2023	2022
One Quarter Past Due:	
111 Lots totaling	98 Lots totaling
\$16,372.11	\$11,515.82
Two Quarters Past Due:	
24 Lots totaling	16 Lots totaling
\$7,674.09	\$4,579.42
Three Quarters Past Due:	
7 Lots totaling	9 Lots totaling
\$2,761.83	\$4,419.42
Liens:	
12 Lots totaling	13 Lots totaling
\$30,174.64	\$32,298.22



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

Unsatisfied Judgments/Liens

LIENS			
Lot#	First Name	Last Name	Address
359	Devin	Grimes	4043 SW Clipper Ln.
711	Roslyn	Haley	429 SW Seagull
RLV8A	Karen	Messerli	4141 SW Minnesota
SR19	Jonathan	Poppe	740 SW Windsong Cr.

UNSATISFIED JUDGMENTS			
Lot#	First Name	Last Name	Address
43	Angela	Marks	3829 SW Harbor Cir.
52	LaTonya	Wren	3716 SW Harbor Cir.
295	Brett	Lloyd	4069 SW Pendant Dr.
581	Judith	Casady	329 SW Marsh Wren
694	Tiffany/Demond	Reese/Jones	400 SW Seagull
NS04	Tim	Fortier	4468 SW Raintree Shore Dr.
NS24	Brian	Morgan	4477 SW Aft

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 Snow Desk: 969-1870

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 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



SOUND OFF!!!

Dog Owners:

You MUST have your dogs on a leash at ALL times. It is a Lee's Summit Law. Residents have been attacked by dogs not on a leash, so please follow the rules!



2023 FEES

Assessments:	Fee
Class A Single Family Annual	\$629.40
Class A Single Family Quarterly	\$157.35
Class B Multi-Family Annual	\$419.40
Class B Multi-Family Quarterly	\$104.85
Commercial Annual	\$560.16
Commercial Quarterly	\$140.04
New Resident Transfer Fee	\$200.00
New Resident Amenity Fee	\$300.00

Boat Slips/Lift Fees:	Fee
Boat Slip Lease (Annual)	\$800.00
Boat Lift (Annual)	\$200.00
Lift Attachment Fee	\$250.00

Boat Stickers:	Fee
Motorboat	\$100.00
Non-motorized	\$25.00

Clubhouse:	Fee
Full Day Use Friday-Saturday-Sunday (9am - 12am)	\$550.00
Half-Day Use Monday - Thursday (excluding holidays) (Noon-10 pm)	\$225.00
Deposit	\$300.00
Mandatory Cleaning Fee	\$150.00

Duck Pond Activity Center:	Fee
Full Day Use Friday-Saturday-Sunday (9am - 10pm)	\$225.00
Half-Day Use Monday - Thursday (excluding holidays) (4-10pm)	\$100.00
Deposit	\$250.00
Mandatory Cleaning Fee	\$75.00

Pontoon (includes one tank of fuel!):	Fee
Weekday (Mon-Thu), Full Day Use (8 am - 9 pm)	\$175.00
Weekday Early Bird Special (Mon-Thu, 8 am-2 pm, non-Holiday)	\$85.00
Weekday Afternoon (3:00 pm - 9:00 pm)	\$135.00
Weekend Full Day Use (8 am - 9 pm)	\$250.00
Weekend Morning (8 am - 2 pm)	\$175.00
Weekend Afternoon (3 pm - 9 pm)	\$175.00
Holiday Full Day Use ONLY (8 am - 9 pm)	\$300.00
Deposit	\$250.00

Pool:	Fee
Residents	FREE
Guests - First 10 guests per lot	FREE
Guests - Visits after the 10th	\$5.00
Babysitter/Caregiver Pass	\$50.00

ONLY PURCHASED GUEST CREDITS WILL ROLL-OVER TO NEXT YEAR

Resident ID:	Fee
First card per resident	FREE
Replacement card per resident	\$5.00

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING FOOD TRUCK NIGHTS

The turn out was great! We appreciate everyone that came and supported the various



food trucks – even selling them out a few times!

Our local business owners were also happy to meet so many of our residents.

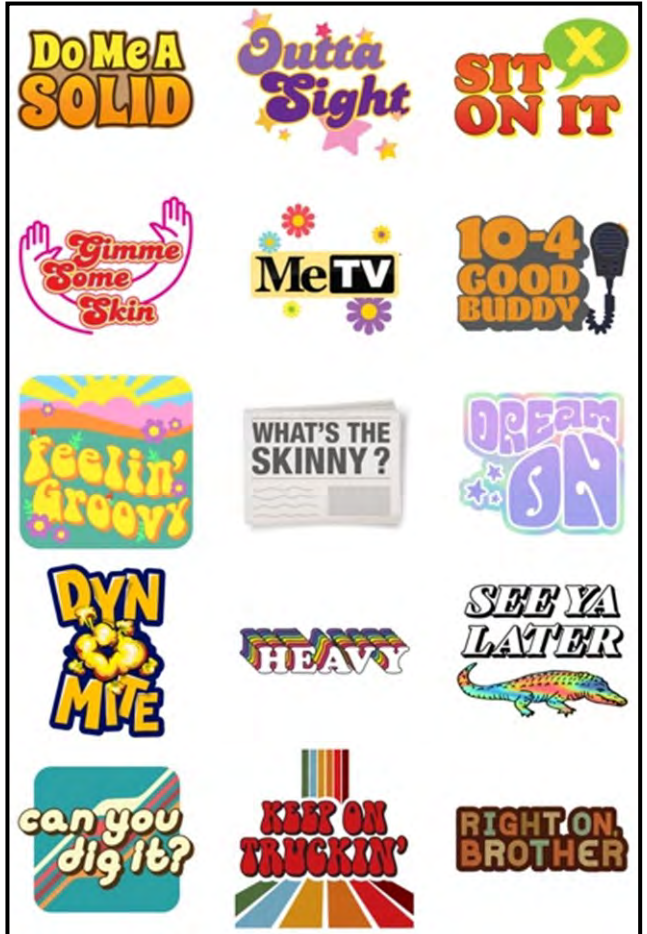
Thank you to those that stopped by their tables to check them out.

We also want to recognize De Ski and Poets Mortis.

Both did an amazing job of providing us with live music. We are very grateful that they were able to share their talents with us.

We had a fun season and look forward to bringing Food Truck Nights back in 2024!

Popular Lingo in 1973



Raintree Lake 2023 Kids Fishing Derby

Monday (Labor Day), September 4, 2023



The 2023 Raintree Lake Kid's Fishing Derby will be held on **Monday, September 4 (Labor Day)**, at the **Duck Pond!** ALL Raintree kids (ages up to 18) and their families are welcome to attend. Registration begins at **8:00am** and the fishing will kick off promptly at **9:00am** and end at **10:30am**. Prizes in multiple age categories, snacks, and drinks for the families will be provided. We hope to see you there! Award ceremony will immediately follow the event.

We will be providing buckets for the fish that are caught, before they are judged and released. We will have a limited supply of rods and reels if needed. Also, we are hoping to get a supply of home grown nightcrawlers from Raintree's own youth entrepreneur Braden (BOB's Worm Mart).

Dog Days of Summer "off-leash play-and-swim party" on Tuesday, September 5, 2023. **DOGS OF ALL SIZES WELCOME!**

- Dogs **UNDER 25 lbs.** will swim from 5:30-6:15pm, and dogs **OVER 25 lbs.** will swim from 6:30-7:15pm.
- Sorry, humans will not be joining the canines in the pool. Raintree resident ID's will be required to enter the pool area.
- All dogs must have current rabies shots and all vaccines as required by law. Rabies tags and current city tax tags must be worn and displayed by all dogs at all times.
- Pick up after your dog, "Scoop the Poop" including inside and outside the pool area.
- Dogs known to exhibit fierce, aggressive, or dangerous behavior are not permitted.
- Each dog must be accompanied by an adult (over age 18). One dog per adult will be allowed to participate.
- Lot Owners are responsible for any injuries caused by their dog(s).
- All children must be accompanied by an adult.
- Dogs may not be left unattended or out of sight range and must be maintained under voice control at all times.
- Dogs must be leashed while on clubhouse premises until inside the pool area.
- All dog owners assume all risk. RLPOA will not be liable for any injury or damage caused by dogs or owner. A liability waiver must be signed by dog owner before dog will be allowed to participate.
- The slide will be inaccessible for this event.



New Residents

Welcome to the Neighborhood!

Shari Travis
905 SW Olympia

Richard Faulkner & Jamie Batschke
4337 SW Sapelo

Thomas Donahoe
5130 SW Pelican Point

Jared & Lisa Obermeyer
224 SW Seagull

Lukas Murrell
4120 SW Leeward Drive



Welcome Baskets: An Opportunity for Advertisers

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.

Summer/Fall Office Hours

Monday - Friday
9 am - 5 pm

Saturday
9 am - 1 pm

825 SW Raintree Dr.
LSMO 64082

office@rlpoa.com

General Manager: Rachelle Vandiver
manager@rlpoa.com

Office: 816-537-7576

Fax: 816-537-5621

List of 1973 Major News Events in History

1. The United States ends its involvement in the Vietnam War after the signing of the Paris Peace Accords
2. OPEC oil to increase by 200%
3. Secretariat becomes the first horse since Citation in 1948 to win the Triple Crown
4. Alaska Oil Pipeline bill is passed to allow construction of a pipeline to access oil from the North Slope of Alaska
5. Supreme Court of the United States rules on Roe v. Wade.
6. Cod War UK and Iceland
7. Three-Day Week put in place in the UK
8. Sydney Opera House is opened
9. Yom Kippur War and Oil Embargo
10. UK inflation rate running at 8.4% and the US running at 6.16%



The North side (Jackson County) of Raintree Lake was annexed in to the City of Lee's Summit in 1964.

The South side (Cass County) of Raintree Lake was annexed in to the City of Lee's Summit in 1975.

Raintree Fall Garage Sales

September 7, 8 & 9!



Attention Raintree Residents! **It's time for our annual fall neighborhood-wide garage sale event.** It is your choice if you wish to participate. But, don't let the secret out that Wednesday, September 6th, is our evening (preview or purchase) sale for our residents. Warn the kids to be careful, as there will be more cars in the neighborhood!

Sign Regulations for Garage and Yard Sales per the City of Lee's Summit:

- *May be placed one day prior to the event.
- *Shall be **removed the day after** the event concludes.
- *May be placed on others' private property **with their permission.**
- *Are **not allowed** to be posted on telephone poles, street signs, traffic signal poles, etc.

*** PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO PICKUP AT THE CLUBHOUSE OF LEFTOVER ITEMS***

1973 THE YEAR

You were born

AVERAGE COST

A first class stamp	\$0.08
A gallon of gas	\$0.39
A dozen eggs	\$0.78
A movie ticket	\$1.70
A new house	\$32,500.00

U.S. PRESIDENT

Richard Nixon



World POPULATION
3.927 BILLION

TECHNOLOGY

Skylab, the United States' first space station, is launched.

Concorde cuts flying time across the Atlantic in half flying at average speed of 954 mph.

The Sears Tower opens in Chicago.

Kawasaki introduces the first personal water craft, the Jet Ski.

AVERAGE INCOME PER YEAR

\$12,900

'70s SLANG

Psyche! - Just kidding
Far Out! - Cool
Dream On - Unrealistic
Right On! - In agreement
Can You Dig It? - Do you understand?

IN Style...

WOMEN

Polyester
Flared trousers
Platform shoes
Farrah Fawcett Flicks

MEN

V-neck velour shirts
Turtlenecks
Chest hair • Sideburns
Afros • Mulletts

IN THE NEWS...

Spiro Agnew, the Vice President of the United States resigns. Agnew had been dealing with charges of tax evasion and receiving bribes prior to his resignation.

Watergate Hearings begin in the United States Senate and President Richard Nixon tells the nation, "I am not a crook."

Billie Jean King and Bobby Riggs competed in "The Battle of the Sexes" exhibition tennis match.

Elvis Presley's Aloha From Hawaii television special is seen around the world by more than 1 billion viewers.

IN THEATERS...

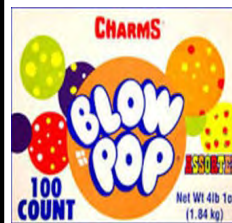
The Exorcist
American Graffiti
Last Tango in Paris
Live and Let Die
Paper Moon
The Sting

ON Television...

The Odd Couple
Sanford and Son
The Partridge Family
The Price Is Right
M*A*S*H

ON THE RADIO...

Tie a Yellow Ribbon Round the Ole Oak Tree - Tony Orlando and Dawn
Bad, Bad Leroy Brown - Jim Croce
Killing Me Softly with His Song - Roberta Flack
Let's Get It On - Marvin Gaye
My Love - Paul McCartney & Wings



What is trending in 1973

Michael and Jennifer were favorite baby names, and **Hamburger Helper and pasta primavera** were all the rage. The Exorcist was the most popular film, Jonathan Livingston Seagull was the best-selling fiction book, and All in the Family (CBS) was the top TV show.







Average Temperatures Summer of 1973

Average high for June 85 degrees low 64

Average high for July 86 degrees low 67

Average high for August 87 degrees low 67

September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 ARB DEADLINE Pool Open School Hours (4:00 pm—8:00 pm)	2 Pool Open (10:30 am—9:00 pm)
3 Pool Open (10:30 am—9:00 pm)	4 LAST DAY OF POOL CLOSING 9PM OFFICE CLOSED LABOR DAY  KIDS FISHING DERBY	5 Ladies Bridge 9:15 am & Men's Club 1:30pm both at DPAC Dog Days of Summer RLPOA pool Appeals Committee 7 pm DPAC ARB 7pm Clubhouse	6 Cards 1 pm - DPAC	7  Yoga 10 am at CBHS Mahjong 1pm DPAC Daisy Troop 2998 6-7:30 pm @ DPAC Bourbon Club 7P CBHS	8 COMMUNITY-WIDE GARAGE SALE 	9 
10	11 Yoga 12 pm at Clubhouse Brownie Troop 2170 6:30-8 pm @ DPAC Lake Committee 7pm Clubhouse	12 Ladies Bridge 9:15 am & Men's Club 1:30pm both at DPAC Villas Executive Board Mtg - 6:30 pm at DPAC RLPOA Board Meeting	13 Ladies Bunco 10 am - DPAC Canasta 1-4 pm - DPAC	14 ARB DEADLINE Yoga 10 am @ CBHS Book Club 10am PAC Mahjong 1pm DPAC Activities Committee Meeting 7pm DPAC	15	16 RAINTREE LAKE  4 pm @ Clubhouse
17	18 ARB 7pm Clubhouse Yoga 12 pm at Clubhouse	19 Ladies Bridge 9:15 am & Men's Club 1:30pm both at DPAC Common Ground Mtg 6:30 at DPAC	20 Fountain's Activities 1:00 pm at DPAC Garden Club Mtg 6:30pm	21 Mahjong 1pm DPAC Pond Committee 10 am @ CBHS	22	23
24	25 No Yoga Fountain's Bunco 1-3 pm at DPAC Brownie Troop 2170 6:30-8 pm @ DPAC	26 Ladies Bridge 9:15 am & Men's Club 1:30pm both at DPAC RLPOA Work Session	27 Canasta 1-4 pm at DPAC Wine Club 7pm at DPAC	28 Mahjong 1pm DPAC Villas Board Mtg. 6:30 pm at DPAC	29	30

Happy 50th Anniversary Raintree!

2023 marks fifty years since the establishment of our Raintree Lake Community. We live in an amazing community of wonderful families. Let's make this celebration one that we'll all remember for a lifetime!



When: September 16, 2023

Where: Raintree Lake Clubhouse

Time: Car Show 4:00—6:00pm

Kid's Car Show 4:00—6:00pm

Dancing to the 1973 Vibes with DJ Vinnie 4:00pm—8:00pm

Food Trucks 4:00pm—8:00pm

Beer Tent 4:00pm until we run out.....

Fireworks 8:30pm!

Car Show (adults)
Categories are:

Peoples Choice 2023

Best of 1903-1960

Best of 1961-1980

Best of 1981-2000

Best of 2001-2023



We will also be including a Kid's Car Show this year.

Peoples Choice 2023



SUICIDE AWARENESS WALK

PRESENTED BY: CHOOSE 2 LIVE

REGISTER AT:
choose2live.org/store

LAST DATE TO REGISTER
9/4

\$25
DONATION*

SATURDAY

SEPT. 16

9:00 AM

CHECK-IN BEGINS
AT 8 AM

RAINTREE
CLUBHOUSE

* ENTER PRIOR TO 9/4 AND RECEIVE A T-SHIRT

Raising Awareness One Step at a Time

NEWS FROM THE GARDEN CLUB

SEPTEMBER GARDEN CLUB MEETING - SEPTEMBER 20th @ 7:00pm @ THE DPAC

A BIG THANK YOU

To Raintree resident **JEFF KING** for his donation to the Garden Club in trimming the trees at the Duck Pond Garden.

19th ANNUAL "MUM" GARDEN CLUB FUNDRAISER

Proceeds from this annual fundraiser supports the Garden Club's continuing efforts on beautification projects at Raintree Lake. Besides maintaining the lovely Duck Pond Garden this year, the Garden Club also planted a Butterfly Garden at the Raintree View area, participated in Summerfest in having Raintree children paint rocks to be used as a border at the new Butterfly Garden, and helped the office in planting flowers around the clubhouse flagpole and the Regatta Islands flower pots,

Please support your Community's Garden Club through purchasing mums or making donations. The deadline for PAID PRE-ORDERS is WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th. Checks are payable to the Raintree Lake Garden Club and should be mailed to Mabelle Seiler, 712 SW Estates Dr, Lee's Summit, MO 64082. MUM ordering flyers are available at the office. **MUM (2 gallon size) COST is \$14.00. Orders will be available for pickup on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th at the clubhouse from 9:00am to 1:00pm.** The club did order extras above the pre-orders last year, but they sold out quickly. Only cash or checks can be accepted for extras. MAKE SURE YOU GET YOUR MUMS BY PRE-ORDERING! For questions on this fundraiser, please contact cindywhitestylist@gmail.com

PICTURES ARE OF BUTTERFLIES AND BUMBLEBEES ENJOYING THE FLOWERS AT THE BUTTERFLY GARDEN AND FLOWERS FROM GARDEN CLUB MEMBERS' YARDS. Go to the Raintree Lake Website to see the pictures in color.



**Luna Pink Swirl Hardy Hibiscus
Lois Falco yard**



**Surprise Lilies
Rita Madison yard**



Flowers at Butterfly Garden



Elephant Ears - Tracy Robertson yard

Raintree Lake Garden Club's 19th Annual Chrysanthemum Sale/Fundraiser

All proceeds from this Fundraiser go to support
beautification projects at Raintree Lake.

We also accept donations. Your support is greatly appreciated!!

Deadline for Paid Pre-Orders is Wednesday, September 20th

Orders will be available for **pick-up on Saturday, September 30th at the Raintree Lake Clubhouse from 9a-1p**(Cash/Check only for Extras until sold out)



Mum Pre-Order

Name _____

Phone _____

Method of Payment Check Cash

Item	Amount	Qty	Total
Chrysanthemums (2-gal size)	\$14		
Donation			

There will be a variety of colors available

Please send pre-orders with payment to:

Machelle Seiler, 712 SW Estates Dr., Lee's Summit MO 64082

Please make checks payable to the Raintree Lake Garden Club

Questions?? Contact cindywhitestylist@gmail.com



RAINTREE LAKE 2023 TRUNK-OR-TREAT

Sponsored by
Your RLPOA Activities Committee

When: Saturday, October 28, 2023

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. (setup can begin at 1 p.m.)

Where: Raintree Lake Clubhouse Parking Lot

Raintree Lake resident children (adults, pets, you get the idea) are invited to wear costumes and trick or treat while viewing decorated cars in the Clubhouse parking lot. To reserve a spot for your decorated “TRUNK” click [HERE](#). If you would like to decorate a space rather than a vehicle, that option is available also. For more information or to help in general with the event, please contact Brenda Zeller at bzeller@millerco.com or 816-617-4466.

Stay tuned to the October Shoreline and future email blasts from the office as we get closer to Halloween of what additional activities will be happening at this year’s Trunk-or-Treat.

Anyone wishing to contribute candy/treats to the cause, please drop unopened bags at the office prior to the Friday of the event. All donations are greatly appreciated!





In The Beginning of Raintree Lake...

My family has been part of raintree since the very beginning. My Grandpa and Grandma James and Margaret Choate owned a home at 125th street and Raytown road. The Army core of Engineers Purchased their home in early 1974 to build Longview lake. They were allowed to keep the house. They finalized the sale in Feb of 1974 and purchased one of the first lots sold in Raintree in March of 1974. Lot 15 for the total price of \$12,000. They paid a company \$5000 to have the house moved to Raintree lake in September of 1974. Included are a few photos of that process.

My parents were living with my grandparents for a few months waiting on their closing date when I was born. I was able to purchase my grandparents house a few years ago returning to my very first address. My parents purchased a house in Raintree a few years later on Georgetown Road that was here before the lake and has the only detached garage in Raintree because it was grandfathered in.

In the pictures you can see me on the mower with my grandpa before the 77 Plaza flood that filled the lake. You can see Ward road that was gravel at the time and Sunset cove with out water.

Courtesy of Jimmy Foulk



Sunset Cove before it filled with water.

The 16 inches of rain that fell on September 12, 1977 that flooded the Plaza was responsible for filling Raintree Lake. What was supposed to take 5 years to fill was done in one night...

Plaza Flood of 1977

Around midnight on September 12, 1977, heavy rain began and persisted into the morning. By the time a second wave of storms hit that evening, the ground was saturated. Sixteen inches of rain fell that night.

In spite of a flash flood warning, Plaza nightlife continued. Then Brush Creek began to overflow its banks.

What was later described as the worst rainstorm in the city's history sent five feet of water rushing over Ward Parkway. A bartender at the Plaza III told *The Star*, "There were cars floating by windows, with people in them, and still there were folks sitting there eating dinner." Others raised toasts to the flood waters outside. It took the water pressure bursting the restaurant's doors for the diners to finally escape from the back entrance.



FIGURE 12.—Brush Creek, after flood crest, looking north on J. C. Nichols Parkway at Ward Parkway, at Country Club Plaza, Kansas City, Mo.

Cars stacked atop one another on Ward Parkway. THE KANSAS CITY STAR



The water rose so suddenly that 385 people attending a concert at the Alameda Plaza Hotel had to be evacuated in a foot of standing water. The first floors of the department stores along Ward Parkway and Nichols Road also flooded, and the current in Brush Creek was so strong that it tore away portions of its concrete lining and deposited them downstream.

The danger of a low bridge during a flood.

All told, the 1977 disaster claimed 25 lives and caused over \$100 million in damages. It was the worst flood to hit Kansas City since 1951.

Local authorities declared a state of emergency to speed the arrival of federal relief funds for victims. The Parks and Public Works departments got busy restoring landscaping along the creek and making bridge repairs. Temporary workers and city employees assisted with the Plaza cleanup.



Merchants along Nichols Road assess the damage. THE KANSAS CITY STAR



Once the rain stopped, locals surveyed the damage. Some took the opportunity to swim down flooded streets. Others grabbed retail goods floating in the current.

A damaged gas main somehow ignited, and the resulting explosion started fires in buildings along the 600 block of W. 48th Street. Witnesses later described a scene that looked like the aftermath of an air raid.

By water or by fire, 77 of the 155 Plaza businesses were damaged that night.

2023 Tentative Activities Schedule

LABOR DAY
FISHING DERBY
SEPTEMBER 4

FALL GARAGE SALE
SEPTEMBER 7-9

RLPOA 50TH
ANNIVERSARY PARTY
SEPT 16

TRUNK OR TREAT
OCTOBER 28

HOLIDAY GIVING TREE
LIGHTING CEREMONY
NOVEMBER 14

CRAFT/VENDOR
HOLIDAY FAIR
NOVEMBER 17 & 18

VISIT WITH SANTA
DECEMBER 9



HyVee Pharmacy will be holding a Flu Shot Clinic this year at Raintree Lake. October 4, 2023 10 to 12 noon at the Duck Pond...

Younger Family Farm, included land within Raintree Lake.

Henry Washington Younger was born in 1810 in Lincoln County, Kentucky and moved with his family to Missouri at a young age. In 1830 he married Bursheba Fristoe, daughter of a prominent Jackson County politician and a founder of the City of Independence, and over the years, the couple became parents of fourteen children, including the famous outlaw Younger brothers, Cole and Jim, who rode with Quantrill and Jesse James.

Although Henry Younger had not been directly involved in politics before the Kansas-Nebraska Act, his brother Coleman had served in the Missouri General Assembly from Clay County and the family was well connected to the Atchison faction. Henry owned farms in both Jackson and Cass counties and continued to live in Missouri during his two years in the Bogus Legislature. [Shively, Pottawomie, 178] By 1856, he owned several thousand acres near Strother (now Lee's Summit) in Jackson County.

In 1857 Younger bought several hundred more acres in Cass County on which the new town of Harrisonville was platted. He moved his family to the town and was elected mayor in 1859. In Harrisonville, he operated a dry goods business and livery stable and obtained a lucrative contract to transport the government mail in western Missouri. In the summer of 1861, Younger's livery stable in Harrisonville was raided by Jayhawkers who stole forty horses, a number of wagons and several carriages. Younger was never hesitant to express his opinion about Kansas and Kansans, but as a federal contractor, he was discreet in talking about the Secessionist cause openly. [Brant, Outlaw Youngers, 10ff]



In the winter of 1861, his son Cole attended a neighborhood dance that was crashed by members of 5th Missouri Federal Militia. Captain Irvin Walley of the Militia was refused a dance by Cole's sister and Walley and Cole exchanged heated words. Fearing Walley had guessed his growing Confederate connections, Cole went into hiding. The next summer, in July 1862, Henry Younger rode in a buggy into Kansas City on business. As he was returning toward Harrisonville, he was waylaid on the road a few miles south of Westport. He was shot three times, fell out of the buggy and died in the road. His assailants tied his horse to a tree and searched his body for cash. Cole Younger was convinced Captain Walley had killed his father, though no one was ever formally charged. Cole always pointed to his father's murder as the start of his life of crime. [Leslie, The Devil Knows How to Ride, 101] At one time The Villas & Duck Pond was part of the Younger Farm!



The **Raintree Lake Activities Committee** currently has a very small number of Volunteers, and a very large Calendar of Events lined up again for 2024.

WE NEED YOU!! Who wants to come plan the FUN with us??!! Please e-mail Activities@RLPOA.com or call the RLPOA Office.

Your commitment is to attend many of the Monthly meetings (held the 2nd Thursdays each month at DPAC, 7pm) and be available some of the time to plan and/or help make the Events happen!

Billboard Year-End Hot 10 singles of 1973



From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

This is a list of *Billboard* magazine's Top 10 songs of 1973.^[1] The Top 10, as revealed in the year-end edition of *Billboard* dated December 29, 1973, is based on Hot 100 charts from issue dates of November 25, 1972 thru November 17, 1973.

No.	Title	Artist(s)
1	"Tie a Yellow Ribbon Round the Ole Oak Tree"	Tony Orlando and Dawn
2	"Bad, Bad Leroy Brown"	Jim Croce
3	"Killing Me Softly with His Song"	Roberta Flack
4	"Let's Get It On"	Marvin Gaye
5	"My Love"	Paul McCartney & Wings
6	"Why Me"	Kris Kristofferson
7	"Crocodile Rock"	Elton John
8	"Will It Go Round in Circles"	Billy Preston
9	"You're So Vain"	Carly Simon
10	"Touch Me in the Morning"	Diana Ross



What was invented in the year 1973?

Mobile phone, 1973

Although it sure didn't look mobile, the first cell



Cole Younger

Full Name: Thomas Coleman "Cole" Younger

Born: January 15, 1844

Died: March 21, 1916 (age 72)

Missouri Hometown: Lee's Summit

Region of Missouri: Northwest

Category: Folk Legends

Thomas Coleman "Cole" Younger was an outlaw who joined forces with Jesse and Frank James to rob banks and trains in the period following the Civil War. He was born into a large and affluent family on January 15, 1844, near Lee's Summit, Missouri. Though his father was a respected landowner and merchant, Cole Younger became an outlaw in the early years of the Civil War. He had trouble with a militiaman, went into hiding, and armed himself with a weapon, a violation of an order by General John C. Frémont who was commander of Union forces in Missouri. After his father was killed, his sister assaulted, and his mother's house burned down, Younger joined other Confederate guerrillas to fight the Union forces.

Younger fought with William Clarke Quantrill in the raid on Lawrence, Kansas, in 1863. He participated in many fierce raids until the end of the Civil War. Afterwards, Younger and his brothers, Jim and Bob, joined fellow bushwhackers Jesse and Frank James in robbing banks, stagecoaches, and trains. They were, to some extent, seeking revenge for the poor treatment Southern sympathizers suffered at the hands of Unionists during and after the war. Many former Confederates supported the James-Younger gang during these years.

Cole Younger's career as an outlaw came to an end in Northfield, Minnesota. He was captured after attempting to rob the Northfield bank in 1876. Though Jesse and Frank James escaped, Cole, along with his brothers, was captured and sent to Stillwater Prison. Bob Younger died in prison in 1889; Cole and Jim Younger remained there until they were paroled on July 10, 1902. After his release, Cole Younger worked briefly with Frank James in a Wild West show. Later, Younger wrote a memoir and toured as a lecturer. He died in Lee's Summit on March 21, 1916, and is buried there.

Cole Younger



The Villas and the Duck Pond were part of the Cole Younger



The average cost of a...

new home: \$32,500.

new car: \$3,200.

gallon of milk: \$1.31.

gallon of (reg.) gas: \$0.40.

first-class stamp: \$0.08.

Fashion



Women's Clothing

The hippie look was still popular in 1973. The fashionable attire of the time included tie-dye shirts, 'peasant' blouses, ponchos, capes, bell-bottoms, frayed jeans, ankle-length maxi dresses, and midi skirts. Hippie clothing was made in bright colors, floral patterns, and Indian and Native American patterns. The hippie clothes were accompanied by accessories like chokers, handcrafted necklaces, and jewelry made of shells, stones, feathers, etc.

The simpler clothing trends for women in 1973 comprised of fitted blazers, dresses of all lengths, flared pants, maxi evening gowns, and miniskirts. These dresses were popular in pastel colors.



Men's Clothing

Well-settled, young men explored clothes outside of social standards. Grey and black satin shirts were quite popular, and the cuffs and necklines often had lace ruffles. Bright colored suits in unorthodox styles became available. In the spirit of hippie fashion, men wore tweed sports jackets, chunky sweaters, storm coats, flannel shirts, corduroy pants, and sweater vests and tassels.



Like women, men's jewelry featured natural objects like wood, leather, flowers, shells, stones, and beads.

Life in Raintree Lake

My husband, our two young sons and myself moved into our custom home in December 1976. It was snowing and we had no sod, so it was a challenge. The movers sometimes sunk into the mud with the heavy items. Our boys insisted that the Christmas decorations be the first thing unloaded so we could decorate for the holiday and Santa would be able to deliver their presents. There were approximately 300 homes at the time and the lake was a big hole. We were told it would take 3-4 years for it to fill. We promised the boys that as soon as it filled up we would buy a boat. This would give us time to save money and recover from all the moving expenses. At the time we could see the clubhouse and the future lake from our second floor deck. Our back yard had cows grazing behind the fence. Our dog thought it was great fun running up and down the fence barking at them.

As fate would have it, on September 12, 1977 a disastrous flood hit the Kansas City Country Club Plaza. The lake filled that year.

Living in Raintree was like being on vacation. We enjoyed swimming, boating, water skiing, fishing and even used model boats on the Duck Pond. During the winter we went ice skating on the lake after shoveling the snow off of it. The neighbors were friendly and we had lots of "get togethers" from bbq's, pot lucks and holiday parties. There were ski shows on the lake during special events. Neighborhood kids played baseball, soccer and football on the empty lots.

There was one filling station, Lee's Summit Bank was in a temporary trailer on Highway 291. We had to go into town for groceries and any other necessities.

The old Cole Younger home still stood close to the Raintree entrance on 291. The pool was a smaller version on the other side of the clubhouse and there were tennis courts also close to the clubhouse.

Our boys have graduated from college, married and have their own homes and families now. We have

wonderful memories of life, friends and activities at Raintree Lake. As empty nesters, we sold our original home and moved to the Fountains at Raintree. We've made a new set of friends and still enjoy living in this awesome 50 year old area.

Happy Birthday Raintree Lake and thanks for all the great times here!

Courtesy of Toni and Lou Travalent



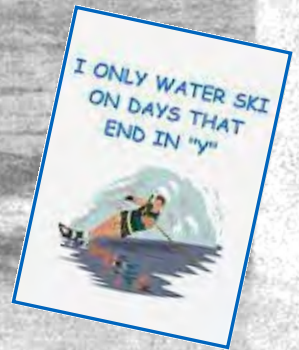
Above, we were building our first home.

Hello,
We moved to Raintree Lake July 1986 and are now in our 3rd home. Started on Linden Lane, then Windjammer Court where we raised our 4 children, then moved to Albattross Court and plan to retire here...we LOVE Raintree. Loren and Ann Kirn

Lake Fun Through the Years...

courtesy of Brian Ratigan





Connie Harding won her division at the Raintree fun tourney.

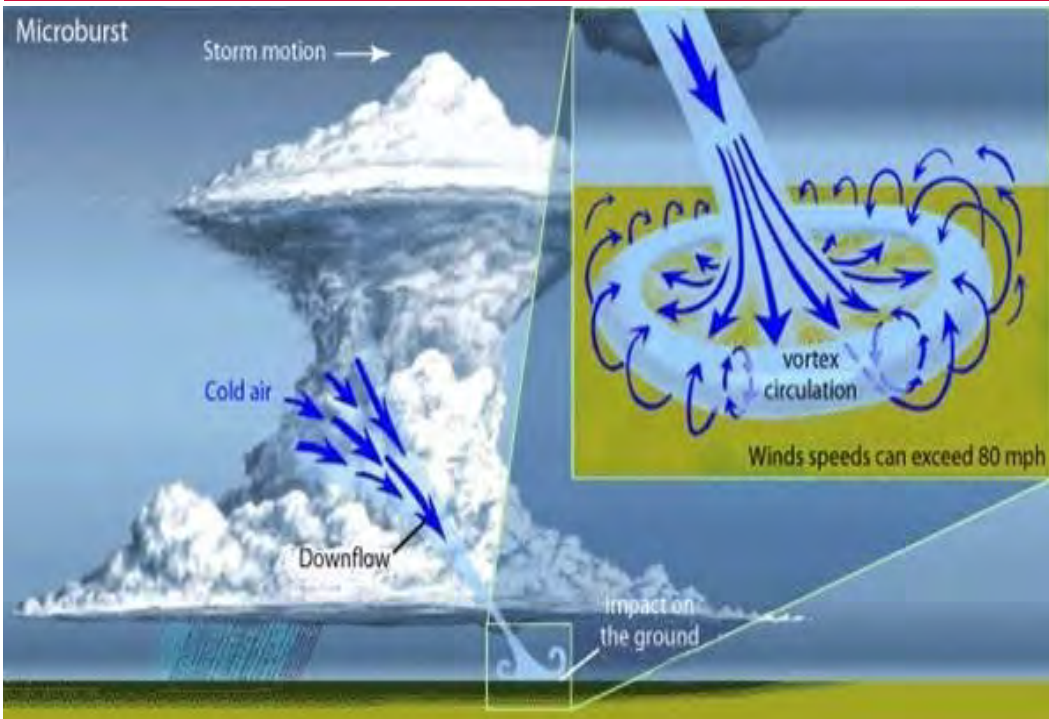
Raintree Holds Fun Ski Tourney

Twenty-one Raintree residents entered the first Raintree Lake Fun Ski Tournament Sunday. The tournament was not a sanctioned event—instead of the usual six-buoy slalom course, only four buoys were used. Winners with the number of buoys completed were as follows:

- AGES 6-10: 1) Chris Sheets, 11; 2) Jack Kline, 5.
- AGES 11-15, GIRLS: 1) Connie Harding, 17; 2) Shelby Walkenmeyer, 10; 3) Ruthie Fisher, 1.
- AGES 11-15, BOYS: 1) Gael Kowalski, 18; 2) Brian Kowalski, 4.

- WOMENS: 1) Chris Kinney, 9.
 - MENS: 1) Jack Kline Sr, 17.
- The mens and womens open competition were held on a regulation slalom course. Winner of the open was Larry Rough water kept all the skiing performances down. Also participating in the

tournament were George Harding Jr. and Amy Martin (6-10 years old); Charlotte Floyd and Fran Harding (11-15 girls); John Black and Sean Franco (11-15 boys); George Harding and Dave Redding (men); Linda Jarrett (women); and John Kinney and Mike Murphy (open).



Lee's Summit—May 26, 1996

A Memorial Day weekend thunderstorm identified by the National Weather Service as a microburst caused more than \$10 million in damage to homes in the Raintree Lake section of Lee's Summit. The downburst occurred during a severe thunderstorm and produced a 120-mph wind gust. Nine injuries were reported but none serious. Winds on top of Lee's Summit Hospital were clocked at 79mph during the storm.



Back to school Word Search



Words to find:

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Top Grossing Movies of 1973

1	The Exorcist	Dec 26, 1973	Warner Bros.	Horror
2	The Sting	Dec 25, 1973	Universal	Comedy
3	American Graffiti	Aug 11, 1973	Universal	Drama
4	Papillon	Dec 16, 1973	Allied Artists	Drama
5	The Way We Were	Oct 19, 1973	Sony Pictures	
6	Magnum Force	Dec 28, 1973	Warner Bros.	Action
7	Live and Let Die	Jun 27, 1973	MGM	Action
8	Robin Hood	Nov 8, 1973	Walt Disney	Adventure
9	Paper Moon	Jan 1, 1973		Comedy
10	Serpico	Dec 5, 1973	Paramount Pictures	Drama

Happy birthday, Worlds of Fun!

On May 26, 1973, the KC amusement park opened to the public for the first time. Oceans of Fun didn't open until 1982.

TODAY IN HISTORY



What products came out 1973?

Rewind to 1973

Gadget – Motorola prototype DynaTAC

Transport – Kawasaki Jet Ski

Album – Pink Floyd, The Dark Side of the Moon

Movie – The Exorcist

TV – Aloha from Hawaii



Here are the most popular TV shows from 1973-74:

All in the Family (CBS)

The Waltons (CBS)

Sanford and Son (NBC)

*M*A*S*H* (CBS)

Hawaii Five-O (CBS)

Here are ten cool food and beverage trends for the year:

Carrot cake

Crepes

Deviled eggs

Hamburger Helper

Jello salads

Pasta primavera

Quiche

Spam

Tab (carbonated beverage)

Zucchini bread

What were the prices of things in 1973?

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1973

Sister city relationship established with Morelia, Mexico, Worlds of Fun opens, and Kauffman Stadium opens as Royals Stadium.



Popular fads of 1973

Bell Bottom pants, hip huggers, earth shoes, clogs, tie dye t-shirts and gypsy dresses were popular. Denim, knits were primary fabrics and crochet was present. Long hair, big hair, afros were in style. Women usually had a part in the middle with long straight hair or with loose curls.

Microburst damages 82 houses; residents thankful for lives

By RUSS PULLEY, PAULA BARR and GREG CLARK
Staff Writers

When the light of day came, the damage was more than anybody had envisioned.

In a matter of seconds Sunday night, winds of up to 120 mph shrieked into a Lee's Summit subdivision, ripped into 82 houses and caused an estimated \$10 million in damage.

The storm left Raintree Lake residents bloodied and heartbroken at the prospect of rebuilding, but thankful to be alive. Nine persons were treated at hospitals, but only one had to be hospitalized overnight.



Resident Charlie Thayer's necktie came to rest in a damaged tree.

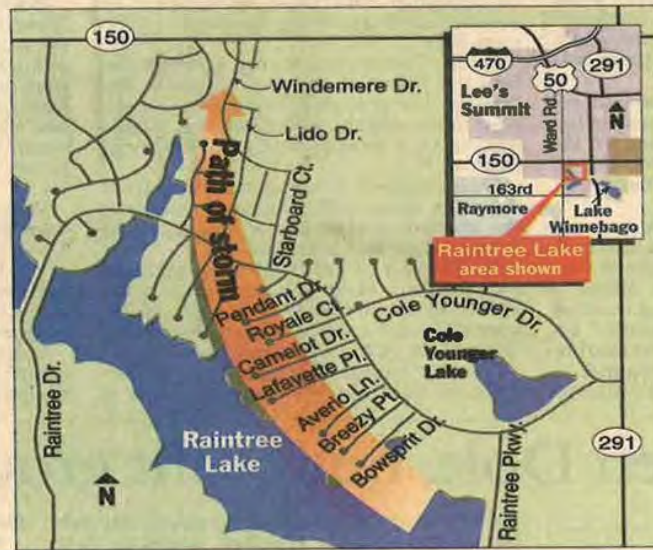
That woman, Mary Bell, was released late Monday afternoon.

Laurel Benson was working on her home computer while her family slept when the storm hit. "It felt like the house was breathing, then our ears were popping," she said. "We all rushed to the basement."

"The wind howled. The windows blew out. The roof ripped loose. That we didn't have a death amazes me."

Red Cross officials, who were serving as a clearinghouse for residents, said it appeared that owners of the most severely damaged houses were

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"It looked almost like a plane crashed through the area and left debris everywhere," Lee's Summit Fire Capt. Mike Wallace said of damage caused by a microburst late Sunday at Raintree Lake subdivision. Above, the force of the microburst ripped a house from its foundation (center) and ripped roofs off other structures. The map at left shows the storm's path.

KAREN SCOTT/ The Star



May 26, 1996

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Photos courtesy of
Cheryl Terry

CORPORATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on the 26th day of May, 1996, a weather phenomena consisting of destructive winds known as a "microburst" did cause great damage to over eighty (80) homes in the Raintree Lake subdivision resulting in complete demolition of at least eighteen (18) of same and disrupting utility service, transportation and safety of the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, the emergency conditions then created required rapid and extraordinary responses on the part of the City officials, Department heads and employees of the City of Lee's Summit, as well as members and neighbors of the Raintree Lake subdivision; and

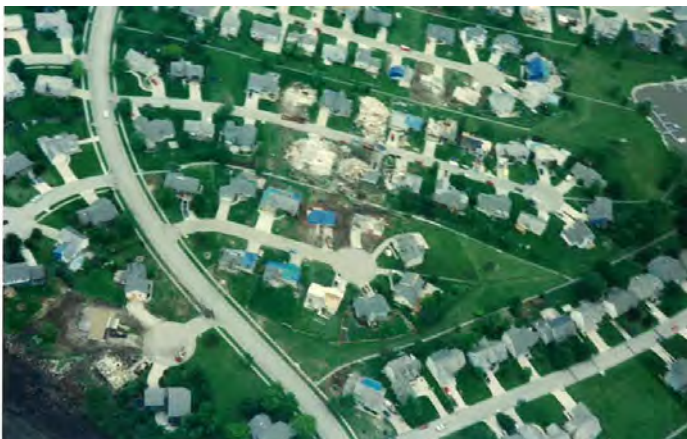
WHEREAS, the response and cooperation of all City officials, staff and employees in providing security, emergency response, protection, City facilities and services for clean-up and restoration of the homes and common areas at the Raintree Lake subdivision was outstanding and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor, Fire Chief, Chief of Police, City Manager, and numerous members of the Fire, Police and Public Works Departments have contributed to the recovery and performed their duties in an exemplary manner to minimize the effect of the disaster and permit rapid recovery from same by the neighborhood and individuals effected;

IT IS THEREFORE, the unanimous recommendation and resolution of the Raintree Lake Board of Directors to express their sincere appreciation, thanks and gratitude this 11th day of June, 1996, in appreciation of the outstanding City services performed and all volunteer efforts and the community response on behalf of and for the benefit of the residents of the Raintree Lake subdivision.

RAINTREE LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

By Roland Thibault
Roland Thibault, President



Making Memories...everyday!



Raintree Memories courtesy of Tim and Colleen Swan

Raintree Lake, Great place to raise a family. Every time I see a young family moving into the neighborhood memories of my own family flash through my mind.

In 1998, my wife and I bought our lakefront lot in Raintree Estates, lot 1274. We were so excited to start building our dream home. We began building in February 1999, it was a great experience. The kids would help us clean the house and pickup building debris every weekend and most week nights. The younger kids (Chris 10 and Karline 7) were just as committed to get the house finished as we were. Maybe because we moved into a tiny apartment during the process. Good times. We lived at 1274 twenty-two years. 120+ Birthday parties, 21 Christmas', 20 Independence Day gatherings, Graduation Parties, hundreds of days on the lake with family and friends. We attended over 100 Raintree Lake events with our kids and grandkids. Three kids, Eight Grandkids, twenty cars/trucks and eight boats.

It sounds like a lot but it went by in a blur. In 2021, we sold our family home and began building a new one on the lake, lot 1179. This was not as easy as 1274 but was so worth it. One of our favorite things to do is to relax on our deck watching boats cruise by. Amazing view. We loved our original home but didn't know what we were missing on the big part of the lake. The sunsets are spectacular and when storms roll in, wow.

Two of our three kids are raising their families in Raintree. Our third was transferred to St. Louis (boo!) or his family may have likely moved here.

Raintree Memories courtesy of David & Sonja Campbell



I recently learned that my parents had the notoriety of being the first residents to arrive at the clubhouse for a function by boat. It was the square dock boat and mom said they tied it up to something then had to scale the rock wall to get to the party!



Raintree Memories courtesy of the Greathouse/Campbell Family



The little plastic tub was our first boat, there's no time stamp on the pics but I saw a picture with a ski boat and more water in the lake that was dated 1976 so I assume it was before that.



The square dock with motor was made by my dad, using irrigation pipes for the tines. We had a ton of fun on that!!



The picture of the dock with the giant rocks by it I just included because my dad was the head of the rock committee and I couldn't believe how big they were!!



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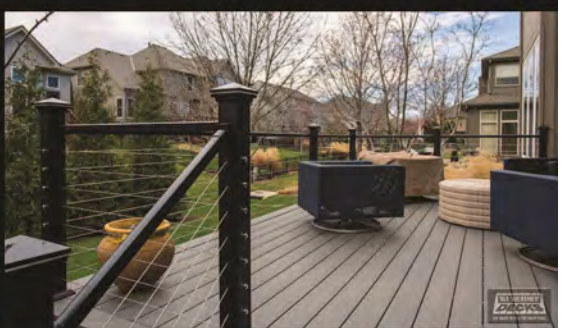
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Duck Pond Activity Center: Marilyn Burasco
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Appeals: 1st Tuesday 7pm @ DPAC
Common Ground: 3rd Tuesday, 6:30pm @ DPAC
Duck Pond Activity Center: WATCH CALENDAR
Lake: 1st Monday 7pm @ Clubhouse
Pond: 3rd Thursday each month, 10am @ Clubhouse
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