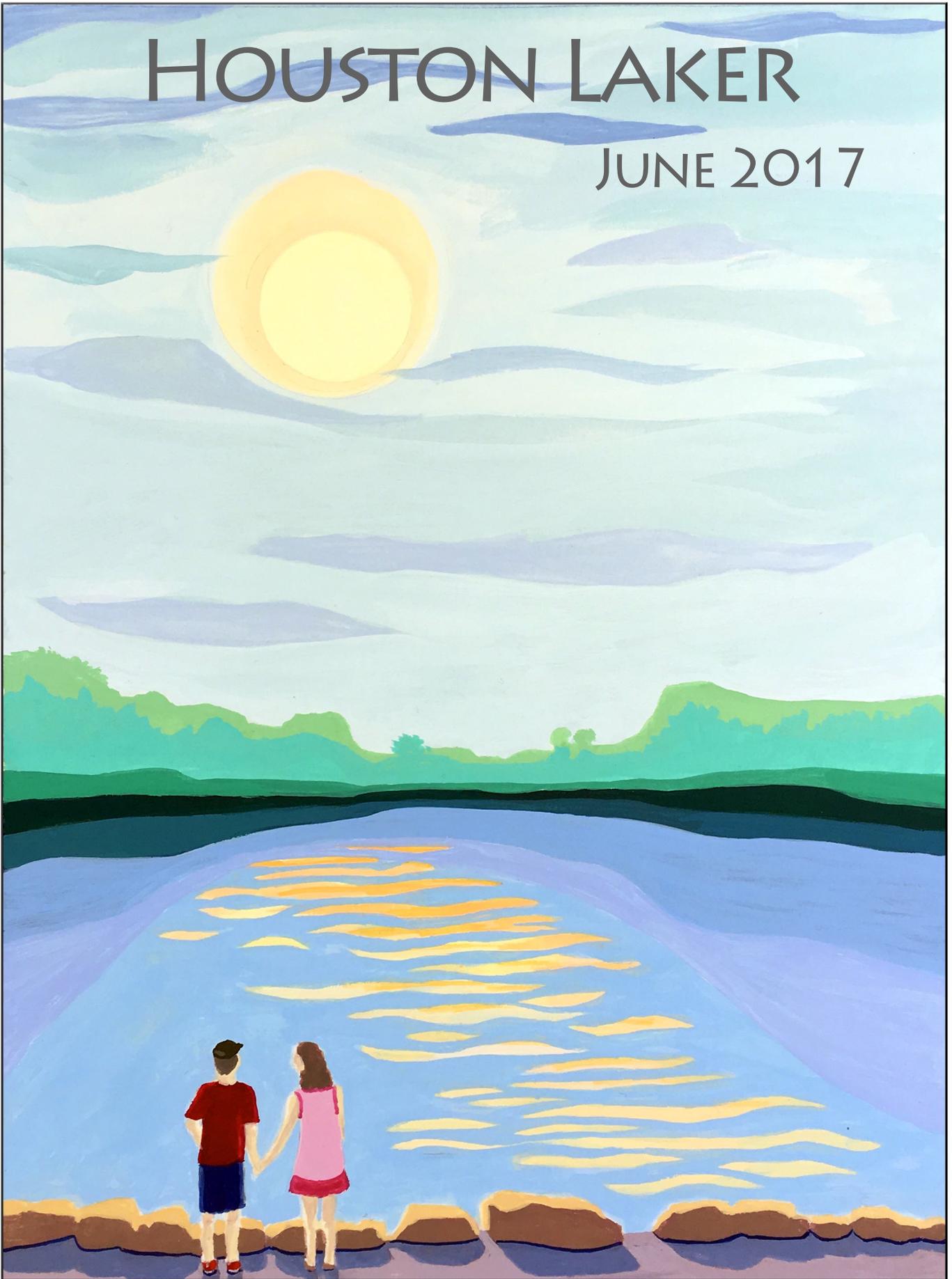
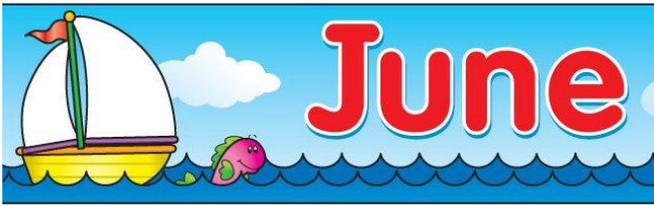


HOUSTON LAKER

JUNE 2017



"SUMMER SOLSTICE" by Jean Anderson



Community Calendar Event

*June 10th - Houston Lake Arts Circle
Kids Fun Sun Workshop
1:00pm - 3:30pm - City Hall*

*June 12TH - City of Houston Lake Council Meeting
7:30pm - City Hall*

June 18th -

A graphic for Father's Day. The words "HAPPY FATHER'S DAY" are written in a blue, blocky, slightly irregular font. To the right of the text is a hammer with a wooden handle and a metal head.

*June 21st - Venetian Gardens Homes Association Meeting
7:00pm - City Hall*

June 27th - Recycling Day

July 4th -

A graphic for Independence Day. The words "Happy Independence Day" are written in a red, cursive font. There are blue and white fireworks exploding around the text.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Section 210.680 of the Houston Lake Municipal Code states:

C. It shall be unlawful for any person to use or discharge any “bottle rockets”.

D. It shall be unlawful for any person to use, ignite or discharge any fireworks within the public right of way of any public street.

E. Fireworks may only be used, ignited or discharged at the following times and dates:

1. From 10:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. each day during the period of June twenty-sixth (26) until July second (2nd) and on July fifth (5th); and

2. From 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 a.m. (midnight) each day on July third (3rd) and July fourth (4th).

F. No person shall have in his/her possession Division 1.3 (formerly class “B”) fireworks.

G. Division 1.4 (formerly class “C”) fireworks may be possessed during periods herein provided.

CITY OFFICIALS

CITY OF HOUSTON LAKE

Mayor

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(pam@houstonlake.net)

City Administrator

Joe Chepren
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City Clerk

Amber L. Moore
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Sewer Grinder Pump

Amber L. Moore
816-945-9827

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816-645-1529

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816-741-5477
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For emergencies please call **911**

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VENETIAN GARDENS HOMES ASSOCIATION (HOA)

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For more City and Homes Association Info go to
www.houstonlake.net

Attention
Cat and Dog Owners
Proof of Vaccinations is due
May 1st,

Vaccination

The owner or keeper of any dog or cat in the City of Houston Lake is hereby required to have such animals vaccinated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian and to procure a certificate of such vaccination from the veterinarian and to present such certificate to the City Clerk on or before **May first (1st) of each year**; and the City Clerk shall register such certificate, which registration shall remain in force until the April thirtieth (30th) next following said registration. It shall be unlawful for the owner or keeper of any dog or cat to permit such animal to remain in the City of Houston Lake unless vaccinated as above provided. **(Section 205.020 Municipal Code)** *(A certificate of vaccination can be placed in the mail box next to the front door.)*

Fishing

It shall be unlawful for any person to pursue, take, transport, ship, buy, sell, possess or use any fish from any body of water within the City without possessing a valid fishing permit issued by the Missouri Department of Conservation. This section shall not apply to any person 65 years of age or older or is 15 years of age or younger. **(Section 210.690 Municipal Code)**

Parking:

No vehicle shall be parked on any street within the city limits of Houston Lake, MO. **(Chapter 300 - Schedule II, Municipal Code)**

All-Terrain Vehicles:

No person shall operate an All-Terrain Vehicle upon the streets of this city. **(Section 340.110 Municipal Code)**

DISCHARGING
AIR GUN, ETC.

Any person within the limits of this City who shall discharge any BB gun, spring gun, paint gun or air gun or shall shoot any pebble, bullet, slug, arrow or other hard substance by means of a sling, crossbow, rubber band or bow or any other means shall be deemed guilty of an ordinance violation; provided however, that this Section shall not apply to any person or organization authorized by the City of Houston Lake to possess and discharge such devices for the purpose of waterfowl pest control. (Ord. No. 303, 9-12-05) **(Section 210.285 Municipal Code)**

USER INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT/ONE GRINDER PUMP

Our sewage grinder pumps are aging. We are seeing a few more pump failures than we did when our systems were new. We now know there are a few things that can be done to help prevent premature failures. It is recommended that you use a liquid detergent for laundering.

CARE AND USE OF YOUR GRINDER PUMP

The Environment/One grinder pump is capable of accepting and pumping a wide range of materials. Regulatory agencies advise the following items should not, however, be introduced into any sewer, either directly or through a kitchen waste disposal unit:

Glass, diapers, socks, rags or cloth, metal, plastic objects (toys, utensils, etc.), seafood shells, sanitary napkins or tampons.

In addition, you must NEVER introduce into any sewer:

Explosives	Strong Chemicals
Flammable Material	Gasoline
Lubricating Oil/Grease	

Do not use caustic solutions for drain cleaning. If you must use a drain cleaner, use an enzyme cleaner.

PERIODS OF DISUSE

We have found that in very cold weather, a pump can potentially freeze-up if there is no water usage in the house. If you are going to be gone during the cold weather, we would recommend that you have a friend, neighbor or relative run some hot water down the sink every day or two. This seems to keep the pump from freezing

**CAUTION: DO NOT DISCONNECT POWER TO THE
UNIT**

POWER FAILURES

Your grinder pump cannot dispose of wastewater without electrical power. If electrical power service is interrupted, keep water usage to a **MINIMUM**, please!

The Environment/One Grinder Pump is installed with a warning device. The yellow light should be removed and tested periodically. If you see a yellow pump light on, or the horn blowing on the Southside of the Lake, or if you have any questions about your sewer system,

PLEASE call:

Mayor Pam Freese (816)726-4455

or

City Clerk Amber Moore (816) 945-9827.

One last recommendation – DO NOT run your gutter down spouts or sump pumps into your sewer system.

**THANK YOU
Amber Moore
City Clerk**



FREE

MEDICATION DISPOSAL POUCH

Medication Disposal System helps to get medication safely out of your house, out of the environment, and out of the hands of the wrong person.

Simple instructions using the pouch;

- ✓ Open the pouch along the tear line on the top.
- ✓ **DO NOT remove the inner contents.**
- ✓ Place up to ~10-15 tablets – Opioids, Controlled Substances, etc. Fill half way with warm tap water.
- ✓ **Wait approximately 30 seconds, then seal pouch.** Dispose in normal trash.

The deactivation process starts quickly but takes time to complete. Keep out of the reach of children and pets.

**FREE to anyone who wants to dispose of unwanted medication
KEEP SEVERAL POUCHES ON HAND**



Available at:

**Houston Lake City Hall
5417 NW Adrian
Houston Lake, Mo. 64151
816-741-0644**

or

**Riverside Police/Fire Station
2990 NW Vivion Road
Riverside, Mo. 64150
816-741-1191**

GOT UNWANTED MEDICATION?

Riverside Police has a medication take-back program where unused household medications can be placed in a secured collection box in the foyer of the Public Safety Building located at 2990 NW Vivion Road. Access to the box is available 24/7/365.

Gather up your unused, unwanted & expired medication. Medications may be left in their containers. You may want to remove the labels or scratch out personal information to help protect your identity. Large quantities of pill type medication can be placed in a zip-top bag, seal it tightly and drop the bag into the collection box to help conserve space. Trash or recycle the empty pill containers.

What's allowed

- **Prescription medications (except for narcotics or controlled substances).**
- **Over-the-counter medications.**
- **Medication samples.**
- **Pet medications.**
- **Vitamins.**
- **Liquid medication in glass or leak-proof containers.**
- **Medicated ointments and lotions.**
- **Inhalers.**

What's not allowed

- **Narcotics and other controlled substances.**
- **Bloody or infectious waste.**
- **Personal care products.**
- **Hydrogen peroxide.**
- **Aerosol cans.**
- **Thermometers.**
- **IV bags.**
- **Needles and other sharps.**
- **Plastic shopping bags.**
- **Empty containers.**
- **Business waste.**

**JUST DROP IN THE
BOX & IT WILL BE
SECURELY DISPOSED
OF**



This is available for Houston Lake residents also.

The City of Riverside on its Municipal Campus offers large Recycling Bins for those who do not have a recycling program or containers. The containers are located on the Southwest side of the campus 2950 NW Vivion Road. There are two types of containers. One for Glass and the other for aluminum, cardboard and plastic material.

Glass Recycling: Riverside has partnered with Ripple Glass to provide a glass recycling container. This container collects brown, green, blue and clear glass food and beverage containers. Please rinse containers but you do not need to remove the labels or separate the glass by color. For more details, visit www.rippleglasskc.com.

Paper and Commingled Recycling Containers: Riverside also provides a paper recycling bin and a bin for aluminum, cardboard and plastic. Catalogs, magazines, newspapers, junk mail, office paper, fax paper, school paper, notebooks and folders can be placed in the paper-recycling bin. The commingled recycling bin will accept: aluminum (cans, foil and pans), plastic (#1-7), steel (food cans), cardboard (flattened corrugated, brown paper bags, and paperboard), and phone books

Where can I get additional information on recycling? For information on where to recycle additional items, please go to www.recyclespot.org.

Houston Lake Arts Circle Presents

FUN SUN KIDS WORKSHOP

Saturday, June 10, 1:00 – 3:30ish

Houston Lake City Hall

Don't miss this great opportunity to spend the afternoon creating an original, wearable, work of art while learning how light is involved with photography.

Kids will layout a design on their T-shirt using objects that block light. Then, a solution will be painted on that will change color when exposed to sunlight. After proper exposure time, the shirt will be washed and the final piece of art revealed! Examples shown below.

Each participant will need to bring a white, 100% cotton, pre-washed T-shirt.

Also, a \$2 donation is suggested to help cover the cost of materials. Anyone interested in scholarship opportunities are encouraged to contact Linda Kramer, HLAC president.

Please RSVP by June 6, including number of kids and their ages, to Linda Kramer, 816-225-4110 (call or text) or email at lindakramer@gmail.com



Houston Lake Arts Circle News

HLAC Board Member Elections

We are pleased to announce our new appointments. Jean Anderson is taking over as Treasurer while our newest member, Shelly Broll, joins us as Secretary.

Kids Sun Painting Workshop

Saturday, June 10 at 1pm the HLAC will host a children's art workshop at City Hall using the sun to paint and learning how light is involved with photography. A \$2 donation is suggested to help cover cost of materials. Please see flyer in Houston Laker for more information. Please RSVP, by June 6, including number of kids and their ages to Linda Kramer, 816-225-4110 (call or text) or email at lindakramer@gmail.com

Call to Artists on the Lake

Art entries for the 2017 Art Show, "Birds, Blossoms and Bugs!" need to be registered by July 29. Get those creative juices flowing – we look forward to our best show yet! Any artistic expression inspired by the theme includes, but is not limited to, drawing, painting, photography, fiber arts, sculpture, film, video, music, poetry, storytelling and dance. More details, and entry forms, to follow in future Laker issues and at our next meeting, Wednesday, May 24 at 7pm.

2017 Art Show

This year's art show, Birds, Blossoms and Bugs, will be on Saturday, August 12 from 4-6pm and on Sunday, August 13 from 2-4p. This is your chance to see all the new exhibits and meet the artists! Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

Ever dream about your art being on the cover?

Now is your chance! HLAC has been asked to provide images for the cover of the Houston Laker! Please send an electronic image of your art to arts.circle@houstonlake.net for consideration. We welcome submissions from any resident of Houston Lake – young or old!

Current Work by HLAC Member

Wendy Thompson is directing a British farce, "Black Comedy" by Peter Shaffer for Theatre Atchison. Performances are June 2, 3, 4, 9, 10 and 11. Friday/Saturday shows are at 8pm, Sunday matinees are at 2pm. The theater is located at 401 Santa Fe St, Atchison, Kansas 66002.

Our next meeting will be at city hall on Wednesday, July 26 at 7pm. Please join us!



2017 Houston Lake Arts Circle's Art Show

CALL TO ARTISTS

“Birds, Blossoms and Bugs!”

We had another great Art Show last year with so many wonderful entries, we are looking forward to this year's show just a few months away. All of you, our local resident artists, are invited to once again submit your work for the 2017 Houston Lake Arts Circle's Art Show.

We are putting out a Call To Artists on the Lake—and that means young and old! We are asking for entries of artwork by our residents that can be displayed in City Hall for a limited, rotating exhibition.

“*Birds, Blossoms and Bugs!*” is the theme. The Grand Opening will be **August 12th, from 4 to 6 pm, and August 13th, from 2 to 4 pm**, and all entries will be exhibited for those two days. After that, the accepted pieces will be displayed on a rotating basis, giving each artist some time to grace City Hall, and show off to our community what talented people we have and what inspires them to create.

What you enter can be any artistic expression that is inspired by the words “*Birds, Blossoms and Bugs!*” Any artistic expression includes, but is not limited to, drawing, painting, photography, fiber arts, sculpture, film, video, music, poetry, storytelling and dance. We will have a review committee to determine appropriate artistic expression, exhibit scheduling and display criteria. Specific guidelines and details for submissions are on the entry form on the other side.

Still have questions? Come to Houston Lake Arts Circle's regular meeting to hear more, or call Linda Kramer, President at 816-225-4110.





Sponsored by *Houston Lake Arts Circle (HLAC)*
"Birds, Blossoms and Bugs!"



Entry Form and Guidelines:

- ◆ All Artwork must be original, created by the registered artist or artists. No more than two entries per artist or a group of artists, but more than one artist may submit from a single Houston Lake family.
- ◆ The Call to Artists is open and submissions will be accepted at any regular meeting of the HLAC. Extra entry forms are available then as well. All entry forms must be in by **July 29, 2017**. Entry forms may be mailed to the Houston Lake Arts Circle, c/o City Hall, 5417 N Adrian, Houston Lake, Mo 64151. They may also be dropped off at City Hall, or given to an HLAC board member, or delivered during the regular monthly meeting of the HLAC (the fourth Wednesday of the odd months at 7 pm.)
- ◆ Deadline for final delivery of entered pieces is **Sunday, August 6 between 2:00 pm and 4:00 pm**, or by special arrangement via appointment with an Arts Circle board member. Delivery can also be made at any monthly meeting of HLAC at City Hall.
- ◆ Visual art in two dimensions cannot exceed 30" x 36". All two dimensional art will need to be museum wrapped canvas, or framed, and ready to hang with wire. HLAC does have some frames available for use in limited sizes—please inquire about using those.
- ◆ Three-dimensional art, such as sculptures for indoor display cannot exceed 3' x 3', are to weight less than 50 pounds and must be freestanding. Sculptures for outdoor display cannot exceed 3'w x 6'h, must be freestanding and weatherproof.
- ◆ Other art forms that need to be filmed or recorded cannot exceed ten minutes of performance time, and must be in a standard format. Permission will be asked to display these pieces on social media sites, as well as, at a City Hall Screening for the exhibit opening.
- ◆ All accepted entries will be displayed during the opening weekend of **"Birds, Blossoms and Bugs!"** The review committee will determine the schedule that each piece will be on display following that and will notify the artist accordingly. All pieces must remain up during their scheduled time. All pieces will remain property of the artist. The artist is responsible for collecting their work when the exhibition ends. Any work not reclaimed after 4 weeks past the end date becomes property of HLAC.

PLEASE READ

1. **Both Form A and Form B need to be complete for each piece entered in the Art Show.**
2. **Submit Form A to the HLAC by July 29, 2017 to register your entry (artwork does not have to be submitted at this time).**
3. **Attached Form B to your artwork when you deliver it to HLAC on for before August 6th.**

Birds, Blossoms and Bugs!
Entry Form A

Submit this form to HLAC by July 29, 2017 to register your entry

(please print)
 Artist Name _____

Phone # _____ - _____ - _____

Address: _____

If a child, Age: _____ Parent's signature _____

Circle Form of ART entering: Dance Performance Painting Sculpture
 Poetry Photography Fiber Art Film Drawing Other

If other, describe: _____

Title of piece: _____

Physical description of piece:
 Height _____ Width _____ Depth _____ Time _____ Media _____

Do you grant permission to have your submission on HLAC's Facebook page?
 YES NO

HLAC will do our best to care for your entry. However, we will not be responsible for any damage that it may incur.

Signature: _____

Date _____

Birds, Blossoms and Bugs!
Entry Form B

Attach this form to your artwork when you deliver to HLAC on or before August 6, 2017

(please print)
 Artist Name _____

Phone # _____ - _____ - _____

Address: _____

If a child, Age: _____ Parent's signature: _____

Circle Form of ART entering: Dance Performance Painting Sculpture
 Poetry Photography Fiber Art Film Drawing Other

If other, describe: _____

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 Height _____ Width _____ Depth _____ Time _____ Media _____

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Signature: _____

Beach area

The Fecal Coliforms Test performed May 23, 2017 by Sharron DeLaFuente at the beach is considered Normal.
The Fecal Coliforms(water) is 20, anything under 200 is good.

It is safe to swim at the beach.

Children under 14 years of age require
Adult supervision when using the beach area.

State Law



Venetian Gardens Homes Association



Customer: City of Houston Lake
Sharron De la Fuente
3440 NW Edgewater Tr.
Kansas City, MO 64151

LAB REPORT

9503 N. Congress Ave., Kansas City, MO 64153
Phone: 816-891-7337 • Fax: 816-891-7450
gpai@gpalab.com • www.gpalab.com

Batch: 170523068
Report Date: May 25, 2017
Received: May 23, 2017
Customer PO:

Lab ID	Sample Identification/Analysis	Detection Limit	Result	Units	Test Date
170523068-001	Lake Water from Beach Swimming Dock Fecal Coliforms (water)	1	20	cfu/100ml	5/25/2017

Batch Comments: Sample Temperature on Arrival (F): 72.7

Methods: Fecal Coliforms (water) SM 9222D

Approved by


J. Fontana, VP, Technical Services

Environmental conditions are controlled at Great Plains Analytical Laboratory. The analytical results pertain only to the submitted sample and may not be construed as an endorsement of the sampling method employed. This report may not be distributed or reproduced except in full.

R=Rush Charges; SD=Same Day Charges; NC=No Charge

Homes Association Rules and Regulations



Don't Forget Your Missouri Fishing License and a Houston Lake "2017 Royal Blue Wristband"!!

Lake Residents from the age of 16 through 64 need a Missouri Fishing License and a Houston Lake 2017 Royal Blue Wristband in order to fish in Houston Lake. Residents 65 and over need only a 2017 Royal Blue Wristband.

No Fishing in the Beach Area.

To get your 2017 Royal Blue Wristbands call Homes Association Secretary/Treasurer, Jan Jackalone 816-587-0028.

The Wristbands are FREE if your Homes Association dues are paid.

Guests of Residents must have that Residents 2017 Royal Blue Wristband with them when they are on or around the lake and Homes Association property.



1. Lake tags will be issued to lot owners who have paid the current years Homes Association fee. Lot owners will be responsible for all wristbands issued to their property.
2. Lake Wristband must be worn by Residents, Lot Owners or Guests. Wristband should be visible.
3. Private property. No trespassing. Residents, lot owners and guests only.
4. Property owners are responsible for the conduct and actions of their guest at all times.
5. No DIVING from the Swimming Docks because of shallow water.
6. No. swimming after 9:00p.m.
7. Alcohol will not be allowed in the beach area.
8. Animals will not be allowed in the beach area.
9. Fishing will not be allowed in the swimming area.
10. No disorderly conduct.
11. All Rules and Regulations of the Missouri State Conservation Commission will apply.
12. No trot lines, jug lines or unattended fishing lines are permitted.
13. All Terrain Vehicles, motor bikes, motor cycles and motor scooters are prohibited from operating on Homes Association property.

PLEASE NOTE: Houston Lake is dedicated to preventing the spreading of Zebra Mussels. If you want to launch your boat into our lake, you must call no less than 12 hrs. ahead so that your boat maybe inspected. You must also have a lake wristband, watercraft safety equipment (life vests) and adhere to lake rules.

This applies to NEW boaters. However, safety equipment applies to ALL boaters.

CALL NICK JACKALONE 816-587-0028.

Venetian Gardens Homes Association

Minutes of May 17, 2017 Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7:00PM. Vice President Nick Jackalone welcomed everyone and asked that cell phones be turned off before the meeting would begin. There were in attendance nine households represented in person.

Present Board Members: Vice President— Nick Jackalone, Secretary/Treasurer —Jan Jackalone,
Board Members — Keith Carey and Kerry Hallowell

Absent Board Member: President Joe Chepren

Vice President Nick Jackalone stated that the By-Laws allowed for him to oversee the meeting in the absence of the President.

VP Nick asked for Sub Committee Reports:

Aerator System Officer – Gary Halterman. No new information regarding the aerators in the lake.

Wildlife Control Officer – Janette Boehm. Captured a male beaver and wrapped a weeping willow with chain link fencing to protect from further damage.

Grow Native Committee – Jan Jackalone. Reported that 30 plants of Grow Native plant species were planted on the peninsula and another 100+ milkweed plants given by Platte Land Trust were also planted. The plants are favorites among bees and butterflies. We have two six foot benches that need assembly to put out on the peninsula. Then the Committee will seek recognition as a Monarch Butterfly Waystation, which is essential in continuing the return of the Monarch Butterfly and a resting/feeding place while on its migratory journey to Mexico.

Houston Lake Editor – Mary Head. Reported that Andy Spottswood would continue to provide color covers of the monthly Houston Laker.

Minutes: Secretary Jan asked if there were any changes or corrections, There were none so the April 19, 2017 Minutes were approved.

Collector's and Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Jan reviewed the list of Accounts as follows –

Business Checking	\$27,387.99	
Money Market	\$50,147.63	
5 Year CD	\$75,000.00	Interest Earned @ 1.75% APY estimated to be \$6,796.24.
Total of		
Combined Accts	\$152,535.62	
Past Dues Collected	\$2,109.90	Deposited and included in the Money Market Account figure.

There were no questions about the Collector's and Treasurer's Report. Report is approved.

Old Business was not discussed due to absence of Pres. Joe.

New Business: None

Open Discussion:

Member Chuck Stone asked the Board if there were any plans to control the duckweed this summer. Jan responded saying that the Board was working with a company called Solitude Management who specializes in lake, ponds, etc for water management. We have the water testing material, just waiting for the rains to stop so that we can get better samples. They make suggestions based on the results of the lab work and the Board will consider our options at that time.

A member stated that there is some minor damage to the decorative trussels at the Mayor's Park Shelter. The Board was not aware of it and would have to inspect it to see if it warrants repair/replacement.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM. Next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday June 21 at 7 PM.

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CALL NICK JACKALONE 816-587-0028

***On Behalf of the
Venetian Gardens Homes Assoc. Board
Have a
SAFE & HAPPY
Summer
On Houston Lake!***

City of Houston Lake
Official Minutes of the Council Meeting
April 17, 2017

The Council of the City of Houston Lake met in regular session on April 17, 2017 at City Hall. The following members were present: Mayor Joyce Kullman, Alderman Evadene Judge, Alderman Pam Freese, Alderman Nick Jackalone, and Alderman Phil Otte.

1. Opening Session

- The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Kullman.
- Mayor Kullman asked for a motion to appoint Amber L. Moore as the new City Clerk. Alderman Freese motioned, Alderman Jackalone seconded the motion.
Roll Call- Aye: Jackalone, Freese, Otte, Judge Opposed: None
Motioned passed. Amber L. Moore was sworn in.
- Mayor Kullman asked for a motion to appoint Cathy Grove as the Codes Enforcement Officer. Alderman Freese motioned, Alderman Jackalone seconded the motion.
Roll Call- Aye: Jackalone, Freese, Otte, Judge Opposed: None
Motioned passed
- Mayor Kullman announced that Pamela Freese was elected as the new Houston Lake Mayor. Mayor Freese was sworn in.
- Mayor Freese announced that Joyce Kullman accepted the position of Alderman. Mayor Freese asked for a motion to appoint Joyce Kullman as Alderman. Alderman Otte motioned, Alderman Judge seconded the motion.
Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Otte, Judge Opposed: None
Motion passed. Joyce Kullman was sworn in.
- Mayor Freese announced that Joyce Kullman accepted the position of Alderman. Mayor Freese asked for a motion to appoint Joyce Kullman Mayor Pro-tem. Alderman Otte motioned, Alderman Jackalone seconded the motion.
Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kuhlman, Otte, Judge Opposed: None
Motion passed
- Mayor Freese announced that Alderman Jackalone and Alderman Otte were re- elected. Alderman Jackalone and Alderman Otte were sworn in.

2. Public Discussion

- Resident, Sharon DeLaFuente, 3440 NW Edgewater Trail, asked for a status of the bridge. Mayor Freese reported that she spoke with Bob Heim, the Platte County Public Works Director and Scott Pearson our insurance agent at Cowell James Forge Insurance Group. There is no guarantee that the city is not liable and present to the lawyer. Jennifer Fain, the city's attorney. Ms. Fain will research the city's liability exposure. Mayor Freese explained that the funding for resurfacing may be available. The city would need to apply for grant money for repairs and resurfacing. Sharon was also concerned about the road work and a number of potholes. There is a street sign missing, Edge Trail and Edgewood Circle.

3. Minutes March 13, 2017

- The March 13, 2017 minutes were approved by general consent.
Alderman Kullman motioned, Alderman Jackalone seconded the motion.
Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Judge Opposed: None
Motioned passed.

4. Building Permit

- Mayor Freese announced a permit renewal request for 5303 NW Edgewood Trail
Alderman Kullman motioned, Alderman Jackalone seconded the motion.
Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Judge Opposed: None
Motion passed
- Mayor announced a building permit request for 5347 Edgewood Circle
Alderman Jackalone motioned, Alderman Otte seconded the motion.
Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Judge Opposed: None
Motion passed,

5. Treasurer's Report

- Mayor Freese informed the Council that the CD at Bank of Midwest will be moved to Bank of Weston, which is a closer location
Alderman Kullman explained that she will take the February Council Minutes to bank in order to open a CD for the City Sewer.
Alderman Otte motioned, Alderman Kullman seconded the motion.
Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Judge Opposed: None
Motion passed

6. Collector's Report

No concerns or questions.

7. Resolution 4-17-2017 (paybills)

- Alderman Kullman requested that two items be added to Paybills Resolution 4.17.17.
Glen Morris submitted 12 hours of labor for work he completed for the city last year. The total for the check is in the amount of \$180. Second item was for a bill from Jackson Animal Clinic, for a stray dog that was picked up and held for 7 days. The total for the bill is \$201.80.
- Alderman Otte explained that there is a bill from Kansas Water Service in regards to sewer treatment. The amount is in excess of \$60,000. Clarification is needed to determine that the records are accurate and up to date. Some of the houses within the City limits may have billed incorrectly. Kay is in the process of researching and working with the water company to ensure accuracy. Alderman Otte asked that if any residents have any changes to be made to contact Kay. Alderman Otte motioned, Alderman Kullman seconded the motion.
Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Judge Opposed: None
Motion for Resolution 4.17.17 passed.

8. Emergency Management-Fire Department

- Mr. Shelton, Assistant Fire Chief and Emergency Manager for Riverside, informed that there were no fire calls. In addition, the City of Riverside adopted a new contract for fire rescue and emergency management services with the City of Houston Lake. City appointed Mr. Shelton as the EM director for the City of Houston Lake. Mayor asked for motion to approve the Emergency Management, Fire Protection, and Ambulance service contract with Riverside, Missouri. Alderman Kullman motioned, Alderman Jackalone seconded the motion.

Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Judge

Opposed: None

Motion passed - Mayor Freese signed the new contract.

9. Codes' Enforcement Report

No report.

10. City Administrator Report

- City Administrator Joe Chepren informed Council and attendees about the need for mowing service within the City. He has had communication with KM Lawn Services, who is able to fit the needs required for the City. The bid was presented to the Mayor and Alderman for KM Lawn service at a cost of \$6,500.00 for both mowing and landscaping. The HOA will pay part of the cost at a 50/50 split. Mr. Chepren will track the expenses and each line item as necessary. Mayor Freese asked for a motion to approve KM Lawn services. Alderman Jackalone motioned, Alderman Kullman seconded the motion.

Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Judge

Opposed: None

Motion passed

- Joe also spoke about the need for road repair and resurfacing within the City. He explained the drainage issue must be addressed before the repair of the roads can begin. Joe asked that the Council table the road repairs until more information is available. He is gathering bids for road work.

11. Venetian Gardens' Homes Association Report

No report

12. New Business

- Bill # 4.17.17 to adjust the Code Enforcement salary. Mayor Freese asked for a motion to approve Bill# 4.17.17. Bill was read by title only by City Clerk, 2nd reading by title only by City Clerk. Alderman Kullman motioned, Alderman Otte seconded the motion.

Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Freese, Otte, Judge

Opposed: None

Ordinance #363 passed

- Alderman Kullman asked for Resolution for Greg Dorsey, to acknowledge his many years of service as Municipal Judge in the City of Houston Lake. Alderman Kullman

motioned, Alderman Jackalone seconded the motion.

Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Judge
Resolution passed.

Opposed: None

- Mayor Freese asked for Resolution for Sharon Grant, to acknowledge her many years of service as Court Clerk in the City of Houston Lake. Alderman Kullman motioned, Alderman Jackalone seconded the motion.

Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Judge
Resolution passed.

Opposed: None

13. Reports from Alderman

Alderman Kullman- No Report

Alderman Jackalone-No Report

Alderman Otte- No Report

Alderman Judge- Talked about the Department of Natural Resources and what information is available to residents that are interested in more information.

14. Mayors report

- Mayor thanked Joyce Kullman for filling in as Mayor. She also thanked Melinda Cook for her service as City Clerk as well as Ethan Dean as Code Enforcement Officer. Lastly, she thanked the residents for their vote to elect her as Mayor.

15. Adjournment

- Mayor Freese asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Kullman motioned, Alderman Jackalone seconded the motion.

Roll call-Aye: Jackalone, Kullman, Otte, Judge

Opposed: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Next Council Meeting

May 8, 2017 at 7:30pm.

Tick Removal

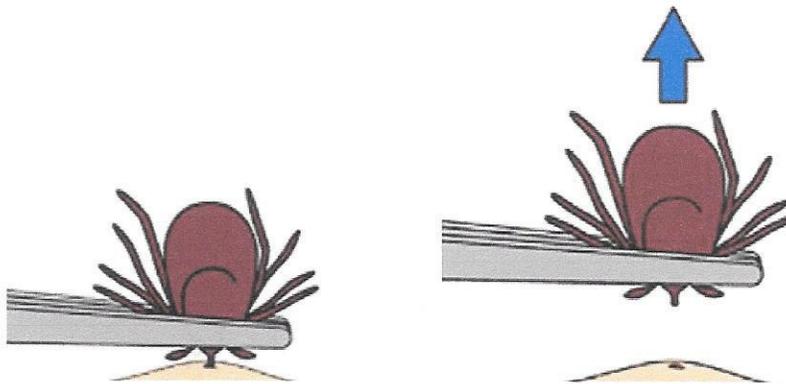
If you find a tick attached to your skin, there's no need to panic. There are several tick removal devices on the market, but a plain set of fine-tipped tweezers will remove a tick quite effectively.

How to remove a tick

1. Use fine-tipped tweezers to grasp the tick as close to the skin's surface as possible.
2. Pull upward with steady, even pressure. Don't twist or jerk the tick; this can cause the mouth-parts to break off and remain in the skin. If this happens, remove the mouth-parts with tweezers. If you are unable to remove the mouth easily with clean tweezers, leave it alone and let the skin heal.
3. After removing the tick, thoroughly clean the bite area and your hands with rubbing alcohol, an iodine scrub, or soap and water.
4. Dispose of a live tick by submersing it in alcohol, placing it in a sealed bag/container, wrapping it tightly in tape, or flushing it down the toilet. Never crush a tick with your fingers.



Avoid folklore remedies such as "painting" the tick with nail polish or petroleum jelly, or using heat to make the tick detach from the skin. Your goal is to remove the tick as quickly as possible—not waiting for it to detach.



Follow-up

If you develop a rash or fever within several weeks of removing a tick, see your doctor. Be sure to tell the doctor about your recent tick bite, when the bite occurred, and where you most likely acquired the tick.

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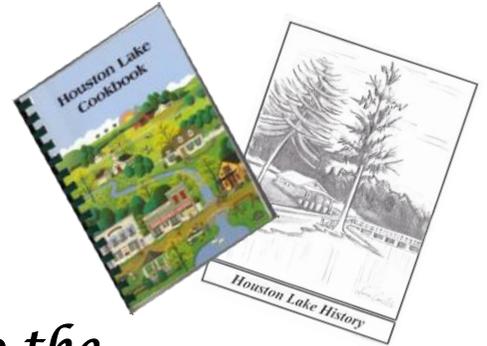
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