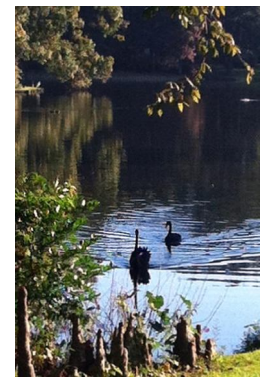


Lake Watch

Oak Hills Lake Development Association (225) 769-5744
www.oakhillslakebr.com

October 2012

"Fall on the Lake"



Events on the Lake

Sunday, October 28, 2012 – 1:00-5:00PM

The Hilltop Fall Garden Tour will feature 4 gardens in beautiful Oak Hills, including Mike and DeEtte Montalbano's home on the lake! A mini taste fair will also be included at Hilltop, along with 2 gardens in University Acres. Tickets are \$20.

This is a great chance to show off all our beautiful lake yards and to promote Oak Hills, as well as to support our neighbor, Hilltop Arboretum! See the extra flyer for more information.

Remember: You must have paid your 2012 dues in order to vote at the general membership meeting!

A large majority of lake residents have paid their dues. If you have not yet paid, please send your dues to Sealann or plan to pay at the general membership meeting. Dues are \$200.00 and cover the current calendar year of 2012. Dues for 2013 will be due during the first quarter of the New Year. A check made out to "Oak Hills Lake Development Association" can be mailed to Sealann Longwell at 821 E. Lakeview Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70810.

Officers and Board Members 2012

President – Roy Johnson
Vice President – Michael Puyou
Secretary – Shelly Johnston
Treasurer – Sealann Longwell

Board Members:

Newsletter and Website – Martha Austin
Community Liaison – Evelyn Redwine
Beautification – Devera Goss
Social – Mary Dunbar –
Committee: MiMi Durham
By-laws – Dianna Underhill

Lake Website - stay informed without waiting for the next newsletter! www.oakhillslakebr.com

2012 Board Meeting

**Fourth Board Meeting for 2012 –
Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2012 at 6:30pm**

The fourth Quarterly Board meeting will be held at the home of Devera and Jerry Goss, 735 Oak Hills Pkwy. **All Members are Welcome to attend!**

If you have any items to add to the agenda or would like to speak at the meeting, please notify Roy Johnson prior to the meeting. You may call him at 769-5744 or email him rjohnson35@cox.net

2012 General Membership Meeting

The annual Oak Hills Lake General Membership Meeting will be held on **Monday, October 22, 2012 at 6:30pm** at the home of Mary Dunbar, 822 E. Lakeview Dr. An array of food and wine will be served, followed by the general membership business meeting to nominate and elect officers for 2013 and to discuss other lake business.

On the Lake



We will continue the **Catch and Release Plan on ALL BASS** throughout the 2012 year. You are encouraged to catch and remove all other fish caught – especially the bream and the mud cats!

It has been reported that some bass of good size have been caught in the lake over the past few months. The bass seem to be more plentiful than in the past few years. Look for more information on the lake website.



We currently have two pair of Black Australian swans. You may feed them – just remember that they will return to your yard looking for more! Do not encourage or feed the swans in your yard if you have dogs that run loose! Help protect and watch over our beautiful Oak Hills Lake swans! They are such a beautiful asset to our lake.

Tree Removal Reminder

**East Baton Rouge Parish
Municipal Code**

Sec. 6:386.1. - Large material to be removed by contractor. (a) Any person, business or other entity engaged in the business of tree service who in the course of business fells or trims any tree, shall be responsible for the removal of the tree and its components from the premises where the tree was felled, and shall not place the tree nor its components or other large lumber refuse on any part of the premises or adjoining servitudes or rights-of-way for removal. (b) If the contractor fails or refuses to remove a felled tree and/or its components, the owner of the premises shall be responsible for removing the material in accordance with subsection (a). (c) Anyone violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or six (6) months' imprisonment or both.

(Ord. No. 9838, § 1, 2-23-94)



Welcome!

We want to welcome our new neighbor to Oak Hills Lake:
Oscar Alfaro, 1124 W. Lakeview Dr
We look forward to meeting you!

Deepest Sympathy

To the family of Mrs. Sandra Morris,
who passed away on March 10,

Formosan Termites in Trees!

Hurricane Isaac did relatively little damage to the homes in Oak Hills. However several homes in our area did lose more large trees in the storm; their shade, beauty, and ecological benefits will be missed. A larger problem was also brought to light – the fact that some of these seemingly healthy trees were brought down because of a Formosan termite infestation.

Brian Hanchey has first hand knowledge of this phenomenon. He reports that Formosan termites were responsible for the loss of a 100 yr. old red oak in his backyard last year and now three oaks in his front yard. The termites hollowed out the entire center of the tree (24" diameter), which caused the tree to fall onto the lines and cut power during Hurricane Isaac. Formosan termites are all over South Baton Rouge and the two big problems with them are -1) Their nests are so large - 2-3 million vs. 200k-300k for regular subterranean and 2) Although they are technically classified as subterranean termites (which only attack dead or injured trees), the Formosan termites can attack living wood tissue in trees and can actually make their nests in a live tree. He suggests that you inspect your trees – one possible indication of the Formosan termites is rust-colored dirt trails in between the bark. They are sometimes in the tree without leaving the trails.

For more information and videos, check out www.lsuagcenter.com and search for Formosan termites or look for more information on the Oak Hills Lake website. Brian may provide more information and pictures of his tree.

Neighbor Recommendations (insured & safe)

Yard Service – Allen Baker-803-3180	Electrician – Design Lighting & Electrical Co. Frank Digeralamo - 356-3126
House painting/pressure washing – Charlie Turner - 936-7406 (painting homes in Oak Hills for many years)	Tree trimmers/stump removal – Ace Tree Service Beau Williams, Kurt Delhommer - 667-6764 (since 1965)
Plumber – Ken Flory – 763-9632	Real Estate – Coldwell Bankers One Margaret Goodwin–413-9493 Charisse Hanchey–315-0612
Dentist – Dr. Mike Montalbano – 925-2118	

If you have any other trustworthy and insured that you would like to recommend, submit their names, service, and phone number to mhaustin2001@yahoo.com