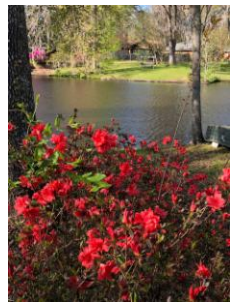


Lake Watch

Oak Hills Lake Development Association
www.oakhillslakebr.com

March 2018

Oak Hills Lake – Mar. 12th



Events

Annual 2018 Crawfish Boil

Sunday, May 6, 2018
from 3–6:00pm

Hosted by Mike & Susan Puyau
826 W. Lakeview Dr.
Members - FREE!
Crawfish supplied by Randy Montalbano's
Seafood & Catering

Bring kids & grandkids too!
Family guests may attend at \$10 per
person, and children under 10 are free.
Bring a side dish or a dessert if you can.
Be sure to RSVP by May 1st to:

Dianna Underhill – dfunderhill@cox.net
phone - 241-7334
Or
Mary Dunbar – phone 766-6083

2018 Quarterly Board Meetings

Board meetings are held quarterly, usually
on the 2nd Tues. of that month.
NOTE: If you would like to attend or add a
topic to the agenda, please notify Paul St.
Dizier at his email address: pstdizier@cox.net
This should be done at least 1 week prior to
the meeting! This is your notification of the
remaining meetings for 2018!

Tues. April 10th – 6:30 at the home of Jim &
Christine Robinson, 544 S. Lakeview Dr.

Tues. July 10th – 6:30 at the home of Diana &
Lee Underhill, 947 E. Lakeview Dr.

Tues. Oct. 9th – 6:30 at the home of Martha &
Bill Austin, 867 E. Lakeview Dr.

2018 Annual General Membership Meeting

Mon. Oct. 22nd – 6:30 at the home of Mary
Dunbar, 822 E. Lakeview Dr.

THANK YOU TO....

DeEte & Mike Montalbano for hosting the
2017 Annual Lake Christmas Party!

The food was delicious, the night was
perfect, & the wonderful balloon launches
were spectacular!

Thank you to Walter Smith for providing
the band for the night, which added so
much to the festive holiday spirit.

It was a truly wonderful party!

2018 Dues are due Now!

The annual Oak Hills Lake Development Association
(OHLDA) dues are payable now -
March 2018!

Annual dues are \$200 for the year.

Please make your check payable to OHLDA & mail it
to:

Michael Puyau, Treasurer
Oak Hills Lake Development Assn.
826 W. Lakeview Dr.
Baton Rouge, LA 70810

Invoices were mailed out the 1st week of March –
invoice forms can also be printed out on the Lake
website: www.oakhillslakebr.com

On the Lake

Spring is Here!

The Lake is beautiful,
wildlife is abundant,
and the fishing is good!



The 2018 Catch and Release dates for our bass are from March 15th through May 15th.

During spawning season (until May 15th) ALL Bass
must be released immediately back into the lake.

Brim, catfish, & sac-a-lait may be kept if caught.

The Catch and Release program is to allow the bass to
spawn, which will ultimately lead to better fishing on
the lake! No trout lines are allowed in the lake.

Our lake consultant, Mark McElroy, and the Board
agree that during the year, *any bass caught that is
between 3 pounds and 7 pounds should be released
year round!*

These are the bass that not only spawn, but also have
the potential to reach "trophy" bass sizes of more than
7 pounds if allowed to mature!!

Officers and Board Members 2018

President: Paul St. Dizier

Vice President: Jim Robinson

Secretary: Christine Robinson

Treasurer: Mike Puyau

Lake Development Resources: Mike Montalbano

Rules: Walter Smith

Social: Dianna Underhill, Mary Dunbar

Website & Newsletter: Martha Austin

Ruth Kovaks

Mac Peek

Mark McElroy – Oak Hills Lake Consultant

REMEMBER.... Boating and fishing on the lake are for members only – boats must have your lot number and an OHLDA decal displayed on both sides of the bow. If you need a decal, please email Roy Johnson, rjohnson35@cox.net

Only paying members may launch any type of boats in the lake or fish in the lake!

NO SWIMMING IN THE LAKE AT ANYTIME!

NOTE: Lake Property owners are responsible for paying Lake dues! If the dues for the property have not been paid, then renters cannot use the lake!! Owners are responsible for the renters' behavior on the lake.

Lake membership is limited to the 55 owners of the lake lots around our 12 acre lake, which is located in Oak Hills Place. Every lot owner on the lake is eligible for membership.

To become a member, lot owners must pay the yearly membership fee, which begins each new calendar year in January.

Hilltop Arboretum – www.lsu.edu/hilltop

April Events

BACKYARD BIRD GARDENER CAMP
Easter Break 2018

April 5th, 6th 2018 @ 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
\$50/Members of Hilltop; \$85 non-members
(includes 1 yr membership)
225-767-6916

SPRING FLING PLANT SALE
April 7, 2018 @ 9:00 am – 2:00 pm
FREE

See the Hilltop website for more information on these events: www.lsu.edu/hilltop

Reminder –

PLEASE DO NOT BLOW YOUR GRASS OR LEAVES INTO THE LAKE!!!

THE LEAVES FILL UP THE BOTTOM OF THE LAKE AND CUT DOWN THE AMOUNT OF OXYGEN FOR THE FISH IN THE LAKE!

Did you know..... that the street drains DO drain into our lake – so please don't blow your grass or leaves into these drains either!
Thank you!

Welcome to our Newest Lake Residents!

Welcome to Jerry and Lindsey All, who moved to our lake in August, 2017. The All's moved into the Place's home on W. Lakeview Dr.

Welcome to Rob and Melissa McConnell, who moved to our lake in February, 2018. The McConnell's moved into the Sanders' home on N. Lakeview Dr.

Condolences

Our sincere condolences to the family of Raymond S. Morris, "Ray", on S. Lakeview Dr., who passed away Dec. 25, 2017 at the age of 80.

Our sincere condolences to Brian, Charisse, & Andrew Hanchey, on S. Lakeview Dr., in the death of Brian's father, James Randall "Randy" Hanchey, who passed away Feb. 4, 2018 at the age of 80.

2018 Weir Cleaning Schedule

Jan - Brian Hanchey
Feb - Mike Puyau
Mar – Ralph Lorio
Apr - Paul St. Dizier
May - Carey Messina
Jun - Roy Johnson
Jul - Russell Babin
Aug - Brian Hanchey
Sep - Mike Puyau
Oct – Ralph Lorio
Nov - Paul St. Dizier
Dec - Carey Messina

Contact: rababin@cox.net if you need to change your month.

2018 Weir Duties

1. Be safe. Be careful not to twist your ankle on the grating – **especially during the Drawdown!**
2. Check the weir for blockage at least once a week.
3. Check the weir for blockage after any rains.
4. Watch the weather forecast and check the weir for blockage before any big storms.
5. During big storms (1+ inches) during the fall/winter, I usually check the weir during a lull in the rain to avoid anything "getting out of hand". Bring a flashlight at night if necessary.
6. Keep the grates with smaller openings propped up and out of the way. They just plug up the weir faster.
7. Bring a small trash bag to haul off the small non-biodegradable stuff (cans, bottles, paper, toys, etc.)
8. I simply push the small organic stuff (leaves, pine needles, twigs) through the grating.
9. I stack the larger stuff (branches, boards, fence posts, etc.) by the street. The city will haul it away.
10. Watch out for floating clumps of elephant ears near the weir. Break them up and get them out of the water. They can quickly plug the grating.
11. If things get out of hand during a big storm and the lake water level keeps rising, call other weir team members for help.
12. If you will be out of town during your month, find a backup to check the weir for you.

Neighbor Recommendations (insured & safe)

Real Estate – Coldwell Bankers One Charisse Hanchey-225-315-0512	Dentist – Dr. Mike Montalbano – 225-925-2118
Lawn and Landscape LLC Bilwood Smith, III - 225-287-9533	

It's time to update our listings so that the information is current!

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