



# Lake Nottely Improvement Association, Inc.

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## April 2010 Newsletter

### A message from the President ...

Welcome to Spring in the North Georgia Mountains. I hope everyone has thawed out from such a cold winter as we experienced this year. It's always exciting to start seeing the early signs of Spring all around us – including an increase in the sightings of moving objects on Lake Nottely.

We have two projects in the works at this time – one is for the additional park bench at Poteete Creek Park and the other is helping with the support of our DNR/Sheriff's Department Lake Patrol. The fundraiser being planned for May 22 will be a LNIA membership garage sale. You will have an opportunity to dispose of some of your "treasures" while helping our association make a little money to help with some of the expenses associated with the patrol boats. As stated in the January newsletter, there is a need for some additional dive gear for the Sheriff's boat and we have made a commitment to help with some of that funding.

Please save the date of May 13 and make plans to attend our annual Spring meeting. It will be held at the UCB Brackett Room at 7:00 PM. Our guest line-up will include Tom Gilliland (TVA Board Member), Scott Deyton (Sheriff's Department), Keven Dyer (DNR), Mitch Griggs (Union County Development Authority), Kemmy Garrett (local TVA representative), and Commissioner Lamar Paris. If you have some questions you would like addressed, this is a great opportunity to do it.

We continue to increase our visibility as an association and I thank you all for playing a part in working to keep the lake clean and safe.  
.....Sue Boris



Back Row: Denver and Sherry Gammons, Miriam Sherman, Lynn Varian, Mike Mekas  
Front Row: Barry Varian, Commissioner Lamar Paris, Sue Boris, Diane and Henry Dominick and Jan and Glen Boland

### **2010 Holman Water Quality Stewardship Award ~**

Commissioner Lamar Paris was awarded the 2010 Holman Water Quality Stewardship Award by the Hiwassee River Watershed Coalition. The award honors the person who has done the most to advance HRWC's mission of facilitating water quality improvements in the upper Hiwassee River watershed. Many LNIA members attended the event.

### **Shop Locally and Support Our Corporate Members ~**

*Our corporate members are all local businesses. In our current economic climate it is a tribute to our corporate members that they continue as strong supporters of our activities. A list of our corporate members is provided in this newsletter. Please patronize these businesses whenever you have the opportunity to do so and let them know you are a LNIA member.*

### **Our Bad .....**

The March 6 road clean-up was cancelled due to bad weather. We didn't adequately publicize our make-up date so on March 13 only 4 volunteers showed up. Forging ahead, they picked up SEVENTEEN!! bags of trash on highway 325 in the area near the dam. Thanks to Jan and Glen Boland and to Diane and Henry Dominick for their enthusiasm for beautifying our lake surroundings. Kudos to you four and our deep appreciation.

### **Yo ~ Bro!!! Community Night at Brother's Restaurant ~**

*A Community Night to benefit LNIA's Patrol Boat will be held at Brother's Restaurant at Willow Branch on Hwy 76, Young Harris, on Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 – 8:30 PM. This is a great way to enjoy a wonderful meal while benefiting a worthy cause. Please mention to the hostess that when you enter the restaurant that you are supporting Lake Nottely Improvement Association. Brother's will donate a percentage of the total sales to our association.*

Check out the new website at [www.lakenottely.org](http://www.lakenottely.org). We will continue to build it as time goes on.

#### **UCSD Lake Patrol Boat ~**

Our two Spring Fundraisers will provide funds to support the Union County Sheriff's Department new Lake Patrol Boat.

Chief Scott Deyton, Lt. Mark Cecci and Narcotics Investigator Garrick Parks proudly showed off the 21 footer and offered a wish list for equipment. The boat was purchased with seized drug money and the department has worked hard to refurbish it. Six officers have received their dive certification and four more have completed courses to operate the scuba/dive/rescue-recovery vehicle. "We will be pleased with any assistance from LNIA. Our needs run the gamut from life vests to dive gear. It costs over \$2000.00 to properly outfit a diver. With the expected increase in traffic on Nottely this

summer, we want to be vigilant in our efforts to protect and assist lake users," said Chief Deyton. The boat will be on display at both fundraisers and officers will be on hand to answer any questions.



#### **Members' Donation Goes to the New Park Bench ~**

Hobie and Kathy Napier have asked the LNIA Board to put their generous 2010 donation to good use. Thanks to the Napiers, LNIA will be able to put more funds toward completing the purchase and installation of a second Poteete Creek Beach park bench.

"We have been gratified that the bench LNIA installed in 2006 has received such constant use and feel that the addition of a second bench will be met with the same enthusiasm," said Jan Boland. "The beach is a very popular site in the summer and the benches provide a great spot for watching the kids, quiet talks, or for just chillin'."

The first bench was made possible, in part, by funds donated by one of our member families and was placed in memory of our deceased members. If you are interested in contributing to the bench fund, please contact Barry Varian, LNIA treasurer, at 706-897-2018. Permanent benches and their installation in cement cost approximately \$700.00.

#### **Celebrate Spring with LNIA!!**

*We are excited that our Spring Educational meeting will include so many informative speakers. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the meeting on Thursday, May 13, at 7PM in the UCB Brackett Room. Bring friends and family members and join LNIA in celebrating Spring with information about our lake!*

#### **Hiwassee River Watershed Coalition (HRWC) News ~**

The HRWC will host a "Spring Wine Celebration" fundraiser at the Crane Creek Vineyards, Young Harris, GA on Thursday, May 20. More information will be announced as plans are finalized.

Since the goals of HRWC and LNIA are similar in nature, we will keep you informed of their activities as well as our own.

#### **Tour de Garage ~ Trash and Treasure Sale**

As the weather improves and we get excited about ending this long winter hibernation, Spring cleaning comes to mind. Gather your excess treasures and help us raise money to equip the Union County Sheriff's new Lake Nottely Safety Patrol boat. DNR's Kevin Dyer and officers from the Sheriff's Department have undergone training and will man the boat. Our contribution will fund equipment for the dive team.

The Tour de Garage ~ Trash and Treasure Sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 22. Members may rent an 8 foot table and sell their own items at the UCB Brackett Room or set up their own Garage sale at their home. LNIA will advertise on TV, radio, newspaper, the web and will provide signage and maps. There is a \$20 fee to participate at the bank or your home.

With TVA's announcement that they will drop Lake Blue Ridge up to 67 feet beginning in July, LNIA is aware that our lake may experience an increase in usage. In addition, TVA has announced that they are considering significant repair work on the generators on Lake Chatuge. The enhanced Patrol Boat will be an asset for Lake Nottely homeowners whose main concern is safety.

Watch for more information on our website, [www.lakenottely.org](http://www.lakenottely.org), and/or contact Lynn Varian at [lynnvarian@brmemc.net](mailto:lynnvarian@brmemc.net) or 706-897-5669. The sign-up date is Monday, May 12 and space will be limited.

**Lake Shore & Road Clean-ups!**

We always need Volunteers, especially for Lake Shore and Road Clean-ups. It's great fun and good company!!! Contact Debbie Folmer for clean-up volunteering. (706-835-5926 or folmerd@aol.com)



















**Interested in getting involved with Lake Nottely**

**Improvement Association?** Please contact Sue Boris by phone (706-835-3005) or e-mail [sueboris@windstream.net](mailto:sueboris@windstream.net).

**Corporate Members**

**Please support them whenever possible!**

**Check Website for more information**

-  Mike's Seafood Market & Grill
-  United Community Bank
-  Appalachian Community Bank
-  Subway (Singleton Food Service)
-  Blairsville Marine, Inc
-  Karen Sweenie, Realtor
-  North Georgia Boat Lift
-  Notla Water Authority
-  Garrison International Fishing Guide Service
-  High Country Canvas & Marine
-  Enotah Land Company - Jim McAfee
-  Blue Ridge Mobile Marine Service
-  Cary D Cox, Attorney at Law
-  Chuck Gaetano, the BRAFF Group
-  Brett Owenby Grading
-  Backyard Delights
-  Cozy Cove Marina
-  Mountain Valley Motors

**Mark your LNIA Calendar for 2010**

April	15	Community Night – Brother's Restaurant – 4:30 – 8:30 PM
May	1	Nottely Lake Clean-up – Lakeside Village
		Breakfast – 8:30/Lunch – 1:00/Boats Leave 9:00
	13	Spring Education Meeting – UCB Brackett Room – 7 PM
	22	"Tour de Garage" (more information to follow)
June	5	Nottely Dam Road Clean-up – Picnic Area – 10 AM
	12	Rain Make-up Date for Road Clean-up
	12/13	Highland Games – LNIA Members Volunteers
	19	Annual Meeting & Picnic – Poteete Park – 3 PM
August	14	Island Picnic – Meet at Poteete Park – 3 PM
September	11	Nottely Dam Road Clean-up – Picnic Area – 10 AM
	18	Rain Make-up Date for Road Clean-up
October	9	Nottely Lake Clean-up – Poteete Park
		Breakfast – 9:30/Lunch – 1:00/Boats Leave – 10:00AM
	14	Fall Educational Meeting – UCB Brackett Room – 7 PM
November	6	Nottely Dam Road Clean-up – Picnic Area - 9 AM
	13	Rain Make-up Date for Road Clean-up

**Board meetings**

\*Board meetings are held at 7 PM in the UCB Community Room unless stated otherwise. Dates are as follows: Feb 4, Mar 11, Apr 15, May 13 (6 PM - UCB Brackett Room), Jun 19 (2 PM at Poteete Pavilion), Jul 15, Aug 12, Sep 16, Oct 14(6 PM – UCB Brackett Room), Dec 11 (9AM – TBA)

**Newsletter ~ Debbie Folmer, Editor**

If you have any suggestions, requests, or comments for the LNIA Newsletter, please submit them via email to [folmerd@aol.com](mailto:folmerd@aol.com) or phone 706-835-5926.

**Brrrr!! Winter on beautiful Lake Nottely....**

