

# Wildwood Breeze

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Due to cold weather, the Board has spent the first three months of 1975 planning the activities for Spring and Summer projects. Your association, because of everyone's involvement, had a very good year in 1974 but, at this time of the year, our funds are very limited. The Board of Directors would appreciate the payment of your annual dues of \$30.00, if they have not been paid, so we can get the following programs moving.

Bruce Hagan - The Missouri Conservation Department has advised, after a recent study of the lake, it is important that every step be taken to control the excessive amount of algae, arrowheads and cattails growing in and around the lake.

Arlon Meisner - The timbers on the concrete bridge over the spillway are deteriorating and in very bad condition. The concrete is broken and cracked. This MUST be the #1 priority with good weather upon us. A large section of the retaining wall on the dam has caved in and fallen into the lake. There is no immediate danger; however, this must be repaired to avert any damage because of wave wash.

There has been much discussion about the possibility of an addition to our clubhouse. As members we have the right to rent and use this clubhouse for \$10.00 (\$15.00 if air conditioning is desired). These prices cover only the actual cost and expenses for the operation while in use. There is no profit margin for the association. To build a sizeable addition to handle large gatherings of 100 to 125 persons we are going to need many \$\$\$, which will come from dues, profits from Wildwood Day, etc. The Board would like to hear from the membership, pro and con, on this subject. We need to build additional picnic tables on the clubhouse grounds. Arlon will be in charge of this project.

Nick Bujanovich - The day has been set for Wildwood Day (July 26) and some initial planning has already been done. Nick is also looking for sights and costs on the feasibility of several tennis courts in the area.

Jim Barrow - Killing the stumps of the trees that have been cut down on the back of the dam is being studied as to the proper chemical and cost. A low growing type of plant life is being studied to assure that the erosion of the back of the dam does not continue. Approximately 2/3 of the trees that need to be cut down have been cut and removed. The remaining brush will be cleaned up shortly.

Dick Kaller - The date for Spring Clean-up in and around the lake has been set for April 26. Let's all support this project. It will take a few hours for many of the members OR several days by a few of the members. Let's all give 3 or 4 hours of our Saturday morning after a super pancake breakfast put on by the Auxiliary.

Planning for several outdoor grills to the east of the clubhouse (close to the lake) and picnic tables has been done. Emmett Wholf has graciously volunteered to make them at little, if any, cost to the association. That is the type of spirit that founded and has nurtured your association over the years.

Dick has already made plans for keeping the north shore of the lake mowed and presentable. I personally want to take this opportunity to thank those members who, over the years, have mowed and kept the area between the road and lake presentable by mowing and keeping the paper and debris picked up. Another instance of Wildwood pride and spirit. Thanks folks.

Burna Murray - It has been suggested that we sell slots in the boat dock for \$20.00 which the association owns. There are about 13 available so come one - come all!! To the boat owners - the docks are in good condition but could stand a coat of green paint. The board of Directors has established a policy of "no boats chained to a tree around the lake and no boats setting on land between the road and lake on the north shore". The chain on trees injures them and the boats on land make it difficult to mow and kills the grass where it sets, leaving an ugly spot all year long. If the residents on the south choose to kill the grass on their land, that is their prerogative. Additional signs for "Membership Only" will be posted. PLEASE - no riding of mini-bikes or scooters on the north side of the lake between the road and lake front.

Carl Baron has done much to and for the revamping of our outdated By-laws. He will also be spearheading another membership drive to reach the magic number of 200 members in 1975.

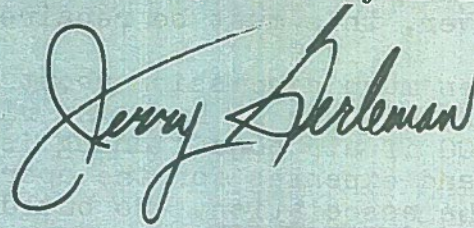
Steve Garnett - With the fishing fever up, we will again have to keep close watch to see that only dues paying association members are using the lake. Steve will be in charge of the Lake Patrol, so don't be offended if you are checked. The Board is just trying to assure and protect the fishing and lake privileges of each dues paying member.

On 7 or 8 occasions in 1974 area residents in the confines of Wildwood who are non-members were using the lake. Please understand we would sincerely appreciate your membership in the association. Your dues are important and put to good use in the maintenance and improvement of the lake and clubhouse. More gratifying, however, to the members on the Board is to drive by the lake and witness many families having picnics, fishing and boating. PEOPLE WITH PEOPLE - HAVING FUN! Early morning or late evening witnessing father-son, young and old, in their efforts to outwit the elusive bass or the tasty delight of the channel cat. Please join us.

The largest bass caught and reported was 8 lbs. in 1974. The largest channel cat reported was just over 6 lbs. and we know there are much larger ones.

Tom Croskey has been sending statements and the corresponding membership card that you need to have with you while fishing and boating on the lake. If you have guests and cannot be with them at the lake, your guest must have your membership card in his possession. Please abide by this guideline so no embarrassing situations arise between your guest and the members of the Lake Patrol.

You will be kept advised in future issues of the progress of your association in 1975.






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## AUXILIARY NEWS

The March meeting was on the 18th at the home of Wilma Roark, 6908 Lake Shore Dr. Bob Spence and Scott Kistler, candidates for Ward 2, spoke to us regarding their qualifications for alderman. Bob Mathison gave us a presentation on the Bicentennial events coming up in the next two years.

The St. Patrick's Day party on March 15 was a great success. About 60 people enjoyed the singing of Waura Willis and harmonica playing of Laura Estep.

Coming up in April will be the Quarterly Dinner on Thursday, April 17 and our annual Pancake Day on Saturday, April 26.

The next meeting will be at Jean Gerleman's, 6825 Crisp on Tues., April 15 at 8:00 p.m. This will be a cookie exchange so bring some of your favorite cookies to exchange with others.

We will be taking items to the Jackson County Hospital sometime this spring. Needed for women are such items as body powder, Ivory bar soap, aprons, white anklets, stockings (not pantyhose); and for men white sox, underwear, shirts, etc., all in large sizes. Bring your donation to the April meeting. All items should be new merchandise for their Birthday Room at the Hospital.

### QUARTERLY DINNER

Plan to attend the Quarterly Dinner on Thursday, April 17th. Social hour at 6 p.m. - dinner promptly at 7 p.m. The menu will be meatloaf, mashed potatoes, spinach salad, and pie. Price \$1.50 for adults and 75¢ under 12. Reservations by Mon., Apr. 14 to your caller or phone Joan Kunkel at 356-6036.

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Have breakfast with us at the clubhouse Sat. Apr. 26 from 7:30 a.m. til 1:00 p.m. This is our annual Pancake Day in conjunction with the city's clean-up campaign for spring. We will serve pancakes sausage, juice and coffee. Tall stack \$1.50 - short stack 75¢. Tickets available soon from Aux. member or at the door. Our thanks to the Raytown Federal Savings & Loan for printing of tickets.

### CHRIS' CORNER

My Swan Song: I've very much enjoyed the two years on the City Council and the most recent year as Mayor Pro-tem.

With the new city hall, we have a greater pride in our city. The passage of the sales tax will insure continued city services despite the critical inflationary trends. Our first receipt of sales tax proceeds is now in and being applied to the Police Dept. and Public Works Dept. budgets.

Most of all, the tax reduction was promised and we delivered! Thank you for reading my corner - God Bless.

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## RAYTOWN BICENTENNIAL

A very interesting narrated slide program and an old fashioned period fashion show will be given April 27 from 1:00 to 5:00 at our new City Hall on the historical landmarks of Raytown plus displays of historic value. Mrs. Tremonti, owner of the famous Slave Cabin, has given permission to film the cabin and her home. A tour of the City Hall will also be available - refreshments - admission free. Phyllis Miller is chairman of the program.

### CLUBHOUSE SIGN

Have you seen the attractive new covered sign at the clubhouse? This was donated by two relatives of Lura Beth Friel in memory of her late husband, Bill Friel, who passed away a year ago.

### CHANGE IN BOARD MEETINGS

The Association Board Meetings will now be held the first Sunday of each month at the clubhouse at 7:30. This is an open meeting so everyone is welcome.

### NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to Everett and Corky Skinner who live at 6701 Vermont, phone no. 356-3329. The Skinners have 5 children and 3 grandchildren.

### SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy to Phyllis Holbrook and her family on the loss of Phyllis' sister, Mrs. Tina Kalnasi.

Mr. Don Nordhaus, Sr., father of Don Nordhaus, Jr., 11409 E. 69th, passed away March 23. Our sympathy to all the family.

### NEWS FROM HERE AND THERE

Carl and Betty Baron spent an exciting few days in Las Vegas recently. It was especially exciting because they won money.

Phyllis Miller accompanied hubby Nels on a flight to Dublin, Ireland and really enjoyed the five days.

Las Vegas is the place to go and the person to go with is Lura Beth Friel. Ask Lola Taylor for details. These two gals, along with two of Lura Beth's nieces, had a fabulous time there earlier this month.

A very surprized grandmother was greeted by 30 guests on her 79th birthday on Mar. 14 at the home of her son and family, the Bernard Grays. She hadn't seen at least half of the people for 15 to 20 years. The evening was spent reviving old friendships and playing pinochle.

Bev Wholff is recuperating from a brief stay in Baptist Memorial Hospital.

Louise Vogel visited her daughter and family in Denver, Colo. early this month.