



SPRING/APRIL 2025

## Spring Community Engagement Events

Mark your calendar and plan to gather **Saturday, April 26**, with neighbors at the lower lake for the WWLHOA Spring Clean-Up, to be held 10 a.m. to noon. The board is meeting at 9 a.m. Prior to the event. Participants will start the morning with coffee and doughnuts, then break off to tackle areas in need of attention including, upper and lower lakes, dam, streets and shared green-spaces.

*You do not need any special skills or tools to take part*, just an hour or two of your time, and an eagerness to make our community a better place for all residents. If you do have special skills or tools, bring them;

(rakes, buckets, shovels, chain-saw, safety glasses, trash grabbers, etc.) otherwise, some sturdy gloves and outerwear may come in handy. Trash bags, disposable gloves, and other items as needed will be provided.

What's more—in the theme of spring cleaning—residents may also take advantage of a Big Trash/Dumpster Drop **Saturday, May 17**, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A 40-yd roll-off dumpster will be available on the street near 6838 Lakeshore Dr., for large trash items, yard waste and household items. *You may not dump: tires, car batteries, wet paint, any appliances with Freon, or other items as prohibited by*

*the service provider*. This event is solely for paid HOA members of Wildwood Lakes, and will be enforced.

Following the Dumpster Drop, a **community cookout** on May 17 will be held at 6825 Lakeshore Dr. Everyone is welcome to attend; just bring your appetite, conversation and lawn chair. Get to know your Wildwood neighbors during a fun afternoon fostering community.

Do you or a neighbor have a Spring Clean-related need that may be addressed by either upcoming event? Please reach out to the WWLHOA board at [wildwoodlakehoa@gmail.com](mailto:wildwoodlakehoa@gmail.com).

## Delinquent Dues Affect HOA Needs

At the board meeting held March 25, the treasurer's report indicated that 19 members of WWLHOA have not paid required annual dues for 2025, with one household delinquent for both 2024 and 2025, resulting in \$8,000 in unpaid dues.

March 30 was the deadline for payment. A one-month extension was made to residents due to

inclement weather potentially causing delay in postal delivery as we kicked off the new year. A reminder letter was delivered to those who have not yet paid, in addition to the notice in this newsletter.

To make your dues payment, you may pay electronically through Zelle, or mail your \$400 check to:

WWLHOA  
PO Box 9432  
Raytown, MO 64133

Dues payments are applied toward costs of mowing, maintenance, security, and significant repairs to be made to the dam/sea-wall, upper and lower spillways, bridge and more. Without payment, there is future potential for resident assessments.

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

- > **Tuesday, April 1**, HOA Dues Deadline, assessments begin
- > **Saturday, April 26**, 10 a.m. – Noon, Spring Clean-Up, meet at lower lake
- > **Saturday, May 17**, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Big Trash/Dumpster Drop, 6838 Lakeshore Dr.
- > **Saturday, May 17**, following Dumpster Drop, Community Cookout at 6825 Lakeshore Dr. Bring lawn chairs.



### IN BRIEF

**Gate Code Privacy**—Gate/Dam access is for paid member households only. Do not give out the gate code.

**Report Suspicious Activity**—Help keep neighbors and property safe.

**Keep Wild Animals, Wild**—It's safest and in their best interest to not feed or house wild animals domestically.

**Catch and Release**—Preserve our lakes' fish population by practicing catch and release.

**Watch Your Speed**—As the temperature increases, so do pedestrians. Be aware, stay alert, slow down.



## Conservation Corner: WWL Wildlife Abundance

Each year, WWLHOA registers the association for addling Resident Canada Goose eggs, and reports the season's outcome to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Goose egg addling is a wildlife management method of population control for Canada geese and other bird species. This management method prevents overpopulation, pollution, and deals with safety issues for both animals and humans.

Mated pairs have now started to stay together near their preferred nest sites at Wildwood Lakes, and they defend those sites against other geese, and our residents, which can become quite dangerous.

Goose eggs are addled using humane instructions, and by a team of individuals who remove the egg from the nest within 14 days of being laid, coat each egg's shell with corn oil and place the egg back into the nest. When addling, the team must not change the odor, appearance or texture of the egg.

If you are interested in helping, please email the HOA for information regarding dates and times for the addling team's next excursion.

### Are you an Otter Spotter?

Upper and Lower lakes have both had river otter sightings! Our small family of otters have been

splashing around playfully and gracefully more in the past two weeks. If you catch a glimpse, or perhaps a photo, send them to use for newsletter or Web site!

While we have a few weeks before the constant temperature of our lakes reach and stay above 65 degrees needed for a crappie spawn, small bass are making their way closer to the shore; and several species of turtles are becoming more active when the sun is out. Fox and raccoons scurry about our greenspaces and near our homes as we await the first of many hummingbirds to visit the feeders, and deer are still seemingly abundant, while hawks have taken to the airways.

## KIDS FISHING DERBY

If you are interested in WWLHOA hosting a kids' fishing derby for our neighborhood, families and friends, we'd like to hear from you! Email your interest to [wildwoodlakehoa@gmail.com](mailto:wildwoodlakehoa@gmail.com).

### MEET THE BOARD

<b>Jason Sneddon</b> (816) 642-5319	<b>President</b>
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## Major Repairs Needed to WWL Dam, Spillways

Estimates have been received and reviewed by the board to begin major repairs to the upper lake dam and spillways in the coming months.

Unwanted seepage and flow of water through or around the dam structure is causing damaging leakage, collapsing concrete

structure and barriers, and sink-holes. Dam leakage commonly occurs due to various factors, including natural geological conditions, design flaws, and construction issues. Currently the community is facing dam leakage from soil erosion, and ongoing maintenance needs. Repair over

the coming months is essential to mitigate these issues.

If you would like additional information regarding costs associated with the repairs, and the plan for those to be made, please plan to attend the community clean-up event Sat., April 26, at 10 a.m., meeting at the lower lake.

## Podcast to Feature Wildwood Lake Community



Past President and Archivist of the Raytown Historical Society, Charlotte Belger, will soon be hosting a podcast on Wildwood Lakes. Stay tuned for more details, as we will link the files to our Web site for all to enjoy!



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