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Happy 90th Birthday Genevieve!



Our family would like to extend a spectacular thank you to those who joined us for Genevieve's very special day. She is 90 and fabulous and having her Lake Kiowa community celebrate her was a treat she will long remember.



Get ready, get set...

This Saturday, September 5, at 9:00 AM will mark the celebration of the 4th annual LKF Firecracker 5K. Online registration has now ended. However, you can register the morning of the event beginning at 8:00 AM. Any remaining t-shirts will be available for purchase on the day of the Firecracker 5K.

Each year the LKF Firecracker 5K generates donations from generous sponsors, Kiowans, and guests. Including this year, we will have raised over \$100,000 for the Indian Creek Volunteer Fire Department (ICFVD). What's the impact? We are helping the ICFVD move toward an Advanced Life Support designation. Achieving the goal requires additional equipment and training. Homes, businesses, and lives will be saved. Your help can make it happen!

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Community Updates



Grief Share Group
8:00 AM Tuesdays
Lodge Board Room

You need a supportive place where you can share your feelings and connect with others living life after loss. Find help for your journey. Bring your coffee and join us at 8:00 AM on Tuesday mornings in the Lodge Board Room for an hour of support. If you have questions or would like to meet at another time, please call Nancy at 719-214-6076.



Rosary Prayer Group

The Rosary Prayer Group will meet on the second Monday on September 14, and on the fourth Monday on September 28, in the Boardroom at 5:00 PM. We welcome everyone.

PRAYER: "O Mary, increase my faith in the power that your Divine Son has given you. Grant me the grace to be a true follower of Jesus all the days of my life."

God Bless each of you.



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Lake Kiowa POA Community Events - 2026

Labor Day Weekend

Saturday, Sept. 5th - Firecracker 5k - LK Fellowship - 8am
Registration, 9am Run and Walk start
5pm LKACC Fish Fry, Pavilion, ticketed event
Sunday, Sept. 6th - 7:00pm FOLK Concert Eagles Tribute
Band with lodge special food

October 24th - 4:30pm Fall Festival FOLK sponsoring - with costume contest and games in the Pavilion. 6:00pm Trunk or Treat - in the parking lot by the Pavilion

November 11th - Veteran's Dinner & Awards
Wednesday evening, at the Lodge



November 14th - 10:30am-4:00pm - KWC Winter Artisan Market - Saturday in the Lodge

November 28th - 3rd Annual Christmas Parade at 5:30pm - Our golf cart theme is "Santa's Workshop". So decorate those carts and come out for our parade - route is shortened but starts off the same. Join us at 6:00pm in the Assembly Room for our Annual Tree Lighting and visit with Santa!!



December 5th - Breakfast with Santa, Lodge at 9am - make reservations with the lodge. We will have breakfast, kids activities and a visit from Santa!!



December 8th - FOLK Golf Cart Caroling @ 5pm



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Community Updates



Sandra Ann (Boland) Richardson, 65, of Lake Kiowa, Texas passed away August 3, 2026 at North Texas Medical Center of Gainesville, Texas surrounded by loved ones. She was born on August 15, 1960 in Atlanta, Georgia to Clarence Alfred and Dorothy Margaret (Reid) Boland.

Sandy graduated Nursing School from NCTC with her Associates degree of Nursing in 1999. She worked for 25 years as a nurse, the majority of the time was spent as a Nursery Nurse. The final years before retirement were spent as a Postpartum Nurse. Her passion showed through with

her care for babies and mothers alike. Sandy married Jackie Richardson on Valentine's Day of 1986. Her hobbies included traveling with her husband, kids, and eventually grand kids. She devoted her time after retirement to her grandkids.

Sandra is survived by her son Derek Richardson and spouse Craig Wilson, and daughter Sara Johnson and spouse Dylan Johnson and grandkids Adalynn, Nadaly, and Everett. Brother Bob Boland and family, brother Richard Boland and family, niece Michelle Benton and family, niece Stephanie Torres and family, niece Bailey Spicer and family.

She was preceded in death by her father Clarence "Red" and mother Dorothy "Dottie" Boland, husband Jackie Richardson and sister Pattie Allen.

The family will receive friends at Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home on Friday, August 7, 2026 at 9:00 AM. Funeral services will be at 10:00 AM on Friday, August 7, 2026 at Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home with Rev. Hollis Parsons officiating. Interment will be at Rosston Cemetery.

Thank you for your support.

You may register your condolences online at www.geojcarroll.com.



Heartfelt thanks to Norman Porter and the Indian Creek Volunteer Fire Department for the excellent service providing medical equipment to our Lake Kiowa community. This is an incredible and completely free service. Rental or purchase of wheelchairs, walkers, shower chairs and other medical equipment can be very expensive, which makes this service all the more valuable. As noted in the *CommuniQué* ad each month, all aspects of this service are free, including delivery and pickup. Norman's service has been outstanding for us and many others. Norman said he has delivered 188 pieces of equipment to 117 families over the past 15 months. Contact Norman Porter 817 320-4477.

Many Thanks, Norman,
Denny and Donna Engels



On behalf of Bruce McDonald and family, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all of the friends who have sent us loving words of encouragement, stories of memories and joyous occasions, endless meals made with loving hearts and prayers for peace and comfort as we navigate our world without our matriarch. We feel your love and care and are very grateful to you for loving our family as if it was your own.

Alice Lynn McDonald (née Peschke), aged 82, passed away peacefully on July 19, 2026. Born on April 19, 1944, in Chicago, Illinois, Alice lived a life defined by love, faith, and devotion to her family and community. She was a cherished wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend, and her presence will be more than deeply missed.

Alice was the beloved wife of Bruce McDonald for nearly 57 years. Together, they created a life rich with love, laughter and partnership, raising a close-knit family that brought her immense joy. She is survived by her children: Maren (Scott) Garza, Bruce (Noelle) McDonald Jr., Cathryn (Mike) Wells, Brian (Kara) McDonald, and Ann (Nick) Stahly. Her cherished grandchildren include Adam, Lauren, and Madalyn Garza; Jacob and Connor McDonald; Sarah and Ryan Wells; Allison, Owen, and Hannah McDonald; and Kelsie, Cruz and Edie Stahly. Alice also leaves be-

hind her dear sisters Kathryn Krantz and Judith (Hank) Simon; along with brothers- and sisters-in-law; nieces; nephews; cousins; and countless others whose lives she touched. She was predeceased by her parents, Edna and Leonard Peschke.

Alice was a devoted member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Gainesville. She guided those around her with her wisdom and compassion to all who sought her counsel. Alice had the ability to push doubt out of the way and encouraged others to work hard to achieve their goals, even when obstacles were in the way. She was an active participant in the Lake Kiowa Women's Club, where she formed lasting friendships through shared activities. Alice found great joy in playing golf and celebrating moments with her children and grandchildren.

She was a woman of grace, kindness, and unwavering character who led with integrity and believed in treating others with respect, living honestly, and always doing what was right. She loved sharing life's simple lessons with her grandchildren, teaching them everything from how to set the table and cook to the importance of being kind—even when kindness required strength.

Alice's generosity of spirit shone through in every aspect of her life. Her laughter could light up any room, and her unwavering devotion to those she loved inspired everyone around her. She was always up for adventure and created a trail filled with so many amazing memories. A steadfast partner to Bruce and a source of strength for her family, Alice will be remembered for her grace, warmth, and boundless love.

May Alice's memory bring comfort to all who were blessed to know her. A life well lived is never forgotten.

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Community Updates

LAKE KIOWA

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Required for **Ages 13+** Without a Driver's License

COURSE DETAILS

Location: Lake Kiowa Lodge (First room on the right)

Required: 2-seater or 4-seater golf cart (6-seaters not permitted)

Testing: Written test & driving test

Email: Melanie.Cade@lkpoa.org to register

COURSE DATES

✓ **Saturday, June 20** – 12:00 PM

✓ **Saturday, July 25** – 12:00 PM

✓ **Saturday, August 22** – 12:00 PM

✓ **Saturday, September 5** – 12:00 PM

✓ **Saturday, October 24** – 12:00 PM

QUESTIONS? Email Melanie.Cade@lkpoa.org

Download your **practice log** at lkpoa.org or come by the Security Office to pick one up.

LAKE KIOWA SECURITY TEAM



Summer and the 100-degree temperatures are behind us! Fall and the first cool front are upon us! September is such a special time in Lake Kiowa as kids are back in school, the weather starts changing and the holiday months are right around the corner. One thing though is never changing – God’s love for you! God is here for you in good times and in bad times, and His Grace is both general and specific as we learned/reinforced from one of our guest ministers this past month! Speaking of guest ministers, we have been blessed with many guest ministers during Reverend John Hare’s ab-

sence as he recuperates from surgery the past month or so. Rev. Hare is on the mend, but we encourage every reader of this article to remember John in your prayers. As you know if you are a frequent reader of this article, we usually include John’s upcoming sermon titles in our monthly articles. We hope and pray that John returns in September, so if he does, each week’s sermon will be a surprise. And, if he doesn’t, our wonderful guest ministers will continue to speak to us in their very special ways. Each Sunday at 8:00 AM in the Assembly Room, Lake Kiowa Chapel meets for 30 minutes to explore the scriptures, enjoy music and to pray for Kiowa residents who are experiencing joys or concerns. Come join us and find out about this special 30 minutes of worship we enjoy in this amazing community of Lake Kiowa, Texas.



PLASTICS RECYCLING UPDATE

We are still taking all soft plastics recycling. There are several locations for drop off within the community. To find out about the existing locations, please look at our Facebook page at

[Lake Kiowa Plastic Recycling](#)

If you have any questions, please contact Aimee Harl at harlhouse@hotmail.com.

Lake Kiowa Euchre

Join us every second Thursday, 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM, in the Southwest Room at the Lodge. Our group has been growing, and the games have been lively—some players battle it out right down to the final point. We even had a perfect fourpoint hand recently from Kenlyn Lawrence. All skill levels are welcome. If you know Euchre, great. If you want to learn, we’ll teach you. Come be part of the fun.

GOOD NEWS!

EAST BEACH

The POA Board has agreed to fund the equipment for the **NEW PLAYGROUNDS** at both East and West Beaches.

WEST BEACH

WE NEED TO RAISE FUNDS FOR:

- Shade structures over both playgrounds
- Removal of the current playground equipment
- Any additional items needed to complete the project

OUR FUNDRAISING GOAL IS AT LEAST **\$100,000**

THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS COMMUNITY, WE’VE ALREADY RAISED MORE THAN **\$25,000+!**

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This is a pledge only. Funds will not be collected until construction begins.

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Letter to the Editor

Wee Little Ones Storytime, Music, and Art

The ‘Wee Little Ones’ classes are back in session. Here are the fall dates for you. Have a fantastic summer with your family and friends and keep creating!

September 25
October 23
November 13



As a college student during the 1960s, many of my classmates faced a future they had not chosen. The Vietnam War interrupted countless lives, and many young men answered their country’s call under extraordinarily difficult circumstances. Although I was fortunate not to share that experience, I have always held the deepest respect for those who served. Their sacrifice taught me an enduring lesson: responsibility sometimes requires courage in the face of uncertainty. First as a Court Administrator and later as a lead pastor I have served on several governing boards and commissions. During those years, I learned that effective leadership is not measured by popularity but by the willingness to make sound decisions based on facts, principles, and the long-term interests of the community.

The easiest decision is often to postpone action, avoid controversy, or hope difficult issues simply disappear. They rarely do. Problems left unresolved usually become larger, more divisive, and more expensive. Leaders

are elected to exercise judgment—not merely to preside over meetings or seek the path of least resistance.

That is where the Lake Kiowa Property Owners Association finds itself today.

Our Board of Directors has before it several issues that have been debated extensively. The facts have been presented, opinions have been heard, and the community now deserves decisions.

Protecting our lake by maintaining reasonable restrictions on wake surfing and ballast boats is one such decision. Our lake is a unique and limited resource whose shorelines, docks, and overall safety should take precedence over activities that increase risk and damage. Likewise, moving forward with the redesigned front entrance, and completing the pickleball courts are matters that deserve decisive action rather than continued delay.

None of these decisions will satisfy everyone. That is the nature of leadership.

Every governing board eventually discovers that meaningful decisions produce supporters and critics alike. If leaders allow the fear of criticism to dictate their actions, leadership gives way to indecision. Communities do not prosper when difficult choices are endlessly postponed.

The residents of Lake Kiowa elected this Board because they believed its members possessed the judgment, integrity, and courage to lead. That trust carries an obligation to listen carefully, evaluate the facts honestly, and then act with conviction. Leadership is not the absence of criticism; it is the willingness to do what is right despite it.

Now is the time for the Lake Kiowa POA Board to do exactly that.

For the benefit of every property owner—and for the future of Lake Kiowa—it is time to bring these issues to a conclusion, make the necessary decisions, and move our community forward with confidence and purpose.

Sincerely,

Rev JH Langley
revjhl@ntin.net

Save The Date!

3rd Annual Lake Kiowa Food Packing Event

Tuesday, October 20 @ The Lodge

If you attended one of the four sessions last year, we know you’ll want to be back this year. If you missed last year, you won’t want to miss this year’s event. Upbeat, fun, and impactful. Can’t think of a better way to spend 2 hours.

You can sign up early to ensure you get the packing time you want. Scan the code below for packing times and more information. See you soon!



A Feed My Starving Children event sponsored by Lake Kiowa Fellowship Church.



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4-11 P.M.

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Friends of Lake Kiowa



As I am writing this article, we are in the middle of a long heat wave. I'm hoping by the time you read this article, the weather has cooled off, and we are beginning to see Autumn approaching.

Labor Day Weekend brings the last of our Summer Concerts. We thank all who attended the Time Machine Concert. It was a huge crowd, and the band was caught up in your enthusiasm and played longer than the contract. They love coming to Lake Kiowa and you showed your appreciation. We are excited to bring Desparado (an Eagles Tribute Band) back to Lake Kiowa, this time for a FREE concert for the whole community. Please come and enjoy the last Summer Concert for 2026. The date is Sunday, September 6, starting at 7:00 PM.

The rest of September is quiet for FOLK but October is jammed packed. Make sure you mark your calendars for the Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange on Wednesday and Thursday (October 21 and 22) at the Lodge. On Thursday, October

22, Music Bingo returns to the Assembly Room. Doors open at 6:00 PM and Bingo starts at 6:30 PM. The Fall Festival will take place on Saturday, October 24. The event begins at 4:30 PM and Trunk and Treat starts at 6:00 PM. Trunk and Treat is a sight to see. If you haven't participated before, don't miss out on this fast and furious 30 minutes for our Lake Kiowa ghosts and goblins. We encourage you to decorate your golf cart or trunk and bring candy to hand out. Please be set up and ready to go by 5:30 PM in the south parking lot. I promise, you will have a good time.

Susan and Greg Hair



Join us for Music Bingo
Thursday, Oct 22

Assembly Room at 6:30 PM
New Music Categories

FREE for FOLK members and \$10 for non-members.
Limited to 125 participants
Doors open at 6:00 PM.



FOLK Save the Dates

- Sun. Sept 6 - Summer Concert - Desperado, an Eagle Tribute Band
- Wed. Oct 21 - Jigsaw Puzzle Dropoff
- Thur. Oct 22 - Jigsaw Puzzle Pickup
- Thurs. Oct 22 - Music Bingo
- Sat. Oct 24 - Fall Festival
- Wed. Oct 28 - Blood Drive
- Tues. Dec 8 - Golf Cart Caroling
- Wed. Dec 29 - Blood Drive
- Thur. Dec 31 - NYE

All these activities are possible through your FOLK membership and the purchase of the 4th of July T-Shirts. Please support FOLK as we provide entertainment and activities for our community.

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Let's Play Pickleball



Celebrating the People Who Make Lake Kiowa Pickleball Special

One of the greatest strengths of Lake Kiowa Pickleball isn't just our growing program; it's our people. Every week, our courts bring together players of all skill levels who enjoy friendly competition, exercise, and the camaraderie that makes pickleball one of the fastest-growing sports in America.

This month we'd like to recognize one of our own who has been representing Lake Kiowa on the national stage.

Community Spotlight: Mike Erwin

Lake Kiowa is fortunate to have outstanding players competing well beyond our community, and Mike Erwin has enjoyed an exceptional tournament season.

Mike's year began at the U.S. Open Pickleball Championships in Naples, Florida, where he captured the Mixed Doubles Championship.

He then traveled to Colorado Springs, Colorado, to compete in a USA Pickleball National Champion-

ship Qualifier. Mike earned a Gold Medal in Mixed Doubles and a Bronze Medal in Singles, qualifying for the USA Pickleball National Championships, which will be held in San Diego, California, October 31 – November 8.

Most recently, Mike competed in Fayetteville, Arkansas, at the USSP National Qualifier, earning the opportunity to compete in the USSP National Championships in Casa Grande, Arizona, November 30 – December 5.



Mike continues to train with his coach as he prepares for both national championship events.

Congratulations, Mike! Your hard work, sportsmanship, and accomplishments make the entire Lake Kiowa pickleball community proud. We wish you continued success as you represent Lake Kiowa on the national stage.

Pro Tip: Play the Percentage

The best pickleball players don't try to hit winners on every shot; they make high-percentage decisions.

Instead of aiming for the sidelines or trying to paint the baseline, aim for larger targets over the middle of the court and keep the ball low over the net. Your opponents are much more likely to make the mistake than if you force a risky shot.

Patience wins far more points than power.

Remember:

- Hit with purpose, not perfection.
- Keep the ball in play.
- Wait for the right opportunity to attack.



PRO TIP PLAY THE PERCENTAGE

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AIM FOR BIG TARGETS

Hit over the middle and keep the ball low over the net.



LET YOUR OPPONENT MAKE THE MISTAKE

Patience leads to points.



CONSISTENCY WINS

Keep the ball in play and wait for the right opportunity to attack.

Smart pickleball beats flashy pickleball.

Smart pickleball consistently beats flashy pickleball.

See You on the Courts

As summer begins to wind down, we encourage everyone to continue enjoying the game, welcoming new players, and supporting one another on and off the court.

Whether you're just learning the game or competing at the national level like Mike, pickleball has a way of bringing people together and building lasting friendships.

Thank you for making Lake Kiowa such a special place to play.

See you on the courts!

Alex Yakulis

Lake Kiowa Pickleball
Communications

LAKE KIOWA LODGE

September is Here!

How is it already September?! With shorter days and earlier nights, we're back to our regular operating hours. Please see our updated hours below and plan your next visit with us!

We are always thankful for everyone who continues to support the Lodge and our Performance Series. We only have a few more concerts left, so be sure to join us for the next one!

Coming up next is Colt and the Old 45s! They're sure to bring a great time and an unforgettable night of live music. Saturday, September 19th, Under the Pavilion. Scan the QR code to reserve your table, or email Jayme at jayme.trietsch@lkpoa.org if you need any assistance.

And don't forget to join us for Saturday Breakfast! We have something for everyone, so bring the family and start your weekend with us at the Lodge!

Colt and the Old 45s
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH
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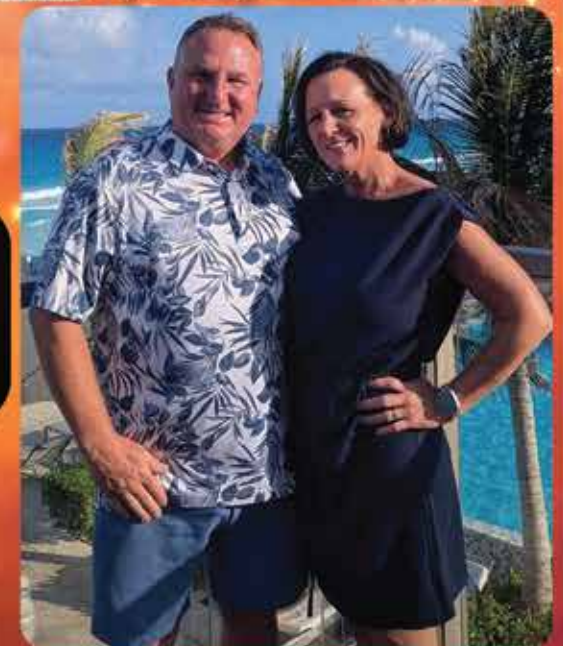
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Quilt Bee

Kiowa Quilt Bee started with a plethora of birthdays to celebrate. Happy birthday to Jim Schoenky, Jeanne Smith, Towana Stafford, Shirley Sturm, Ricki Zieman, Janet Samuel, Stephanie Broun, and Mary Lamm!

We had three “mystery” door prizes which means they were all basically the same thing but were wrapped in left over gift wrap. Our winners were Dori Reeves, Barbara Fox, and Ricki Zieman! Congratulations, ladies! (They won charm packs in a storage box.)

Show and Tell started with Becky Branham showing us FOUR donation quilts that she recently whipped up. These quilts are all smaller sizes that would be great for babies or lap quilts. Good job, Becky!

Jeanne Smith was next with a “Present” quilt that she made for a wedding gift. The quilt features bright festive colors that make up a number of Christmas Presents. The wedding is in November so it’s a perfect time to use and cherish this fun quilt.

Stephanie had two things to share. The first was a collage wall hanging that she started at a class she took

via the Gainesville Common Threads Quilt Guild. Who has or remembers the tomato pin cushions? This project really makes you look at fabric differently! Her second project was a giant Christmas package quilt. Stephanie is keeping this masterpiece for herself. I think the black bow really makes this quilt fun!

Kathy Buzzell brought four baby quilts that she crafted from larger quilt that she picked up from The Tree House in Gainesville. She opted not to get a picture of them. These are being donated via the Gainesville Common Threads Quilt Guild to Abigail’s Arm’s. Such a giving Heart! Her second item was a 1/2 square triangle star quilt that she is going to have for sale at the KWC Winter Craft Show.

Next up was Barb Stephens showing a baby quilt (another star spectacular creation) for her niece’s first baby. The pattern is called “Lucky Stars,” and the fabric is “Special delivery.” Barb quilted it using Teddy Bears and Hearts. She put minky on the back to make it super cuddly and soft. SEW Cute!

Caryn Schniederjan brought two mini quilts to show. One is a feather-

weight sewing machine with a snowman and the other a map of the United States commemorating the 250th Anniversary. Both projects are appliqué. In case you are wondering why Caryn has most of her face covered, she had a bad fall and obtained stitches in her lip and didn’t want to share with the world. Get well soon, Caryn! Your mini quilts are beautiful as always!

Next was Mindy Busch who made a perfect baby quilt for her daughter’s good friend. She also made a matching fitted crib sheet to go with this quilt. The pattern is called “Checkmate” by Donna Robertson. The soft colors are exactly what the new mom has asked for her nursery!

Lastly, Debbie Heath, that’s me, showed a Layer Cake Quilt called “Blossom Road” by D.L. Joseph. The fabric is called “Quaint Cottage.” This quilt is 9” squares pieced on point (diagonally). The layer cake was purchased in 2025 and until this pattern was found, it remained in a drawer waiting to be released. If you know me at all, I don’t usually hang on to fabric; I buy it, make it, then buy again. I don’t know what I was waiting for.

Mindy Busch did a quick presentation on how to take a fat quarter (1/2 yd cut in half on the fold) which is 18 X 21 and get 3 ½ yards of continuous bias binding with minimal waste. Bias binding is used when you need to put edging on curved pieces like bags and scalloped edges. Such a great presentation Mindy. Thank You!

THEN we had a fun and unexpected surprise from Mary Lamm. She brought eight fat quarters from a brand-new line that Box Car Quilts was putting on the floor to sell the next day! SOOOO no other humans were able to even buy it yet! This fabric is special because it is from a designer named “Tula Pink.” Everyone LOVES Tula Pink! The pack of fabric was used as a final door prize for the night and was won by Carol Suggs. Yay, Carol! We want to see you make something wonderful from your treasure!

Kiowa Quilt Bee meets on the first Monday of every month at 7:00 PM in the Assembly Room at the Lodge. The next meeting is September 7! Yes, we do meet on Labor Day so come see what’s under our needles.

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The American Legion Post 265 Commander's Corner Things We Veterans Still Do

People often ask me, "Do you ever miss the military?" I usually smile because that's a hard question to answer. I don't necessarily miss sleeping in the field, shining boots until I could see my reflection, or standing in formation when it was twenty degrees outside. I definitely don't miss inspections when someone could somehow find a speck of dust that nobody else on earth could see. But what I do miss is the camaraderie - the people, the laughter, the sense of purpose.

The funny thing is, even years after taking off the uniform, the military never really leaves you. It shows up in the little things we do every day without even realizing it. For example, ...

Have you ever noticed how veterans walk into a room? Most people walk in looking for a chair. Veterans walk in looking for everything. Who's here? Where are the exits? What's going on? Where can I sit so I can see the room? It isn't because we're paranoid. It's because years of training taught us to be aware of our surroundings. We don't even think about it anymore. We just do it. Then there's the parking lot. I can't tell you how many times someone has asked me, "Why do you always back into parking spaces?" Because someday, somehow, I might need to leave quickly. Truthfully, I probably won't. I'm just going to the grocery store. But old habits are hard to break. Another thing veterans never seem to lose is the ability to be early.

Not five minutes early. Thirty minutes early. If an event starts at 10:00, we're sitting in the parking lot by 9:25 wondering where everyone else is. Our spouses don't understand it. "They're still setting up." Exactly. We'll wait. We were professionally trained to wait. Which brings me to one of the military's greatest lessons..."Hurry up and wait." Only the military could convince thousands of people to rush somewhere at top speed just so everyone could stand around for the next two hours. Looking back, it's hilarious. At the time...not so much. Then there's eating. My family laughs because I can finish a meal before they've buttered their rolls. Years ago, lunch wasn't a social event. It was a race against the clock. You learned quickly that if chow lasted ten minutes, you'd better be finished in eight. To this day, people tell me to slow down. I honestly don't know how. Veterans also have a strange fascination with shoes. We notice if they're polished. We notice if they're dirty. We notice if the laces are tucked in. Years of inspections taught us that details matter. Most civilians never notice. Veterans can't help themselves. Speaking of inspections...Who else still folds towels into perfect little rectangles? Or lines up shoes neatly against the wall? Or hangs shirts exactly the same direction? Nobody is coming to inspect our homes. At least...I don't think they are. But somewhere deep inside, there's still a drill instructor reminding us that hospital corners matter. And let's talk about conversations. Veterans

have their own language. Roger. Copy. Outstanding. Negative. Say again. Tracking.

You can put two veterans from different branches together, and within five minutes they're speaking fluent military while everyone else looks completely confused. Then comes the inevitable question. "What branch were you in?" That's all it takes. Suddenly two strangers become old friends. One story leads to another. Someone remembers a place overseas. Someone else remembers the food. Then everybody starts arguing over which branch had it harder. The Army says they lived in the dirt.

The Air Force says they had standards. The Navy says they lived on a floating city. The Marines remind everyone they're Marines. And the Coast Guard just smiles because they know they'll eventually get forgotten in the conversation...until someone needs rescuing. One thing I've noticed is that veterans rarely let another veteran eat alone. We'll walk across a room, introduce ourselves, and before long we're laughing like we've known each other for years. There's an instant connection that's hard to explain unless you've worn the uniform. It doesn't matter when you served. It doesn't matter where you served. It doesn't matter what your rank was. Service creates a bond that time can't erase. Of course, military humor follows us, too. Veterans can make jokes about things that weren't funny at the time. Rain. Mud. Long lines. Broken

equipment. Government paperwork. Bad coffee. Cold barracks. Field exercises. Twenty years later, they're some of our best stories. I think that's because veterans have learned one important lesson. If you can laugh together during the hard times, you'll remember the laughter more than the hardship. Maybe that's why we enjoy sitting around the Legion swapping stories. Every story starts with, "You'll never believe what happened..." And every veteran in the room smiles because they probably do believe it. The military changes us. It teaches discipline. It teaches leadership. It teaches service before self. But it also gives us these funny little habits that quietly stay with us for the rest of our lives. So, if you find yourself scanning every room, backing into parking spaces, arriving thirty minutes early, making your bed like someone is coming to inspect it, or eating dinner faster than everyone else...Congratulations. You're probably a veteran. And somewhere nearby, another veteran just noticed your shoes, admired your parking job, and is wondering what branch you served in.

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Veterans News You Need to Know

Well, congratulations, everyone. We made it to August in Texas. At this point, I'm pretty sure walking from the house to the mailbox qualifies as a deployment. It's hot, Congress is talking, the VA is changing things, and somewhere on Facebook there is already a post in ALL CAPITAL LETTERS telling veterans that their benefits are disappearing Tuesday. So, before we panic, call Washington, or start a small uprising at the Post, let's talk about a few things veterans actually need to know.

Keep An Eye On Your Va Benefits

There is legislation in Congress that veterans' organizations are watching because of concerns about how parts of it could affect disability compensation for some military retirees. Now, before everyone starts yelling—No, your disability check isn't disappearing tomorrow. But YES, we need to pay attention. These benefits were earned. They are not charity. Uncle Sam didn't consider your knees, back, hearing or sanity when he was getting his money's worth out of you, so don't feel guilty about asking him to take responsibility now.

VA Claims Are Moving Faster

I hope everyone is sitting down because I'm about to say something we don't say very often: The VA deserves a compliment. VA has been processing disability claims at record levels. So, for those of you who have been saying for the last 10 years: "I'll file that claim one of these days..." Good news. We found the day. It's today. And please stop saying, "Someone else deserves it more than I do." This isn't the last piece of pie at Thanksgiving. Your claim doesn't take another veteran's benefits away. If your military service caused or contributed to a medical condition, file the claim.

The Pact Act — Yes, I'm Still Talking About It

I will quit talking about the PACT Act when veterans quit telling me: "I don't think that applies to me." Did you check? Or did Bob tell you at breakfast? Because we love Bob, but unless Bob has recently become an accredited Veterans Service Officer, let's double-check his information. Vietnam. Gulf War. Iraq. Afghanistan. Burn pits. Agent Orange. Toxic exposures. If any of those apply to your service, ask questions. And if VA denied you years ago, don't automatically assume the answer is still no. The rules and

presumptive conditions have changed.

Chapter 35 Changed August 1

If your spouse or children use Chapter 35 education benefits, pay attention. Beginning August 1, certain secondary-school programs are no longer covered. Here's the technical veteran translation: ASK BEFORE YOU SPEND. Because nothing ruins a perfectly good Tuesday like discovering the VA isn't paying a bill you thought they were paying. Especially when that bill contains a comma.

"I don't qualify for VA health care."

This is another one I hear all the time. "I don't qualify." Okay. When did you last check? If the answer starts with, "Well, back in 1987..." we have a problem. VA eligibility has changed over the years, particularly for veterans with certain toxic exposures. Check again. And please let the VA tell you no. Stop doing their job for them.

And Now for My Monthly Commander Moment...



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crowave popcorn when you stand up, you can't hear your wife unless she whispers from three rooms away, and you've been blaming the ringing in your ears on crickets since 1974. You might not be fine. And that's okay. This month, I want every one of us to check on another veteran. Ask if they've checked their VA benefits. Ask if they know about the PACT Act. Invite them to the Post. Have a cup of coffee—or whatever beverage makes you more agreeable—and TALK. Because veterans have always taken care of veterans. Sometimes it doesn't start with Washington. It doesn't start with a new government program. And it definitely doesn't start with Facebook. It starts with one veteran looking at another and saying: "Hey, did you know about this?" Then we'll probably argue about it for 20 minutes. And that's okay, too. We served together then. We take care of each other now.

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Monthly Meeting

At the August meeting, in addition to regular business, the Board voted and approved an increase in per call payment for our volunteers from \$10 per call to \$20 per call, for a trial period, in an effort to increase support for our volunteers and their efforts to respond to fire and medical calls.

The next monthly board meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 14th at 6:30 pm, at the fire house. Going forward, meetings will be held on the first Monday of each month at 6:30pm at the firehouse.

Fundraisers

The Board made the difficult decision to cancel the fundraising campaign kick off concert previously scheduled for October 9th. With the time needed to properly plan, promote, and prepare for the event, the board didn't feel there was enough time to make it the successful event they'd want it to be. The annual fundraising campaign letter will go out as planned this Fall.

The Board also discussed the upcoming Lake Kiowa Fellowship 5k and are truly grateful for their support of the department. We are looking forward to the 5k on Saturday, September 5th.

Chiefs update:

There were 53 calls in the month of July: 33 medical, 3 motor vehicle accidents, 7 lift assists, 3 smoke investigations, 2 grass fires, 1 trash fire, 1 alarm, 1 missing person and 2 cancelled calls. Year to date there has been 268 calls.

Anyone interested in joining the department can email admin@indiancreekfd.com for more information.



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WHAT DO BOARD MEMBERS DO?

- Attend monthly meetings
- Volunteer for fundraising events
- Support a committed community organization responsible for bringing essential services to the area.

WE ARE CURRENTLY SEEKING:

- ★ VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE A TWO-YEAR TERM

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Time: Food Served from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm **Adults - \$25**
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Lake Kiowa Anglers

Well folks, summer has been beating us down. We should be seeing some milder weather soon. While writing this article, the lake water temperature has gotten up to 89 degrees. I was surprised that it was not into the 90's already and will probably reach the 90's before you are reading this edition. Fish are in the summer grind. This means they are not feeding as much and when they do decide to feed, it is in the early morning, just at sunrise and just before sun set.

On September 5 our Annual Fund Raiser and Fish Fry was held. On the 19th, the club resumed the monthly bass tournaments. On the 21st, the fall lake survey was completed; watch for results in the next *CommuniQué*. October will also be a busy month with the second family bass tournament on the 3rd, and the LKACC Fall Classic Bass Tournament on the 17th and 18th.

As promised in the last edition, the new fishing limits signs were posted in most lake access areas. Please see the photo for an example of the sign.

There is a lot of rumbling going on

in the community. Wake Boats are a big deal and the LKACC is not willing to support the use of these boats on our lake. The reasoning is because our lake is not large enough to support these boats. Extensive research and multiple studies identify the negative impacts of allowing wake surfing and ballast boats. In addition to shoreline erosion, ballast-equipped wake boats can disturb the lake bottom in shallow water, with shallow water being 20 feet or less. The massive downward energy produced by large ballast boats disturb the lakebed (bottom) sediments, increase turbidity, and destroy aquatic vegetation and fish habitat. These impacts will be significant on our small shallow lake, making long-term protection of the ecosystem impossible to maintain. It can take years for a lakebed to recover. Ballast boats have proven to re-suspend sediment up to 20 feet in depth. This can cause an unnatural release of nutrients trapped in the lakebed, contributing to detrimental algae growth. Certain algae (blue-green algae) can produce toxins that if bloomed due to unnatural nutrient

release, could render the entire lake as a "health and safety risk" to humans, pets, and should not be used for irrigation purposes. Ballast boats and Wake Surfing is an activity suited for larger lakes where there are significant open waters and greater separation from other boats and shorelines. This lake is one of the community's greatest assets. Preserving clean water, stable shorelines, and safe recreational opportunities helps maintain the attractiveness and value of every property within Lake Kiowa. For a lake of our size the long-term impact and risk far outweigh any benefit.

As always, remember to help out our 2026 sponsors by supporting their businesses: Dan Ramsey - Thunder Struck Roofing, FraCents Chemicals, Amanda Bankston - Medicare Solutions, JD Smith - Auto Body Concepts, Casey's Tire and Brake, and the Lake Kiowa Angler and Conservation Club.



Please look for the LKACC on our Facebook page. Your club is now using multiple media to post our schedules, events and photos. This is a great way to get our club information and Lake Kiowa out for all to see. Remember folks, you can't catch fish from your couch. Get up! Get out and enjoy Lake Kiowa's biggest asset! The Lake.

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dedicated to helping our local community kids unlock potential they did not know existed through volunteering, campus support, teacher appreciation, and fundraising. The staff of Callisburg ISD does a remarkable job of providing a safe, nurturing environment for all kids, and the Kiwanis of Lake Kiowa help provide both financial and volunteer assistance depending on the district needs. Every dollar raised by the Kiwanis goes directly to Callisburg ISD to fund projects.

If you would like to get involved in making a difference in the life of a child, there are many ways to help. First, we are always looking for new

members who can connect with and deliver our purpose. If you would like to join Lake Kiowa Kiwanis, please contact Terry Landphair at terrylandphair@yahoo.com. If you would like to provide financial donations, there are several ways to provide support. If you would like to make a one-time or recurring donation, please contact

Dianne Hale at dhale20@outlook.com. There are additional ways that you can support the

children of Callisburg through Kiwanis, such as an IRA rollover, Estate Gift, or Gift of securities, all of which can lead to tax savings and benefits. For more Information on any of these options, please contact Mike Demarest at seemd@aol.com. We know that kids need Kiwanis, and we are committed to helping the Children of Callisburg ISD be successful both now and in the future. Meetings are the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Lake Kiowa Lodge. See you then!

Jaimie Carol Love



Sip & Support: A Community Wine Tasting Evening
Lake Kiowa Kiwanis



Join us for a relaxed evening of wine, conversation, and community spirit as we raise funds for a great cause. Come enjoy a selection of fine wines and light bites. *Live entertainment by our own CW Sturgeon.* Your participation helps strengthen our community, and we'd love to share this special night with you.

Date: September 11, 2026
Time: 5:30 pm
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Lake Kiowa Kiwanis is a 501C3 nonprofit organization. Our purpose is to inspire and empower the children of Callisburg ISD to reach their full potential. Our members focus on building relationships with Callisburg ISD leadership to identify ways to ensure students and faculty have the resources they need to be successful. We support through fundraising, personal donations, and being present at the schools to set the example of servant leadership for those that we interact with.

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As summer settles into memory and Lake Kiowa begins to embrace the first cool breezes of fall, the Kiowa Woman's Club is delighted to open another vibrant year of connection, creativity, and community service. For decades, KWC has been a cornerstone of life in Lake Kiowa - a place where friendships grow, talents shine, and neighbors come together to make our community stronger.

This year promises to be no exception.

A Season of Renewal and Purpose

The start of the club year is always a special time. It brings renewed energy, new members, and fresh opportunities to participate in the many activities that make KWC such a meaningful part of Lake Kiowa.

Our first General Meeting of the year will be held on Thursday, September 10, where you can get all the information about the exciting programs, committees, and events planned for the 2026–2027 club year. It's the perfect opportunity to reconnect after the summer, meet new members, and learn how to get involved in the many activities that make our club thrive.

Save the Date: Tuesday, September 15, from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM in the Assembly Room for "Bites, Bingo & Belly Laughs"! This fun-filled evening will feature delicious snacks, lively bingo games, and plenty of chances to mingle with fellow members. It's a great way to kick off the year with laughter, community and a little friendly competition.

The year ahead is full of promise, and we look forward to sharing it with you.



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Our new teacher's, Vivian Thomlinson, motto for her Bible Studies is "Reading not just for information, but for transformation." We will progress through the Gospel of Mark as discussions and questions permit.

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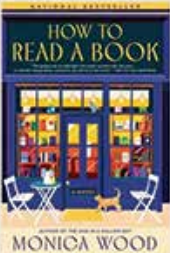
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1st Mary Murphy
2nd – Mark Brazelton |
| July 8
1st – Jim Lewis
2nd – Pam Wilson | July 24
1st-James Stokes
2nd - Jerry “Ace” Burgess |
| July 10
1st –Barbara Fox
2nd – Jay Thompson | July 29
1st -Jeff Schwab
2nd-George Chapman |
| July 15
1st – Joanne Sheehan
2nd – Jacob McNeely | July 31
1st- Bill Squiric
2nd-Joe Bullard |
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Keeping Things Moving Through the Heat of Summer

Summer in Texas—and especially a hot summer—can put a lot of pressure on a golf course. Your LKMGA Board recently received updates on the course, upcoming events, membership and the many activities that keep our golf association moving forward.

Superintendent Report

Golf Superintendent Bryan Brown reported that the course has been dealing with several summer-related challenges, particularly with the irrigation system. A number of irrigation issues have developed this summer, and the maintenance team has been addressing them as they are discovered.

Last week, irrigation on Hole 15 apparently failed over the weekend, and by Tuesday the green was showing significant signs of stress, particularly around the fringes. The crew immediately began hand-watering the area daily, and the green is starting to show improvement.

Several other factors are also contributing to the challenges with the new grass. Some areas have taken well, while others have struggled. The Board discussed several contributing factors, including the initial rollout, mowing issues during the first cut, the extreme heat and the unfortunate absence of Bryan for a period following the death of his father.

The Board understands that maintaining the course during these conditions is a major challenge and appreciates the efforts of the entire

maintenance staff as they work to keep the course in the best condition possible.

On the improvement side, new trash cans have been ordered, and the driving range poles are scheduled to be installed next Monday.

Golf Pro Update

The Board discussed preparations for the upcoming Kiowa Kapers Member-Guest Golf Tournament, including the signup process and making sure everything is ready to go.

Lauren also reported that preparations are underway for the upcoming weekend Playday. As always, the goal is to have everything ready so our members can simply show up, enjoy the competition and have a great time.

Treasurer's Report

The MGA continues to maintain a healthy financial position. The current bank balance is \$54,930.

The Board also discussed moving funds currently held with 4U Credit Union into First State Bank (FSB). Treasurer Ronny Young will begin the process of getting that transfer underway.

Membership Report

MGA membership continues to grow, with the current membership at 431 members.

That is another strong indication that our association continues to attract

golfers who enjoy the competition, camaraderie and fellowship that the LKMGA provides.

Looking Ahead

The summer heat may be giving the golf course—and golfers—a workout, but your LKMGA Board continues to work behind the scenes to keep things moving. From course maintenance and irrigation repairs to tournament

planning, membership growth and upcoming events, there is a lot happening at Lake Kiowa.

As always, we appreciate our members' patience, support and participation.

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We hope everyone is staying safe and taking it easy during this stretch of high heat. The good news is that September is here, and that means cooler days—and plenty of golf—are just around the corner!

The summer months are always a busy time for your Lake Kiowa Men's Golf Association (LKMGA). While we enjoy our regular playdays and tournaments, the MGA Board has also been busy getting ready for the Kiowa Kapers Member-Guest Tournament and beginning the process of selecting our new MGA Board members.

Looking For Three New Board Members

The MGA is now in the process of convening the MGA Selection Committee, which will be looking for THREE new Board Members to join the team next year.

SOOO...if you have ever thought about becoming an MGA Board Member, NOW IS THE TIME!

If you are interested, contact any current MGA Board Member and let them know. Board members serve a three-year term, and it is a great opportunity to be involved in guiding

the MGA, helping organize tournaments and events, and making sure the MGA continues to provide great golf, competition and camaraderie for all of our members.

You don't have to be a scratch golfer, just someone who enjoys golf, enjoys being around your fellow members, and wants to help make the MGA even better.

August Playday

We also had a great turnout for our August Playday, featuring a Modified Stableford Shamble format.

Despite the summer heat, the weather was not too bad, and our players came ready to compete. There were some great scores posted, proving once again that our LKMGA members know how to have a good time—and still put up some impressive numbers on the scorecard!

The Winners

1st Place – Bert Blair, Rusty Patillo, Joe Wesolowski, Ronny Young

2nd Place – Tim Helmstetler, Steve Watson, Ricky Baker, Gary Perrine

3rd Place – Scott Langley, Josh Humate, Norman Porter, Keith Massey

4th Place – Jeff Cordell, Tom Mann, Trevor Bond, Carl Enders

5th Place – Jim Adams, Jim Morgan,

Keith Wilson, Patrick Carrington

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS

A big THANK YOU to everyone who participated and helped make the event another successful LKMGA Playday.

As we head into September, there is plenty happening at Lake Kiowa. The Kiowa Kapers is right around the corner, cooler weather is hopefully on the way, and there is plenty more golf to be played.

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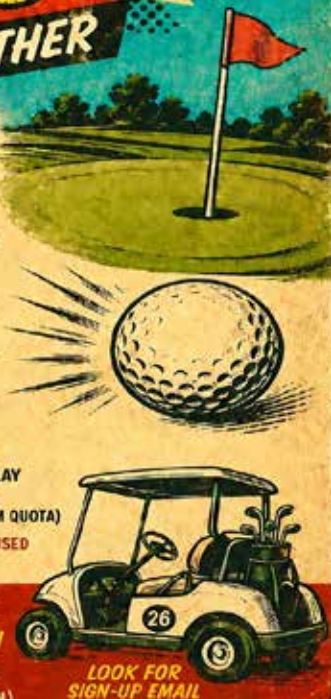
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CONGRATULATIONS

July 29th Yellow Tee Medal Play

18-Hole Flt. 1 1 st - Dee Dorman 2 nd - Sally Reed 3 rd - Nancy Nix	9-Hole Flt. 1 1 st - Tricia Malko 2 nd - Betsy Blundell
18-Hole Flt. 2 1 st - Deena Fagg 2 nd - Joanne Hutchins 3 rd - Ginger Boothe	Hole in One Joanne Hutchins - 8
18-Hole Flt. 3 1 st - Linda Slater 2 nd - Louise Ronalds 3 rd - Michelle Porter	9-Hole Flt. 2 1 st - Cindy Leonard 2 nd - Mari Ramseyl
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WGA



We enjoyed our monthly scramble as well as our General Meeting at the beginning of the month. Thank you to the Lodge for a great Cobb Salad bar. We celebrated Lisa Shugart for breaking 100, and Carter Jackson for breaking 90. Congratulations to the winning scramble teams as well. Table sales for Girls Night Out also opened up. If you have not already, be sure and secure your spot; it is going to be a fun show.

Note from the President

Nearest Point of Relief

We know the summer heat in Texas can get brutal. We want to ensure all golfers enjoy themselves safely. Heat exhaustion can come on quickly; know the signs in yourself and others so action can be taken quickly to avoid the progression to heat stroke. Heat stroke is a medical emergency -- golfers are at elevated risk (length of time in sun, age, medication, pressure to keep playing).

Signs of Heat Exhaustion:

- Cool, moist skin with goose bumps when in the heat.
 - Heavy sweating.
 - Faintness, Dizziness, Rapid Fatigue.
 - Weak, rapid pulse.
 - Low blood pressure upon standing.
 - Muscle cramps, Nausea, Headache
 - What to do if you have signs of heat exhaustion:
 - Stop all activity
 - Move to a cool place
 - Drink cool water or sports drink
- If someone shows signs of heat

stroke (confusion, hot dry skin, no sweating), call emergency services immediately.

Preventing Heat Illness:

Drink Plenty of Water with Electrolytes prior and during exposure to heat. DO NOT wait until you feel thirsty in the heat.

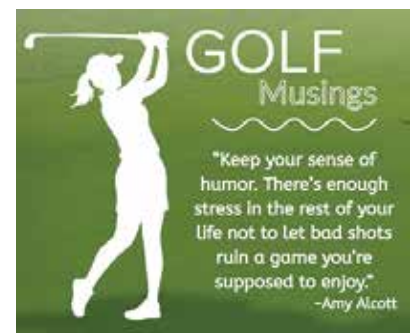
Wear loose, light colored clothing

Rest in shaded areas when possible

Use cooling towels, ice rings, fans

Know when to quit. The golf course isn't going anywhere.

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What an exciting play day from the yellow tees on July 29. We had a fun putting game where one putt and chip in won you a poker chip. But only one lady could capture it in the end. See Karen Loalbo and Linda Slater showing off their chips which got them some cold hard cash. To add to the excitement, Joanne Hutching got a hole in one! It knocked her off her feet. Thank you to all of the ladies who came out and congratulations to all of the winners.



Joanne Hutchins lays down from excitement of her Hole-in-One!



September WGA Golf Events 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 8 am \$5 Scramble & General Mtg	2	3	4	5
6 LABOR DAY	7	8	9 8 am Playday Par 3	10	11 8 am President's Cup	12 8 am President's Cup
13	14	15	16 8 am Playday	17 Texoma Oak Hollow	18	19
20	21	22 Golf Night Out	23 8 am Playday	24 KAPERS Course Closed	25 KAPERS Course Closed	26 KAPERS Course Closed
27 KAPERS Course Closed	28 Putt N Wine	29	30 8 am Playday			

October WGA Golf Events 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 5 pm Member - Guest Cocktail Party	2 8:30 am Member - Guest	3
4 8:30 am Member - Guest	5	6	7 8:30 am \$5 Scramble & General Mtg	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 8:30 am Texoma Gold Tournament	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 8:30 am Playday	29	30	31



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SPECIAL CALLED MINUTES FOR MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DATE: Friday, July 17, 2026
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: 133 Kiowa Dr S, Lake Kiowa, Texas 76240

Special Called Minutes

- Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum:** The meeting was called to order by General Manager Brown at 9:00 am. All directors were present except for Treasurer Cooke, Asst. Treasurer O'Dell and Director Fraley. Also present was Asst. General Manager Fritz, Michael Duval with CobbFendley and Paul Sigle with GTUA.
- Review and approval of minutes of July 8, 2026, board meeting(s):** After reviewing the minutes, Vice President Deatrich made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Secretary Richey seconded the motion and all approved.
- Public Comment.** (Speakers limited to 5 minutes each): None
- New Business:**
- Consider, discuss, and act upon awarding the contractor bid for the LKSUD Phase 5 waterline project:** After review and discussion of Michael Duval's bid references, Vice President Deatrich made a motion to approve and award the Phase 5 waterline bid to Blackrock Construction. Secretary Richey seconded the motion and all approved.
- Consider, discuss, and act upon request from homeowner for request for damages:** None
- Executive Session pursuant to Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, annotated to allow discussion concerning personnel matters (§551.074):** None
- Old Business:**
- Update and possible action concerning the Waterline Project Phase 5:** None
- Committee reports:**
 - Human Resources (HR) Committee:** None
 - Budget and Rates Committee:** None
 - Long-range Planning and Conservation Committee:** None
- Reports:**
 - General Manager re: review of contractual matters; water system maintenance and status; status of capital improvement projects; rates and finances; customer relations; employee matters; special projects; equipment, materials, and vehicles; administrative matters; and recommendations for water system improvements:**
General Manager Brown in Well #4 pump and motor have been replaced and re-installed. It still is not producing like it has been. The well will have to be re-pulled in the fall to determine situation.
 - Investment Officer re: Quarterly Financial Report. (Apr., July, Oct, Jan.):** None
- Review and accept monthly financial report(s) and approve payment of bills:** None
- Discussion on future agenda items:** None
- Adjourn:** General Manager Brown adjourned the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

By: Rodney G Brown
Rodney G. Brown, General Manager



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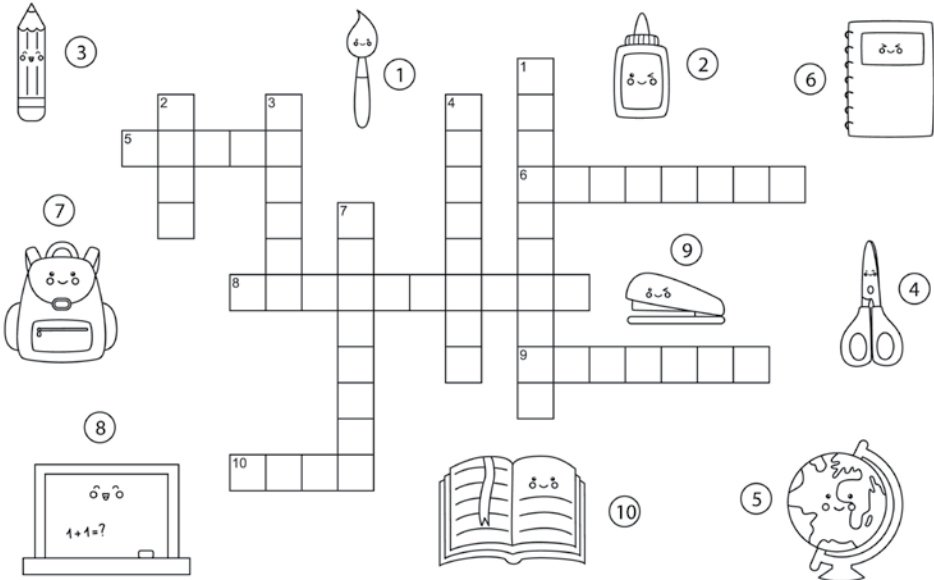
- 1. Word with who, what or where
- 5. Subdued
- 10. Pump, e.g.
- 14. Completely convinced
- 15. Model's asset
- 16. Grabbed by force
- 17. "Smoking hasn't affected me a bit . . ."
- 20. Basis of reasoning
- 21. Lightens the load
- 22. Choice words?
- 23. Iron attachment
- 25. Thunderstruck
- 29. Serb or Croat, e.g.
- 30. War stat
- 33. Loathsome one
- 34. Nonchalant
- 35. Auberge
- 36. "Hand me that fly swatter . . ."
- 40. Lemon addition
- 41. Polly and Rhody
- 42. "The Magic Mountain" locale
- 43. Abe's son
- 44. ___ ex machina
- 45. Loss of the certifiable
- 47. Be nostalgic for
- 48. That lady yonder
- 49. Poker phrase
- 52. Prevent from being seen
- 56. "Let's see your swan dive . . ."
- 60. Sacrum or radius
- 61. Place for a Chicago touchdown?
- 62. Kind of pool
- 63. City north of Des Moines
- 64. Zephyrs, e.g.
- 65. Carangid fish

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- 1. Computer key
- 2. Closed circuit
- 3. Talk like a toper
- 4. Drop-off spot
- 5. Casual garment
- 6. Accrue
- 7. They might squeak by
- 8. Antlered critter
- 9. Morning deposit
- 10. Home extension
- 11. Tills the soil
- 12. Flow oh so slowly
- 13. ___ out (barely gets)
- 18. Med. insurance groups
- 19. Billows
- 23. Where one makes the grade
- 24. Secure with cord
- 25. Casey was here
- 26. Mild Holland cheese
- 27. Terrorized pledges, in a way
- 28. Wood-shaping tool
- 29. Taj Mahal attractions?
- 30. Vanilli's partner
- 31. Unfitting
- 32. Fidgety
- 34. Additional remuneration
- 37. Kind of pool
- 38. Spectrum bands
- 39. No-star review
- 45. Common, horse and sixth
- 46. Spot for a keystone
- 47. Lode abodes
- 48. Hidden cache
- 49. Benny and three others
- 50. Hover threateningly
- 51. Script unit
- 52. Family group
- 53. Roe
- 54. Baldwin or Waugh
- 55. Russian spacecraft series
- 57. Farm mother
- 58. Upsilon follower
- 59. River bottom

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| 225 Cayuga Trail | 1334 Kiowa Drive |
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613 Kiowa Dr E - \$1,350,000

WATERFRONT - FOR SALE



102 Mohawk Tr - \$994,500

FOR SALE



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1214 Kiowa Dr E - \$750,000

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219 Navajo Tr - \$750,000

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1344 Kiowa Dr E - \$700,000

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114 Sequoya Dr - \$480,000

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718 Kiowa Dr W - \$468,000

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100 Mohican Trail - \$425,000

NEW LISTING - FOR SALE



722 Kiowa Dr W - \$400,000

FOR SALE



100 Cayuga Cove - \$375,000

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215 Pueblo Dr - \$640,000

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621 Kiowa Dr E - \$465,000

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LKPOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 22ND, 2026

LODGE ASSEMBLY ROOM ---
6:00 P.M.

MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order – President Nancy Jackson at 6:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America – Lead by: Nancy Jackson

Establish a Quorum – President Nancy Jackson- 9 directors present. Community Manager Rich Augustyniak, Chief of Security Melanie Cade, Public Works Director Scott Manning, and Members Services Rep Kendall Cox are also in attendance.

Comments for the Record- President Nancy Jackson

July 4th is coming up. It kicks off on the 3rd with our FOLK concert and special things at the Lodge. It will progress to the 4th. Lining up for the parade is at 7:30 am, it will roll into breakfast at the Lodge with opening ceremonies at 9:15 am. ICVFD will be the grand marshal this year. After the parade, there will be games and rides at the Lodge. Tickets can be bought online now. Fireworks sometime around 9:15 and only golf cart parking only down at the dam. There will be sand volleyball competition and corn hole competitions this year.

Comments From Members

Lot # 73 James Lyngholm- concerned with the sexual harassment rule. We don't want a negative financial impact. I believe we should have an attorney review this and prove that we need it.

Lot # 1734 Mark Tarpley- asks that we would table any watercraft rules until they are all going to do all the rules at once. All the rules are important and none more so than the others.

Lot # 1014 Randy Howell- opposed to decreasing the age limits on the golf course.

Meeting Minutes – Secretary Ronnie Phillips

Deliberate and consider possible approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes from May 28, 2026.

Motion to approve the minutes by Ronnie Phillips, 2nd by Chris Hale. All in favor, minutes are approved 9-0.

Financial Update – Treasurer Dan Besse

May 2026 Data

North Texas Property Demand Committee and Business Updates

Deliberate and consider possible action to approve of Committee chang-

es. - Nancy Jackson, President.

Motion to approve the committee changes by Nancy Jackson, 2nd by Cecil Heath. All in favor, motion carries 9-0.

Motion to discharge the watercraft and lake rules ad-hoc committee by Nancy Jackson, 2nd by Ronnie Phillips. All in favor, motion carries 9-0. Thank you for your work.

Architectural Control Committee: Presentation of 2026/27 Goals and Objectives – Pete Mason, Chair.

The Committee's primary purpose is to review exterior changes and new builds, ensuring that all projects conform to community standards, restrictive covenants, and bylaws to protect overall property values.

Dan Besse asked Pete Mason (chair) what if anything the board can do to support the ACC. Pete Mason mentioned dead tree removal and would like support to enforce citations. Believes that currently there is too much leniency. Ronnie Phillips asks if he has explored options like where POA would pay for the tree to be cut down at the homeowner's expense. Several directors discuss exploring that as an option. Dillon Ott notes that the POA shouldn't enforce a rule that it isn't abiding by.

Cecil asked about trends over the past couple years. Pete notes fewer new home constructions due to lack of empty lots, but overall, permit volume is similar.

Architectural Control Committee: Deliberate and consider possible action to approve Constitution of Lots 1107 and 1108. – Rich Augustyniak

Motion to approve Constitution of Lots 1107 and 1108 by Cecil Heath, 2nd by Dan Besse. All in favor, motion carries 9-0.

Golf Committee: Deliberate and consider possible action to approve revisions to Rule and Procedures to Section Sections 1.7, 2.7 and Category 9, as recommended by the Rules and Procedure Committee per Member review comments. – Ronnie Phillips, Chair.

Dillon Ott notes there should be an adjustment to say that the Par 3 is closed Monday and Tuesday. Jim Adams Lot# 666 notes that the committee is considering opening the Par 3 on Monday so it may be better to delay until a decision on that front is made. No revisions or additions noted. Proposed rules went out to the members after the last meeting, but it had not been the minimum of 30 days, so the rule will come back in the July Board Meeting.

Rules and Procedures Committee: Deliberate and consider possible action to approve revisions to the LKPOA Rules and Procedures, to add a new rule 3.3.1.13a – Prohibition of Sexual Harassment, per Member review comments. – Dan Besse, Treasurer.

Motion by Chris Hale to send out the new version of 3.3.1.13 Prohibition of Sexual Harassment for member comment, 2nd by Dan Besse. The motion is defeated by a vote of 3-7.

Rules and Procedures Committee: Deliberate and consider possible action to approve revisions to Rule and Procedures as recommended by the Rules and Procedure Committee for Member review and comment.

3.3.6.3 - Watercraft Operator Restrictions- see no need to change the rule. The boater safety course is going to be revised by Chief Cade at the recommendation of the committee.

3.3.6.17 – Reckless Operation-amend with the proposed additions. Motion to approve changes for member comment by Cecil Heath, 2nd by Chris Hale. Dan Besse asked for clarification on what "near" is and how that is defined. The motion is approved with a vote of 7-2.

Proposed NEW Rule 3.3.6.2a – Maximum Boat Length limiting pontoons to 26 ft and all other motorized watercraft to 24 ft. Motion by Dillon Ott, 2nd by John Makuta to table until all other proposed boat rules come to the board at once. The motion is approved with a vote of 5-4.

Community Manager Report - Rich Augustyniak

Review and possible approval of any ARRF/GCRF/LMRF/CARF/CDRF project funding.

Deliberate and consider possible action to approve ARRF funding not to exceed \$7,000 for East Beach Shower replacement as recommended by the Ways and Means Committee.

Motion to approve ARRF funding not to exceed \$7,000 for East Beach Shower replacement by Dan Besse, 2nd by John Makuta. All in favor, motion carries 9-0.

Deliberate and consider possible action to approve GCRF funding not to exceed \$10,000 for Golf Course Trash Can replacement (18, one for each hole) as proposed by the Golf Committee and recommended by the Ways and Means Committee.

Motion to approve GCRF funding not to exceed \$11,000 for Golf Course Trash Can replacement (18, one for each hole) as proposed by the Golf Committee and recommended by the

Ways and Means Committee by Dan Besse not to exceed \$11,000, 2nd by Ronnie Phillips. The motion is approved with a vote of 8-0, one abstention.

Deliberate and consider possible action to approve GCRF funding not to exceed \$190,000 for Golf Course Bunker repair and Sand replacement as recommended by the Ways and Means Committee. If approved, an RFP proposal will be advertised and contract to be reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors before proceeding.

Motion to approve GCRF funding not to exceed \$190,000 for Golf Course Bunker repair and Sand replacement as recommended by the Ways and Means Committee by Ronnie Phillips, 2nd by Dan Besse. All in favor, motion carries 9-0.

Deliberate and consider possible action to approve LMRF funding not to exceed \$10,000 for Lake water quality testing as proposed by the Lake Management Committee and recommended by the Ways and Means Committee.

Motion to approve LMRF funding not to exceed \$10,000 for Lake water quality testing by Chris Hale, 2nd by Rick Jamieson. All in favor, motion carries 9-0.

Deliberate and consider possible action to approve CARF funding not to exceed \$12,000 for purchase of a Stump Grinder skid steer attachment and skid steer cab shield. Proposal reviewed and recommended by the Ways and Means Committee.

Motion to approve CARF funding not to exceed \$12,000 for purchase of a Stump Grinder skid steer attachment and skid steer cab shield by Ronnie Phillips, 2nd by Chris Hale. All in favor, motion carries 9-0.

Project Status Updates – Project Manager Jim Fox

Pickleball Courts – Courts have been poured. Electrical conduit is in. Critical areas are being backfilled. The next step will be a fence footer and then fence so after tension cables will be cut and capped. Light poles are ready for delivery and can be installed after the fence footer is in place.

Little Wolf Trail – Decomposed Granite (DG) being installed. DG is in place minus a couple trouble spots. There are a couple of low areas we are considering raising and then putting the DG on top. Looking at possible culvert solutions. Please do not use the trail. It is a safety concern, and we need the members to heed that warning.

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Front Entrance – Contract negotiations ongoing/ Traffic Control planning.

Playgrounds – Developing RFP in-process. A playground inspector came out last Thursday and the fall surface is great. At the west beach there are some minor concerns and simple fixes. East Beach has issues with the swings and hopefully that will be fixed by the 4th. The chain ladder supports and anchors are a fall hazard which will need to be removed. Ways and Means recommend using initiation fee for playgrounds, but that money doesn't become available until 2027.

Department Reports
Administration – Fractional HR RFP has been advertised; submittals are due June 30th.

Public Works - 8 Sea Wall completion and sodding. Shade structure at Little Wolf Park will be replaced soon. Buoys have been replaced. East Beach cameras need to be updated.

Security – Patrol: 83 hours on the lake for the month of May.

Lodge – Profitable month of May and positive budget variance YTD.

Golf – Aerification planned for the 22nd and 23rd – with a 7–10-day recovery. Next month yardage marker on the driving range.

Additional Business
People have been asking about when the next new member event. Can we please bring dates for that next meeting?

Comments From Members
Lot # 1734 Mark Tarpley- considering this is a highly charged issue, I recommend the decisions come to the Board. If one committee is making decisions on behalf of another, that doesn't seem correct, especially since almost all the recommendations were unanimous. I'd be careful about killing them in another committee, I ask you to make the tough decisions as the Board.

Lot # 1241 Victoria Cowart- curious as to if there are any project management tools for the board now that I am a part of the parks and rec committee. Curious about the playground inspector because as a private community we aren't committed to the same standards that a publicly funded playground would be.

Lot # 169 Ken Bonzo- AS things are changed, maybe there should be an expiration on the safety course. Concerning the further we push things out, the more things that can come in and have to be grandfathered in.

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LAKE KIOWA POA					KPI SCORECARD · Q2 2026 (April – June)
Community Performance Dashboard · Reported in April 2026 (Q1 Axis)					
Category	KPI	Target	Current Value	Status	Notes / Comments
Financial Health					
Financial	Delinquency Rate	< 3%	2.5%	✓ On Target	Quarter-end delinquency — from POA finance office
Financial	Operating & Maintenance Variance (Actual)	< 1%	5.8%	⚠ Near Target	Quarter-end YTD variance — from POA finance office
Financial	O&M Fund Interest Earned	> \$12,500	\$20,272	✓ On Target	YTD interest — from POA finance office
Financial	Reserve Fund Interest Earned	> \$100,000	\$73,260	⚠ Near Target	YTD interest — from POA finance office
Financial	Initiation Fee Revenue	> \$100,000	\$96,697	⚠ Near Target	YTD initiation fees — from POA finance office
Financial	Lodge F&B Revenue vs. Expense Ratio	≥ 1.0x	0.92	⚠ Near Target	Quarter-end ratio — from Lodge Manager / POA finance office
Financial	ARRF - Asset Replacement Reserve Funding Level	> 70%	28.4%	✗ Below Target	ReserveFunding Level % at 10 year projected expenditures
Financial	GCRF - Golf Course Reserve Funding Level	> 70%	10.2%	✗ Below Target	ReserveFunding Level % at 10 year projected expenditures
Financial	LMRF - Lake Management Reserve Funding Level	> 70%	32.0%	✗ Below Target	ReserveFunding Level % at 10 year projected expenditures
Financial	Road Reserve Funding Level	> 70%	2.1%	✗ Below Target	ReserveFunding Level % at 10 year projected expenditures
Amenity Satisfaction					
Amenities	Lodge Annual Satisfaction Score	≥ 90%	91.6	✓ On Target	August 2025 annual survey — next survey August 2026
Amenities	Golf Annual Satisfaction Score	≥ 90%	88.5	⚠ Near Target	August 2025 annual survey — next survey August 2026
Amenities	Lake Annual Satisfaction Score	≥ 90%	86.7	⚠ Near Target	August 2025 annual survey — next survey August 2026
Services Satisfaction					
Services	Security Annual Satisfaction	≥ 90%	90.2	✓ On Target	February 2026 survey results - next survey February 2027
Services	Public Works Annual Satisfaction	≥ 90%	78.8	✗ Below Target	February 2026 survey results - next survey February 2027
Services	Administration Annual Satisfaction	≥ 90%	70.1	✗ Below Target	February 2026 survey results - next survey February 2027
Member Engagement					
Member Engagement	Net Promoter Score (NPS)	≥ 50	35	✗ Below Target	February 2026 survey results - next survey August 2026
Member Engagement	Overall Member Satisfaction	≥ 90%	94.6	✓ On Target	February 2026 survey results - next survey August 2026
Member Engagement	Member Trust in POA / BOD decisions	≥ 90%	66.9	✗ Below Target	February 2026 survey results - next survey August 2026
Member Engagement	Member Board Meeting Attendance	≥ 5%	1.48	✗ Below Target	Q2 avg. = 1.48% (21.67 / 1,467 lots) - quarter average
Board Engagement					
Board / POA	Director Board Meeting Attendance	100.00%	96.29	⚠ Near Target	Q2 avg. = 96.29% (6.67 / 9 Directors) - quarter average
STATUS KEY:					
✓ On Target		At or above goal			
⚠ Near Target		Within 5 points of goal — monitor closely			
✗ Below Target		More than 5 points below goal — action needed			
— Pending		Data not yet available for this quarter			

LKPOA POA KPI Scorecard - 2026 2nd Quarter Data

Understanding The New Lake Kiowa Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)
Lake Kiowa is a special place — a private, self-managed community built around a beautiful lake, strong amenities, and a spirit of neighborliness. As our community has grown, so has the responsibility of managing it well. Today, the Lake Kiowa Property Owners Association operates more like a small municipality than a traditional neighborhood association. The POA manages a community with more than \$6 million in annual operations spending, dozens of facilities and amenities, and approximately over 90 employees. Managing an organization of this scale requires more than good intentions. It requires clear information and disciplined decision-making. The POA has adopted Key Performance Indicators (KPIs); objective measurements that help track the community's financial, operational, and member satisfaction performance. These KPIs help ensure that the Board and the POA make decisions based on facts and trends rather than anecdotes or assumptions. This is the second issuance of the KPI Scorecard, the 1st Quarter data was in the May issue of the Communique.

What KPIs Are

A Key Performance Indicator is simply a measurable data point that shows how well something is per-

forming. One way to think about KPIs is as the gauges on a car dashboard. The speedometer, fuel gauge, and engine temperature do not drive the car for you, but they provide critical information about how things are running. KPIs serve the same purpose for the POA. They help the Board and the POA monitor the community's health and identify areas that may need attention. For Lake Kiowa, these metrics are drawn directly from financial records, operational data, and member survey results.

Three Areas the KPIs Measure

Financial Health
Delinquency rate on member accounts
Operating budget variance
Interest earned on operating and reserve funds
Lodge revenue compared to operating expenses

These indicators help the Board understand whether the POA is operating within its financial plan and managing community funds responsibly. We also added a few more KPI measures to track on the Scorecard:

Long-Term Reserve Planning – Funding Levels

Asset Replacement Reserve Fund (ARRF)
Golf Course Replacement Fund (GCRF)
Lake Management Reserve Fund (LMRF)
Road Reserve Fund (a new Fund

which started April 1st of this year)
These reserves help fund major future projects such as infrastructure replacement, golf course improvements, and long-term lake management.

Amenities and Community Experience

The Lodge
Golf
The Lake
Security
Public Works
POA Administration

Survey results show strong satisfaction levels across the community, including high overall member satisfaction with Lake Kiowa. A Survey is available for the month of August that will ask questions regarding the Lodge, Golf and the Lake. Another survey will be sent out in February asking about your experiences with Security, Public Works and the POA and Board. And this sequence will repeat every 6 months.

Member Engagement

Net Promoter Score (NPS)
Overall member satisfaction
Member trust in POA/ BOD decision making
Member and Director Board meeting attendance

These indicators help the Board understand how connected members feel to the community and how well the community experience aligns with member expectations. There will

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Lake Kiowa Property Owner's Association

Financial Education Series “Did You Know?”

A New Monthly Financial Education Feature

Starting this month, the *CommuniQué* will include a new, regular feature: “Did You Know?” - a short, plain-language financial fact published each month as part of the Board’s ongoing member financial education series.

Each installment will be brief, no longer than a few paragraphs. No jargon, no dense tables. Just one clearly explained financial concept that helps every member better understand how Lake Kiowa manages its money and plans for the future.

The financial education series has been running since late 2025, covering topics such as how the annual budget is built and why reserve funds exist and cannot be spent on day-to-day operations. The response has been encouraging. “Did You Know?” is the next step: a consistent, accessible format that builds on that foundation one fact at a time.

The goal is simple. The more members understand how Lake Kiowa’s finances work, the better positioned the community is to make good decisions together - about infrastructure, about reserves, and about the long-term health of everything that makes this place special.

Did You Know? — Fact #1

We all own Lake Kiowa equally.

Members sometimes ask: Why do I pay dues for amenities I never use? Why cannot dues be frozen for long-tenured members or seniors on fixed incomes? Why do members in larger, more expensive homes pay the same as members in modest ones?

The answer is rooted in how Lake Kiowa is legally structured. When each member purchased property here, they agreed that all lot owners hold a proportional, undivided, non-severable interest in all commonly owned property and facilities in the community. That means every member owns an equal share of the lake, the golf course, the Lodge, the roads, and everything else — regardless of property value, years of residence, or how often the member uses any particular amenity.

All members pay the same dues and receive the same benefits. Changing that structure would require a significant revision to our governing documents and would alter the POA’s financial structure and its administration.

Lake Kiowa Financial Myths vs. Realities

Part 2 of 2 — Amenities, financial reporting, and rising dues

Last month’s article covered the myths about reserves, budget expense cuts, and the structure of Lake Kiowa’s funds. This article addresses four more questions about the golf course and Lodge, how member funds are invested, and why dues increases have been necessary despite the Board and POA being very careful with our finances.

Myth 6

“The golf course and the Lodge are draining the budget.”

THE REALITY

The Community Manager, Controller, Treasurer, and the rest of the Board review the financial performance of all areas in the POA, including Golf and the Lodge, as part of their regular oversight. Where results have improved, the Board has reported that. For example, the Lodge has driven significant new revenue, and the supplement that we pay for the Lodge has been reduced noticeably. The 18-hole golf course is one of the most used amenities. There are over 50,000 rounds played each year. The POA gathers approximately \$80,000 in net guest fees. However, the golf course costs over a million dollars a year to maintain. This cost has been roughly proportional over the years. This is what is required to maintain such an amenity.

Bottom line: There is a constant fo-

cus on the community’s finances and community assets, prudently balancing today’s needs with long-term stability and improving effectiveness.

Myth 7

“The POA does not invest member funds prudently.”

THE REALITY

Reserve balances are invested with priority of asset liquidity and safety. Board-approved guidelines limit investments to cash, money market funds, certificates of deposit, and U.S. Treasury instruments, with a maximum maturity of 2 years. The priority order is explicit: liquidity first, safety second, income third.

Interest income on reserve balances — approximately \$354,000 in 2025, or roughly \$242 per lot — is genuinely valuable and helps narrow the gap between what reserves hold today and what the community will eventually need. This is a product of responsible cash management.

Bottom line: The POA does not invest to beat the market. It invests to protect community funds and keep them available when they are needed.

Myth 8

“Dues keep going up — that means the Board is mismanaging our money.”

THE REALITY

Dues increases are a response to cost increases — not a sign of careless spending. Insurance, utilities, labor, and contracted services have all risen

significantly. The POA operates under a self-imposed 5 percent annual cap on operating dues, which protects members from sudden steep increases but also means that in years when costs rise faster than 5 percent, the gap between revenue and expenses grows. This has been a significant challenge for all of us.

Bottom line: Rising dues reflect rising costs and years of disciplined restraint. The alternative to honest cost recovery is a harder problem later.

The Bottom Line

Lake Kiowa’s finances are not complicated because anyone wants them to be. They are complicated because this community owns and maintains a private lake, an 18-hole golf course, a Lodge, 22-plus miles of roads, a security operation, and the infrastructure that supports all of it — funded entirely by member dues.

The Treasurer’s Report details our financial status and is reviewed at every Board meeting and sent out monthly via Constant Contact. Board meetings are open to all members and are live-streamed and recorded. Questions are always welcome.

Core Value: Fiscal Responsibility and Sustainability - We manage dues and community assets prudently, balancing today’s needs with long-term stability and focusing on improved effectiveness.

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be questions on the Member Survey reading these items as well and these will be repeated on each of the 6-month surveys.

How Members Should Read the KPIs

It is important to understand what KPIs are and what they are not. KPIs are directional indicators, not absolute judgments. A single number rarely tells the whole story. The real value of KPIs comes from tracking trends over time. Some metrics reflect operational performance in the current year. Others reflect progress toward long-term financial goals that may take many years to achieve. KPIs should always be viewed together and in context,

rather than focusing on any one number.

Supporting Lake Kiowa’s Vision and Values

The adoption of KPIs also supports the community’s Vision, Mission, and Core Values. These measures reinforce several important commitments, including fiscal responsibility, transparency, stewardship of community assets, and maintaining a high quality of life. By measuring performance in these areas, the Board can better ensure Lake Kiowa remains the welcoming and enduring community described in the Vision statement.

A Framework That Will Continue to Evolve

The KPI scorecard represents an important step toward strengthening

governance and transparency. Like any other well-run organization, Lake Kiowa’s KPIs will continue to evolve as better data becomes available and as the community’s needs change. The goal is not perfection in the first year. The goal is continuous improvement grounded in facts. KPIs provide members with a clearer view into how the community is performing today — and how it is being responsibly managed for the future.

Rich Augustyniak
Community Manager

Lake Kiowa Property Owner's Association



LKPOA Golf Course Maintenance

Labor Day has come and gone signifying the end of summer. Fall is here! This might be my favorite time of the year. Cool mornings followed by mild afternoons. Leaves on trees changing colors. Football season. Kids back in school. Just so much to love! All that being said, there is still a lot going on in golf course maintenance.

We performed our final core aerification on greens on August 17 and 18. Having that second day has really improved the whole process. That being said, aerification went well. Greens were nearly 100% healed by Labor Day weekend. Following aerification, we did raise our mowing height to help recovery. We lowered the mowing height incrementally until we got green speeds back to where we want them for the busy tournament schedule including the Couples Club Championship, the Kiowa Kapers, and WGA Member-Member. We continue to apply low doses of complete macronutrient fertilizer weekly and are supplementing those with a micronutrient packages every two weeks. Beginning in September, we increased the amount of potassium fertilizer in our program. Potassium activates plant enzymes used in protein, sugar, and starch synthesis. It also plays a key role in maintaining turgor pressure in plants. Thus, it has a strong influence on drought tolerance, cold hardiness, and disease resistance of turfgrasses. Deficiencies of potassium in turf may be expressed as increased susceptibility to drought, winter injury, and disease. This is done to prepare the greens for the cold winter temperatures.

Fairways and tees remain in really good shape. We will continue to make wetting agent and liquid iron applications to fairways every three weeks through the end of this month. This helps with color and water retention. As mentioned in earlier reports, making more frequent applications at lower rates has given us a more consistent color which is the goal.

Please continue to fill your divots and repair your ball marks.

See you around the course.

Bryan Brown
Golf Course Superintendent

The Lodge Report

As we welcome the arrival of fall, I'd like to take a moment to reflect on the progress we've made together over the past few years. Since I joined The Lodge at the beginning of 2023, we've experienced tremendous growth, doubling our revenue while keeping our overall operating loss nearly the same. That achievement is a testament to the hard work of our staff, the support of our Board, and most importantly, the loyalty of our members and guests.

We hope everyone has a wonderful Labor Day weekend and enjoys the Eagles Tribute Concert. Events like these are what make our community so special, bringing neighbors, families, and friends together to create lasting memories. We'd also like to encourage everyone to become a member of FOLK (Friends of Lake Kiowa). This organization plays a vital role in our community by funding the free concerts we all enjoy during our major holiday weekends. Their support

helps make these events possible, and your membership directly contributes to continuing these traditions.

Our Fourth of July celebration was once again one of the highlights of the summer, bringing families and friends together for a memorable holiday. As we transition into fall, we're excited to continue building on that momentum with outstanding dining experiences and entertainment.

Our Performance Series has become one of the Lodge's signature offerings. We've hosted seven events so far this year, with our concert series proving especially popular. The family-style dining experience has been a tremendous success, creating an atmosphere that encourages community and fellowship. We still have two exciting events remaining, including, Colt & The Old 45's, and the return of Little Queen by popular demand. We're also working to bring another Murder Mystery Dinner to the Lodge, and we look forward to sharing those details soon.

In the kitchen, our commitment to quality and variety continues. We have introduced our third menu revision of the year, keeping the Lodge favorites, our members know and love while adding seasonal selections and chef-inspired creations. Our pizza program has continued to grow with the addition of our new pizza oven, and our Butcher Block service gives members access to fresh, quality steaks for at-home dining.

As summer ends, we have returned to our regular operating hours. Thank you for your continued support and for making the Lodge such a special place. Every visit, every event, and every meal shared here contributes to our continued success. My team and I remain committed to enhancing your experience, and we look forward to welcoming you throughout the fall season.

Yours Truly,
Jeremy Trietsch
Assistant Community Manager

LKPOA Public Works

School is back in session and so are our community kids. That said, just a quick reminder to be alert during your commutes and the community speed limit is 25 MPH.

Please also be cautious on the lake when approaching buoys. Earlier this year, 34 new buoys replaced several damaged buoys. Also, please stay clear of the swimming areas at both beaches.

POA trash containers have been misused and overloaded. Community trash receptacles are intended for routine community waste only and must not be used for household or contractor waste.

Items recently found in the trash containers include vacuum cleaners, bricks, and yard clippings. In addition, some containers have been overloaded beyond their weight limits, with certain containers exceeding 100 pounds. Overloaded containers create a safety

hazard and may result in injury to staff members who are responsible for handling and servicing them.

Please help keep our community safe by using the appropriate disposal services for household construction, and yard waste. Do not place heavy, bulky, or contractor-generated materials in POA trash containers.

Project Updates

Sub-surface drain inspections and maintenance at the dam along w/ minor vegetation maintenance on-going.

Low Water Crossing 2 high water closing gates received repairs.

Additional safety buoys will be placed out along the dam rip-rap area.

New East Beach shower expected to be delivered and installed this month.

Golf cart crossing areas received "continental" style striping for added visual safety.

Front entrance and exit received fresh lane striping and painted directional arrows.

East gate entrance received new signage for the member lane and guest/delivery lane.

Road Update: All the major road work has been completed for the time being. We will continue to do some road patching. We will be holding off on doing any significant repairs on the East Side until the LKSUD new water line is completed and they have done their necessary repairs.

Rule of the Month

LKPOA Rules and Procedures

Article 3.3.1.1.8- *Unauthorized Use of Trash Receptacles

Household garbage may not be deposited in Association containers at any time unless the container is specifically furnished for such purposes.

Don't forget to check out our Public Works Projects webpage on the Lake Kiowa website, located under "Member Area."

Scott Manning
Public Works Director

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Lot #1 616 Carolyn Peters- on boat size restriction, we were pushed, that we get everything down before Memorial Day, I'm disappointed that everything wasn't presented to the board today. I hope for transparency that everything that comes out of the

committee meeting will be presented to the board.

Break at 8:17 pm

Move to Executive Session at 8:30 pm Motion by Chris Hale, 2nd by Dillon Ott. 9-0, motion carries.

Return To Open Session at 9:52 pm. Motion by Dillon Ott, 2nd by Chris Hale. 9-0, the motion carries.

Member Appeals: 1 appeal denied, 2 upheld

Discussed contract negotiations

Discussed personnel issues

Discussed legal issues with attorney
Adjournment at 9:53 Motion by Dillon Ott, 2nd by Chris Hale. 9-0, motion carries.

Nancy Jackson, President
Ronnie Phillips, Secretary

Lake Kiowa Property Owner's Association

Lake Kiowa Property Owners Association Treasurer's Report - June 2026

Funding:	Number of Billable Lots		June Actual	June Budget	Month Actual Better/(Worse) Budget	6 Month YTD Actual	6 Month YTD Budget	YTD Actual
	Per Budget	Actual						Better/(Worse)
	1467	1467						YTD Budget
Maintenance Fees			359,723	359,723	0	2,158,105	2,158,338	(234)
Lodge: Food & Beverage Sales			132,504	145,053	(12,549)	741,571	687,773	53,798
Additional Revenue:								
Cart storage			1,050	1,050	0	6,000	6,300	(300)
Late Charges			3,100	3,300	(200)	20,300	19,800	500
Sanitation & Recycle fees			30,489	32,411	(1,922)	184,136	190,462	(6,325)
Green Fees			8,312	11,246	(2,933)	45,896	49,592	(3,696)
Trailer Storage			1,470	1,710	(240)	9,510	10,260	(750)
Building Permits			9,780	7,000	2,780	60,699	42,000	18,699
Newsletter Ads			15,508	18,743	(3,235)	104,355	112,455	(8,100)
Citations			4,900	4,115	785	20,475	24,690	(4,215)
Toll Tags			2,965	3,065	(100)	13,060	18,390	(5,330)
Resale Certificates			4,500	3,375	1,125	17,250	20,250	(3,000)
Other Income			6,772	5,432	1,340	43,433	18,650	24,783
Interest Income - Op			7,637	7,637	0	20,272	19,623	648
Total Additional Revenue			96,484	99,083	(2,600)	545,386	532,472	12,914
Total Funding			588,711	603,859	(15,149)	3,445,061	3,378,583	66,479

Expense:								
Newsletter (Communique)			13,198	14,248	1,051	78,276	86,374	8,097
Administration			188,491	122,910	(65,581)	789,621	697,499	(92,122)
Public Works			60,912	61,428	516	358,356	371,182	12,826
Parks & Lake			3,167	3,956	788	53,813	51,622	(2,191)
Roads & Bridges			13,424	4,904	(8,519)	119,576	111,057	(8,519)
Golf Course			106,055	100,548	(5,507)	622,016	588,945	(33,071)
Golf Professional			9,999	11,110	1,111	59,511	62,550	3,039
Sanitation & Recycle			28,658	27,317	(1,341)	171,450	163,797	(7,653)
Security			63,465	60,619	(2,847)	370,825	376,359	5,534
Lodge Mgmt			17,044	19,800	2,756	89,683	93,508	3,824
Lodge Food & Beverage Service			152,770	130,276	(22,494)	805,455	723,360	(82,096)
Total Expenses			657,184	557,116	(100,068)	3,518,585	3,326,253	(192,332)
Net Revenue (Loss)			(68,473)	46,744	(115,217)	(73,523)	52,330	(125,853)

	June Actual	June Budget	Better/(Worse) Budget	6 Month YTD Actual	6 Month YTD Budget	YTD Actual Better/(Worse) YTD Budget
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Asset Replacement Reserve Fund:

ARRF Receipts (\$ 30.06 X 1467 lots)	44,098	44,098	0	264,559	264,588	(29)
ARRF Interest Income	0	0	0	27,004	0	27,004
ARRF Expense	0	0	0	431,820	475,830	44,010
ARRF Excess/(Under)	44,098	44,098	-	(140,257)	(211,242)	70,985

Capital Asset Reserve Fund:

CARF Receipts (\$ 31.10 X 1467 lots)	45,624	45,624	0	273,713	273,742	(30)
CARF Interest Income	0	0	0	12,038	0	12,038
CARF Expense	84,195	84,195	0	122,839	123,278	440
CARF Excess/(Under)	(38,571)	(38,571)	0	162,912	150,464	12,448

Lake Management Reserve Fund:

LMRF Receipts (\$ 15.20 X 1467 lots)	22,298	22,298	0	133,776	133,790	(14)
LMRF Interest income	0	0	0	19,700	0	19,700
LMRF Expense	34,411	34,411	0	83,645	83,645	0
LMRF Excess/(Under)	(12,112)	(12,112)	0	69,832	50,146	19,686

Golf Course Reserve Fund:

GCRF Receipts (\$ 15.45 X 1467 lots)	22,665	22,665	0	135,976	135,991	(15)
GCRF Interest Income	0	0	0	10,581	0	10,581
GCRF Expense	0	0	0	34,997	31,171	(3,827)
GCRF Excess/(Under)	22,665	22,665	0	111,560	104,820	6,739

Road Reserve Fund:

RRF Receipts (\$ 20.00 X 1467 lots)	29,340	0	29,340	88,020	0	88,020
RRF Interest Income	133	0	133	133	0	133
RRF Expense	0	0	0	0	0	0
RRF Excess/(Under)	29,473	0	29,473	88,153	0	88,153

Cash Balances:	5/31/2026	6/30/2026
General Fund Accounts:		
Checking Account	311,613	139,244
Payroll, Petty Cash & Tavern Ac.	17,148	30,386
Contingency Reserve Acct	207,313	211,194
Security Deposit Reserve	150,760	153,385
Initiation Fund	79,415	99,817
Total Gen. Fund Cash Bal.	766,249	634,026
Reserve Fund Accounts:		
Restricted Funds:		
ARRF Account	1,373,389	1,417,487
LMRF Account	1,008,972	996,859
GCRF Account	699,424	722,089
RRF Account	58,680	88,153
Discretionary Funds:		
CARF Account	1,083,384	1,044,813
CDRF Account	267,285	266,329
Total Cash Bal. All Funds	5,257,383	5,169,756



Delinquent Status:	# of Lots	Current Month
30 Days	24	6,260
60 Days	3	2,035
90 Days	9	39,958
Total Delinquent	36	48,253

Lake Kiowa Property Owner's Association



LKPOA Compliance

It's hard to believe summer is already over and our children are back in school! As we transition into the fall season, we ask all residents to help keep Lake Kiowa looking its best by maintaining their lawns and drainage ditches as needed. Please remember that property owners are responsible for maintaining drainage culverts on their property to ensure the proper flow of stormwater.

Rules & Procedures Reminders

Rule 3.3.3.4 – Improved Lots Condition

All residences, outbuildings, and docks must be maintained in good condition.

Property owners are responsible for: Keeping grass on improved lots at **8 inches or less**

Trimming grass, weeds, and vegetation to maintain a neat appearance (except approved landscaping or gardens)

Removing rubbish, dead or fallen trees, inoperative vehicles or trailers, unused building materials, and other accumulated items

Property owners who share Common Access Property are also responsible for maintaining those areas, including drainage, shorelines, lake walls, and docks, in accordance with the LKPOA Rules & Procedures, Covenants, and Bylaws.

Rule 3.3.3.4.a – Property Maintenance: Unsightly Annoyance or Nuisance

All private property must be properly maintained at all times.

A property may be considered out of compliance if it appears unsightly from neighboring lots, streets, the lake, or the golf course. Examples include, but are not limited to:

Excessive accumulation of rubbish or debris

Poor general maintenance
Conditions that negatively impact the appearance of the neighborhood

Trash Collection Reminder
Please have your trash at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on Mondays to ensure pickup.

Rule 3.3.3.7 – Trash and Refuse

Please remember the following guidelines:

Trash may not be placed at the curb before sunrise on the day before scheduled pickup.

Household trash, debris, grass clippings, branches, and similar materials must be bagged, bundled, or placed in approved containers.

Loose trash or garbage may not be left on or off your property at any time.

Refuse containers must be removed from the curb no later than sunrise on the day after pickup.

When not at the curb, refuse containers must be stored in a garage, enclosed area, or screened from public view.

A Reminder About Respectful Conduct

Lake Kiowa is a family-oriented community, and we ask everyone to treat one another with courtesy and respect. During stressful situations, please remain mindful of your words and actions toward others.

The LKPOA Rules & Procedures prohibit abusive or offensive behavior:

Rule 3.3.1.12 – Offensive Language or Conduct (Special Penalty 3.2.7.b(8))

Abusive, indecent, profane, or vulgar language or conduct that tends to incite a breach of the peace or conduct that would be considered offensive by a reasonable person, is prohibited. Public urination or any flagrant violation of this rule is subject to a special penalty, with fines based on the severity of the violation.

Penalties for Public Urination or Flagrant Violations

1st Offense: \$100 fine and 30-day suspension of privileges

2nd Offense: \$500 fine and 60-day suspension of privileges

3rd Offense: \$1,000 fine and 90-day suspension of privileges

Reporting Compliance Concerns

If you have a complaint or comment regarding a compliance issue, please use the appropriate form available at the POA Office or online through the Lake Kiowa Connect website. Forms can be found under For Residents > Online Forms and on the Lake Kiowa Security & Compliance Community Page.

When submitting a report, please provide as much detail as possible, including:

- Lot number and property address
- Description of the issue
- Applicable rule, if known
- For Safety and Security concerns, please submit a Safety & Security Incident Report.

If the matter requires immediate attention, contact Lake Kiowa Security at (940) 665-3221 to speak directly with an officer.

Thank you for doing your part to help keep Lake Kiowa a clean, safe, and a welcoming community. Your cooperation and consideration for your neighbors are greatly appreciated.

Please feel free to contact me directly if you have any questions or comments.

Patty McGuire
ACC Rep/Compliance Officer
complianceofficer@lkpoa.org



LKPOA Constant Contact

Sign up - stay abreast of LKPOA news. Sign up for email notices – (Constant Contact) from the community manager and other department heads by going to the Lake Kiowa private home page. LKPOA.org – click Quick Links scroll to the bottom of the page and click Subscribe to Constant Contact. Enter your email and choose the categories you are interested in. These messages will keep you informed of weather/water crossing closings, water outages, construction delays, etc., as well as Lodge activities and special menus. LK-POA.org.

LAKE KIOWA SECURITY

— MONTHLY CALL REPORT —

JULY 2026

26
Animal Calls

1
Alarm Calls

7
Welfare Checks

8
Escort Ambulance

59
Citations Issued

44
Warnings Issued

4
CCSO Assist

18
Calls Suspicious Activity

3
Accidents

SECURITY ON THE LAKE
79 HOURS

14,687 GUEST/WORKERS ENTERED

CITATIONS – 59 TOTAL

Citations issued; subject to review by the Rules Committee.

	Public Intoxication – 1	(1 Member)
	Reckless Driving – 2	(2 Visitors)
	Offensive Language or Conduct – 3	(3 Members)
	Non-Licensed Vehicle – 1	(1 Member)
	Traffic Control Devices – 7	(7 Members)
	Speeding – 25	(5 Members 7 Visitors 13 Workers)
	Overnight Parking – 2	(2 Members)
	Traffic Control Instructions – 1	(1 Visitor)
	Watercraft Registration – 9	(9 Members)
	Prohibited Watercraft – 1	(1 Member)
	Watercraft Operator Restrictions – 1	(1 Visitor)
	Prohibited Activity on Lake – 2	(1 Member 1 Visitor)
	Dock & Floating Equipment – 1	(1 Member)
	Vicious Animal – 1	(1 Member)
	Positive Control of Pets – 1	(1 Member)
	Soliciting – 1	(1 Member)

WARNINGS – 44 TOTAL

	Neighborhood Vehicle Numbers	(1 Member)
	Disturbing Sound	(1 Member)
	Property Maintenance	(1 Member)
	Traffic Control Devices	(3 Members)
	Posted Speed	(6 Members)
	Parking on Roadway	(2 Members)
	Overnight Parking	(19 Members)
	Buoy Restrictions	(1 Member)
	Dock & Floating Equipment	(4 Members)
	Positive Control of Pets	(1 Member)
	Trash & Refuse	(1 Member)
	Golf Cart Parking	(1 Member)
	Soliciting	(1 Member)
	Animals in Public Places	(1 Member)
	Non-Licensed Vehicle	(1 Member)

Our Community. Our Priority. | 940-665-3221

Lake Kiowa Property Owner's Association

LKPOA Security

Security in Action: Here to Serve

If you have spent much time around Lake Kiowa this year, chances are you have seen our Security Officers out and about, especially out on the lake.

Thanks to increased manpower this year, the Security Department has been able to spend significantly more time patrolling our lake and community. Having our officers out there gives us the opportunity to monitor activity, promote safe boating practices, enforce our rules when necessary and, most importantly, be available when someone needs help.

And at Lake Kiowa, you never really know who — or what — is going to need our help next.

From Jet Skis to Flat Tires...

Pictured is Security Officer Ramsey, towing a jet ski after it ran out of gas on the lake. Running out of gas is never part of anyone's lake-day plan, but fortunately Security was nearby to help get everyone safely back where they needed to be. We can't promise to keep your gas tank full, but we'll certainly help when we can!

Also pictured is Security Officer Massey, who stopped to assist a young man after his bicycle got a flat tire. It may seem like a small thing, but sometimes the smallest acts of kindness make the biggest impression.

Apparently, "other duties as assigned" can include bicycle roadside assistance.

And Then There Was the Chicken...

Did y'all happen to see the chicken that had been making the rounds and visiting folks on the east side of Lake Kiowa?

Well, after spending some time touring the neighborhood, apparently, she finally got hot and tired and decided to settle in at a member's home — for about three hours.

Eventually, the member called Security and asked if we could come get her.

Sure. How hard could it possibly be to catch one chicken?

Famous last words.

Pictured is Security Officer Wolf, who, along with Security Officer Grayson and a few very helpful members, participated in what can only be described as the Great Lake Kiowa Chicken Chase.

For nearly an hour, that chicken ran through bushes, between people's legs and practically over their heads. She clearly had absolutely no intention of cooperating with Security or anyone else, for that matter.

At one point, the pursuit even claimed a casualty when one of our Security Officers took a tumble into the bushes during the endeavor. Thankfully, the officer was fine.

Her pride may have needed a minute.

I'm not sure who was more exhausted by the end - the chicken, the officers or the members who joined the chase.

But after nearly an hour of teamwork, determination, one trip into the bushes and probably a little questioning of everyone's life choices, the chicken was finally captured!

She was safely relocated and is now off enjoying life in a new hen house.

Just another day at Lake Kiowa Security.

And for the record, I checked — neither chicken chasing nor shrub diving is listed in the Security Officer job description.

And Sometimes, Seconds Matter

While some of our encounters give us something to laugh about, others remind us just how important it is to have our officers present and available throughout the community.

We are extremely proud of Security Officer Grayson, who recently received a Life Saving Award after rescuing a child who had been knocked off a floating mat by a large wake.

His quick response when seconds mattered is a powerful reminder of why having Security Officers visible and present on our lake is so important.

One minute an officer may be helping with a flat tire or trying to outsmart a chicken, and the next minute that same officer may be responding to an emergency where someone's safety - or even their life - is at stake.

That is the reality of this job, and it is one of the many reasons I am so proud of our team.

More Than Enforcement

Yes, we enforce the rules. And yes, sometimes that means issuing warnings or citations.

We know that isn't everyone's favorite part of seeing a Security vehicle coming down the road!

But there is so much more to Lake Kiowa Security than enforcement.

Our officers assist stranded boaters, respond to emergencies, escort ambulances, conduct welfare checks, assist residents and guests, patrol our roads and lake, help with animals, answer questions and sometimes simply stop because they see someone who could use a helping hand.



And apparently, we occasionally round up poultry.

At the heart of all of it is service to our community.

I am proud that increased manpower has allowed us to have a greater presence throughout Lake Kiowa this year, but I am even more proud of the men and women who proudly wear the Lake Kiowa Security patch.

They continue to demonstrate that serving this community is about much more than enforcing rules. It is about being visible, being approachable, lending a helping hand and being there when someone needs us.

Even if the one who needs us happens to have feathers.

Have a Security Question? Ask Us!

One last thing I would really like our members to remember: Facebook and Nextdoor are great for a lot of things, but they aren't the Lake Kiowa Security Department.

If you have a question about a lake rule, traffic rule, gate procedure, watercraft, golf carts, animals or anything else involving Security, please come directly to us.

We would much rather have you ask us and receive the correct information than read 47 comments on social media and still not know the answer.

If you see one of our officers out in the community, wave us down and ask! We are happy to help.

You can also call Lake Kiowa Security at 940-665-3221. Our phones are answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

We may not always give you the answer you were hoping for, but we will always do our best to give you the right answer.

Enjoy our beautiful community, look out for one another, be safe on the lake, and if you happen to see Security Officers running through your yard chasing a chicken, don't worry.

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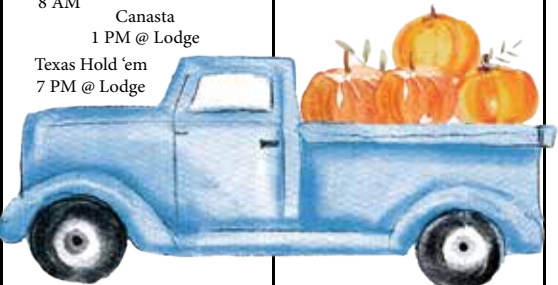
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Born and raised in Gainesville and a Lake Kiowa resident for the past 12 years, I have a deep connection to the people and communities that make this area home. I'm excited to bring that local knowledge and commitment to helping others to my career in real estate.

Before entering real estate, I spent more than 10 years in EMS as a paramedic and flight paramedic, where serving others, staying

calm under pressure, communicating effectively, and putting people first were at the heart of everything I did. I now bring those same values to helping buyers and sellers navigate one of the biggest decisions of their lives.

Whether you're buying your first home, looking for your next property, selling a home, or searching for land, my goal is simple: to provide honest guidance, clear communication, and dedicated service from start to finish.

Outside of real estate, I'm blessed with a beautiful wife and four children. When I'm not spending time with my

family or helping clients, you'll likely find me on the golf course.

I would be honored to help you find not just a property, but the right place to call home. If you're considering buying or selling in Cooke County or North Texas, I'd love the opportunity to be your trusted resource.



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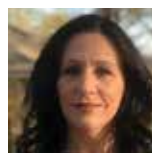
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