



August Newsletter 2016

NEXT GENERAL MEETING SEPT. 10, 2016 at 9:00 A.M.

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## **PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS - Robert Herbig**

Recently I had the opportunity to present a check to the USD #417 school district for their Educational Enhancement Fund. Over the past seven years, CGCLA has presented over \$30,000 to the district for funds to be used by our kids, teachers and staff to enhance the educational experience.

The funds raised were the direct result of the volunteer efforts of many individuals at the City Lake. Under the direction of former City Lake resident, John Nicodemus, the Annual CGCLA Golf Tournament was held with the funds generated going to the school. Many others volunteered their time and talents to the success of this worthwhile and important event.

This brings a point to consider! Many successful activities conducted in Council Grove are due, in no small part, to the volunteerism of City Lake residents. For that I want to say thanks. There is a saying by Marjorie Moore – “volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in.” How true! This is reflected in our mission statement, “---striving to grow Council Grove, the Business Community and the Lake Community--- together!” Keep up the great work – IT IS APPRECIATED!

## **Property Taxes for Council Grove City Lake**

On May 24, 2016, the District Court of Morris County heard oral arguments based on the Petition of the Plaintiff (Morris County) for Judicial Review of the decision of the Kansas Board of Tax Appeals (BOTA) on the appraisal value of real property at the Council Grove City Lake for tax years 2012 and 2013. The District Court reviewed the record and appeal and considered the arguments presented by the County and the Council Grove City Lake Association (CGCLA) which was empowered by the City of Council Grove to appeal on behalf of the City Lake taxpayers.

In its ruling the Court **affirmed the February, 2015 decision of BOTA and the BOTA order** that the appraisal value for 2012 be set at \$2,366,442 and \$2,386,800 for 2013 instead of the County appraisal of the land \$28,187,810 for 2012 tax year and \$29,871,240 for tax year 2013. The Court also affirmed that the BOTA Finding of Fact was correct in its determination that the County appraisal contained significant **violations** of Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP) and that the County appraisal methodology **violated** Kansas statutes. The Memorandum Decision was filed July 22, 2016 by the Clerk of the Morris County District Court, Case Numbers 2015CV19 and 2015CV18.

Morris County has now filed an appeal with the Kansas Court of Appeals.

The BOTA hearing on the protests for 2014 and 2015 is scheduled for November 3. Morris County commissioners published their intent to appeal to Kansas Court of Appeals in the Council Grove Republican.

## Master Plan Status

The CGCLA Master Plan is completed, printed, bound and delivered. Great job by the MP committee.

## Independence Day Celebration

Due to bad weather on Saturday, the regatta was held on Sunday afternoon.

## Boat Regatta

FIRST PLACE -

BYERLY



SECOND PLACE-

ZEIGLER

THIRD PLACE –

SHAVER



## LAKEFRONT

Lakefront winners:

1st place I-1 Close

2nd place I-5 Winters

3rd place B42 Shaver

## KAYAK RACES

FIRST PLACE –

CRAIG LASHLEY





SECOND PLACE –

JD BENNING



THIRD PLACE –

JAYDEN KUZMIC



### **PADDLEBOAT -**

Paddleboat winners:

1st place - Lucas & Carson Benning

2nd place - Zachary & Luke Paquette

3rd place - Logan Arnold & Saylor Salmans

## **City Lake Advisory Committee Report:**

Currently, items under discussion are:

- APPROVED (BY City Council) - extension westward of the high speed region of the lake.
- City council request for advice on how to proceed with their concern regarding the future need of a sewer system. Ongoing discussion.
- Ownership identification of items stored in the commons areas.

**It is sometimes desirable in the interest of emergency, safety, damage or area maintenance to contact the owner of property such as trailers, boats, vehicles, miscellaneous material/equipment, etc. that are parked or stored on and off the leasehold property. Please be advised that if the property item is not stored on the leasehold property, then it is on City property. In either case it may be necessary to identify the owner.**

**For that reason, we request that you mark all such items in a conspicuous and permanent manner with the following information.**

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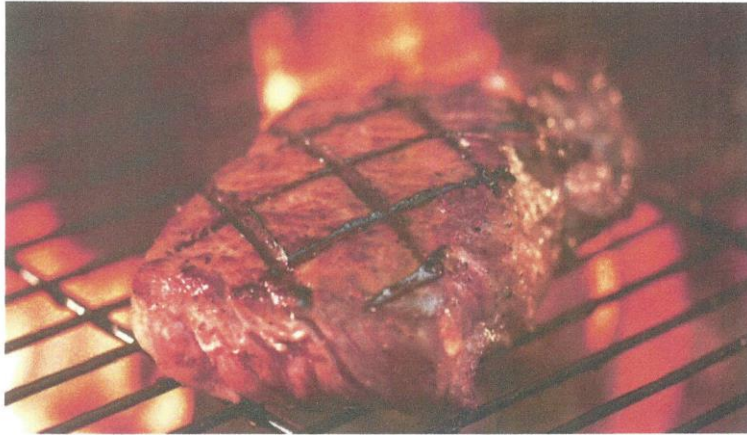
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**CABIN NUMBER:**

**PHONE NUMBER:**

**DATE:**

## ANNUAL STEAK FRY-



Renee' Roths organized and pulled off another successful steak fry.

The event was an awesome success with 64 City and Lake residents attending.

The event raised \$770 with an additional \$660 given in donations making a total of \$1430.00 for POA (Patriot Outdoor Events) for our soldiers and veterans.

Renee' wishes to thank DiAnn Bolton, Larry Fisher, Larry Heyka, Gary Catlin, Marty & Susan Thurman and Karen Vondakamp for volunteering their time to help with this special event.

## PATRIOT OUTDOOR EVENTS



(PHOTOS FROM 2015)

2016 FISHING TOURNAMENT SEPTEMBER 10 & 11

“HEROES HELPING HEROES”

POA (Patriot Outdoor Adventures) fishing tournament

Tremendous growth since last year

(already 30 boats)

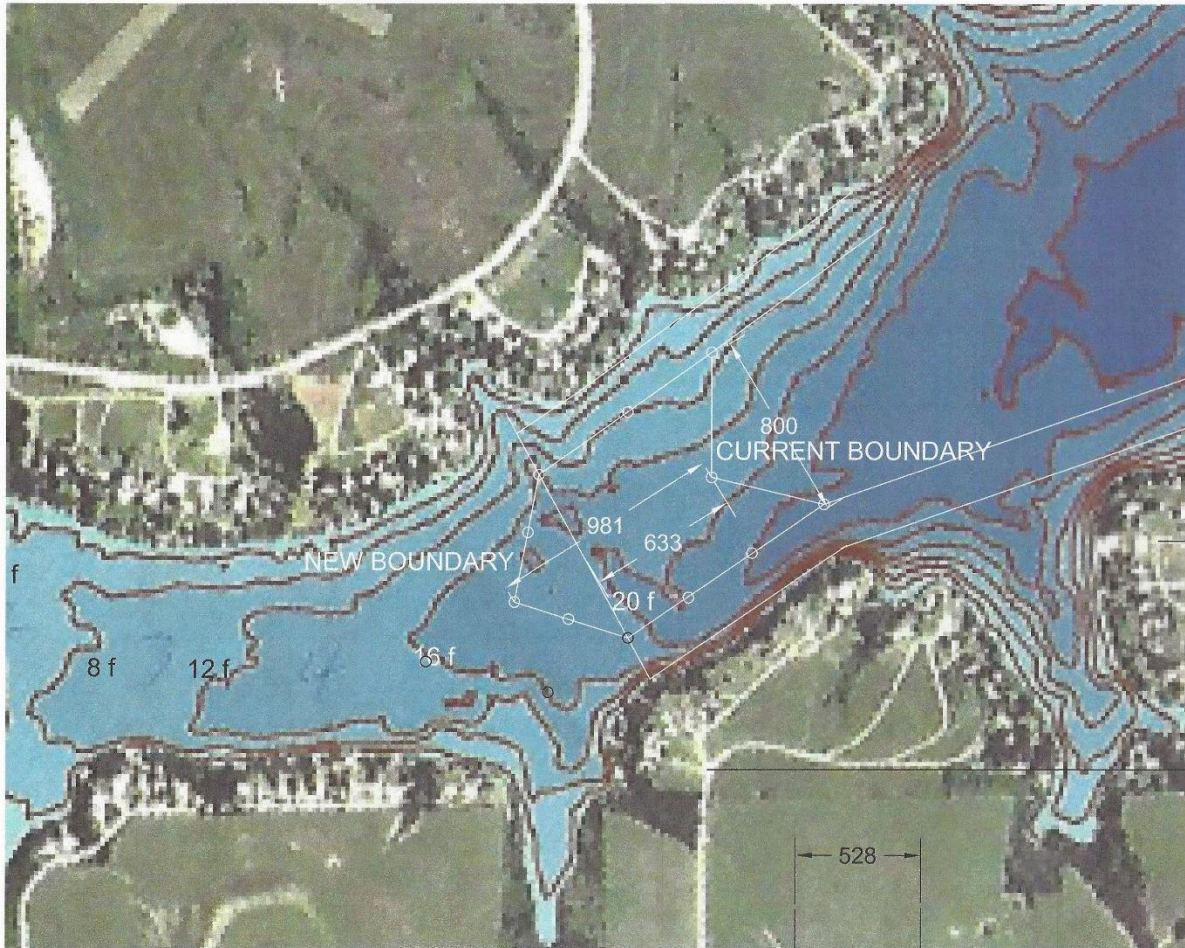
**Added bank fishing, kids fishing**

Could use housing hosts for Saturday night – Contact Marty Thurman Phone: 316-644-5656

# 2016 AREA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>MAY</b> May 1: "Kaw and Santa Fe Trails", Kaw Mission Site, 2pm May 14: CGCLA Golf Tournament CG Country Club May 15: Kaw Nation Project, "Allegawaho Park," Kaw Mission Site, 2pm May 3,10,17, 24, 31: Morris County Farmers Market	<b>JUNE</b> June 2-4: Flint Hills Rodeo, Strong City June 2-17: Kansas Archeology Training Program Field School. Kaw Mission & Last Chance Store June 4: Relay for Life June 11: Symphony in the Flint Hills, South Clements Pasture June 11: PRIDE Second Saturday, Girl Scout Cabin, Riverwalk Park, 6:30pm June 17-19: Washunga Days June 18: Run-Shunga 5K Walk/Run Washunga Days Parade June 7,14, 21, 28: Morris County Farmers' Market
<b>JULY</b> July 2: City Lake Independence Day Celebration - Boat Regatta, Kayak & Paddle Boat Races July 3: Wilsey 3rd of July Celebration July 4: Independence Day Celebration, Bolton Soccer Complex July 8-9: Santa Fe Trail Ranch Rodeo July 9: PRIDE Second Saturday, Girl Scout Cabin, Riverwalk Park, 6:30pm July 15: Ladies Night Out, 5-9pm July 26th - August 1st: Morris County Fair July 30: CGCLA Steak Fry July 5, 12, 19, 26: Morris County Farmers Market	<b>AUGUST</b> August 1: Morris County Fair continues Aug 9: PRIDE Second Saturday, Girl Scout Cabin, Riverwalk Park, 6:30pm August 27: Evening on the Riverwalk Aug 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 - Morris County Farmers Market
<b>SEPTEMBER</b> Sept 10-11: "Heroes Helping Heroes" Fishing Tourney, City Lake Sept 16-17: Voices of the Wind Pageant Sept 17: Voices of the Past at the Trail Days Cafe', 12pm Sept 17: Community-wide Garage Sales Sept 24: Ag Heritage Park Fall Corn Picking, Alta Vista Sept 24: Old Settler's Days, Alta Vista Sept 27: Evening on the Riverwalk Sept 6, 13, 20, 27: Morris County Farmers Market	<b>OCTOBER</b> Oct 8: PRIDE Second Saturday, Girl Scout Cabin, Riverwalk Park, 6:30pm Oct 31: Halloween Parade, 6pm  <b>NOVEMBER</b> Nov 4-6: Gathering in the Grove, Carnegie Building Nov 5: Candlelight Charm, 6-9pm Nov 11: Veterans Day @ Trail Days Cafe Nov 25: Santa's Arrival, 5pm Nov 26: Holiday Open House Nov 26: Santa on the Santa Fe Trail 1-3pm
<b>DECEMBER</b> Dec 3,10, 17: Santa on the Santa Fe Trail, 1-3pm	





### **TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF HIGH SPEED AREA**

The City Council has approved the temporary westward extension of the high speed area in the lake by 981 feet for the remainder of this year. The impact will be evaluated over the winter and a permanent decision made before next spring.

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