



Hide-A-Way Lake Echoes

----- May 2024 -----

Upcoming Band on the Beach Events

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Brunch, Bingo, & Boutique

The HAWL Social Committee is hosting a Ladies Luncheon and Vendors Boutique in Waters Edge Restaurant on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm. Vendors will be showcasing their goods and services. All guests will enjoy a light lunch and ten games of bingo for \$15.00 per person (tax and tip included). Shopping begins at 10:00 am and the bingo games begin at 11:00 am. Reservations are required and can be made by calling the HAWL Office at 601-798-1484.

If you are interested in being a vendor, call the Office at 601-798-1484 .

- Spaces are \$10.
- Set up begins at 9:00 am.
- Shopping begins at 10:00 am.



Mother's Day Lunch

Join Waters Edge on Sunday, May 12, 2024, from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm for Mother's Day Lunch. Enjoy ham, fried chicken, sweet potato casserole, a vegetable, a dinner salad, a cup of soup, a roll, and dessert for \$15.99. A kid's portion will be available for \$6.99 featuring ham, fried chicken, sweet potato casserole, vegetable, a roll, and dessert. Take out orders are available and must be picked up between 11:00 am - 11:30 am with the time specified when ordering. Reservations are required and can be made by calling the HAWL Office at 601-798-1484.



Fishing Rodeo

Saturday, May 18, 2024

Dusk (May 17th) - 12:00 pm (May 18th)



The Fishing Rodeo will begin at dusk May 17th and end at noon May 18th. Pick up a map of fishing habitat locations at the Lodge, HAWL website, or East Marina Pavilion (when scales are open) to locate fishing spots.

Weigh-in will be at the East Marina Pavilion by the Lodge. The scales open at 9:00 am and close promptly at noon. Awards will be presented at 12:30 pm. There will be only one weigh-in per fisherman; all fish must be caught by hook and line. There will be four fish categories (bass, bream/bluegill, crappie, and catfish) and three age groups (10 & under, 11 – 14, and 15 & older). 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place prizes for the largest total weight of fish will be awarded in all age groups in each fish category. **(Entry limit for bass, bream/bluegill, and crappie is up to five fish. Unlimited catfish may be entered.)** A separate trophy open to all age groups will be presented for Largest Bass. There is no need to register for this FREE Rodeo. For more information, call the Office at 601-798-1484. **No skiing or tubing will be allowed on the lake during the fishing rodeo.**

HAWL Fire Station Open House

Saturday, May 4, 2024, from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, the Security Committee will be hosting an Open House at the HAWL Fire Station. Refreshments will be available and children will have the opportunity to meet a firefighter and see the equipment. Be sure to bring the family for this fun, informative event.



Cinco de Mayo



Celebrate Cinco de Mayo on Sunday, May 5, 2024, from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm, with Waters Edge. The special for the day will include: a cup of tortilla soup, Mexican rice, black beans, enchilada bake, a taco, a tamale, and cinnamon tortilla strips with vanilla ice cream for dessert. The cost of the special is \$14.99 per plate. Due to popularity, reservations are required for this event. Take out orders are available and must be picked up between 11:00 am - 11:30 am with the time specified when ordering. To make reservations, call the HAWL Office at 601-798-1484. No other menu items will be available.

Father's Day Surf or Turf

Join Waters Edge on Sunday, June 16, 2024, from 11:00 am - 2:00 pm for Father's Day Surf or Turf. Enjoy either roasted prime rib for \$19.99 or trout (fried or grilled) for \$14.99. Both specials include a roasted potato, the vegetable of the day, and your choice of a dinner salad or a cup of soup. A kid's meal will be available for the little ones for \$6.99. Reservations must be placed by Friday, June 13, 2024. Reservations can be made by calling the HAWL Office at 601-798-1484.



*No menu items will be available.

Memorial Day Weekend Activities

See page 12 for all the fun, family friendly activities planned for Memorial Day Weekend.

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Hours of Operation

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
 Saturday: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm (May 18th - July 6th)

Southgate Usage Hours:

5:00 am - 9:30 am & 2:00 pm - 8:30 pm
 Southgate Closed May 27th for Memorial Day
When exiting onto Cooper Rd., observe 20 mph.
 These times are for exit and entry; however, only vehicles with a valid HAWL decal will be allowed entry, after the gate verifies.



Contact Information

HAWL OFFICE: 601-798-1484
 HAWL FAX: 601-798-0604
 GUARD GATE: 601-798-1247
 WATERS EDGE (during operational hours): 769-717-4133
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 HAWL EMAIL ADDRESS: office@hawlms.net
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 UTILITY AUTHORITY: 601-799-5259
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Visit hawlms.com for Community Information

Hawlms.com is frequently updated with information regarding community operations and weekly restaurant specials. Upcoming community events and pictures from past events are also available.



Garden of the Fall Season

The Garden of the Fall Season was Mr. Jerry Daniels at 109 Summit Dr. His front gardens consist of rubber plants, sago palms, coleus, wandering Jew, and sedum. Mums, petunias, Mexican heather, and pansies make an appearance in the front of the home as well. Also included in the beautiful gardens are ginger lilies, zebra plants, cactus, Aztec grass, crotons, euonymus, aluminum plants, dracaena, and hibiscus. Rounding out the well planned gardens is rug juniper, snap dragons, marigolds, and phlox. He also laid the surrounding gardens and the walkway to the front door.



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- The water system loan through CoBank Qualified Patronage Distribution for 2023 cash distribution is \$2,472.75. The total loan balance is \$77,269.35.
- Capital planning for 2024 – 2025 fiscal year is in works with the HAWL Staff and the Finance Committee for Board review next month.
- Green boat and golf cart decals for the 2024/2025 season have been on sale since February. Red decals expired on April 30, 2024.
- Extra security shifts have been scheduled with PSC for the upcoming summer season along with some private details for the PRC SO.
- The permit with the US Fish and Wildlife Service for Canadian Goose Nest and Egg Depredation is in works. The registration number is RG-04840A. As of April 9, 2024, there have been 27 eggs and 6 nests.
- The pool opened for Resident Swim on Tuesday, April 9, 2024. Hours are Tuesday – Friday from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. The pool will open with lifeguards on Saturday, May 18, 2024. Hours will be Tuesday – Saturday from 10:00 am – 8:00 pm and Sundays 12:00 pm – 8:00 pm.
- This summer season, three Bands on the Beach events have been planned. Runaway Train will perform Saturday, May 25th, from 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm and will be sponsored by Herring Ford. Autumn Rise-N will perform Friday, July 5th, from 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm and will be sponsored by Triton Stone. Runaway Train will perform again on Saturday, August 31st, from 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm and will sponsored by The Scholarship Foundation for Hide-A-Way Lake Students. Thank you to these generous sponsors for making these free community events possible.
- Hide-A-Way Lake's Annual Fireworks Celebration is scheduled for Thursday, July 4, 2024, with a rain date of Friday, July 5, 2024. In order for the Fireworks Celebration to proceed, there must be dry weather conditions at 7:00 pm. This fireworks show depends solely on the donations from Property Owners and is 100% funded through donations. The donation goal is \$6,500.
- The Mississippi Public Utility Regulatory Tax Gross Revenue Report for our water system and the Public Service Annual Report have been completed.
- The water system main line map was updated by Owen & White Engineering Firm.
- A Meet and Greet for Realtors to learn about our community has been scheduled for May 22, 2024, at 2:30 pm in Waters Edge Restaurant.
- **For a trial period, Open Board Meetings will be held on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm** in the Lodge lower level. The next meetings will be held on May 7th, June 11th, and July 9th.
- I would like to thank all of the property owners that have come to show support for and learn information about your community by attending a Community Meet and Greet with the General Manager. In addition to these meetings, my door is always open to you. I encourage your suggestions and/or concerns regarding the improvement of the community. Community members working together is essential to protect, maintain, enhance, and preserve not only the community but your home as well.

Attention Parents: Your Help Is Needed with Stand-Upon Scooters

Many concerns have been brought forward from the community concerning stand-upon scooters. **Parents: please be aware that these stand-upon scooters are not toys. These scooters have the major potential for serious accidents to occur if they are not monitored properly.** Stand-upon scooter operators must abide by the same rules as cyclists.



Sign up for *Happenings In HAWL*

Have community news and information delivered directly to your email.



- Visit the HAWL website at hawlms.com.
- Select the "Happenings In HAWL Email" tab and follow the instructions given.
- You **must confirm** through the email you receive from listserv@hawlms.com shortly after registering. (Check your spam folder just in case.)

Contact the HAWL Office if you need help signing up for *Happenings In HAWL*.

Board Meeting

Due to inclement weather, a Board Meeting was not held on April 10, 2024. The next Board Meeting is **Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 6:30 pm**. Full copies of the minutes from Board Meetings are on HAWL's website under the Board of Directors tab.

Board Meetings are held to conduct business. Property Owners are invited to attend, listen, and to observe the discussion held during these meetings. Concern Time is for any property owner who wishes to address the Board and will start after the Board Meeting is adjourned.



Your Assistance is Needed in Your Community

Summer is just around the corner which means there will be a lot going on within the community and plenty of amenities available for your enjoyment. However, it is unfortunate that the summer months often bring inappropriate behaviors and actions. Security is here but parents and property owners must help in this regard so everyone can enjoy the amenities. **As a property owner you are completely responsible for the actions of your residents and guests during the duration of their time in the community.** **Please note that if you register one guest and they bring additional people with them, you are still responsible for their actions.** Please ensure that all residents and guests are made aware of the fact that HAWL proudly boasts a **family environment on all common grounds** (i.e. beach, pool, parks, roads etc.) and as such will not tolerate inappropriate behavior/actions. This is an area of concern for some and a needed improvement for others. Please keep your eyes and ears open and report any suspicious activity rather than ignore it. Additionally, the HAWL staff and Security have been instructed to do the same. In order for this to no longer be an issue, everyone's cooperation is needed. **Participation from everyone is needed concerning roadway safety, amenity control, guest control, and promoting a family environment. Security is a beneficial amenity but they need continued support from the community to achieve and enforce our policies and procedures.** one three four eight

Becoming Involved in Your Community

As a property owner, one of the easiest and most effective ways to become involved in the community is getting to know your neighbors. This not only builds a sense of community but helps make your home a more enjoyable place to live. Another easy way is to actively maintain your home and property. Removing debris and clutter from the yard enhances curb appeal. Trimming dead limbs not only looks better, but prevents safety concerns during storms. HAWL as a community operates most efficiently when property owners work together toward a common goal.



Join a HAWL Committee - Become Involved in Your Community and Make a Difference!

Joining a Committee is a great way to have a hand in shaping the way of life we value in the community. If you are interested in joining a committee, contact the HAWL Office at 601-798-1484 for more information.

Architectural Committee - Reviews Building Permit Applications to insure compliance with the Building Code.

Finance Committee - Reviews, analyzes, and critiques the Annual Operating Budget.

Social Committee - Organizes and implements social activities and events for the residents of HAWL.

Security, Safety, & Fire Committee - Conducts periodic review of Security Procedures and makes procedural recommendations.

Incident Review Board - A sub-committee of the Security, Safety, and Fire Committee, responsible for conducting hearings for property owners appealing sanctions levied against them for violating the Rules and Restrictions.

Lake Quality Committee - Collects lake water samples at various locations for in house testing to assure lake water quality is within recommended regulatory limits.

Long Range Planning - Formulates and implements the capital budget and approves capital expenditures.

Election & Nominating Committee - Appointed by the President of the Property Owner's Association to perform duties as outlined in the By-Laws of the Property Owners Association.

Public Affairs Committee - Assists the Board of Directors and General Manager in maintaining an active program that monitors governmental actions or other actions that could have an impact on HAWL.

The annual HAWL election is coming up soon. This year two seats on the Board of Directors will become vacant. For qualifications criteria, please reference the Property Owners Association, Inc. By-Laws (Section 5.1).

PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION NOMINATING MEETING

The meeting is scheduled to take place on Saturday, June 1, 2024, at 10:00 am at the Lodge for the purpose of nominating candidates for the Board of Directors. Election nominations are due in the Office by Wednesday, May 15, 2024, with two resumes: one of 150 words for *Echoes* and one of 50 words for the ballot for the Nominating Committee to review.

Board of Directors Responsibilities

Board of Directors' responsibilities shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

- **It is recommended to have served on a HAWL committee for a minimum of two years.**
- **Per Section 5.1 of the Hide-A-Way Lake's Property Owners Association, Inc. By-laws,** board member must be in good standing of the Association as well as Hide-A-Way Lake Club, Inc. and must maintain that good standing throughout the duration of their term. A candidate for the Board of Directors of the Association must be willing to serve on the Board of Directors of Hide-A-Way Lake Club, Inc. Additionally, a board member must be a certified property owner for a period of two years; never have been convicted of a felony in Federal or State Court as provided in Section 44 of the Mississippi State Constitution; never have been convicted of a crime punishable by confinement in a Penal Institution unless such conviction resulted in a full pardon; and be without numerous issues/violations/variances.
- **Background Check:** A background check will be obtained on all Board of Directors' candidates. The candidate's social security number and copy of driver's license must be provided.
- **Knowledge.** Board member is responsible for the knowledge and compliance of the following: Property Owners Association, Inc. By-laws; Hide-A-Way Lake Club, Inc. By-laws; HAWL's covenants/restrictions, rules, regulations, and policies; HAWL's Building Code; Policy on HAWL's Committees; and Board of Directors Policies and Procedures.
- **Participation.** Participate as a full voting member of company's Board of Directors in setting overall objectives and approving plans and programs of operations, rules, and regulations.
- **Committee Liaison.** Attend HAWL committee meetings and events. Provide board with plans, activities, and monetary requests. Provide committee with input from board regarding community needs.
- **Attendance.** Attend work sessions (held the 1st Wednesday of the month), board meetings (held the 2nd Wednesday of the month), and scheduled committee meetings. Per the Property Owners Association By-laws (Section 5.9b), a board member may be removed by a majority vote for annually failing to attend 75% of the board meetings.
- **Act as a Fiduciary.** Represent the interests of Hide-A-Way Lake as a fiduciary. This includes but is not limited to approving/monitoring the operating budget and capital expenditures/plan, monitoring the monthly P&L statements and balance sheets, reviewing all operating expenses, reviewing delinquent accounts, reviewing restaurant statistics, reviewing all bids/expenditures per bid procedures, and check signing per the check signing policy.
- **Confidentiality.** Matters pertaining to the Hide-A-Way Lake's confidential business, or the business of the property owners', are to be treated in a strictly confidential manner. Board member should not discuss these subjects with any unauthorized person, either in or out of the facility. Board Member must guard the interests of Hide-A-Way Lake and the property owners' with care at all times, this includes social media.

PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. BY-LAWS

Section 5.1 Number and Qualifications - The Board of Directors shall consist of seven (7) members, all of whom shall be at least 21 years of age., All members of the Board of Directors shall also be members in good standing of the Association as well as Hide-A-Way Lake Club, Inc., and shall maintain that good standing throughout the duration of their term. A candidate for the Board of Directors of the Association shall be willing to serve on the Board of Directors of Hide-A-Way Lake Club, Inc.

In addition a Director must:

- a. Be a certified property owner for a period of two (2) years.
- b. Never have been convicted of a felony in Federal or State Court as provided in Section 44 of the Mississippi State Constitution.
- c. Never have been convicted of a crime punishable by confinement in a Penal Institution unless such conviction resulted in a full pardon.
- d. Be without numerous issues/violations/variances. Numerous is defined as two or more issues/violations/variances within the 24 months prior to the qualifying deadline (or other similar date).
- e. Members of the same family are prohibited from serving/running at the same time. Family is defined as to include the individual, spouse, children, parents or anyone living under the same roof for one year or more (this will include significant other partners and in-laws).

Resident Swim

Beginning April 9, 2024

Tuesday - Friday from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

- **Residents must sign in at the HAWL Office before going to the pool each day.**
- The Property Owner assumes full responsibility for themselves and for their residents to abide by the pool's policies.
- A waiver must be signed and on file with the Office prior to using the pool. This waiver is available in the HAWL Office or HAWL's website.
- Social distancing must be practiced.
- Residents 16 years of age and older can use the pool.
- No guests will be permitted.
- Parents only may bring children to the pool.
- In order to utilize this amenity, HAWL account CANNOT be delinquent.
- During this time, you will be swimming at your own risk.
- Must present a picture ID at time of sign in.
- For bad weather procedures and complete pool rules, see the HAWL website.

Water Aerobics & Exercise

This is the perfect workout for overworked knees, elbows, and shoulders. Best of all, the classes are FREE! Classes will be held Tuesday - Friday at 7:45 am and 8:30 am. Both classes begin on Tuesday, May 14, 2024. These classes are for adults only and anyone interested should contact Mary Ohrmundt (228-363-3557) concerning the 7:45 am class or Sally Edwards (601-799-2163) concerning the 8:30 am class. If any Property Owner is interested in hosting a class in the evenings, please contact the HAWL Office at 601-798-1484.



Swimming Pool Hours

The swimming pool will open for everyone with lifeguards on Saturday, May 18, 2024. The pool hours are as follows:

Tuesdays - Saturdays: 10:00 am - 8:00 pm
Sundays: 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Pool will be open on Saturday, May 25th from 10:00 am - 10:00 pm for Sunset on the Beach and on Monday, May 27th from 10:00 am - 8:00 pm for Memorial Day.

- Guests will be charged to members' lot (no cash, checks, or debit/credit card).
- Only four guests permitted per lot.
- A picture I.D. must be presented to sign in.
- **HAWL account must not be delinquent.**

Full list of pool rules and bad weather procedures are available at hawlms.com.



Swim Lessons

Individual swim lessons with one lifeguard per child will be offered beginning June 4th through August 2nd on Tuesdays – Fridays at 9:00 am with LIMITED AVAILABILITY. (Make up day for bad weather is Saturday.) Four sessions (45 minutes each) will be spaced out over four days and will take place in the HAWL pool with a HAWL lifeguard with only two children per session. Children must be at least three years old to participate. The cost is \$150 per child. Only property owners may register children and may do so by contacting the HAWL Office at 601-798-1484. Lessons must be charged to the HAWL account and are nonrefundable.



HAWL Credit Cards

HAWL credit cards can be purchased by the **property owner** in the HAWL Office and can be used by the property owner or registered resident to make charges on the HAWL account at the pool and in Waters Edge restaurant. The cards are valid for a period of one year and cost \$5.00 each. Please note, in order to purchase a HAWL credit card the property owner's account can NOT be past due – no exceptions.



Handicap Parking at the Lodge

The Lodge offers six handicap parking spaces at the Lower Level. To access these spaces, take the road near the tennis courts. These spots are intended for vehicles with handicap plates/tags. Please be courteous by not parking in these spaces so they may be used by those who need them.



Keep HAWL Beautiful

In order to keep Hide-A-Way Lake beautiful, all residents need to work together to prevent and dispose of litter properly (**including cigarette butts**) in hopes that the litter problem will disappear from our community! A big **"THANKS"** to everyone who devotes their time to picking up litter and contributing to the beauty of HAWL!



LIFEGUARD ON DUTY IS IN COMPLETE CHARGE OF SEEING THAT ALL RULES ARE OBEYED BY ALL PERSONS.

1. Person requesting access must be a registered resident. Picture ID must be presented in order to obtain entry into the pool area. Member must be in good standing.
2. A maximum of 4 guests per lot is allowed. Large groups of 5-15 guests must be approved in advance by the Office. Property Owner must contact the Office during normal weekday business hours to request approval. No large groups will be approved for Memorial Day Weekend, Labor Day Weekend, and the July 4th period as designated by the General Manager. Members' guests must be charged to their lot before entering the pool. Cash is not accepted. Falsifying information will result in loss of pool privileges.
3. Children 12 years of age and under must be accompanied at all times by a person (16 years or older) responsible for the child/children. The responsible person must remain in the pool area with the children. The responsible person must be alert and accountable for the actions of their child/children at all times.
4. Swimmers with infectious diseases are not allowed in the pool. Infants in diapers must wear swim diapers in the pool at all times. Lifeguards have the discretion to prohibit anyone under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Anyone caught climbing the fence to enter the pool will be charged with trespassing.
5. Every hour there will be a ten-to-fifteen-minute break when children must leave the pool. Individuals 16 years of age and older may stay in the pool and SWIM AT THEIR OWN RISK. During this time, children are not allowed to be on the white pool edge.
6. Only children 48 inches or shorter in height are allowed in the Kiddie Pool and must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
7. No food, glass containers, smoking, large flotation devices, or pets allowed in the pool area. Beverages are allowed to be consumed at the pool chair. No loud music. Put all trash in receptacles. Do not remove furniture from the pool area. Swimmers coming from the beach must shower before entering the pool.
8. Running or rough play is not allowed. Foul/obscene language or gestures and talking back to lifeguards will not be tolerated. No public displays of affection.
9. Weak swimmers are not permitted in the deep end of the pool. Only one spring on the board. After jumping off the diving board, swimmers must swim directly to the closest ladder to exit the pool. Swimming in the area between the deep-end ladders and diving boards is prohibited. Swimming under diving boards and hanging on diving boards, ropes, or ladders is prohibited. Swimmers must jump straight out in front of the board.
10. No backflips of any sort are allowed. No jumping by stairs or diving in the shallow end.
11. Balls must be tossed, NOT thrown. Only small, water balls are allowed. Lifeguards have the authority to determine whether ball tossing is appropriate or not.
12. Swimmers in wet, dripping bathing suits are not permitted in the Lodge. Cover-ups are required to enter the Lodge and the top deck at any time. Towels are not considered cover-ups.

Failure to follow the rules may result in the following consequences:

1st Time – Warning

2nd Time – 15-minute sit-down

3rd Time – Ban from the pool for the rest of the day

Repeated or serious offenses will result in more extensive pool banishment and an administrative fee assessment, both to be determined by the General Manager.

****Member is responsible for knowledge of HAWL published pool policies.****

Pool Safety - Bad Weather Procedures

1. When lightening/thunder in this area is first observed, (pool only) is "Closed" until thirty minutes after the last lightening/thunder is observed, then water activities may be resumed as scheduled.
2. If severe weather (wind/lightening/thunder) is present, close the entire pool area; fasten down all pool equipment until weather passes - then re-open.
3. If major weather event (wind/lightening/thunder) is present for more than one hour, close entire pool area, send staff home, follow lock-down procedures. Shift will be "on call" to come back once weather clears. Pool Supervisor must notify Main Gate and the HAWL Office (if during office hours) of closure and once danger passes the re-opening of pool. Pool supervisor must re-open within an hour of clearing weather.
4. Pool can only be closed for the remainder of the day due to weather if it is past 6:00 p.m. Only earlier exception can be made by HAWL General Manager or their designee.
5. Always inform property owners/residents/guests of closure, that the Main Gate will be kept informed of re-opening time, and that they can call Main Gate to inquire if the pool has been re-opened.



New Boat and Golf Cart Decals

In order to avoid the last minute rush to get your boat on the water for the summer, green boat and golf cart decals are on sale now. Information may be sent to the HAWL Office by fax (601-798-0604) or email (office@hawlms.net).

RED BOAT AND GOLF CART DECALS ARE NO LONGER VALID.

Any boat in the water or golf cart on the road beginning May 1, 2024, with an expired decal will be issued a citation; no exceptions.

In order to purchase a Boat or Golf Cart Decal:

- Decals can only be purchased by the property owner.
- Accounts must be current to purchase decals.
- Proof of identification must be shown at time of purchase.
- Decals can only be purchased for the property owner's boat or golf cart. The property owner must complete a *Decal Registration* form at the time of registration. (Forms are available in the HAWL Office and on the HAWL website).

Proof of current boat insurance must be provided. For a decal renewal, only the insurance is needed. For a new-to-HAWL boat (nonrenewal), **a copy of the boat's title or state registration (in the property owner's name only) must also be provided.** The insurance **MUST** show the following*:

- Minimum \$300,000 Marine Liability
- Property Owner's name
- Boat serial number
- Expiration date
- Boat length (**CANNOT** exceed 24')



*If this required information does not appear on the insurance paperwork, then the property owner must have their insurance provider provide this information on their company's letterhead.

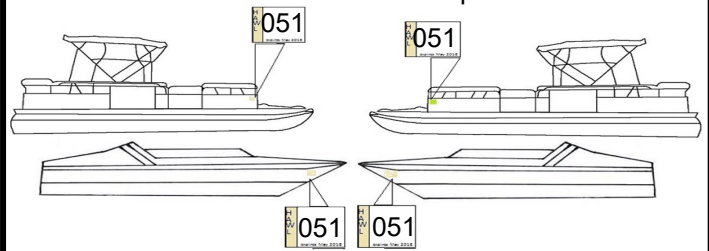
A boat decal for a motor powered boat costs \$20 and a golf cart decal costs \$10.

HAWL Golf Cart Rules

1. All golf carts must be registered in the Office and the Hide-A-Way Lake decal must be visible on the carts. Placement of the decal should be on the front driver's side of the golf cart.
2. Decals must be renewed each year. 0476
3. Owners assume liability and operational responsibility by signing decal application form.
4. **Driver must be a licensed automobile driver.**
5. Driver must follow all traffic rules that apply to motor vehicles including stop signs, etc.
6. All riders must be seated.
7. All riders must keep arms and legs within the cart.
8. Driver will yield to traffic behind the cart by pulling over as soon as safely possible so not to create a rolling roadblock.
9. If a golf cart is driven after dark, it must have headlights and rear reflectors.

Mandatory Placement of HAWL Boat Decals

HAWL boat decals must be attached in a location visible from each side of the vessel while the boat is on the water. Please see the example below:



*Member is responsible for knowledge of HAWL published boat rules.

Safety on the Lake

Wake Rules for Recreational Boaters

Please remember if you live on the main lake, you will experience some wake which is part of main lake living. It is imperative that your boat be tied down accordingly and all furniture must be secured.

The use of any wake enhancing devices, including ballast tanks, wedges or hydrofoils or other mechanical devices, or uneven loading of persons or gear is prohibited. (No wake surfing is allowed.)

- Property owners assume full responsibility and liability for any and all property damages or injury resulting from the operation of their vessel, regardless if property owner is present or not.
- A wake is defined as the swell, moving waves, produced by a vessel passing through water.
- The "Main Lake Wake" is described as the wave produced by a vessel operating in the common areas of the open lake.
- Speed and wake control is the responsibility of the vessel operator to ensure the "Main Lake Wake" being produced will cause no discomfort, hazard, injury, or damage to any surrounding person, vessel, or property. The operator must immediately suspend vessel operation if causing unsafe conditions.
- "No Wake" zones are marked areas that require low, idle speeds. "No Wake" zones are posted for all areas except the "Main Lake". Coves and canals are marked "no wake" due to they are not open lake area and their banks receive more damage and erosion from repetitive wakes.
- All vessels operating within the "no wake" areas shall be operated at idle speed. "Idle speed" shall mean the lowest speed at which a vessel can operate, maintain safe steering, and minimize the production of a wake that could unreasonably interfere with or endanger other persons, vessels, or property.
- All boat traffic must travel in a counter-clockwise direction on the open "Main Lake". This includes manual powered boats such as canoes, kayaks, paddle boats, trolling flat boats, and sail boats.
- A minimum of two persons are required to occupy a vessel towing a skier: one to operate the boat and a passenger to face and observe the progress and safety of the person(s) being towed.
- Boats anchored in open lake must be no further than 100' from shore and any swimmer from that boat must stay within 100' from shore.

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Security Monthly Recap

RULE VIOLATIONS: March 2024

Traffic Violations	47
Animal Nuisance	6
Property.....	2
Incident Reports.....	41

Fines for citations are based upon the type of offense, such as rate of speed as well as the number of times the specific offense has occurred within a two year time period for the particular offender. Citations are not reported to insurance companies unless the offense is deemed significant enough, such as property damage or bodily injury.

Gate Entrance/Exit for the Summer

With the summer season being a busy time for the Front Main Gate, please **ensure that all guests are pre-registered with the gate before they arrive.** Use the app or the web

portal for Gate Sentry to input your visitors into the system BEFORE they arrive at the gate. Please only use the phone call option when the app or web portal is not available to you. Phone calls must be from a phone number registered through the HAWL Office. When calling, only a maximum of two guests may be registered. Calls may only be taken 48 hours in advance. Guest Registration Forms must be used when registering three or more guests. These forms are available on the HAWL website and at the Front Main Gate and the HAWL Office. By not using the app or web portal, the gate becomes very busy and it delays dispatching urgent calls for patrol assistance to owners and causes gate entry delays.



Architectural Monthly Recap

Information as of April 19, 2024

Total homes in HAWL: 984



Active Building Permits.....	32
Covenant Violations	28

Nothing shall be erected on any lot without an approved building permit in writing by the HAWL Office.

ALL permit applications must have the following:

- Site/plot plan showing all existing and requested improvements
- Set of building plans to code
- Specification of materials

Permit requests are reviewed by the Architectural Committee on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. **Please ensure that all permit application requests are completed with all supporting documents attached the Monday before the scheduled meeting by noon.**



Geese in HAWL

Every March through June since 2010, Hide-A-Way Lake counts geese nests and carries out egg depredation to control the geese population. This is conducted through permit authorization from the US Fish and Wildlife Service. In years past there were over 100 geese in the lake. This overpopulation created a major nuisance to the Property Owners of the community. The last few years have shown a vast improvement in this area and we continue to work with the US Fish and Wildlife Service to control this matter.

To help accomplish this goal, please do not feed the geese in HAWL due to the fact that geese are causing a nuisance in the community. Additionally, please notify the HAWL Office (601-798-1484) with the date, time, and location if you see geese nesting or pairing up.

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Designated Parking Areas

Per the HAWL Building Code, all homes must have adequate, designated parking areas for not only the residents of the home, but their guests as well. See the HAWL Building Code for more information.

6.1.3.1.1 In addition to vehicle parking areas inside garages and carports, it is the property owner's responsibility to provide sufficient parking on his property for his normal needs plus two additional spaces. Hide-A-Way Lake Club parkway (area between the edge of the road and the lot property line) shall not be included in the parking requirement.

6.1.3.1.2 Driveways and parking pads may be constructed of asphalt, concrete, crushed stone, pavers or other appropriate material approved by the Architectural Committee.

Mark Your Calendars for Memorial Day Weekend

Friday, May 24, 2024

Pool Open: 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Waters Edge Open for Lunch:

11:00 am - 2:00 pm (full menu and specials)

Waters Edge Open for WOW! & Dinner:

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm (full menu and specials)

Saturday, May 25, 2024

Pool Open: 10:00 am - 10:00 pm

Beach Bag Special: 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Enjoy royal reds and snow crab legs either dine-in or to-go while enjoying the music of Runaway Train on the beach. The special includes royal red shrimp, a cluster of snow crab legs, potatoes, corn-on-the cob, butter, cocktail sauce, and crackers for \$18.99. Reservations are required and can be made by calling the HAWL Office at 601-798-1484.

Reserved to-go orders must be picked up by 6:30 pm. A burger special will also be available: a Waters Edge burger, anyway you want it with chips for \$9.99. No other menu items will be available.

Band on the Beach featuring Runaway Train

(Thanks to Herring Ford): 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Grab your beach chairs, coolers, and boats for this fun FREE family event! Runaway Train will be performing at the outdoor Lodge lower level at no charge for property owners and their guests. All ages are welcome. This is a free family friendly event and as always **no glass containers are allowed at the beach or Lodge area. This performance is generously being sponsored by Herring Ford.**

Sunday, May 26, 2024

Pool Open: 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Waters Edge Open for Lunch:

11:00 am - 2:00 pm (full menu and specials)

Monday, May 27, 2024

Southgate Closed

Flag Raising Ceremony:

8:30 am HAWL Lodge

HAWL Office Open: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Pool Open: 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Memorial Day Burger and Chili Dog Special at Waters Edge: 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Enjoy any delicious Waters Edge burger, anyway you want it, with chips for \$9.99 or two chili dogs with chips for \$7.99. Available for dine-in or take-out. No other menu items will be available.

Keep HAWL a Family Friendly Environment

Should you see any actions that do not promote an environment that is family friendly such as foul/obscene language, glass containers, pets at the Lodge area, littering, etc., contact Security (601-798-1247) as the incident is taking place with as much information as possible. Please remember that you can make a difference and with your help, we can continue to keep Hide-A-Way Lake a safe, beautiful, and family friendly community.

HAWL's 2024 Fireworks Celebration

HAWL's Annual Fireworks Celebration will be held at 9:00 pm on Thursday, July 4, 2024, with a rain date of Friday, July 5, 2024. (For the Fireworks Celebration to proceed, there must be dry weather conditions at 7:00 pm.) HAWL's Fireworks Donation Goal is \$6,500. **This fireworks show depends solely on donations and is 100% funded by Property Owners.** Contributors will be listed in the *Echoes* with a running total of the amount donated.

HAWL FIREWORKS CELEBRATION DONATION SLIP

HAWL's July 2024 Fireworks Show is scheduled for 9:00 pm THURSDAY, JULY 4, 2024, with a rain date of Friday, July 5, 2024. (There must be dry conditions at 7:00 pm for show to proceed.)

HAWL's 2024 Fireworks Donation Goal is \$6,500. This fireworks show depends solely on donations and is 100% funded by Property Owners. Thank you for your donation!

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