HIDE-A-WAY LAKE ECHOES

NOVEMBER 2026

Veterans Appreciation Lunch

In honor of Veterans Day, Waters Edge will host a Veterans Appreciation Lunch on Sunday, November 8, 2026, from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm. To show appreciation, veterans will receive a free entree. Reservations are requested and can be made by calling the HAWL Office.

Flag Raising Ceremony

In honor of Veterans Day, a flag raising ceremony will be held on Wednesday, November 11, 2026, at 8:30 am at the Lodge.

Snow Crab Night at Waters Edge

Join Waters Edge Saturday, November 14, 2026, from 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm and enjoy three clusters of snow crab legs with corn and potatoes for $28.99.



From 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, acoustic musicians will play Americana music. Reservations are requested and can be made by calling the HAWL Office.

BBQ Dinner at Waters Edge

Saturday, November 21, 2026, Waters Edge will feature a specialized menu of BBQ dishes from 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Reservations are requested and can be made by calling the HAWL Office.

Thanksgiving Buffet

Join Waters Edge for a Thanksgiving Buffet (served by staff) on Thursday, November 26, 2026, with two seatings:

1st Seating: 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

2nd Seating: 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Enjoy candied yams, green beans, potato casserole, chicken tenders, catfish, honey carrots, turkey, salad, and desserts. The cost of the buffet is $22.99 for adults, $10.99 for children 5 - 12, and free for children 4 & under.

To-go plates are available for $16.99 each and feature the following: green beans, candied yams, potato casserole, turkey, and dessert. To-go plates may be picked up either between 10:45 am - 11:00 am or 12:45 pm - 1:00 pm.



Reservations are required for both dine-in and to-go and can be made by calling the HAWL Office.

Kids Coloring Contest

Attention artists 10 years old and younger: see page 5 of this *Echoes* for the Kids Coloring Contest.

Oyster Night

On Saturday, November 28, 2026, enjoy local charbroiled oysters grilled on the deck with bread and lemons. $24.99 for a dozen or $12.99 for a half dozen. While the special is available from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Waters Edge will feature the full menu until 8:00 pm. For ordering purposes, reservations are required for oysters no later than November 23, 2026, by calling the HAWL Office.



Steak Night at Waters Edge

On Saturday, December 5, 2026, Waters Edge is hosting Steak Night from 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm. In addition to the full menu, enjoy a 14 ounce ribeye with vegetables and a baked potato for $25.99. Additionally, from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, Hide-A-Way Lake presents a showcase of acoustic musicians playing a mix of Americana music. Reservations are requested and can be made by calling the HAWL Office.



Waters Edge Trivia Night

Grab your thinking caps! Saturday, December 19, 2026, Waters Edge will host Trivia Night. Enjoy the full menu and delicious specials from 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm.

Boiled Seafood Feast

Join Waters Edge for a Boiled Seafood Feast on Saturday, December 26, 2026, from 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm. Enjoy a snow crab cluster, half a pound of royal reds, and a cold water Maine lobster tail for $39.99. Reservations are requested and can be made by calling the HAWL Office.



"Thank You!" from the Scholarship Foundation

The Scholarship Foundation for Hide-A-Way Lake Students would like to extend our sincere gratitude to everyone who volunteered, attended, and enjoyed our recent White Linen Night celebration. "Thank You!" to all our vendors and local restaurants who participated:

HAWL Waters Edge Restaurant
El Mariachi Mexican Restaurant
Italian Grill & Pizzeria
Dr. G's Speciality Foods, LLC
Fatty's Seafood Restaurant
Southern Char Steakhouse

We encourage all residents of HAWL to visit and support all the local restuarants as they unselfishly support our community.

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Hours of Operation

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Office closes at 2:00 pm on November 25th

Office closed November 26th & 27th

Southgate Hours:

Monday - Friday

5:00 am - 9:30 am & 2:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Southgate closed November 26th

When exiting onto Cooper Rd, observe 20 mph. These times are for exit and entry only; however, only vehicles with a valid HAWL decal will be allowed entry, after the gate verifies.

Contact Information 0868

HAWL OFFICE:	601-798-1484
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GUARD GATE:	601-798-1247
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WEBSITE:	hawlms.com
UTILITY AUTHORITY:	601-799-5259
UTILITY AUTHORITY (after hours emergencies):	228-205-4101

2nd Sunday Club

The 2nd Sunday Club is seeking neighbors interested in developing the 2nd Sunday Celebration. The club's purpose is to organize and facilitate a monthly event tentatively starting January 10, 2027, with planning underway now. The monthly event for Hide-A-Way Lake residents will be a Christ-centered party with food, live music, and a brief word of encouragement. The club is non-denominational and has no church affiliation. Volunteers are needed for planning, set-up, sound, and more. All Hide-A-Way residents are invited to attend the Celebration events to be held each 2nd Sunday, 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm (pending special events) at the Lodge lower level meeting room. Anyone interested can call or text Jim Chester at 985-285-9750.



HAWL Staff:

Bruce Devillier, General Manager	601-798-1484
EMERGENCY ONLY	601-273-0253
Madeline Jacobs, Administrative Manager	
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Bryan Blackwell, Maintenance Director	
Fabian Parish, Owner, PSC	601-268-2722
JoJo Delatte, Site Supervisor, PSC	601-798-1247

Conducting HAWL Business

The Hide-A-Way Lake Office is open Monday - Friday from 8:00 am - 4:30 pm. Most HAWL business is able to be conducted over the phone, by email, or through mail. Contact the Office at 601-798-1484 or at office@hawlms.net so we may assist you.



Security Monthly Recap

RULE VIOLATIONS: September 2026

Traffic Violations	**79**
Animal Nuisance	**6**
Incident Reports	**164**

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 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. During the months of June and July, all traffic violations are doubled. The goal is to create awareness, not to collect fines.



Check Your Smoke Alarms

Replace your smoke alarm batteries the same time you change your clocks for Daylight Saving Time. This year it falls on Sunday, November 1, 2026. Ensure that alarms are placed in every bedroom, outside of every interior door, and on every floor of your home. Fires spread quickly; working alarms provide time needed to escape by warning during a fire.

Visit hawlms.com for Community Information

Hawlms.com is frequently updated with information about community operations and upcoming events. Links to register a visitor in Gate Sentry and to pay your bill online (after signing up through the HAWL Office) can also be found.



Fall is here y'all! I love this time of year. This month brings glorious colors and weather. It's the season of thankfulness and a time to stop and "Thanks" for the many blessings we have. It is my hope and prayer that you and your family have a wonderful Thanksgiving. Below are a few hot topics.

September 30, 2026, was the end of our 2025 - 2026 Fiscal Year. Grantham Poole CPA Firm has been contracted to perform a review of all operations and financials.

A Water Storage Tank Asset Management Maintenance Program for our 200,000 gallon tower and our 20,000 and 13,000 gallon pressure tanks has been approved with American Tank Maintenance. The benefits of this program are:

- Emergency services/repairs
- Interior and exterior renovations are included
- Lifetime warranty on paint coatings
- Set annual budget figure
- Annual inspection (washouts/visuals) with reports
- Save money short term by spreading costs over six years
- Save $184,508 long term over the next full paint cycle for maintenance
- American Tank Maintenance assumes all risk and liability for maintenance
- No change orders
- Stay in state compliance
- Hassle free tank maintenance
- Evergreen contract

All water wells (#2, #3, and #4) are scheduled for pump tests with Griner Drilling Service, Inc. which is required every two years.

The Ten Year Capital Budget is being revised for the Board of Directors and Finance Committee review.

The next Community, Coffee, and Cake Town Hall meeting will be Saturday, January 30, 2027, at 10:00 am in Waters Edge Restaurant. Thank you to all property owners who attended and respectfully voiced their concerns.

Social media is a great way to share information between members that may be difficult to find elsewhere. If you are looking for information about Hide-A-Way Lake, listed below are several outlets:

- Contact the HAWL Office staff either by phone at 601-798-1484 or by email at office@hawlms.net.
- Contact the General Manager by phone or email to schedule an appointment to meet.
- For emergencies only, contact the General Manager directly at 601-273-0253.
- Visit the HAWL website at hawlms.com.
- Attend an open Board of Directors meeting on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Lodge lower level.
- Attend a scheduled Coffee with the General Manager and the Board of Directors.
- Contact a Board member; their phone numbers are listed in the monthly *Echoes* newsletter and they have a communication box in the HAWL Office.

If you utilize social media to voice concerns, complaints, violations, rumors, etc., this is the least efficient avenue to have an issue resolved and receive factual information. Addressing concerns over social media slows the process for resolution. Yes, Hide-A-Way Lake has a Facebook page, but it is used to promote events. Community and individual concerns will not be answered or solved on social media. Please utilize the many channels outlined above.

Your community will always perform a full investigation on issues presented through proper channels. If any credible information is discovered, property owners will be notified.

Security officers write/issue violation citations and incident reports. HAWL Management at the Office reviews and determines the outcome based on carefully reviewed guidelines as to whether offenses are waived, fined, or filed. Please do not address these issues with the issuing or any other officer; this is not their role. Please note: all incidents and interactions are recorded on body worn cameras by security officers.

The contract with Professional Security Corporation (PSC) operates on a fixed rate per hour. Hide-A-Way Lake pays for the fuel for the patrol vehicles. No other compensation is received by PSC.

You live in and are part of a community that is the Best Kept Secret in Pearl River County. Help protect is and enjoy the place you live. Please always speak, listen, and work together. This is the correct way to keep our community not only a family environment, but a great community.

I would like to thank all property owners that have come to show support for and learn information about your community by attending a Community, Coffee, and Cake. 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, enhance, and preserve not only the community, but your home as well.

A Board Meeting for Hide-A-Way Lake Club, Inc. was held on Wednesday, October 14, 2026. **The next Board Meeting is Wednesday, NOVEMBER 11, 2026, at 6:30 pm.** Full copies of the minutes from Board Meetings are on HAWL's website (hawlms.com) under the Board of Directors tab. The Manager's Report is included in the minutes.

Architectural/Variance - Jim Wells
For September 2026, the number of houses to date is 1,010. The Architectural Committee approved the following: 1 addition, 1 dock, 1 fence (1 privacy), 1 generator, 1 patio cover, 1 pier, 1 pool, 2 propane tanks, and 1 shed.

Finance Committee Report - Chad Hurst
The Treasurer's Report had a grand total of $568,780.01.

Security, Safety, & Fire Committee - Kathy Busco
At the committee's meeting last month, locations of stops signs were discussed. Several locations are under review by the General Manger in regards to moving the signs or painting "STOP" on the street to better emphasize their location. Maintenance is working to help clear plant growth to increase visibility. Security citation procedures were also discussed among the committee.

Lake Quality - Joe Battaglia
Water samples were collected from two locations on October 5, 2026. Test results of both samples were within the Mississippi Standard for Recreational Waters.

Rainfall for the month of September 2026 was measured at 3.30 inches which was 1.39 inches below the thirty-year September average of 4.69 inches. Rainfall to-date was 57.99 inches which was 6.70 inches above the thirty year to-date September average of 51.29 inches.

The Lake Quality Fishing Rodeo is set for October 17, 2026. For your information the regular age categories will change as follows: 10 and under; 11 to 18; and 19 and over. Several years have passed since we held a Fishing Rodeo in the Fall. So join us, invite your friends, and enjoy Autumn fishing on our beautiful Lake. See September *Echoes* for details of the rodeo. GOOD LUCK!!

Social Committee - Margaret Muller
The Brunch, Bingo, and Boutique was held today with 86 bingo players. The kid friendly Fall Festival and Family Movie Night will be held on Saturday, October 24, 2026.

The committee is busy planning to decorate the Lodge in December and to host Breakfast with Santa. Contact the HAWL Office or see the monthly *Echoes* for more information on these events.

Public Affairs - John Pigott
Local elections are quickly approaching on November 3, 2026. This ballot will include the issue of liquor sales.

New Business
The Board of Directors approved awarding the Water System Tank Asset Management Program. 0457

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON WATER SYSTEM MONITORING REQUIREMENT, WHICH WAS NOT MET FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a monthly basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During September 2026, we did not complete all monitoring or testing for CHLORINE and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

In September 2026, Hide-A-Way Lake Water System performed three samples, all of which showed good results; however, on one sample form we omitted to log the field chlorine residual on the sample form which is deemed a monitoring violation. **However, chlorine was tested, just not logged.** Our water system chlorine residuals are between 1.20 - 2.0 milligrams per liter. Even though this was not considered an emergency, as our customer you have the right to be informed.

For more information, please contact Hide-A-Way Lake Water System operator Bryan Blackwell or General Manager Bruce Devillier at 601-798-1484, P.O. Box 1011 Picayune, MS 39466, or at office@hawlms.net.

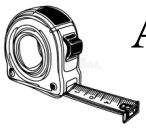
HAWL Coloring Contest

Attention all artists 10 years old and younger: Use your creativity to color the picture below and have a grown up return it to the HAWL Office by Monday, December 14, 2026, so you can participate in the HAWL Coloring Contest. Prizes will be awarded across three age groups (4 years old and younger, 5 - 7 years old, and 8 - 10 years old). All coloring pages received will be displayed in the Lodge lower level in preparation for Santa's arrival on Saturday, December 12, 2026. Adults: Complete the section with your information so we may contact you if your artist has won a prize. Only first names and ages will be displayed; phone numbers and lot numbers will be removed. Additional coloring pages are available on the Events Page on the HAWL website.

Lot # _____ Property Owner Name _____ Phone Number: _____



First Name: _____ Age: _____



Architectural Monthly Recap

Information as of October 22, 2026

Active Building Permits	**30**
Covenant Violations	**26**

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 per the HAWL Building Code
- Specifications of materials

Permit requests are reviewed by the HAWL Architectural Committee on the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Please ensure that all permit application requests are submitted to the HAWL Office with all supporting documents attached by the Monday before the scheduled meeting by noon.

Issue with Your Sewer System?



Should an issue arise with your sewer system such as your sewer alarm sounding, **contact the Pearl River County Utility Authority (PRCUA) at 601-799-5259 or 228-205-4101 for after hours emergencies.** The PRCUA would like to remind residents they are on-call 24/7 to resolve grinder pump issues. It is important to notify the PRCUA as quickly as possible when your sewer system goes in alarm mode to prevent overflows, restore service, and minimize the chance of destroying a locked pump. This number should be called prior to contracting a plumber since most issues can be solved by the PRCUA at no cost to the property owner. The number is in service 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. 1078

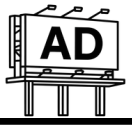
Sign up for *Happenings In HAWL* Weekly Email

Have community news and inforamtion delivered directly to your emial.

- 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 listserver@hawlms.com** shortly after registering. Email may be sent to your spam or junk folder.

Advertise in *Echoes*

Advertising in the monthly *Echoes* is a great way to spread the word about your business. Not only is it a great way to reach the entire community, but also inexpensive! If interested in advertising in the *Echoes*, you may pick up a form in the HAWL Office or print a form from the HAWL website (hawlms.com). This form must be signed by a HAWL property owner and billed monthly to their account.



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HAWL is gathering donations of toys for children who might not otherwise have a Merry Christmas. We are asking individuals to help us raise enough donations to equal 1,000 toys (equal to approximately one per household). If you have any questions or are interested in participating, call the HAWL Office. Toys for Tots can only accept new, unwrapped toys or cash donations. Boxes will be available at the HAWL Office and Waters Edge Restaurant to drop off toys.

Breakfast with Santa and Santa's Workshop

On Saturday, December 12, 2026, Waters Edge will host a breakfast buffet (served by staff) including an omelet station and a drink from 8:00 am - 10:30 am. The cost is $14.99 for adults, $7.99 for children 5 - 12, and free for children 4 and under. After breakfast, remember to visit the Lodge lower level to see Santa in his workshop from 8:00 am - 10:30 am.



Christmas Marketplace

Enjoy Christmas shopping from local vendors on Saturday, December 12, 2026, at the Christmas Marketplace in the downstairs area of the Lodge from 8:00 am - 10:30 am. Vendor set up begins at 7:30 am with shopping at 8:00 am. Tables are $10 each and only one table per vendor. To reserve a space, call the HAWL Office.



Host Your Upcoming Holiday Event at Waters Edge

Waters Edge is the perfect venue to hold your upcoming holiday party. Offering a variety of packages and rooms for events large and small, there is definitely something to suit your needs. Waters Edge can comfortably accommodate up to 200 guests and even features a covered outdoor deck with beautiful lake views. For more information, call the HAWL Office or view the Event Brochure at halwms.com.



New Year's Eve Dinner



Waters Edge is hosting a New Year's Eve dinner on Thursday, December 31, 2026, from 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm; **orders must be placed by 7:00 pm.** The menu will include: cocktail shrimp with 10 tail on boiled shrimp served cold with cocktail sauce ($9.99), 14 oz ribeye topped with garlic butter shrimp and served with a baked potato and fresh vegetables ($25.99) or snapper topped with imperial sauce (crabmeat, shrimp, artichoke, onion, and mushroom in a cream sauce) served with roasted potatoes and fresh vegetables ($25.99), and lava cake with ice cream ($7.99). Reservations are required by Monday, December 21, 2026, and can be made by calling the HAWL Office.

New Year's Eve Party Disco after Dark: Boogie into 2027

The Social Committee will host a New Year's Eve Party themed Disco after Dark: Boogie into 2027 on Thursday, December 31, 2026. Doors open: 8:30 pm; Party: 9:00 pm - 1:00 am. This adults only event is $15 per person and includes set ups, light snacks, and DJ entertainment by David Delcambre. Call the HAWL Office for reservations.

HIDE-A-WAY LAKE EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS FUND



For the past several decades, residents of HAWL have donated to a Christmas Fund dedicated to the employees of HAWL and the guard service as a gesture of gratitude. A Christmas Fund Committee has been formed to process the donations. If you wish to participate, please make your **donation payable to HAWL Employee Christmas Fund**. Donations may not be charged to the HAWL account or included with the HAWL monthly payment.

Donations may be submitted in a separate envelope (preprinted envelopes are available at the HAWL Office or either Guard Gate) to either payment box, the HAWL Office, or the following address:

HAWL Christmas Fund P.O. Box 1018 Picayune, MS 39466

I am enclosing my donation in the amount of $_____.

Name _____ **Lot #** _____

(Please print your name exactly as you wish it to appear in *Echoes*.)