



Bulletin

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President's Corner...



Why Lake Gaston?

The conversation usually goes... Hey, how are you? Then it continues till eventually, you ask, Why Lake Gaston?

Everyone has at least two or three reasons why they are here at Lake Gaston. Whether it is for a visit, a holiday, or setting down roots. It is always interesting to hear how folks came to discover and enjoy the lake.

What can be even more interesting is why they choose to come back, or better yet, stay. Is it for the great water sports or the mild year-round weather? Is it possible because friends and family are here? Could it be the great clean water, fishing, or the scenic views?

Whatever it is, we all share one thing in common. We enjoy this wonderful natural resource.

The LGA works for you by engaging with local governments, promoting safety, and advocating to keep the lake clean and healthy. Please consider volunteering some of your time so we can keep Lake Gaston a great place to live, work, and play.

Jeff Zimmer

President

President@LGAncva.com



July 12, 2023 – LGA Monthly Membership Meeting

9:30 a.m. at the Lake Gaston Baptist Church: 2378 Eaton Ferry Road, Littleton

(across the street from the Lake Gaston Chamber of Commerce and Subway Restaurant)

Speakers: Wyatt Andrews ~ Lake Gaston Water Safety Council

and

John Dyckman & Joe Gagliano ~ USCG Auxiliary LKG Flotilla 054-9-3

Topic: Playing it Safe on Lake Gaston

Our meetings are open to the public, members, and non-members alike, so feel free to gather your friends and neighbors and join us. For more information, please email us at execdir@LGAncva.com or call (252) 586-6577.



Lake Environment Committee...

Habitat Enhancement Project

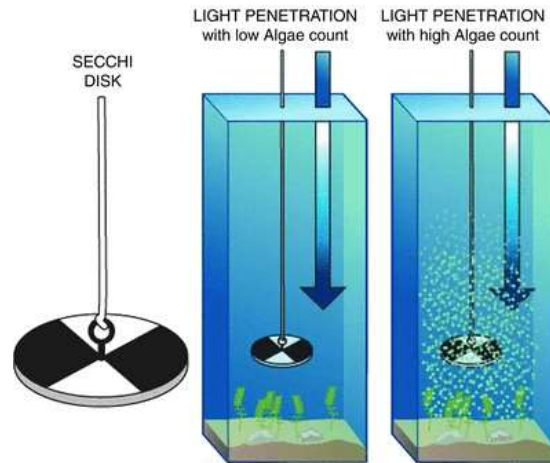
About the time this bulletin reaches you, your Lake Environment Committee (LEC) will lead volunteers to conduct our annual Habitat Enhancement work. At approximately 10 different sites on the lake, we planted native aquatic vegetation and repaired protective exclosures (helps keep grass carp and turtles OUT) to improve fish and wildlife habitat, displace invasive species and improve water quality. This is a cooperative effort with our State Wildlife Agencies and NCSU, funded by the Lake Gaston Weed Control Council.



In addition to Habitat Enhancement, the LEC works to maintain Lake Gaston's great water quality by:

Measuring and Recording Water Clarity Data at Several Locations

One indicator of lake health is water clarity. Water clarity is important because it controls how far light penetrates into the water column. This determines where and how well aquatic plants can grow, with implications for fish (and other wildlife) that depend on these plants for oxygen, shelter, and a food source.



Pulling Water Samples and Testing for the Presence of E.coli

We are now focusing on tributary creeks. Your LEC will pull samples and conduct tests on these “feeder” streams and creeks once water temperatures warm above 75 degrees F.

If you are aware of a potential E. coli issue, i.e., failing septic system, concentration of geese, or other animals, contact us for test kits. The Water Quality experts tell us that frequent sampling is required for valid results.

Monitoring Erosion and Sediment Control Practices

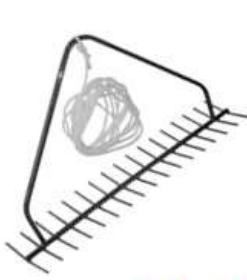


The Committee is notifying the proper authorities where we have seen insufficient erosion and sediment control measures. Building sites frequently involve land disturbance in close proximity to the lake. These sites must be stabilized with plantings and/or silt fences to prevent erosion and sedimentation, resulting in runoff into the lake. Sediment is a form of pollution that negatively impacts water quality.

Plan and Begin our Annual Lake Vegetation Survey

A lot of work goes into this annual effort. This year we hope to make several improvements in where and how the survey is conducted. Hopefully, the use of external GPS with the tablets and a kayak “strike team” to work shallow water areas will also improve results. Sign up to help with this important effort at <https://forms.gle/JaBqTo7bqcqHaBDk9>.

2023 Annual Lake Gaston Vegetation Survey



Volunteers Needed!!

We hope you will consider volunteering for this event, and the best part is that you can choose any day(s) and any time(s) between August 15th and October 31st to help with this project. This is an extremely important mission, and we need everyone's assistance to document the aquatic vegetation, both good and bad, along the entire 350 miles of shoreline – and yes, it all needs sampling. This survey is an important tool that determines how to keep Lake Gaston healthy for swimming, boating, fishing, and recreational enjoyment.

To Volunteer:

1. Please plan for this to take **only Four (4) to Six (6) hours** of time on the lake, on any day(s) and any time(s) of your choosing, between August 15th and October 31st, using a boat, kayak, or jet ski.
2. The shoreline is divided into survey sections; volunteers can choose a section that is close to home.
3. Equipment to be provided:
 - a. Handheld electronic tablet for data collection.
 - b. Double-sided throw rake.
 - c. Plant ID booklet that will help identify the plants you will encounter.
 - d. Training is provided by several online videos that explain the vegetation survey in detail & provide tips for aquatic plant identification. There will be people available for questions.



Lake Gaston Association Environmental Committee

<https://tinyurl.com/yykk7tm9>



Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet LKG Aquatic Survey

<https://tinyurl.com/29ww8bvk>

Students! Upon request, you will get a letter from NCSU acknowledging your volunteer hours!

Horned Pondweed Identified at Lake Gaston – Spring 2023



Recently a submersed aquatic plant, *Zannichellia Palustris* horned pondweed, was found at Lake Gaston. The plant was first noticed in several locations on Lizard Creek in late winter/early spring. It was positively identified by NCSU staff after the LGWCC received a request for assistance from a Lake Gaston resident regarding the presence of an unknown aquatic plant in their cove.

Horned pondweed has not typically been identified in Lake Gaston as it tends to be more of a northern species. It is an underwater grass that can be found in both freshwater and slightly brackish water. Migratory waterfowl will feed on the plant, and it's considered a beneficial species according to NCSU. At Lake Gaston, it was noted in shallow shoreline waters, 1-3 feet in depth, and in locations where *Chara*, a native algae, has been found in abundance in recent years. When viewed in the water, horned pondweed can sometimes be confused with other vegetation.

At this time, it's expected that the horned pondweed will likely die off as water temperatures increase and other aquatic plants, such as *Chara*, start to flourish. No additional action is recommended at this time. The LGWCC, LGA, and NCSU are aware of its presence in the lake and the annual vegetation survey will help determine if the species continues to be present at Lake Gaston in the future.

The Lake Environment Committee meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 8:30 AM at the Lakeland Cultural Arts Center, 411 Mosby Avenue, Littleton, NC 27850, in Studio B. (Please park and enter from the rear of the building – use the LCAC Actor's Studio Entrance – Studio B is the second door on the left-hand side after you enter the hallway.)

Interested in being part of the Lake Environment Committee? We welcome your involvement. Contact John Franz at franzie500@gmail.com.

Jeff Zimmer & John Franz
Lake Environment Co-Chairmen
Committees@LGAncva.com

(Please include "Lake Environment Committee" in the subject line of the email)

August 2, 2023 – LGA Monthly Membership Meeting

Watersview Restaurant (downstairs):

2107 Eaton Ferry Road, Littleton, NC 27850

***** Evening Meeting *****

5:30 pm - Social / Cash Bar

6:00 pm - Dutch Treat Dinner

\$25.00 per person

Ribs, Chicken, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes, and Rolls –
includes tax, tip, and non-alcoholic beverage

Speaker: Adam Fields – AF Wake

Topic: Respectful & Safe Water Sport Operations on Lake Gaston

If you are planning to attend this exciting August 2nd evening meeting,
please plan to bring cash or a check in the amount of \$25.00
to the July 12th Monthly Membership Meeting at 9:30 am
at the Lake Gaston Baptist Church –

** Please deliver all payments directly to Anne Wood, LGA Treasurer.

You are also welcome to mail us a check in the amount of \$25.00 to the
Lake Gaston Association

**P O Box 656
Henrico, NC 27842**

***** All Reservations Must Be Paid In Advance and we must receive your payment
no later than July 19th to attend this meeting *****

We will also confirm all paid reservations upon receipt via email or a phone call.

***** Please RSVP by Wednesday, July 19, 2023, to
anne@pesanteclose.com or call (301) 885-6592 *****

Our meetings are open to the public, members, and non-members alike,
so, feel free to gather your friends and neighbors and join us.



Government Relations Committee...

The Virginia County local elections will be held this year in November. While the State and National elections will also be in November, they have outside funding and many opportunities for exposure to the voting public. Most of them are also running in the Virginia primaries, which were held on June 20th. The local candidates who will not be running in the primaries were required to submit their paperwork to the county Registrar by June 20th.



CANDIDATES FORUM

The three most important groups of these candidates for us LGA types are the County Board of Supervisors, County School Board, and County Sheriffs. We help these people (and the voters), by organizing and holding a Candidates Forum in each Virginia county. For us, that will be Brunswick and Mecklenburg. And soon, we will begin planning for the Virginia Candidates Forum for those who registered by June 20th.

We have decided to hold these forums in September, and I have made the initial contacts to reserve locations. There are still numerous plans that remain to be made, candidates to be contacted, and details to be nailed down. The Government Relations Committee will need help with this project, so please come out to our meetings and participate with us. The next project after that will be the Five County School Superintendents Forum in November.

The Government Relations Committee meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 8:30 am at Lakeland Cultural Arts Center, 411 Mosby Avenue, Littleton, NC 27850, in Studio B. (Please park and enter from the rear of the building – use the LCAC Actor's Studio Entrance – Studio B is the second door on the left-hand side after you enter the hallway.)

John Cataldo

Government Relations Chairman

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(Please include "Government Relations Committee" in the subject line of the email)

September 6, 2023 – LGA Monthly Membership Meeting

9:30 a.m. at the Lake Gaston Baptist Church: 2378 Eaton Ferry Road, Littleton

(across the street from the Lake Gaston Chamber of Commerce and Subway Restaurant)

Speakers: Five-County Sheriffs

Topic: Staying Safe at Lake Gaston

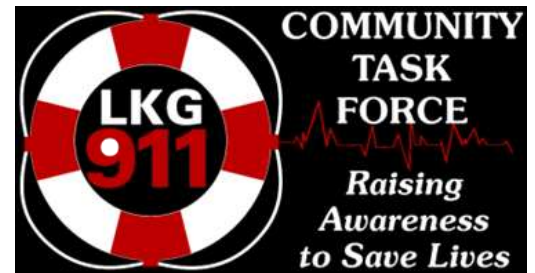
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Safety Committee...

We accomplished the 9th Annual Jack Saunders Memorial Shred Event on May 6, 2023. With the prospect of rain looming over the horizon, we in fact were met with sunny skies and a light breeze. Individuals started arriving around 9:30 to drop off their materials for shredding. The shred truck was a bit late, due to a vehicle accident and a delay at the Eaton Ferry Bridge. Nonetheless, we processed 97 vehicles during the three-hour event. We thank the Roanoke Wildwood Volunteer Fire Department for hosting us in the auxiliary parking lot. Since we flowed the cars through in a single direction, we easily kept pace so no individual had a long wait time to drop off their materials. Next year's shred event will again take place on the first Saturday in May.

Summer is here and life on the lake is busy. Visits by family and friends appreciate enjoying various activities and water sports on the lake. Let's have a safe summer by ensuring we use personal floatation devices and operate our watercraft in a safe manner. Since we have visitors and we live in a rural area, it is important to remind them how to call 911 for an emergency. The LKG 911 Community Task Force has accomplished a great deal of awareness on how a cell phone calling 911 may not get to the proper county call center. Knowing what number to dial and where you are located (street address, county, and state) are important to be shared. Getting your call to the correct call center will ensure assistance is dispatched in the timeliest manner. For more information, please visit their website <https://www.lkgtaskforce.org/>. We wish our visitors a great summer experience and a safe trip home at the end of their visit.



The Atlantic Hurricane season officially began on June 1, 2023, and will end on November 20, 2023. The mid-Atlantic season (our area) sees the most hurricanes in August, September, and October. North Carolina's coast is one of the nation's most vulnerable areas to a direct hurricane strike because its coastline extends out into the ocean. All areas of the state (from coastal and sound counties to the mountains) have been impacted by hurricanes in the past 20 years. This year, the forecast is predicted to be slightly below average.

	Prediction	Average
Named Storms	13	14
Hurricanes	6	7
Major Hurricanes	2	3

Now is the time to review your preparedness status in case a storm impacts our region. Some good steps include:

- Reviewing your insurance policy
- Assembling an emergency kit that is stocked with the right items
- Knowing where you will go if you have to evacuate and leave early
- Know how to turn off gas and electricity utilities to your home

For more information, please visit <https://www.redcross.org/>, [ready.gov](https://www.ready.gov), [ncready.gov](https://www.ncready.gov), or [vaemergency.gov](https://www.vaemergency.gov). These sites provide expert information on how to prepare for emergencies and are updated regularly.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has developed a mobile application that allows you to receive real-time weather alerts, locate emergency shelters in your area, prepare for common hazards, and more. This is a free app that can be downloaded from Google Play (Android) or the Apple Store (iOS). This application allows the user the planning, protection, and recovery steps during a disaster. It is interactive and provides detailed in-depth information and assistance. You do not have to be a survivalist, prepper, or a scout to be prepared.



If you are interested in promoting safety, we would like you to become a safety committee member. We meet on the second Friday of the month to discuss our programs, initiatives and explore areas where we can promote safety with our partners; the Water Safety Council and the LKG 911 Task Force. We are always looking for fresh ideas to enhance safety in the Lake Gaston area.

The Safety Committee meetings are held on the second Friday of each month at 8:30 am at Lakeland Cultural Arts Center, 411 Mosby Avenue, Littleton, NC 27850, in Studio B. (Please park and enter from the rear of the building – use the LCAC Actor’s Studio Entrance – Studio B is the second door on the left-hand side after you enter the hallway.)

Eric Wooster

Safety Chairman

Committees@LGAncva.com

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Lake Cleanup Committee...

As I write this, it is Lake Clean-up Day 2023. Hopefully, a lot of trash along the shorelines and roads is being collected and taken to the local convenience center for disposal.

Clean-up Day is something that we do every year (actually twice counting the physical clean-up we do in March) and somehow it is so disappointing to see that as soon as we are finished cleaning up, the roadside and shoreline trash returns.



We are so fortunate to have people who care about how our roadsides and shorelines look and take the time to get out there and pick up trash. We are so very grateful for these people, and we applaud them.



If anyone has a good way to get through to those who insist on using the roadsides for trash disposal, please let us know.

The Cleanup Committee meets the last Wednesday of the month at 10:30 am at the Lakeland Cultural Arts Center, 411 Mosby Avenue, Littleton, NC 27850, in Studio B. (Please park and enter from the rear of the building – use the LCAC Actor's Studio Entrance – Studio B is the second door on the left-hand side after you enter the hallway.)

Please help keep Lake Gaston Clean!



Carol Warfel

Lake Cleanup Chairwoman

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(Please write "Lake Cleanup Committee" in the subject line of the email)



Marketing & Membership Committee...



First, let me start by saying thanks to the approximately 2,300 households and businesses who are active LGA members. Our renewal rate was 96% in 2022 which tells us you appreciate our efforts to keep this lake clean and safe. We have a small group of dedicated “worker bees” who continue to do the heavy lifting to man the Shred Event, habitat enhancement, manage the Candidate Forums during local election cycles, lake clean-up, use the Secchi Disc to measure water quality, use E. coli kits, etc. We have a larger group, many including some of the same faces who volunteer throughout the year, to participate during the fall months for the 350-mile annual vegetation survey.

Now comes the delicate part. I’m guessing we have another 5,000 households, whether they are full or part-timers or renters using their lake house as an investment and a source of income. If this lake were to be overrun by noxious weeds or nasty algae, what would happen to your property values?

For the newcomers reading this, it almost happened in 2005 when Hydrilla covered 3,500 acres of shoreline, coves, and creeks of the lake. If it hadn’t been brought under control by the Lake Gaston Weed Control Council supported by county governments, the LGA, and our friends at NC State, we would probably have a different situation now and many of you wouldn’t have purchased property at Lake Gaston. You can put me in that group when we bought here in 2015.

Unfortunately, we now have Lyngbya at the lake and the same players who successfully fought Hydrilla are now chasing Lyngbya. This is another reason why we are trying to grow our membership.

I get it you don’t have the time right now due to work and/or family or other obligations. Perhaps one day your situation will change, and you have the time to be more actively involved like I am thanks to retirement. However, certainly, you can take a few minutes to write the LGA a \$25.00 check to become an LGA member. Please do your part to join the LGA and have your financial commitment help keep this beautiful lake clean and safe.

Thanks for reading and I appreciate your understanding of why I felt it necessary to put all our cards on the table. The LGA is financially sound but just think about what we could accomplish if we could double our membership. Oh, again thanks to our active and soon-to-be (hopefully) new members.

The Marketing & Membership Committee meets on the third Thursday of the month at 8:30 am at the Lakeland Cultural Arts Center, 411 Mosby Avenue, Littleton, NC 27850, in Studio B. (Please park and enter from the rear of the building – use the LCAC Actor’s Studio Entrance – Studio B is the second door on the left-hand side after you enter the hallway.)

Brian Goldsworthy

Marketing & Membership Chairman

LGA Lifetime Member since 2015

Committees@LGAncva.com

(Please include “Marketing & Membership Committee” in the subject line of the email)



From the desk of the Executive Director...

Greetings everyone! Well, summer as we all know and love it is finally upon us and in full swing; hope you're all enjoying your summertime fun on Lake Gaston, and please remember to play safe out there while spending time out on the water making all those wonderful memories with family and friends.



We had a great turnout at our **Annual Membership Meeting** on June 17th, and it was a huge success! Many thanks to everyone who pitched in to help make this event possible – your dedication to the LGA is very much appreciated!



The proposed Bylaw changes were approved by the LGA Board Members and the Membership, and the newly amended Bylaws are posted on our website for your review. Recap, our 1st Wednesday of the month meeting at Lake Gaston Baptist Church is now called our Monthly Membership Meeting, and our last Wednesday of the month meeting at Lakeland Cultural Arts Center is now called our Monthly Board Meeting – Please remember that our door is always open for all meetings, and everyone is welcome to attend.

Please give a warm welcome to our newest LGA Directors; Shannon McAllister of Halifax County, Anne Wood of Northampton County, and Lewis Mustian of Warren County. A unanimous vote was received by all members present, and the new Directors pledged to perform the responsibilities of their elected positions to the best of their ability and devote the time, talent, and work necessary to achieve success in this endeavor while upholding the Bylaws of the Lake Gaston Association; and we are grateful for your service!



Most importantly, we wish to extend a “*special thank you*” to all the LGA Businesses who donated gifts for our annual meeting. Our LGA Members were so surprised, excited, and pleased by your generosity and kindness, and the LGA is grateful for your support!...



As always, we wish you nothing but the best in health, safety, and the preservation of our most treasured asset, beautiful Lake Gaston. We appreciate you and thank you for your membership support!

Beverly Summerfield
Executive Director



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What the LGA does for our members...

As your primary voice on Lake Gaston, we...

Identify lake issues affecting our members and pursue a resolution with the responsible organization(s).

We do this by...

- ▶ working to **conserve our lake's natural resources while protecting your recreational enjoyment** by monitoring and controlling pollution, sedimentation, and invasive species, supporting research and best management practices that maintain Lake Gaston's water quality for all users.
- ▶ **engaging** with our **local governments** to inform and influence decision-making in your best interest.
- ▶ supporting and **promoting safety** in our communities and on the water to encourage a safe environment.
- ▶ **advocating** and encouraging a clean, healthy, and **desirable lifestyle** along the roadsides and shorelines of beautiful Lake Gaston.
- ▶ **informing** and communicating on **Lake Gaston issues** via email advisories and bi-monthly Bulletins, emergency, weather, and water level alerts, open-door monthly meetings, website, social media, press releases, radio broadcasts, and public forums.

We accomplish this by building relationships and coordinating efforts with Dominion Energy, the Lake Gaston Weed Control Council, North Carolina and Virginia Wildlife Agencies, North Carolina State University, local Law Enforcement and Emergency Management, the Chamber of Commerce, the Lake Gaston Water Safety Council, LKG 911 Community Task Force, and many others.



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LGA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Dues are for the Calendar Year (January – December)

Please Indicate Membership Type: ☐ New ☐ Renewal ☐ Current Member / Updates Needed

Membership Updates: ☐ Home Address ☐ Lake Address ☐ Phone Number ☐ Email Address

Desired Membership Level: ☐ \$25.00 General ☐ \$50.00 Bronze ☐ \$100.00 Silver ☐ \$250.00 Lifetime

☐ \$50.00 Business Member – (Please include a copy of your Business Card)

Please tell us how you heard about us: _____

First & Last Name(s) / Business Name: _____

Subdivision: _____ House - Yes/No: _____ Lot #: _____ Number of Adults: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Primary Mailing
Address

Lake Address: _____

If Different
Than Primary
Address Listed
Above

County: _____

(Please list the complete lake address / If you own a Lot Only: Please list the street name with Lot #, City, State, and Zip Code)
(We need this information to set you up properly in our database and membership records)

Home #: _____ Cell #: _____ Lake #: _____

Email Address(s): _____

(Only used to send LGA Bulletins, Membership Notifications & Renewals, Annual Membership Surveys, Lake Environment Events, and Emergency/Weather/Water Level Alerts)

I hereby give my consent to receive LGA information and notifications via my email address as listed above.

Member's Signature

Date

Please complete this form and mail it along with your payment (and Business Card, if applicable) to:

Lake Gaston Association: P O Box 656, Henrico, NC 27842

Membership data, email addresses, and phone numbers are always kept strictly confidential by the LGA!





LGA ~ Calendar of Events

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Jul 1 - 4th of July Fireworks – Celebration Honoring our Veterans by The American Veterans Tribute - (4 pm) - Pea Hill Creek

Jul 4 - 4th of July (Holiday)

Jul 8 - 4th of July Fireworks – Hosted by Long Bridge Volunteer Fire Department - (Starts at dark) - Eaton Ferry Bridge

Jul 12 - **Monthly Membership Mtg** - (9:30 - 12 pm) - Lake Gaston Baptist Church: 2378 Eaton Ferry Rd, Littleton

Jul 14 - Safety Committee Mtg - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Jul 18 - Gov't Relations Committee Mtg - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Jul 19 - Lake Environment Committee Mtg - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Jul 20 - Mrktg & Mbrshp Committee Mtg - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Jul 23 – **Parents' Day**

Jul 26 – **LGA Board Mtg** - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Jul 26 - Lake Cleanup Committee Mtg - (10 - 10:30 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Aug 2 - **Evening Membership Mtg** - (5:30 - 9 pm) - Watersview Restaurant (downstairs): 2107 Eaton Ferry Rd, Littleton

Aug 11 - Safety Committee Mtg - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Aug 15 - Gov't Relations Committee Mtg - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Aug 15th - 31st – **Aquatic Vegetation Survey** - All 350 miles of shoreline - **Volunteers Needed** - <https://tinyurl.com/yykk7tm9>

Aug 16 - Lake Environment Committee Mtg - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Aug 17 - Mrktg & Mbrshp Committee Mtg - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Aug 30 – **LGA Board Mtg** - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Aug 30 - Lake Cleanup Committee Mtg - (10 - 10:30 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Sep 1st - 30th – **Aquatic Vegetation Survey** - All 350 miles of shoreline - **Volunteers Needed** - <https://tinyurl.com/29ww8bvk>

Sep 4 - **Labor Day** - (Holiday)

Sep 6 - **Monthly Membership Mtg** - (9:30 - 12 pm) - Lake Gaston Baptist Church: 2378 Eaton Ferry Rd, Littleton

Sep 8 - Safety Committee Mtg - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Sep 10 - **Grandparents Day**

Sep 19 - Gov't Relations Committee Mtg - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Sep 20 - Lake Environment Committee Mtg - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Sep 21 - Mrktg & Mbrshp Committee Mtg - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

Sep 27 – **LGA Board Mtg** - (8:30 - 10 am) - Lakeland Cultural Arts Center: 411 Mosby Ave, Studio B, Littleton

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Fireworks Celebration Honoring Our Veterans
hosted by




JULY 1, 2023

PEA HILL CREEK

Check out our new website
americanveterantribute.org to DONATE.



July 8th, 2023
FIREWORKS
on
EATON FERRY BRIDGE

Donate Here  Starting around dark

[HTTPS://WWW.PAYPAL.COM/US/FUNDRAISER/CHARITY/4609218](https://www.paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/4609218)

HOSTED BY LONGBRIDGE VFD



LGA Recipe Roundup...

Mushroom Pork Chops

Pork chops with cream of mushroom soup are quick and easy, but very delicious. This will be one of your family's favorites and can be served with brown rice. It all comes together in just 40 minutes with minimal prep, and is a total weeknight dinner winner!



Ingredients

- | | |
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| 4 – Pork Chops | ½ pound fresh Mushrooms, sliced |
| - Salt and ground black pepper to taste | 1 – Onion, chopped |
| 1 pinch garlic salt, or to taste | 1 – 10.75 oz can condensed Cream of Mushroom Soup |

Directions

1. Season pork chops with salt, pepper, and garlic salt.
2. Brown pork chops over medium-high heat in a large nonstick skillet. Add mushrooms and onion, and sauté for one minute.
3. Pour soup over pork chops. Cover, reduce heat to medium-low, and simmer until pork chops are cooked through, approximately 20 to 30 minutes.
4. Serve with brown rice and steamed broccoli florets topped with light butter.



Please welcome our newest Business Member...

Feel free to click on the Business Members' business card for a direct link to their website...



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