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# Bulletin

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# President's Corner

# "Whatever floats your boat"

Heard that before? For me, the successful culmination of a project or endeavor is personally gratifying. I can give you a for instance. Regular readers know we have been pushing and pulling for navigation lights installed under the Eaton's Ferry Bridge. This was a USCG requirement that somehow went unaddressed since the bridge was built in the 60's.

We always felt this was a safety issue. We've been talking about it for five years. This was an idea from Jack Saunders at a routine Public Safety Committee meeting. The committee agreed and we partnered with the USCG Auxiliary Flotilla 93 and the Lake Gaston Water Safety Council, and, together we made this happen. The lights, which are solar powered, indicate a safe crossing under the bridge after dark. Well, the light installation finally came to fruition by NCDOT the middle of last month. Just wish Jack was still alive to see it.

We are appreciative of our members and business members who renewed for 2022. If you are still on the fence, the above example goes to show what can happen when volunteers in an organization band together to pursue a solution. That's why I'm proud to be an LGA member and I hope you are too.

You will be reading this in early April. Last month we held our Five County Forum and invited the county managers and elected representatives to share ideas. It's always one of our more meaningful annual meetings. In April we will be hosting the North Carolina candidate forums. Please check our website for details.

Lake cleanup efforts are ongoing for everyone. Please adopt a street during your daily walk and help keep our streets, neighborhoods and most importantly, our shoreline free from debris. As the growing season will soon start, a friendly reminder to not blow leaves and grass clippings into the lake.

Our committee chairs will highlight in this issue ongoing projects. If you see something of interest, why not attend a meeting. Maybe you can be part of the next bridge lighting project.

Almost forgot, the Jack D Saunders Community Shred Event is on Saturday, May 7 from 10-1 PM at the RWVFD on Lizard Creek Road. The event is free and is open to everyone. Donations gladly accepted to help defray the cost of bringing the shred truck to the lake.

Thanks for reading and stay safe. I can't wait to get back in the water.

Respectfully, **Brian Goldsworthy** 

# April 6, 2022 - LGA Monthly Meeting

9:30 a.m. at the Lake Gaston Baptist Church (1 mile north of Eaton Ferry Bridge on Hwy 903)

Topic: Aquatic Vegetation In Lake Gaston Speaker: Jessica Baumann, Extension Associate

**NC State University Co-operative Extension Service** 

**Also:** Got a lake-related issue or concern that the LGA should be working on? There will be time allotted on the agenda to present those concerns to the LGA Board. And, catch up with what the Committees are working on.

The meeting is open to the public, members and non-members alike so gather up your neighbors and come join the LGA for an informative meeting. For more information contact info@lakegastonassoc.com or call (252) 586-6577 or toll free 1-888-586-6577.

# Isn't it wonderful to have the extra hour of daylight!

We have some news to share ...

After much discussion, which has been chronicled on these pages over the past 3+ years, the Eaton's Ferry Bridge finally has navigational lights. Thought you might be interested to learn these lights are different than other installs on other bridges. According to Mr. Brandon Jones, Engineer, Division 5, NCDOT, "The systems installed on the bridge are a new type of light for us that are self-contained with independent solar panels and batteries for each light.

They are also low profile considering the low clearance to the water and the potential for them to be struck.

Since they are a new system, we will be checking in on them periodically to ensure they are in good order." Let us know if they aren't working.

Summer Weather and Storms heading our way - We recommend that families should develop and review an emergency plan and discuss thunderstorm and tornado safety with all members of your household. Make sure your family knows basic safety measures, such as first aid, CPR and how to use a fire extinguisher. Have a home evacuation plan and supplies for water, food, or fuel shortages. Have at least a weeks' extra prescription drugs in personal things that are ready to go with you to a safe place in a storm.

Find more information on emergency preparedness by visiting the North Carolina https://www.readync.org/ or residents of Virginia may prefer https://www.vaemergency.gov/

National Safe Boating Week is May 21-27 and folks should check out their boating gear before beginning the season. You can request a free vessel safety check from our very own volunteer Coast Guard Auxiliary. Other reminders include to check fuel tanks for leaks, ventilation systems for obstructions (inboard/outboards and Personal Watercraft), anchors, ropes/tie lines, life vests, lights, horns, and batteries, and even trailer tires for proper pressure and brakes, where applicable. Don't forget to check the fire extinguisher. Non-rechargeable fire extinguishers should be replaced every 10 years.

Make sure the boathouse is ready for visitors and family. Replace splintered boards damaged over the winter, check for protruding nail heads and remove any trip hazards and cleats that can injure feet need to be removed from the dock area.

Finally, don't forget your house. Take time to check smoke alarms work and have good batteries. Some systems are on house wiring and will alarm when tested even if batteries are depleted. If there are bad batteries the sensor may not work at all. Replace burnt out security lighting. Also check all house fire extinguishers to ensure they are charged and ready for use.

We (911 Emergency Task Force, LKGWSC.org and the LGA have new 911 cards that also include "What3Words". Please contact anyone from those organizations if you want two of the new cards (house and down at the water since the 3 words will be different.

Monthly Public Safety Committee meetings are held the second Friday of the month at 8:30 a.m. at the Littleton Food & Spirits, 235 N. Mosby Ave., (Hwy 903), Littleton, NC 27850. Everyone is invited to participate to give us fresh ideas and viewpoints.

Contact us at Safety@LakeGastonAssoc.com

# LGA participates in Stakeholders Winter Meeting

In early March stakeholders met to hear the latest Technical Advisory Group's (TAG) recommendations on vegetation management. This group is chaired by Pete Deschenes with the able assistance of Susie Deschenes. While several LGA members attended, Brian Goldsworthy represented LGA as a voting member.

Mark Fowlkes, Aquatic Habitat Coordinator with the NC Wildlife Commission discussed the status of the Habitat Enhancement project providing a summary of our work in 2021 and development of a new five year plan (2022-2026). Promoting a diverse and self-sustaining native plant community is the primary objective. Some planned improvements in the project will be a periodic aerial drone survey and the addition of fish attractors. See our web site for more details.

TAG recommended continuation of the Habitat Enhancement Project. Wally Sayko made a plea for additional support from stakeholders. The Weed Control Council is the primary source of funding while LGA volunteers have provided 1372 hours of labor and \$1900 in support since 2014.

As a side note, an article just appeared in the Wildlife in North Carolina magazine which showcased similar work on Shearin Harris Reservoir.

Jessica Bauman, NC State Extension Associate, highlighted the fall survey results stating that the acreage of hydrilla remains stable at 150 acres. An increased presence of hydrilla was noted in the upper section of Beechwood Flats. Also noted is a small but persistent population mixed in with Chara, native algae, in portions of Lizard Creek above River Road. The hydrilla tuber bank looks great with very low levels. The TAG recommended that no grass carp be stocked this year, and for treating up to 150 acres of hydrilla. No hydrilla was treated in 2021.

Lyngbya continues to increase and is now found on approximately 1300 acres. Jessica noted that minimal amounts of surface mats were detected in last year's treatment areas. Viability sampling done in the NCSU lab demonstrates that algaecides are proving effective, while some dead and dying material remains persistent. She stressed the importance of repeated treatments over multiple years to control lyngbya. TAG recommended up to 500 acres of lyngbya be treated in 2022 (300 acres were treated in 2021).

The stakeholders agreed with these recommendations and this was shared with the Lake Gaston Weed Control Council.

Jessica mentioned that improving our knowledge of native mussels and potential health impacts related to lyngbya are future research considerations.

### Lake Gaston Weed Control Council (LGWCC) Plans for 2022

The LGWCC met to approve treatment plans based on TAG and Stakeholders recommendations. Jessica provided details on 2021 treatments, research and survey results. Bids from Chemical Vendors and Applicators were reviewed and approved. Treatment areas are being determined as this bulletin goes to press. More details will be available at <a href="http://www.lgwcc.org/">http://www.lgwcc.org/</a>

#### E. coli water testing

The Lake Environment Committee is discussing how best to continue and provide E.coli water test equipment to our members. We have a number of test kits which are close to expiration and will be our focus as soon as water temperatures allow testing.

### Plan now for summer Habitat Enhancement Work-Volunteers needed

We continue to plan our work on the vegetation exclosures or cages. This is an annual effort to develop native vegetation replacing the hydrilla population we have so successfully reduced. Our focus this summer will be repairing existing cages and planting native vegetation inside and around cages. This work will take place Tuesday June 21<sup>st</sup> to Thursday the 23<sup>rd</sup>, and is another great opportunity for volunteers to contribute to improving our lake environment. If you are interested in helping out, please call or text Jeff Zimmer at 409-617-2216.

To learn more about this and other Lake Environment volunteer opportunities come join us for breakfast at one of our committee meetings at Lake Gaston Food & Spirits the third Wednesday of the month at 8:30 am, or contact us at Environment @ LakeGastonAssoc.com .

Monthly Lake Environment meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. at the Littleton Food & Spirits, 235 N. Mosby Ave., (Hwy 903), Littleton, NC 27850.. Everyone is invited to participate.

Contact them at Environment@LakeGastonAssoc.com

# Reflecting on the last two years

One can't help but be amazed at how well the LGA's business and household membership numbers have held up during the Co-Vid pandemic. This truly shows a total commitment of over 2000 members to the overall mission and goals of our organization. Yet, what is also sobering is how many times when we ask a resident of the lake if they are familiar with the LGA, the usual response is "No"

The Marketing & Membership Committee conducts a number of membership drive activities such as realtor referrals, homeowner association recruitment, tax listing solicitations, advertising and participation in community events. In addition, this year we hope to do a better job in utilizing our website and being more involved in social media.

We will keep you informed of our progress. However, in the meantime, please continue to promote the Lake Gaston Association to those you come in contact with, as we love to see " How did you hear of the LGA " on the application form answered by a friend or neighbor.

Have other ideas on how we can improve membership numbers? Why not attend one of our meetings. We meet on the first Wednesday of each month (except the first Wednesday in January) and our June meeting is always the second Saturday for our Annual Meeting at our usual venue at the Lake Gaston Baptist Church.

Monthly Marketing & Membership Committee meetings are held the third Thursday of the month at 8:30 a.m. at the Littleton Food & Spirits, 235 N. Mosby Ave., (Hwy 903), Littleton, NC 27850. Please join us. We are a small group and would appreciate your input.

Contact them at MarketingMembership@LakeGastonAssoc.com

LGA welcomes three new business members:
Frank's Fine Arts
Lorraine Atkinson Realty
Dee Price, exp Realty

# **LGA** Dues Discount:

Sponsor a friend or neighbor and they will get a \$5.00 discount off of their 2022 membership dues and you the same during the next renewal period.

Want more information?

Contact Moira Underwood, Executive Director at 252-586-6577.



# What does it take to be a Director?

You are welcome to sit in on any of our committee meetings and decide what is best for you –
look for the committee meeting grid in the Bulletin for when they meet.
 Join us the first Wednesday of each
month for the LGA monthly meeting at 9:30 a.m. (Lake Gaston Baptist Church, across from Subway),
to see what is being done and what can be done.

Contact Nominating@LakeGastonAssoc.com



# Lake Clean-up

Now that Spring is approaching it is a time to get out and about. You will surely notice the unsightly trash along the roads. Take a little time outside cleaning up a road in your area or possibly a shoreline.

If we could only make those who throw trash out along the roads realize that trash cans are for trash, not the roadsides. If you should need bags, please contact me, Carol Warfel, on my cell at 804-513-3949 or leave a message.

Thanks to all who help with this lake wide problem. It would be a time to celebrate if we could resolve this situation.

There will be a LAKE CLEAN-UP DAY in June. Watch for the date in the next bulletin or FACEBOOK. You will also see our red Lake Clean-Up signs around the area announcing the date

# I'll be l king for you!!

Monthly Lake Clean-Up Committee meetings are held the last Wednesday of the month at 10:30 a.m. at the Littleton Food & Spirits, 235 N. Mosby Ave., (Hwy 903), Littleton, NC 27850. Everyone is invited to participate.

Contact them at LakeCleanup@LakeGastonAssoc.com

# **LGA Monthly Committee Meetings:**

Committee	Meeting Day	Time	Location
Public Safety	2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday	8:30 am	Littleton Food & Spirits *
Government Relations	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	8:30 am	Littleton Food & Spirits *
Lake Environment	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday	8:30 am	Littleton Food & Spirits *
Marketing & Membership	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	8:30 am	Littleton Food & Spirits *
Lake Clean-Up	Last Wednesday	10:30 am	Littleton Food & Spirits *

<sup>\*</sup> Littleton Food & Spirits is located at 231 N. Mosby Ave., (Hwy 903), Littleton, N.C. 27850

Occasionally a LGA scheduled committee meeting may need to be cancelled. If you are on one of the above committees, the chair will inform you via email of its cancellation.

# Need to know who are your Government Elected Officials Lake Gaston NC & Lake Gaston VA

US, State and County... http://www.lakegastonassoc.com/GovRel/ElecOfficials.htm LGA Government Relations Committee keeps this page on our website updated for you.

(It's the best kept secret under Committees, Government Relations. Check out who represents you at the lake and email them direct from our website. Telephone #s are listed as well. Use the link above to check out this information. You can also get to the County websites from the same page.)

# Staying current with Lake Gaston's water level

Whether you are full or part-time at the lake we recommend that you have the following link to Dominion's website as a 'favorite' on your computer or hand-held gizmo. Rest assured we will still send you water level alerts from Dominion when they occur but if you want to know on any given day what the water level is, then click on the link - https://www.dominionenergy.com/community/lakes-and-recreation/lake-gaston-water-levels

# Government Relations Committee

Our first event of the year took place on March 15. The Five-County Forum offered our members an opportunity to meet and interact with your county and the other counties around the lake.

The Forum took place at the Lake Gaston Lions building on Stanley Road in a venue where they were presented with useful information for managing their counties. The County Board Chairmen and their Manager/Administrator were invited to attend.

In April we will be conducting candidate forums for the three North Carolina counties that border the lake. These will be held on Saturdays in each county prior to the May primaries ...

Halifax Co. April 9, 1-3 p.m. Littleton Lions Club, corner of Hwy 158 & Ransom St. Warren Co. April 23, 1-3 p.m. Longbridge VFD, 1678 Eaton Ferry Rd, Littleton

Northampton Co. April 30, 1-3 p.m. Community Center, corner of Hwy 46 & River Rd in Henrico, NC

This event will be an opportunity for citizens to meet and ask questions of your potential elected officials.

Also, the Government Relations committee prepared budget letters for each of the five counties in February. The letters are tailored for each county government and request specific budget items that should be included or limited in the upcoming FY 2022-2023 budget process.

Monthly Government Relations Committee meetings are held the third Tuesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. at the Littleton Food & Spirits, 235 N. Mosby Ave., (Hwy 903), Littleton, NC 27850. Come by, have a ham biscuit and cup of coffee and join us for an hour. Everyone is invited to participate.

Contact them at GovernmentRelations@LakeGastonAssoc.com.

# LGA Annual Meeting Set for Saturday, June 11

You are invited to attend the LGA's annual meeting which will be held on Saturday, June 11 at the Lake Gaston Baptist Church. Meeting will start at 9:30 a.m. with meeting commencing at 10 a.m. Meeting will conclude by noon.

# Special Presentations at Annual Meeting

We plan to allow time during the meeting for comments from those present at the meeting, i.e. questions, observations about lake activities, suggestions for LGA involvement or lack of involvement in lake issues, etc.

However, if any member would like to make a special presentation they must notify the LGA by May 25, 2022. This notification must be submitted in writing, stating the topic of the presentation to Brian Goldsworthy, 102 Repton Court, Cary, NC 27519 or bgoldsworthy@nc.rr.com. This is required by the LGA By-Laws and helps in developing the meeting agenda and allocating time for the meeting.

# A Message From the Nominating Committee

The Nominating committee will be nominating the following individuals for term as a Director of the Lake Gaston Association at the annual meeting in June:

**Northampton:** Eric Wooster 1<sup>st</sup> term director **Mecklenburg:** Lew Stringer 1<sup>st</sup> term director

Additional names of candidates may be nominated by petition bearing the genuine signatures of a least 15 members in good standing. Petitions must reach the chairman of the Nominating Committee by June 1.

Contact Nomination chair Bill Heflin or email, Nominating@LakeGastonAssoc.com.

There are also other Director vacancies in Brunswick, Halifax, Mecklenburg, Northampton, and Warren counties.

Please support the businesses that advertise in our newsletter beginning on page 11. Shopping local helps everyone in the community around Lake Gaston.

# From the Desk of the Executive Director

I'm looking forward to the LGA's Annual Community Paper Shred on May 7th from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Roanoke-Wildwood VFD on River Rd. It is always a popular event with our members and for several years now it is a drive thru event. When it's your turn for the shredder, we help you to unload your documents to be shredded. I have a lot of paper that I want to get rid of as well.

From time to time we receive requests from our members to have an additional email address in their membership record. We only have room for one email per record and we ask the requesting member to ask their spouse to forward them the LGA email.

It's not a case of adding space to the membership record for a second email address, it's a case of the volume of email addresses that that would mean. At one email address per record we have 1,993 emails and growing.

There are rules that govern bulk email lists, I can't just hit send and all 1,993 emails go at once. We have to use a mail server to spread out the delivery of those emails so LGA emails make it to your inbox vs spam. We thank you for your understanding.

With summer around the corner, we have two great presentations that were given at one of our LGA monthly meetings by Tony Moran (our Marketing & Membership chair) - "Snakes Around the Lake Area" and "Dangerous Spiders Around Lake Gaston". Here are the links:

http://www.lakegastonassoc.com/pdfFiles/snake-presentation5-3-17.pdf http://www.lakegastonassoc.com/pdfFiles/DangerousSpidersLakeGaston.pdf

Please stay safe!

# Moira

# Lake Gaston water level change -Fish Spawning season March 1 thru June 15

Effective March 1 Dominion Energy will be operating under fish spawning operations. This means that the lake level may be raised an extra foot or more (199-201 feet) to provide storage in support of the down river fish spawn.

Nevertheless, experience has taught us to be prepared. We know that once we get above the 200 foot level we begin to see water encroach on many of our docks. You are reminded to make sure that any items that are on your docks are securely tied down including canoes and paddle boats. Items sitting on the floor of boat house sheds should be moved up to prevent the possibility of water damage. Boats in docks should be securely tied and boats in lifts should be raised and tied.

Dominion will operate under spawning conditions until June 15. In summer months, Dominion tries to maintain levels below 200 feet on weekends.

# Buoys placed in Lake Gaston need state & federal approval

Dominion Energy as well as the Virginia Department of Game & Inland Fisheries and North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission have received complaints concerning buoys being placed in the lake to deter boats near boat docks.

Both Virginia Department of Game & Inland Fisheries and North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission, as well as Dominion, do not allow buoys to be placed in the lake without state and federal approval. Any buoys placed in the lake will be considered an obstruction to navigation and will be required to be removed.

# Free Vessel Safety Check

Flotilla 93 will perform a free Vessel Safety Check on your boat at your home. The boat can be in the boatlift or on a trailer and does not need to be running. They will also provide a Vessel Examiner at your Home Owners Association Meeting to inspect boats after your business meeting. Call John Dyckman at (252) 537-9877.

# News from the Lake Gaston Water Safety Council

Here comes summer! But, the water is still in the 50s, so be extremely cautious when on or around the water. Especially when alone. We've seen some nice days come and go, but summer is just around the corner.

Now is the time to prepare...

- Check or perform boat, trailer and dock/lift maintenance.
- Check the presence and condition of all required equipment (Life jackets, extinguisher charge, etc...).
- Your Lake Gaston Water Safety Council is also preparing.
- Handouts are ready to be distributed.
- Meeting presentations are scheduled (LKGWSC, Dock Safety, Wildlife, 911 Task Force).

The Safety Trailer will soon be washed and waxed and ready to visit different locations around the lake. Eaton Ferry Marina, Washburn's, Sherwood Forest, the Littleton Lake Gaston Festival, and others.

Please check out the website, www.LKGWSC.org , and follow The Lake Gaston Water Safety Council on Facebook for more information and the chance to join and/or support the council.

Wyatt Andrews, President LGWSC

# Mile marker buoys & danger buoys

If you notice a mile marker buoy that is damaged, light is out, is missing from its mooring, has washed up on the shore, etc., please contact Dominion Energy at (252) 535-6161 Ext. 4. Similarly, if you notice a danger or no wake buoy damaged, missing, etc. please contact the LGA at info@lakegastonassoc.com or (252) 586-6577 or 1-888-586-6577 and we will report it to the NC Wildlife Resource Commission or VA Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.



















# Wear Your Life Jacket! They Float, People Don't!

# Need a Children's Loaner Life Jacket?

The PERFECT solution when guests show up and you don't have children's life jackets of the correct size for all of them. The Lake Gaston Water Safety Council's FREE loaner program makes children's sizes available at the following locations:

#### Bracev, VA

Holly Grove Marina - (434) 636-3455 Americamps - (434) 636-2668

#### Gasburg, VA

The Club - (434) 577-2935



#### Henrico, NC

Washburn's Marina - (252) 537-1335 Sherwood Forest - (252) 537-2526

#### Littleton, NC

Eaton Ferry Marina - (252) 586-4661 Thousand Trails/Outdoor World - (252) 586-4121 Stonehouse Timber Lodge - (252) 586-3012





# 2022 PUBLIC EDUCATION BOATING BOAT AMERICA SAFETY CLASS

- April 9
- May 21
- June 25
- **July 9**

- August 6
- September 17
- October 22

# Course Fee \$30 includes book and all materials

Location: Longbridge VFD 1678 Eaton Ferry Road Littleton, NC 27850

# LAKE GASTON

Courses are taught by certified instructors from the USCG Auxiliary Lake Gaston Flotilla Classes are 8:00am to 5:00pm, (arrive at 7:45am to sign in) with the exam given at the end of class. Please bring your lunch. Free Coffee and muffins available. Bottled water, sodas, chips, snacks can be purchased for \$1.00.

For additional information, email us at uscgauxflotilla93@gmail.com or phone 252-537-9877.

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 306 Henrico, NC 27842

America's Boating Course is an eight-hour course covering the basics of boating and is appropriate for youth as well as the adult boater. Successful completion of this course satisfies the education requirement to operate a boat in ANY STATE and for youth to operate a PWC in both Virginia and North Carolina.

Virginia Law: All Virginia boaters in the waters must have proof of taking a Boating Course.

North Carolina Law: Requires that all PWC and Motor Boat Operators born after 1 Jan 1988 will have proof of completing a Boating Course, if they are operating a vessel with a 10 HP engine or greater.

# Calendar notes ...

- Apr 6 LGA monthly meeting, 9:30 till noon, Lake Gaston Baptist Church (252) 586-6577
- Apr 6 Lake Gaston Striper Club, 6:30 p.m. Lake Gaston Lions Den, Henrico (919) 451-1473
- Apr 12- Lake Gaston Computer Club, 1 p.m., Lake Gaston Lions Den, Henrico (717) 875-4481
- Apr 22 American Legion Post 308 Spaghetti Dinner at 5 7 p.m. Hwy 903, Littleton (252) 586-2558
- May 4 LGA monthly meeting 9:30 a.m. noon Lake Gaston Baptist Church (252) 586-6577
- May 4 Lake Gaston Striper Club, 6:30 p.m. Lake Gaston Lions Den, Henrico (919) 451-1473
- May 7 Jack D. Saunders Community Shred Event, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Roanoke Wildwood VFD, 790 Lizard
- May 10 Lake Gaston Computer Club, 1 p.m., Lake Gaston Lions Den, Henrico (717) 875-4481
- May 20 American Legion Post 308 Spaghetti Dinner at 5 7 p.m. Hwy 903, Littleton (252) 586-2558

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# Who's the right contact for lake levels, operations, Shoreline Management, Wildlife Officers etc.

We have received the following information from Dominion Energy for you to use ...

For questions/comments related to lake levels and operations, please send an email to lakeinfo@dominionenergy.com . A couple of items related to the account ...

- 1. As would be expected, this is not to be used for emergencies.
- 2. The account will be checked at least weekly and emails will be forwarded to the proper person for reply.
- 3. For questions related to Shoreline Management such as docks, riprap or the mileage buoys, please continue to call Will Miller, the Reservoir Program Manager, at 252-535-6894
- 4. For issues related to boating safety and regulations:
- In **North Carolina**, WRC enforcement officers are the point of contact. If there is an urgent concern about safety or violations, please call the enforcement hotline at 800-662-7137 and the dispatch center will contact the nearest officer on duty. General complaints should probably be directed to Col. Jon Evans at 919-707-0036.

In **Virginia**, VA Conservation Police Officers (CPO's) enforce boating safety laws. Violations in progress should be reported to the Wildlife Crime Line at 1-800-237-5712 or WildCrime@dgif.virginia.gov .

General complaints can be directed to the main line at 804-367-1000 or https://www.dgif.virginia.gov/contact/.

# Lake Gaston Lost & Found items ... If you have lost any property or found any

**property** that may have floated away like a canoe/kayak, jet ski, boat, paddle board etc. call/email the LGA office at 1-800-586-6577 or (252) 586-6577 or info@lakegastonassoc.com and let us know, describe each item(s) and give us contact information for you. Lost & Found items would be listed in this section of our bi-monthly bulletins but rest assured we would not list your contact information.

# Weed Control questions ...

Do the property owners in your subdivision have questions about weed control? Feel free to contact Jeff Zimmer our Lake Environment chair at jzimmer2216@gmail.com .

# Business Members ...

Visit their websites at www.lakegastonassoc.com/Membership/Businesses.htm







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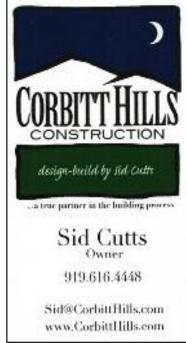
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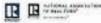
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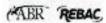
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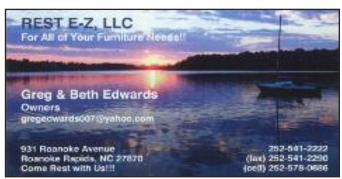














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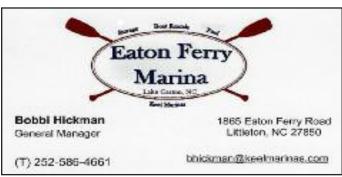
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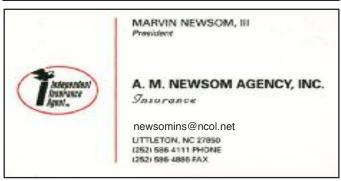
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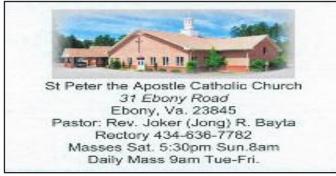




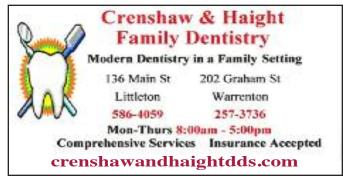












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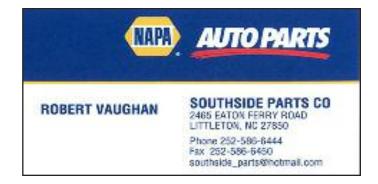








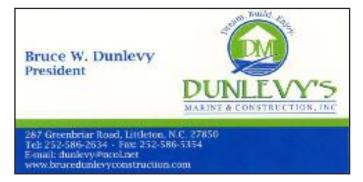
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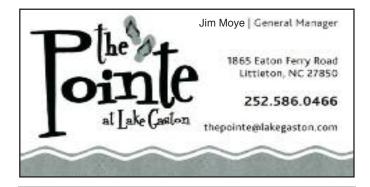
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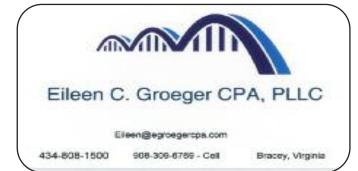
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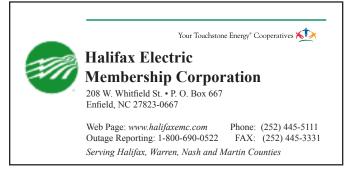








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