



Bulletin

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2019 LGA Year In Review

We are winding up another year of activities in service to the membership and the Lake Gaston community. Among the activities we have completed are:

- Five County Forum – local county managers and elected officials were brought together to meet and discuss items of interest among the five counties that make up the Lake Gaston area.
- Lake Clean Up – our annual Spring event that spruced up the lake and surrounding communities prior to the Summer vacation season.
- Lakeside Learning Day – we had middle school students from Gaston Middle School to visit the lake for a day of learning about Lake Gaston and a variety of curriculum-related subjects.
- Annual Community Shred Event – we provide a commercial shredder service for all to use. “Bring out your shred!”
- Lake Revegetation Project – built, repaired and restocked protective cages to help encourage the growth of native plants beneficial to the lake ecosystem.
- Lake Vegetation Survey – all 350 miles of the Lake Gaston shoreline was surveyed in support of the ongoing efforts to manage the invasive aquatic plants in the lake. Catch the details elsewhere in this issue.
- Meet The Candidate Forums were held in Brunswick and Mecklenburg Counties in Virginia prior to the local elections.
- Five County Superintendents Forum – local county school Superintendents were brought together to meet and discuss items of interest among the school systems of five counties that make up the Lake Gaston area.
- Helped get the safety buoys permanently stationed at the Eaton Ferry Bridge and are pushing to get the required navigation lighting installed to improve boating safety on the water.

All of these accomplishment are made possible by the volunteer work by you and some of your neighbors. We all thank you for the support that helps make Lake Gaston a truly wonderful place and community.

In this season of giving, please give some thought to contributing some of your time to the LGA. By giving an hour or two of your time, once a month, you can make a difference and help us keep Lake Gaston the incredible place that it is. Attend a committee meeting or talk to one of the LGA directors and find out how you can help.

This time of year often involves traveling to visit family and friends. Please be extra careful traveling during inclement weather. Make sure your car is serviced and ready for the winter season. Keep some emergency supplies in the car, a quick search online will give you lots of good ideas. I like to have a windshield ice scraper, reflective triangles/flares, jumper cables, a tow strap, an old blanket, some spare clothes (don't forget socks and gloves). You want to be able to both deal with an emergency situation and also be able to wait for help.

Take care, enjoy the season and be safe,

Don Carson

December 4, 2019 - LGA monthly meeting

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

Topic: 2019 Real Estate Activity Review / YTD Real Estate Market Update

Speaker: Barney Watson, Broker – Realtor, RE/MAX On The Lake

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.

Year End Education Committee Update

James S. Russell Middle School in Brunswick County has communicated their interest in having LGA volunteers speak on careers and life skills. By the time this bulletin is published we hope to have started the presentations. Warren County Middle School has already communicated their interest in having a Lakeside Learning Day (LLD) and have provided potential dates to hold the LLD this coming Spring. Committee members continue to communicate with other schools on our educational programs. We hope to have a productive interaction with the schools this school year.

We held our fourth annual school superintendents meeting last month with the five, local, school districts. The attendees appreciated the opportunity to meet and learn about the LGA educational programs and network with one another.

We welcome any member to share their thoughts and contribute their time and energy on a part-time basis to support the Education Committee. Being active with local students is a great way to provide an important service to our community.

Monthly Education 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. We welcome your participation at these meetings even if it is to learn more about our programs.

Contact them at Education@LakeGastonAssoc.com.

Don't let the December/January Bulletin be your last

We hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving and had time to relax with your families. Maybe you had a chance to get to the lake and kick back and get in a little fishing. Now it's the run up to Christmas and we know renewing your membership for 2020 will probably take a back seat. We can understand that. We will be sending you a reminder the beginning of January, so we will catch you then.

However, in case you want to take care of business now and don't have our renewal letter in hand, you could either mail your check to LGA, P.O. Box 656, Littleton, NC 27850 for either one of the following membership levels: General \$25, Bronze \$50, Silver \$100, or Lifetime \$250; with a note of any changes.

Or, you could go on line and pay by credit card. Click on www.lakegastonassoc.com/Membership/JoinForm.htm which will take you straight to the on-line form. After completing the required fields and indicating any changes that need to be made to your membership record, go to the bottom of the form and click on the "Make Payment and/or Submit Info" box, and that will get you on the path to pay by credit card or PayPal (if you want to pay us with money from your PayPal account).

If you want to renew your business online, follow the same steps above and select Business \$50.

Note: when renewing on-line, make sure you fill in the *required fields i.e. Application type (choose renew), Name, email address & confirm email address, or you won't be able leave that screen when you get to the bottom and click on Submit info / Make Payment.

If that happens, scroll back up and complete the *required field you missed, and then you will be able to proceed to the on-line payment choices. You don't have to fill in the other fields if your information (lake address, mailing address etc. has not changed).

As we said earlier, we will be sending out a reminder the first week of January and hopefully if you have not renewed at the time, you will be able to do so before the end of January.

Your positive impact on Lake Gaston's water quality

With cooler autumn weather and fall colors comes the chore of leaf raking and getting our lawns and landscapes ready for the winter.

Please remember that what we do here along the Lake Gaston shoreline impacts the aquatic plants, animals and our water quality.

Keeping as many leaves and yard debris out of the lake helps reduce nutrient loading, silt build-up and oxygen depletion which can lead to high levels of algae.

Your actions have an impact on the lake environment and help maintain Lake Gaston's great water quality.

2019 Fall Vegetation Survey is complete

Volunteers floated all 350 miles of Lake Gaston's shoreline in October and November conducting our annual vegetation survey. What awesome weather we had this year with minimal storm activity.

This field data on what and where vegetation is growing along Lake Gaston's shoreline is a vital component in vegetation management. Jessica Bauman, Extension Associate for Lake Gaston with NC State University's Aquatic Plant Management Program will now analyze this data along with other information, such as biomass sonar and treatment results, to assess and direct management activities of invasives such as hydrilla and Lyngbya.

Once the survey data is analyzed and compiled we will be sure that this information is shared with you.

Thanks to all the volunteers, too numerous to mention, who contributed to this effort. A special thanks to Bruce Johnson who did an awesome job of solo kayaking a great deal of the shoreline.

Virginia Citizens for Water Quality Summit

Al Potter and Jeff Zimmer attended a Water Quality meeting in October at Randolph Macon College. It was a great opportunity to network and learn about other group's efforts in monitoring water quality.

The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality shared survey data that shows there are approximately 1300 volunteers collecting water quality data providing 82,000 hours of their time for a value of over \$2 million dollars each year. This shows the importance of volunteers in monitoring water quality and the significant value they provide.

Clean water in our streams, rivers, and lakes has huge benefits to our environment and quality of life.

LGA volunteers have been collecting water samples over the last five years to determine the presence of E. coli. We plan to continue these efforts and will report results out later this year.

To learn more about this and other Lake Environment volunteer opportunities come join us for breakfast at one of our committee meetings.

Monthly Lake Environment meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month at 8:30 a.m. at the Kitchen Table Café, 4111 Gasburg Road, Gasburg, VA 23857 (across from Dollar General). Everyone is invited to participate.

Contact them at Environment@LakeGastonAssoc.com

How do we get new members

The LGA Marketing & Membership Committee continually looks for ways to increase the association's membership. No surprise however, is that much of our increase is due to word of mouth.

With our member sponsorship program, we try to reward members who sponsor new members with a \$5.00 dues reduction for both sponsor and new member. A block notice (see below) gives additional information.

Want to learn or contribute more on what we do?

We welcome you to attend a Marketing & Membership Committee meeting.

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 Dues Discount:

Sponsor a friend or neighbor and they will get a \$5.00 discount off of their 2020 membership dues and you the same during the next renewal period.

Want more information? Contact Moira Underwood, Executive Director at 252-586-6577



Lake Clean-Up Day

The Lake Clean-up Committee is reviewing Lake Clean-up Day and as of this printing do not have all the details but in the new year will let you know of our decision as to how we will go forward.

In the meantime, please remember that every day is LAKE CLEAN-UP DAY! We have been made aware that there are groups that get together and clean-up around their areas and some along the roads around the lake. We thank you and applaud you for your effort. It would be great if it could become contagious. If everyone did a little area, it would make our roads look so much better. But wouldn't it be great if those that throw trash out their car windows would refrain from littering.

If you have any questions or suggestions and want to indicate your willingness to participate, please do not hesitate to contact us at the email below or call us at (252) 586-6577 or 1-888-586-6577. We thank you for your support of the LGA and our efforts to preserve and protect Lake Gaston.

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

News from the Government Relations Committee

The LGA recently sponsored candidate forums for residents in Brunswick and Mecklenburg, Counties in VA. Local residents were given the opportunity to present questions to the candidates. Special thanks to candidates from both counties for participating in our Forums. It was great to meet them and hear their perspectives on issues. These non-partisan forums are held in connection with local primary elections in North Carolina and Virginia.

Our annual Five County Forum will be scheduled for March 2020. We bring together the County Managers and Commissioners & Supervisors from NC: Halifax, Northampton & Warren and VA: Brunswick & Mecklenburg counties, for a morning-long exchange of information. It is a good opportunity to learn about lake issues and also a chance to meet and chat with officials who run your county government. Members and the public are welcome and encouraged to attend this meeting.

Please come join us at one of our monthly meetings. We would love to hear your suggestions and perspectives as we plan our 2020 programs.

Monthly Government Relations Committee meetings are held the third Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. at Littleton Food and Spirts, 235 N. Mosby Ave., (Hwy 903), Littleton, NC 27850 Everyone is invite to participate.

Contact us at GovernmentRelations@LakeGastonAssoc.com



Candidates for Board of Supervisors answer questions at the LGA's Mecklenburg County Meet the Candidates Forum in South Hill, VA on October 10, 2019.

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.)

From the Desk of the Executive Director

As you know our annual Membership Drive starts September 1 and anybody joining from that time through the end of the year gets the rest of this year and all of next. I'm responsible for processing their entry into the LGA with their welcome letters and overseeing the administration of the entry into our membership data base.

In September we sent out a mailing to Northampton county lake property owners (not currently with the LGA) to encourage them to join. New members have been coming in from that avenue. We also have new members who have joined because they know a LGA member who sponsored their membership – both get a \$5 discount – new member joins at \$20 and the LGA member listed on the Sponsor line of the application gets \$5 when they renew their membership.

Another avenue of new members is via our local realtors who give a complimentary membership to their new lake home/lot buyer. The number of realtors in this program is growing.

At the beginning of October each year I run the renewal notices. At the end of September we had 1,997 members paid thru December 31, 2019 (1,090 of that number are covered by their HOAs, see list below) . Thank goodness for mail merge to produce the individual renewal notices that C-Line Graphics then prints & mails for us.

And then I send invoices to the treasurers of Bruns-Del Estates (Brunswick Estates, Clydes Retreat, Delbridge Estates), Eaton's Ferry Estates, Ferncliff, Hunter's Creek, Jack's Landing, Laura Woods, Long Branch Shores, Merrymount, Pasture Gate, River Forest, Roanoke Shores, Summerwood, Timber Creek, Timbuctu and West Winds Homeowner Associations for their 2020 dues.

Traditionally, the renewals slow up as our members start to focus on preparations for Thanksgiving, and then during early December renewals are coming in fast again.

Typically we have received about three quarters of the renewals by year end & reminder notices are run and mailed the first week of January. As you know, the grace period ends January 31, and only our members who have renewed for 2020 will get the February/March Bulletin and our information emails. Hence the article in this issue *"Don't let December/January Bulletin be your last."*

Each year the amount of members who renew on line via credit card on the LGA website increases – this year is no exception. When you are renewing and have no changes to report, you need only complete the required fields (indicated in red to the right of the box) i.e. application type; name, email address; confirm email; and then select payment type near the bottom of the form. The majority of those transactions are successful.

Occasionally a member may experience difficulty on the payment section. You have the choice of using your credit card or your PayPal account (if you have one). When you click on your payment choice you will be presented, for example if using a credit card, with the fields you need to complete. After you have reviewed your answers & confirmed payment, you will receive a confirmation response before you exit that your transaction was successful. You will very quickly (within minutes) receive a receipt via email confirming your successful transaction.

When the on-line payments arrive at the LGA, they come in twos – a copy of the application you completed and a copy of confirmation of payment. I print out the application and print the payment confirmation on the back & that information is used to update your membership database record for 2020.

If you experience difficulty in the payment section, please email me at info@lakegastonassoc.com and tell me about it so I can help you.

Wishing you all a very happy and safe Holiday Season!

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Wanted!

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

LGA & John 3:16 Center's 2019 Toy Drive

Thank you to all of you who have contributed toys to the John 3:16 annual Toy Drive, & those of you who have sent checks direct to John 3:16 to help with buying clothes.

We are just days away from concluding the toy drive. If you haven't yet had the chance to participate, the boxes will be collected by December 4 and will be at the LGA's monthly meeting on December 4 when we will hand over the toys to Jodie Dowhan, John 3:16 Board Chair. So that would be a great time to come with a toy and join in the excitement of helping them to give 175 children a Christmas this year.

Toy collection boxes will be available at the meeting between 9:30 a.m. and noon. The Center asks that all gifts be new and unwrapped. They do not distribute any toy weapons of any kind.

Gender-neutral gifts are always good: puzzles (under 500 pieces), books, board games, coloring books, baby's toys, etc. They have had children registered from 1 month old to 16 years old. Every child gets a book, so appropriate books for different age levels (books boys may enjoy are often hardest to find) will be appreciated. Balls, dolls (ethnically diverse), art supplies, craft/model kits, small handheld electronic games, toy cars and trucks, watches or inexpensive jewelry for older children, etc. also are typical of the types of gifts given in the past.

John 3:16 recommends that we limit the cost of any gifts to under \$15 & that most of the items listed can be found for \$10 or less.

If you would like to send a donation instead, please make checks payable to The John 3:16 Center, Memo: Christmas Toy Drive and mail to The John 3:16 Center, P.O. Box 1541, Littleton, NC 27850. These donations help with the cost of purchasing clothing for each child.

Your help in bringing a smile to a child's face Christmas morning will be sincerely appreciated. For more information, call the LGA Office at (252) 586-6577, or The John 3:16 Center at (252) 586-1800.

Location of Toy Collection boxes: Lake Area ... Lake Gaston Gazette-Observer (River Rd); Ace Hardware Store Lake Gaston (Elams Rd); Subway (across from Lake Gaston Baptist Church); ABC Store, Lizard Creek Road; RE/MAX On The Lake; Littleton W.C. "Billy" Jones Memorial Library, BB&T & Dollar General.



Wanted: Santa's Helpers

No experience necessary – on the job training!
***Positions available: Personal Shoppers, Social Butterflies
Wrappers, and Party People***



Social Butterflies

Social Butterflies would need to come to The John 3:16 Center for orientation. Interviews will begin November 5th to as late as November 20th, but will end once we have 175 children served. Volunteers would need to sign up for at least a two hour period one of these days.

Shoppers

In Store - Shopping will begin once the interviews are complete and have been vetted. Everything will need to be purchased prior to November 6th. Shoppers would assist Shannon in buying mostly clothing and shoes for specific children.

Personal Shoppers - Assist parents in choosing the presents for their children. This added step lets us get to know the families even more as a volunteer "shops" with them in our store set up in the Littleton UMC Fellowship Hall from December 12-19th. Volunteers would need to sign up for at least a two-hour period one of these days.

Wrappers

Wrappers will assist the parents in wrapping their children's gifts after their shopping appointments, December 12-19th between 9am and 5pm until all of the presents have been wrapped. All supplies including tape, paper, scissors, boxes, etc. will be provided. We will be wrapping in the Littleton UMC Fellowship Hall.

Party People

The Christmas parties will be held December 21st at 11am, 12pm, and 1pm at The Center. Volunteers would need to arrive at 10am. Of course, volunteers are welcome to help later in the day if they cannot make it at 10am. Volunteers help in many areas including serving food, as Santa's elves, helping with parking and taking gifts to the car.

Public Safety news and safety tips

Since this input is for safety awareness, there is a challenge of how to have suggestions become action. If there is no action, the article is just noise. So please, if you read something that might make your life safer, take action now, not later or tomorrow.

Before the bitter cold drops in and being in the wind off the water becomes really miserable, take the time to secure dock items and all watercraft, so that when spring comes there are not more surprises than you can handle. Winterizing personal watercraft and powered boats, while having a cost, is definitely less costly than repairs after damage from hard freezing temperatures.

Vessels need to be lifted out of the water with structure folded away or removed so that high water does not result in vessel or dock damage, and remember it never hurts to have a line tying vessels to docks even on lifts. The use of heavy duty tongue locks, or wheel boots or a removed wheel may stifle a theft of a boat or jetski stored in the driveway.

Look out for your neighbors and try to have ways to contact them if there is an issue with their property or an area power or water outage. Have a friend check on you when the weather is bad.

Make sure that items around the home do not scream out that there is no one home. Have a neighbor watch for handbills on doors, phone books in driveways, open doors, fallen trees, out of location trash receptacles, overgrown yards, or broken water lines.

Make sure that proper preparation for winter is taken to avoid severe damage to a residence. Disconnect water hoses from outdoor spigots and drain hoses. Ensure batteries are fresh in Smoke Detectors and install Carbon Monoxide Detectors if heating or cooking with gas.

Employ surveillance cameras as a neighborhood or individually for property protection. Let local Sheriff Departments know the property will be unused for a time and most will perform random checks of entryways. Don't leave valuable assets vulnerable to theft in an unoccupied residence; record serial numbers and have proper property insurance for your valuables.

Part of preparing for the colder months is thinking about the condition of wood burning stoves and their chimneys. Proper maintenance is key to avoiding chimney fires, and proper ventilation is critical to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning.

Buy the salt pellets now and store them where they will be needed when you go out for the mail or paper, or to keep from falling on your own steps. A small investment could save your life and those of your loved ones.

Have a great and safe Holiday Season. In your neighborhood be vigilant for unusual traffic and vehicles;

SEE SOMETHING – CALL LAW ENFORCEMENT. Read something helpful? Take action now!

Monthly 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

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 the LGA at info@lakegastonassoc.com or (252) 586-6577 or 1-888-586-6577 and we will report it to Dominion. Similarly, if you notice a danger or no wake buoy damaged, missing, etc. please contact us as above and we will report it to the NC Wildlife Resource Commission or VA Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.



News from the Lake Gaston Water Safety Council

It's always a pleasure to talk about the Lake Gaston Water Safety Council. Even more gratifying when folks come to our web site in need of answers. If we can't answer right away, we certainly know where to go for the answer. Please take a moment to review our mission statement and if any questions, you can email me at president@lakegastonwatersafetycouncil.com.

- Promote safety in all water related programs and activities.
- Promote a common meeting ground and forum for its members.
- Coordinate public information/activities on water safety.
- Provide demonstrations for civic and business meetings to promote recreational safety programs.
- Distribute water safety information through all appropriate news media, road and waterside posters.
- Provide free recreational safety kits to the public.
- Maintain liaison with other water and safety related organizations.

We are always looking for members and financial support to pay for our many programs as noted above. Annual dues are just \$10 and as a 501 (c) 3, any donations are tax deductible. Please visit us at www.LakeGastonWaterSafetyCouncil.com or on Facebook.

Brian Goldsworthy, President
Lake Gaston Water Safety Council

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:



Bracey, 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

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



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>

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.

Approved LGA 2020 Budget

Income

Inrereest Earned on CDs	1,200
2019 Carry Forward	1,200
2020 Dues	14,000
Transfer from Prepaid 2020 Dues	28,000
Total 2020 Income	44,400

Expenses

Administration

Annual Meeting	200
Chambers of Commerce	150
Directors' Retreat	0
Nominating Activity	0
President	200
Venues	825
Vice President	50
Website Maintenance	1,000
Total Administration	2,425

Education

Initiatives	
Lake Learning Events	1,000
Outdoor Presentation Supplies	
Total Education	1,000

Environmental

LEMs Training and Gear	100
Travel and Forums	150
Weeds Symposia & Forums	0
Revegetation Support	200
Water Testing Kits	650
Total Lake Environment	1,100

Executive Director	16,000
Bulletins	6,650
Database Maintenance	1,500
Office Space Rent	1,500
Office Supplies	700
Postage	300
Communications	2,900
Total	29,550

Government Relations

5 County Forum	700
Political Forums	300
Tax Assessor Forums	
Total Government Relations	1,000

Lake Clean-Up

Acknowledgements	0
Publicity	500
Food and Beverages	150
Total Lake Clean-Up	650

Marketing and Membership

Advertising	2,800
New Member Drive	1,785
Membership Certificates	0
Renewals	600
Billboards (was signs)	1,980
Yard Signs	
Total M&M	7,165

Safety

First Responder Recognition Activity	100
VA and NC Safe Boating Alliances	0
Neighborhood Watch Materials	0
Fire Safety Awareness	100
Emergency Preparedness	0
Boating Safety	0
Community Shred Event	780
Total Safety Committee	980

Treasurer

Bank Charges and Fees	25
IRS Form 990 and 1099 Prep	485
Postage	20
Software	0
Total Treasurer	530

Total Expenses	44,400
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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.

LGA Monthly Committee Meetings:

Committee	Meeting Day	Time	Location
Public Safety	2 nd Friday	8:30 am	Littleton Food & Spirits **
Government Relations	3 rd Tuesday	9:30 am	Littleton Food & Spirits **
Education	3 rd Tuesday	8:30 am	Littleton Food & Spirits **
Environment	3 rd Wednesday	8:30 am	Kitchen Table Cafe *
Marketing & Membership	3 rd Thursday	8:30 am	Littleton Food & Spirits **
Lake Clean-Up	Last Wednesday	10:30 am	Littleton Food & Spirits **

* Kitchen Table Cafe is located at 4111 Gasburg Road in Gasburg, VA 23857 across from the Dollar General Store.

**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 that committee the chair will inform you via email of its cancellation and it will be reflected on the LGA's calendar on our website at <http://www.lakegastonassoc.com/Organization/Calendar.htm>

A great link for your favorites list.

Calendar notes ...

Dec 4 – LGA monthly meeting 9:30 – noon, Lake Gaston Baptist Church (252) 586-6577

Dec 4 – Shriners Seafood Festival, 5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m., South Hill, VA (434) 247-1297

Dec 6,7,13,14,15* - “Christmas Belles,” 7:30 p.m. & *2:30, Lakeland Theatre, Littleton (252) 586-3124 ext. 3

Dec 6,7,13,14,15* – “A Charlie Brown Christmas” 7:30 p.m., *2:30 p.m. Colonial Center, South Hill (434) 262-4170

Dec 7 – Littleton Christmas Parade, 11 a.m. (line-up 10 a.m.) Downtown Littleton (252) 586-6169

Dec 7 – Holiday Home Tour, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Lake Gaston (252) 5535-5394 or (434) 577-2660

Dec 7 – Quill Theatre Infamy: Pearl Harbor, 7 p.m., Brunswick High, Lawrenceville, VA (434) 577-2833

Dec 8 - Roanoke Rapids Christmas Parade, 2 p.m., Roanoke Ave, Roanoke Rapids (252) 533-2847

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Dec 10 - Lake Gaston Computer Club, 1 p.m., Lake Gaston Lions Den, Henrico (252) 537-7091

Dec 12 – “Embers Christmas Show,” 7 p.m., Roanoke Rapids Theatre (844) 778-5483

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Dec 21 – “Mark E. Taylor Singers Concert,” 7:30 p.m. Lakeland Theater Company, Littleton (252) 586-3124

Jan 1 – Good Luck! New Year’s Day Black-eyed Peas & Hog Jowls Brunch, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Littleton Lions Den (252) 586-5959

Jan 1 – NO LGA monthly meeting 9:30 – noon, Lake Gaston Baptist Church (252) 586-6577

Jan 10 – Harbor Strings Quartet, 7 p.m., Brunswick High, Lawrenceville, VA (434) 577-2833

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