

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWS JUNE 2023

Lake Celebration is a Huge Success

Over 100 homeowners and family members registered for the Staghorn Lake Celebration on June 3, 2023. About 11:30 AM the place seemed empty. I was concerned. All of a sudden at about 12:15 PM there was this huge rush of people coming through the Staghorn Trail Extension Gate. There were parents and children of all ages. Many headed right for the food line and then flopped down outside on picnic tables. Others headed for the Bouncy House.



Baileigh, Hallie, and Baxter Barnes enjoying Celebration Cake,

Pam McGee's granddaughter Lillie couldn't wait to get inside the Bouncy House.



Everyone was treated to a meal prepared and served by **Cheryl Martin, Nancy Will, Vicki Long and Karen Hutchinson**. It included hamburgers, hot dogs, coleslaw, a special noodle casserole, mac and cheese, potato salad and baked beans. Drinks included ice tea and water.

Wanda King donated 10 lbs. of potato salad. Nancy Will provided a crock pot full of baked beans. Carla Fowler donated the mac and cheese. Vicki Long donated the coleslaw.

A large truck size grill was provided by **Mark Harrell**, courtesy of his son. Mark and **Bob Hutchinson** flipped the hamburgers and hot dogs to the delight of everyone.

It was great being able to listen to the music of DJ, **Adam Searan.** Everyone enjoyed it.

Plaque Presentation

While our homeowner families enjoyed lunch, Vicki Long and I presented a plaque with the names of those who contributed money to pay the Griffin Bros. for repairing the Staghorn Dam spillway. The plaque is a reminder of our ability as a community to get something big accomplished in a short amount of time. The plaque is now hanging in the Recreation Center.

I also thanked the Friends of Staghorn Lake Committee who worked so diligently to make this celebration possible. They are **Vicki Long, Cheryl Martin, Pam McGee and Jenn Webb.** The short presentation was followed by everyone having a piece of our Celebration Cake.

Anyone for Pickleball

At 1:30 PM many residents gathered around the basketball courts which were conveniently converted to three pickleball courts. As planned, we had an actual pickleball demonstration followed by time to learn how to play the game.



Here are two of the pickleball experts that demonstrated how to play the game. They are Bill Ayers and Daniel Nash.

Fun at Staghorn Lake

Many residents decided to have fun at the beach and brought their beach chairs or lounged around under our three pavilions. Of special interest was kayaking. **Beth Moorman** and **Rick McRee** were at the center of this. We had lots of young kayakers flapping their paddles with delight, as seen below.



There was also the opportunity to enjoy riding in a paddleboat.



For those not swimming, sunbathing, kayaking or paddle boating there was the chance to play corn hole. Three game boards were set up for everyone's enjoyment.

I had some residents ask me why we didn't do this more often. With your financial support, maybe we can do something like this event every year.

Craig Gieler - President SPEHOA