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If your Lake Panorama home is your permanent residence, you received a copy of our newest publication, *Panora Times*, in your mailbox a few weeks ago. This new free monthly publication is mailed to all residential and business addresses in the Panorama School District, which includes Panora, Linden, Yale, Jamaica and Bagley. As such, some of you are receiving *Panora Times* and *Lake Panorama Times* in the mail, and you will continue to. All of you can access either for free online at www.panoratimes.com or www.lakepanoramatimes.com. You can even sign up for a free email notification when new issues come out at www.lakepanoramatimes.com.

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Some of you have lawns that look like golf courses. Others of you have lawns that look like wild prairie. I am in the second group with a desire to be in the first. A new septic system two years ago forced my lawn to the “do-over” stage. A new irrigation system last year had it looking quite good. A broken irrigation system and only one round of fertilizer this year has my lawn a bit weedy right now. The good news is that the sprinklers are working again, and Mother Nature’s tears have done wonders on the lawn.

Those from other countries often ask



Shane Goodman

why we Americans care so much about our lawns. I have a successful friend who mows his own lawn with incredible detail, so much so that his neighbors mock him for it. He once told me that he believes if you are going to do something, you should do it to the best of your ability. That’s how he handles most everything in his life, including his lawn care. It’s difficult to argue with that.

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I noticed the leaves on my oak tree were turning brown. Maybe you have, too. This seemed odd to me for the middle of summer, so I did a little research and learned that extreme heat and air pollution can cause oak tree leaves to change colors. Maybe that explains my graying hair, too? Maybe not.

Yes, I do actually have a few more boating jokes, although my list is running short.

MORE LAKE HUMOR

If you have a favorite or two, send them my way. In the meantime, here are a few chuckles:

When the bottom of the boat was punctured, it had one hull of a problem.

Did you hear what happened when a boat carrying blue paint collided with a boat carrying red paint? The crew is missing and believed to be marooned.

A first-time boating passenger said to the boat driver, “Do boats like this sink very often?” The driver replied, “Not too often. Usually, it’s only once.”

Have a great August, and thanks for reading. ■

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JOHN BUILDS A BOAT

Project started with three pieces of mahogany plywood and one 3-inch by 8-inch by 16-foot plank of solid mahogany.

BY SUSAN THOMPSON
Lake Panorama Times

John and Jennifer Dilley are no strangers to boats. They bought a lot at Lake Panorama in 1984 and built a house in 1989. Over the years, they've owned various boats and enjoyed spending time on the water relaxing, fishing and sharing their love of the lake with family and friends.

A small workshop adjacent to their home has been the site for most of John's woodworking projects. This past February, he took on a bigger project — building a wooden boat.

"When our two grandkids, with our son, Joe, and daughter-in-law, Carrie, moved from southern California to San Antonio in August 2022, we were excited," Jennifer says. "We took a scouting trip to southern Texas. As water lovers, we ended up heading east to the Gulf Coast and

purchasing a little sliver of sand on Mustang Island, which would provide a getaway for the family to enjoy throughout the year."

One day, John read an article in the Port Aransas newspaper about a boat works factory that was no longer in operation.

"Farley Boat Works was established in 1915 and built boats primarily for tarpon fishing, for which that area of the Gulf Coast was world-renowned," John says. "After it went out of business in 1973, the Preservation and Historical Association eventually purchased the Boat Works operation. By 2011, it was resurrected as a living and working museum where locals could tour, watch others build a boat, or even build a Farley for themselves.

"After a visit there, and knowing I'd miss my own woodworking shop over the winter, I decided to build a boat," John says. "This project started with three pieces of mahogany plywood and one 3-inch



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John Dilley is shown at Farley Boat Works in Port Aransas, Texas, wiping adhesive from the wood after vices were in place to mold the wood into a boat.

by 8-inch by 16-foot plank of solid mahogany. The wood is harvested in Africa, sent to France to be made into plywood, and then to Houston for distribution to Port Aransas."

John is a clinical psychologist who does teletherapy with his patients three days a week. That left Mondays and Fridays to work on his boat. A few men from his Texas coffee group sometimes showed up to help with the build, as did other volunteers. John had everyone who helped him sign their names on a board, which he later incorporated into the boat.

He started the project Feb. 13, and it was far enough along to transport back to Iowa April 1, where he finished the detailing in his garage. A used kayak trailer was purchased to bring the boat home to Lake Panorama.

"It was a long, slow 1,200-mile trek, all on back roads because we had to stay under 50 mph so the bearings on the small trailer didn't overheat," Jennifer says.

On July 8, the couple hosted a boat christening party with about 50 guests. John and Jennifer took turns explaining how the boat project evolved. The guests then were treated to a musical slideshow of the build, produced by their filmmaker



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Jack and Ashton, who live in San Antonio with their parents, Joe and Carrie Dilley, visited their grandparents more than once during the boat-building process. Here they are standing next to their respective seats in Papa's soon-to-be boat.



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son, Jake Dilley.

Also present at the gathering were three other psychologists and their wives who have been visiting the Dilley home for a retreat weekend every July since 2002. These visitors from Ohio, Kentucky and Illinois shared information on the tradition of boat christening, offered a blessing of the boat once the tarp cover was removed, and poured champagne for a final toast.

Jennifer said John's original plan was to

name his boat Jenny.

"I thanked him for the sweet thought, then offered another option. I suggested he might name the boat Farley, or better yet, My Farley, since he created her from scratch. He settled on My Farley," she says.

After the boat was unveiled, blessed and christened, attendees lifted glasses of champagne to John Dilley's toast — "To fish, to fun, to family, to friends, to joy on the water that never ends."



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John Dilley offered a champagne toast — "To fish, to fun, to family, to friends, to joy on the water that never ends."

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John Dilley, seated in the boat he built, takes off on Lake Panorama for its maiden voyage.

Because Lake Panorama generally is choppy on Saturday evenings, My Farley wasn't launched during the party. Instead, the Dilleys and their out-of-state guests launched it the next morning onto quiet Sunday-morning waters.

John plans to use the boat on calm-water days at Lake Panorama. It has a small

trolling motor so he can putter around, do some fishing, and take his two grandchildren on rides when they visit.

And whenever hanging out on Mustang Island, John will volunteer at the Farley Boat Works, sharpening his skills by helping others make their own dream of building a boat come true. ■



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John Dilley with the wooden boat he built in Texas, now on a lift at the Dilleys' Lake Panorama home.



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RUTLEDGE PROVIDES ASSOCIATION UPDATES AT JULY 7 GM COFFEE

BY SUSAN THOMPSON

Lake Panorama Times

About 50 LPA members attended the July 7 GM Coffee to hear updates from John Rutledge, Lake Panorama Association (LPA) general manager. Rutledge started with a report on the Lake Panorama National Resort. Nick and Lynn Kuhn continue to manage food and beverage at LPN and Spikes under the name The Links Lounge + Events.

"The Kuhns have a one-year lease, which we'll be reviewing with them this fall," Rutledge said. "We get questions from time to time about why the Kuhns are doing something a certain way. They have a great deal of latitude in the lease regarding menu, ordering, billing. We know change is difficult, but one thing we hear consistently is that the food is good, and I encourage everyone to give them a chance."

Rutledge said initially there was talk about a one-dollar lease.

"I can assure the membership the lease is more than one dollar, and both the Kuhns and LPA are working toward a win-win arrangement. We do value hearing your comments or concerns, and I strongly encourage you to email feedback@lakepanorama.org to share those with us," he said.

White clover has popped up at the Panorama West golf course.

"We sprayed in the fall of 2021 but lost track of this in 2022, and spraying didn't get done. It will happen this fall, and an annual plan to spray for clover in

the fall will be implemented," Rutledge said. "We know from experience, spraying midsummer would create a lot of dead spots on the course, so we appreciate your patience."

The Lake Panorama National 18-hole course is getting some new turf equipment.

"I am pleased to report the course is in good shape, plus we are making sure our equipment is being replaced on scheduled intervals rather than waiting until something has broken down beyond repair," Rutledge said. "Supply chain delays have caused all of our LPA and LPN departments to be more proactive with regard to equipment."

Turning to the Lake Panorama Rural Improvement Zone (RIZ), the 2023-24 RIZ fiscal year began July 1. Projected tax increment financing revenues for this fiscal year are \$2.94 million.

Rutledge said the south shore rip rap project is complete with the final cost around \$850,000. RIZ funded this, with legal agreements in place with the LPA that the area would be maintained as a green space and not a developed area.

Rutledge said two privately funded projects followed the RIZ work. First, Fin and Feather invested \$20,000 in rock piles along the shoreline for fish structure.

"This will help fish spawning and will be a good place for fishing," Rutledge said. "This also should alleviate some pressure from the marina, which has been a challenging issue. I've received some questions about whether

these represent a safety concern. The short answer is these rock piles are very close to shore. Boaters should not be traveling that close to shore or skiing, wakeboarding or surfing that close to shore."

The second privately funded project is being led by Friends of Lake Panorama.

"They are working to finalize their vision for low impact recreational amenities on the south shore," Rutledge said. "The rip rap project required trails be cut for machine and equipment access, and Friends wants to make use of that. Work is underway on plans for walking trails and signage, and hopefully this work can be completed this summer."

Expansion of the old CIPCO basin, which has been renamed the 180th Trail Basin, continues. Spring Lake Construction was awarded a \$3.2 million contract in August 2021, and RIZ expects the project to exceed \$4 million in total cost once completed. Rutledge said the project is progressing but is somewhat slower than originally expected.

"All parties are working together cooperatively on the adjusted timeline," he said.

Rutledge said the three wetlands that help protect water quality in Lake Panorama are adjusted as needed to ensure good vegetation growth, while also retaining enough water to catch sediment



John Rutledge

from rain flows.

"These sites are good for reducing nitrogen but also have a positive impact on sediment and phosphorous, which fuels the blue green algae blooms," he said.

RIZ operated a pilot program for cover crop incentives in 2022, working with two neighboring landowners in the Lake Panorama watershed.

"We plan to expand this effort with other local producers this fall," Rutledge said. "This is a good program for them and for us. Cover crops help reduce soil and nutrient runoff between fall harvest and spring planting."

Dredging is ongoing this summer above the debris trap. After Labor Day, the dredge will return below the debris trap and work in the upper basin and narrows.

"I know there are some small cove questions out there, but we do not have any plans to go into small coves this fall," Rutledge said. "We most likely are looking at least another year but will be working with the RIZ board to map that out this fall."

Rutledge said RIZ continues to work on mid-term and long-term plans.

"Replacement of the dredge soon will be a topic for the budget. Although the physical equipment itself has a long lifespan, the technology does not," he said. "The lifespan of all vehicles and equipment are starting to be reflective of both the hardware and the software, where in the past we were mostly concerned about the hardware."

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Water quality is an issue of interest for both LPA and RIZ.

"We continue to be in a drought cycle, which causes very low flows in the Middle Raccoon River," Rutledge said. "The recent rains have helped some, but members need to watch for boating hazards. Buoys don't mark an exact area but rather a general area of caution."

Sticking with the water quality theme, Rutledge said blue green algae is beginning to show up in Lake Panorama. The LPA began testing in areas of concern the second week in July and sends results via email.

"Blue green algae correspond with low flows and clear water in the spring. There's very little we can do with flows that are this low. The water is simply stagnant," he said.

The LPA water safety committee will meet sometime this fall. Buoy placement and wake boats are expected to be on the agenda. Members with issues they would like to see discussed can email LPA@lakepanorama.org.

Rutledge said invasive species continues to be an educational priority for LPA.

"Remember to adhere to our rules if you take your boat to another body of water or purchase used lifts or docks that were on another body of water," he said. "We've made our rules extremely user friendly so members can comply without a great deal of inconvenience."

Rutledge shared a reminder about LPA's rules regarding home rentals.

"Members are able to rent their home once every four weeks. This can be for the entire four-week period or just a couple of days," he said. "The rules try to balance what is best for the neighborhood with the desire of members to rent their home for some occasional income."

The annual deer hunting program will remain the same as the past several years.

"It works well to manage the herd population," Rutledge said. "We are not trying to eliminate deer but instead to prevent overpopulation, disease and the negative impact an overpopulated herd would have on LPA and member properties."

Rutledge addressed concerns from some that Coulter Marine was rationing gas the evening of Sunday, July 2, and the morning of Monday, July 3. During this time, boats were limited to 20 gallons of gas and jet skis to five gallons.

"The marina sold 17,000 gallons of gas between July 1 and July 4. Some ra-

tioning was required, as we only have 12,000 gallons of storage and a transport was required on Monday morning," Rutledge said. "We can't justify adding gas storage for one weekend a year. Thanks to our members for their patience."

LPA Security used to tow disabled boats, when possible. Now, because of workman's comp and liability issues, a new policy is in place that officers will not tow boats unless there is an immediate health emergency or a life-or-death situation. Rutledge said members who need a boat towed should call Coulter Marine. Their rates are Main Basin to Shady Beach, \$100; Shady Beach to Burchfield Cove, \$150; and Burchfield Cove to North Basin, \$200.

Rutledge said LPA is working on strategic planning this summer to help the association navigate a number of issues, such as the rapidly growing level of investment at LPA, staffing retention and succession, and budgeting for the next 20 years.

"I will have more to share as this unfolds," he said. "Please know we take this responsibility very seriously and are focused on the long-term viability of Lake Panorama rather than just looking at the next six to 18 months."

OTHER TOPICS COVERED:

- Sta-Bilt has completed 3.6 miles of seal coated roads on the west side. LPA staff now will prep 3.5 miles of roads on the east side for seal coat application later this summer.
- LPA is replacing a water main on Chimra. This is a planned project with work done as staff schedules allow. Restoration work will be done in the spring.
- The old railroad ties wall at Sunset Beach has been replaced with a poured concrete wall.
- The new bathrooms at Sunset and Shady beaches continue to receive compliments.
- Thanks to Friends of Lake Panorama for recreational enhancements at all three beaches and to the Panora Garden Club for landscaping and flowers.
- Guthrie County Public Health inspects septic systems at Lake Panorama every four years. In the past, an \$80 invoice was sent to property owners the year of inspection. Now \$20 invoices will be sent annually, with inspections continuing every four years.
- The next GM Coffee is scheduled for Friday, Sept. 1, 10:30 a.m. at the Lake Panorama National Resort events center. ■



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“Haunted Mansion”

BY MICHAEL C. WOODY
Lake Panorama Times

Between moving homes in Des Moines, a trip to the All-Star game in Seattle, and a shrinking number of movie releases (more on that later), my list of reviews are shorter this month. Even so, it has been quite a month.

“BARBIE”
(in theaters for a long time)
Granted, the buzz was great, but I don’t think anyone expected the box office business that “Barbie” is doing. It is literally breaking records every weekend and generating Oscar buzz. So is it worth it? Yes and no. It is a very clever and creative film and a little more edgy than most anyone would have expected. Everyone involved — from the writing, acting, directing, etc. — is top-notch. Margot Robbie cements her reputation for helping

to shepherd great projects to the screen, and director Greta Gerwig does an absolutely excellent job. It has a message to deliver, and it does it amazingly well. Grade: B+

“OPPENHEIMER”
(in theaters and IMAX)
Many theaters aired this and the “Barbie” movies back to back on opening weekend, calling it “Barbenheimer.” What started out as a joke helped to deliver huge box office success. Six-plus hours in a movie theater would threaten not only my bladder but my ability to stay awake.
I also really wanted to see this in the IMAX theater in Waukee. Visionary director Christopher Nolan has shot several movies (or pieces of those movies) with IMAX cameras, so you see a truly state-of-the-art version of the director’s vision. With a cast that will amaze you

and many performances worthy of Oscar nominations, “Oppenheimer” is the best movie I’ve seen in at least five years. The story of this legendary scientist who helped create the atomic bomb that was dropped on Japan to end World War II is so much more layered than I expected. He was brilliant but had his issues, too, and Nolan shows him — warts and all. I can’t imagine another film winning the Best Movie Oscar or the Best Actor award going to anyone other than Cillian Murphy as Oppenheimer. I can’t wait to see it again. Grade: A+

“HAUNTED MANSION”
(in theaters)
A B-level cast in a movie based on a sequel to a Disney theme park ride doesn’t sound like a good idea to me, and I was clearly not alone after seeing the opening weekend box office totals. If I laughed once, I can’t remember it. Eddie Murphy

flubbed the first movie, and this one isn’t even that good. I loved the theme park ride but not the two movies trying to milk the franchise.
Grade: C

The writer’s strike has already taken its toll on a handful of release dates, so, going into each month, things are amazingly in flux. Stay tuned. Until then, pass the popcorn. ■

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TASTE OF HOPE DRAWS NEARLY 400 PEOPLE TO BOULDER BEACH

Event offered family-friendly activities and games for all ages including face painting, giant bubble wands and several outdoor games.

BY SUSAN THOMPSON

Lake Panorama Times

A special event celebrating the two-year anniversary of the Lutheran Church of Hope Local Panora church drew up to 400 people to Boulder Beach July 2.

"Taste of Hope was an awesome day and a tremendous success," says Galen Redshaw, who came up with the idea for the free Taste of Hope event. "I'm humbled by the response, and it went incredibly smoothly. God's presence was evident throughout the day and especially during the worship service. The backdrop of the lake during worship was incredible."

The event offered family-friendly activities and games for all ages from 3-5 p.m., which included face painting, giant bubble wands and several outdoor games. A worship service was 5-6 p.m. with an estimated 300 people in attendance. Sandwiches, chips, cookies and bottled water were served at 6 p.m. A free concert by Retro-Gold wrapped up the event.

Emily and Billy Donovan, who have lived at Lake Panorama for 16 years, first had the idea to pursue a Lutheran Church of Hope Local Panora site. The local Panora site streams the 9:30 a.m. service from Hope Lutheran Church in West Des Moines live each Sunday at The Port. The Donovans are the local site leaders, and Emily was the games and activities coordinator for Taste of Hope.

"There were many hours that went into planning so the day of the event we could just get out of God's way," Emily Donovan says. "Our goal was to make sure everyone who came to Taste of Hope felt seen, known and loved. I couldn't have asked for a better day. The weather was perfect, the volunteers were joy-filled, the worship service was uplifting, and the kids went through nine gallons of giant bubble mix. What else could we ask for?"

Besides Donovan and Redshaw, members of the Taste of Hope planning team were Allison Stanley, Gary Geels, Laura Tofteland and Anna Roeth. ■



An estimated 300 people attended the hour-long worship service at Taste of Hope on July 2 at Boulder Beach.



Natalie Donovan offered creative face painting for young guests at the Taste of Hope July 2 at Boulder Beach.



Volunteers poised to serve a free meal to those attending Taste of Hope are, left to right, Rhoda Williams, Brenda Heuton, Monica Ponstein and Steve Heuton.



Mark Brandt, Hope Lutheran Church outreach leader, led the worship service at Taste of Hope July 2 at Boulder Beach.



Carol and Galen Redshaw pose in the photo booth at the Taste of Hope July 2 event at Boulder Beach.



Kids attending the July 2 Taste of Hope event went through nine gallons of giant bubble mix.

Lake Panorama ASK TIMES

Submit your questions at
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Q: WHY DOESN'T THE PANORAMA WEST PAR 3 CLUBHOUSE SELL BEER?

A: According to Royce Shaffer, operations manager at Lake Panorama National Resort, beer and alcohol sales have never been pursued as part of the Panorama West Golf Course business model. "The course has a long history of promoting family play, with the par-3 format providing an opportunity for young golfers to learn the game," said Shaffer. "In addition to honoring this tradition, we can report that our customers have not expressed a measurable demand for beer and alcohol sales at the Panorama West Golf Course."

Q: I SEE THE NOTICES ON THE BLUE-GREEN ALGAE MICROCYSTIN LEVELS, YET I STILL SEE PEOPLE IN THE WATER WHEN THE LEVELS ARE ABOVE THE THRESHOLD OF 8.0 MICROGRAMS/LITER. IS THIS SAFE?

A: According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), although

there are relatively few documented cases of severe human health effects, exposure to cyanobacteria or their toxins may produce allergic reactions such as skin rashes, eye irritations, respiratory symptoms and, in some cases, gastroenteritis, liver and kidney failure or death. The EPA says the most likely pathway to exposure for humans is through accidental ingestion or inhalation during recreational activities in affected water. While many varieties of cyanotoxins exist, the one believed to be the most widespread of these toxins is microcystin. Microcystin is a potent liver toxin and possible human carcinogen. Cyanotoxins can also kill livestock and pets that drink affected waters. Fish and bird mortalities have also been reported in water bodies with persistent cyanobacteria blooms.

Q: HOW MANY PROPERTIES ARE ON LAKE PANORAMA, AND HOW MANY LOTS HAVE RESIDENCES ON THEM?

A: According to the LPA website, there are approximately 1,750 member/property owners, and there are more than 1,100 residences. ■

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**BY SUSAN THOMPSON
AND RICH WICKS**

Lake Panorama Times

Iowa Trenchless is a full-service boring and tunneling company that has been located on the southeast edge of Panora since 2004. From their first job in 2002, owners Jason and Shari Clark have grown the company into a respected nationwide leader in the boring and tunneling industry.

They met at Iowa State University with him majoring in business and her in forestry. Shari grew up in Rochester, Minnesota. Jason grew up in small towns in central Iowa, from Earlham to Creston to Adel.

His grandparents, Don and Mickie Stephen, owned a home in Hughes Cove beginning in 1981 and operated Stephens Cleaners, a dry cleaning business in Adel, for many years.

"I spent a lot of time at Lake Panorama," Clark says. "I loved to fish, and I learned how to water ski there."

Clark got his start in the industry as an 18-year-old student at Iowa State. A company named Westcon Microtunneling was doing a sewer project in Ames, and he got a job working as a laborer on the project. The next summer, he worked for the same company in Chicago, doing 48-inch diameter bores.

"I decided then I wanted to be a tunneling contractor when I grew up," Clark says. "I spent the rest of my college summers working in this industry."

After graduating from Iowa State in 1999, Jason took a job with Midwest Mole in Indianapolis. He and Shari married in 2000. Jason's trenchless career took him all over the country, and the couple moved several times.

"We were living in Wisconsin and decided we wanted to move back to Iowa," Clark says. "In 2002, I quit my job, we rented a house north of Ames and started Iowa Trenchless. We bought just enough equipment to complete the first contract. We had to park the equipment at a family



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This Iowa Trenchless crew worked on the Lower Connor Creek Interceptor project near Kansas City, Kansas. It was a joint project with Midwest Mole, where 17,500 linear feet of casing and concrete sewer pipe was installed. The project was awarded the 2021 Top Job for Trenchless Technology award by the National Utility Contractors Association.

friend's construction yard outside of Earlham.

"In the company's early years, it was just me and a couple of guys on the road running projects, while Shari managed the office, accounting and contracting paperwork," Clark says. "This was more than 20 years ago, in a time where no one emailed job proposals and bids. Everything was done by fax. Shari has been there every step of the way, sending bills, collecting bills, booking hotel rooms for out-of-town

jobs."

As Iowa Trenchless grew, the Clarks started looking for a home base somewhere in west-central Iowa.

"We were looking for a landing spot," Clark says. "My sister was in Waukee, my parents in Adel, my grandparents at Lake Panorama, our equipment was in a friend's pasture in Earlham. We settled on a house in Panora."

In 2004, Iowa Trenchless became the first business in the Panora Fiber business

park on the southeast side of Panora. The Clarks now live next to their business and have continued to grow, purchasing additional land and buildings when Brokers International closed.

"We're constantly expanding," Clark says. "After outgrowing our first office, we built our second office with 2,000 square feet of space on each of two floors, and that has already been added onto once. We're just about out of room and need to add on again. We also just finished building out



RICH WICKS | FOR LAKE PANORAMA TIMES

Jason and Shari Clark, owners of Iowa Trenchless in Panora, are shown with an American Augers boring machine.

our third shop.”

Besides the buildings, the Iowa Trenchless property includes an impressive array of equipment used for tunneling and excavating.

“We have a lot of equipment,” Clark says. “We have nearly every size of tunneling machine Akkerman Manufacturing makes. We’ve got rock machines. We probably have 15 excavators, and 20 semi-trucks. We take pride in using the newest technology and equipment to get the job done right the first time.

“But we’re more about people. Anybody can buy equipment. I’d put one of my crews with a 1992 boring machine up against some other guy’s crew with a 2022 boring machine anytime,” he says. “We have a lot of good people at Iowa Trenchless, more than 40 employees. We consistently run five crews that work on the various jobs we get, plus eight people in the office, and numerous others in our shop who handle equipment preparation and maintenance.”

Jason oversees the operation, and Shari manages the office.

“I get out on some of the jobs, mostly when there are problems,” Clark says. “I also get out sometimes in advance of big jobs.”

“In the early days of the trenchless industry, it was mostly installing utility pipes underground without having to dig a trench,” Clark says. “Now there is a lot more to the underground industry. We can do any size of pipe from 2 feet to 20 feet in diameter.”

The company offers underground utility installation services nationwide that include guided auger boring, rock boring, pilot tube boring, microtunneling, pipe ramming, pipe jacking, pipe bursting, railroad crossing and bore bit design. Some of the more visible projects done by Iowa Trenchless include railroad culverts and bike trail or pedestrian tunnels.

Clark says there are about 100 companies in the United States that do the same work as Iowa Trenchless. He’s constantly bidding on jobs anywhere in the country, and sending crews to work on jobs that can last two to three days, two to three months, or even a year. Iowa Trenchless operates year-round, seeing only a slight slowdown in winter due to weather conditions. When things do slow down, crews spend more time in southern states.

Family is important to the Clarks. Their two children, Ashley and Wyatt, both are students at Iowa State University’s College of Business. Ashley is in a pre-law program, while Wyatt has a double major and works summers for Iowa Trenchless.

The Clarks also consider their employees family.

“We want the guys and gals who work here to be paid well, to have a full benefit package and to work with good equipment,” Clark says. “I like the fact so many of our guys grew up in this area and have been able to stay here with their wives and kids. We’ve also brought quite a few people here from other places, even other states. They like it here and like raising their kids in a small town.”

Welcome to the Team

Guthrie County State Bank’s New Hire

Welcome to our newest team member — Adrienne Powell!

Adrienne joined the Guthrie County State Bank team on June 20th as a Universal Banker 1 in the Panora location. She brings expertise to GCSB with customer service and sales experience. As a previous postal sales employee at the Bayard post office, she handled cash and card transactions along with in-person and telephone interactions.



Adrienne Powell
Universal Banker 1,
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Adrienne has been a long-time resident of Panora and still resides in Guthrie County! In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her two dogs, Axel and Zeus — and she loves thrifting and canvas painting.

Adrienne says, “I’m excited to start my journey with Guthrie County State Bank and being a part of such a wonderful community!”

Please join us in welcoming Adrienne to the GCSB team.

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Reshape Fitness Studio continues to help teach kids basic running techniques while having fun doing team building activities, helping keep motivated, confidence building, and more. The kids experienced conditioning games and running dynamics that helped them reach an end of summer goal of completing the Panorama Days 5k (3.1 mi) which was also sponsored by Reshape Fitness Studio. There was so much growth mentally and physically with all the kids. A huge thank you to our intern, Spencer Hunt, for his drive, big heart and dedication to these kids since June.

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This photo taken in 2022 from a drone shows an Iowa Trenchless job site on the Close's Creek Interceptor project in Des Moines. Two cranes were required to pick up the company's Akkerman tunneling machine from a semi-trailer, then set the machine in place to install a 72-inch storm sewer under Beaver Avenue in the Beaverdale area.

"We take pride in getting things done when other contractors may not. We've finished lots of jobs other contractors were supposed to do, but no one ever had to finish one of ours. The most important thing for me is our people," Clark says. "At the end of the day, that's where the credit needs to go. We want our employees to be as proud of Iowa Trenchless as we are."

Clark also gives credit to his parents, Randy and Linda, who he says taught him to work hard and who invested in the business to help get it started. Randy passed away in 2010, and Jason honored him in a eulogy.

"Who would sign everything over to a kid who just turned 26, so we could get a loan to get into the boring and tunneling busi-

ness?" Clark asks. "There was a lot of risk involved, and, yet, they believed in Shari and me. Since then, we've been able to buy out a lot of other businesses."

Iowa Trenchless supports the local community in every way they can. Clark said he deals with local companies as much as possible for the goods and services to keep his business running. He also coaches football and supports local sports and activities.

The Clarks say they have no plans to leave Panora.

"This community is a good one," Clark says. "We like being in a small town where people support each other. That's what I grew up in, small towns. Things are going well. We continue to have growth, and we like what we're doing." ■

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LPN WOMEN'S LEAGUE RAISES \$6,600 FOR TORI'S ANGELS

BY SUSAN THOMPSON

Lake Panorama Times

For the sixth year in a row, the Lake Panorama National women's league rallied in support of the Tori's Angels Foundation. The fundraising event was July 20, in place of league play, with \$6,600 raised.

Fifteen teams competed in a four-person best-shot tournament. "That's Amore" and a trip across Italy was the



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Three husbands of committee members helped golf teams on the fourth hole determine where they would tee off by choosing a cardboard pizza slice with a number on the back. There were six possible tee positions, with one just off the fringe of the green. Dressed as Italian chefs were Steve Ortner, Doug Eckley and Dave Clawson.



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A check for \$2,000 was presented to Tori's Angels from the LPN women's league. Shown participating in the check presentation were some of the committee members who helped with the July 20 fundraiser. Left to right, Lorrie Motsick, Mare Langel, Dee Eckley, Nancy Clawson, Julie Tibbles, three Tori's Angels representatives — Jackie Wicks, Tori Heckman, Mary Jane Sprague — and committee member Jillian Ortner.

theme.

After golf, the group gathered at Boulder Beach where Lake Panorama Pizzeria and Crafty's Coffee catered a meal featuring Italian foods. Jackie Wicks, a member of the Tori's Angels Council, talked about the children and families helped by the foundation, which recently accepted its 127th child.

Wicks introduced her granddaughter, Tori Heckman, for whom the foundation is named. A community breakfast fundraiser was held in July 2010, hosted by the Panora United Methodist Church, to assist with the medical expenses of then-5-year-old Tori, who has had multiple heart surgeries since birth. The fundraiser was so successful the idea of a foundation to help other children with life-threatening medical conditions was born.

Julie Tibbles, event committee chair, presented a \$2,000 check from the LPN women's league to Wicks. The remaining \$4,600 came from money raised on the golf course that evening, direct donations, and raffle ticket sales. Raffle items were donated by women's league members, Lake Panorama Association, Lake Panorama National, Scheels and others.

Committee members were Julie Tibbles, Jillian Ortner, Lorrie Motsick, Mare Langel, Nancy Clawson, Dee Eckley, Sherri Miller and Becky Rolfes. Several of their husbands helped with special events on the course.

Tori's Angels Foundation helps Iowa



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Shown on the ninth hole of Lake Panorama National during the Tori's Angels golf fundraiser are Mare Langel, Dee Eckley, Shirley Stephenson and Nancy Clawson.

families who have children with life-threatening medical conditions. The Foundation pays for all medical expenses not covered by insurance. Tori's Angels is

a non-profit, all-volunteer organization, with all overhead and benefit expenses paid by the foundation board members and friends. ■



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On the fifth hole, players could pay \$5 to have their golf ball hit to the green by one of the men in this group. Players also could place a \$5 bet on which ball would land closest to the pin. Helping with this event were, left to right, Rob Riggins, LPN golf pro; Jim Tibbles; Mike Kleinwolterink, LPN pro shop manager; Dylan Douglass; Kolby Shackelford; and Bob Nevitt.



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NEW BENCH INSTALLED AT LPN

The plaque on the bench honors Tom and Conni Jeschke.

BY SUSAN THOMPSON
Lake Panorama Times

A black metal bench has been added to the seventh tee box at Lake Panorama National. Funds for the bench were donated to Friends of Lake Panorama in memory of Tom Jeschke, who died in March after a short battle with pancreatic cancer.

The plaque on the bench honors both Tom and his widow, Conni, with this inscription: In recognition of Tom and Conni Jeschke's contributions to the LPA and LPN community.

Donations for the bench came from more than 20 people who were friends with Tom because of various activities



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Tom and Conni Jeschke

they participated in with him, including golf, wood carving and fishing.

Tom started The Raccoon River Carving Club, which meets weekly at the LPN event center, and also gave wood carving classes there. He enjoyed golfing and played in men's leagues at both Lake Panorama National and Panorama West. He was active in the Fin & Feather organization, helping to improve fishing on Lake Panorama.

Tom worked in education beginning in 1965 until he retired in 2004; then he and Conni purchased a retirement home at Lake Panorama and became involved in the community. Tom served 12 years on the LPA board of directors and was president of the board four of those years.

The bench honoring the Jeschkes is in a mulched area under a shade tree behind the back tees on the LPN seventh hole. ■





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SUNRISE-SUNSET

BY SUSAN THOMPSON

Lake Panorama Times

I've taken a lot of photos in my 25 years living at Lake Panorama. Of all the photos I've taken, lake sunrises and sunsets are my favorites. In mid-July I sitting on a swinging bench at Boulder Beach with a friend, and couldn't resist snapping photos as the sun was setting. So many differ-

ent colors emerged, in the sky and clouds, and on the calm water. What a lovely way to end a day. Kimmie Conner, a travel blogger, has this to say about sunsets. "You have to travel far and wide to see a lot of the world's wonders, but sunsets can be appreciated in every corner of the earth." And I say, especially at Lake Panorama. ■

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ANOTHER RIVER RUCKUS IS IN THE BOOKS

More than 8,000 in attendance for country music festival.

BY RICH WICKS
For Lake Panorama Times

Three days of temperatures well into the 90s only heated up the excitement for this year's Guthrie's River Ruckus as performers, audience and event staff dealt with the sweltering conditions.

"It was a warm one, but it was a good weekend," said organizer Grant Sheeder. "It was probably the hottest Ruckus to date. It sounds like most people kept their wits about them and stayed hydrated on Friday, so that was good."

Sheeder said they hired a number of off-duty law enforcement officers to pro-

vide security for the event this year as well.

"Security-wise was way better than what we've had in the past," he said. "So, we were very happy with the safety and security they brought to our event this year, along with the State Troopers and local Guthrie County Sheriff's office."

Sheeder said attendance was more than 8,000, and although that was not a sellout, it was still a strong showing.

"A lot of people came and stayed," he said. "No major issues so far. As far as I know, there's been nothing too crazy or out of the norm."

Sheeder said, all in all, they were very happy.

"We appreciate Guthrie County for letting us host it here for 15 years so far. Not many festivals can say they could do that, let alone in a town or county our size. So, we're very blessed to be able to keep doing it." ■

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RECIPE

STEPS TOWARD HEART-HEALTHY EATING

BY JOLENE GOODMAN
Lake Panorama Times

This month I am sharing a recent article and recipe from one of our other publications.

(Family Features) As the leading cause of death among Americans, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, heart disease often results from uncontrolled high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, and obesity. However, a heart-healthy eating plan can help lower or control these risk factors and put you and your family on a path toward better heart health. Consider these tips from The Heart Truth program of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI):

- One way to get started on a path toward heart-healthy eating is to change your way of thinking about how and what you eat. For example, use smaller plates to help limit portion sizes. Chew food slowly and consider the textures and flavors of different food as you eat.

- Put together an eating plan that offers a balance of calories and nutrients including vegetables, fruits, whole grains and low-fat

or fat-free dairy. Consider make-at-home favorites like Heart-Healthy Pita Pizzas, which include grilled chicken as a better-for-you alternative to methods such as frying.

- Swap out sugary or salty snacks and instead enjoy lower-calorie treats. Try options like a cup of seedless grapes, small banana, cup of cherry tomatoes, handful of unsalted nuts or half cup of low-fat or fat-free yogurt.

- It is possible to eat healthy foods in restaurants. To control portion sizes, try tactics like eating half your entree and taking leftovers home for another meal. Choose foods that are broiled, baked or roasted to limit calories. Ask for low-sodium menu options and request butter, gravy, sauces and salad dressings on the side or leave them off completely. ■

Jolene Goodman is the advertising director for Lake Panorama Times and vice president of Big Green Umbrella Media.



Jolene Goodman

HEART-HEALTHY PITA PIZZAS

Prep time: 10 minutes
Cook time: 8 minutes
Servings: 4

INGREDIENTS:

- 4 whole-wheat pitas (6 1/2 inches each)
- 1 cup chunky tomato sauce
- 1 cup grilled boneless, skinless chicken breast, diced (about 2 small breasts)
- 1 cup broccoli, rinsed, chopped and cooked
- 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 tablespoon fresh basil, rinsed, dried and chopped (or

DIRECTIONS:

Preheat oven or toaster oven to 450 F.

On each pita, spread 1/4 cup tomato sauce and top with 1/4 cup chick-



en, 1/4 cup broccoli, 1/2 tablespoon Parmesan cheese and 1/4 tablespoon chopped basil.

Place pitas on nonstick baking sheet and bake 5-8 minutes until pitas are golden brown and chicken is heated through. ■

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SOUTH SHORE TRAILS SYSTEM IS TAKING SHAPE

Course allows hikers, walkers and runners to be alongside the lake shore for slightly more than a mile with spectacular views of the lake and the surrounding shores.

BY SUSAN THOMPSON
Lake Panorama Times

The seeds for low-impact recreational amenities on Lake Panorama's south shore were planted in April 2019 when Friends of Lake Panorama surveyed LPA members for input on projects to consider. Walking trails and disc golf were projects of interest with the south shore considered a good location. At the LPA board of directors June 2021 meeting, Friends received permission to develop a recreational concept for the south shore.

At its August 2022 meeting, the board agreed Friends could work on improvements to existing trails on the south shore. Permission also was given to work with the Panorama Community Schools to incorporate a cross country course into the Lake Panorama trails system.

PROGRESS IS BEING MADE

While some preliminary planning took place in fall 2022, most of the effort was put on hold until the rip rap construction was completed this spring, which led to new trail opportunities. People have been walking trails on the south shore for years, but only a few were aware of the ex-

istence and availability of the trails.

Now a fenced parking lot is being planned that will allow people to walk through a gate near where the LPA trail system will begin and end. There will be a trailhead sign that includes general details about the south shore, rules, a donor list, and specific information about the trail options and trail markers, including a map. Visitors will be encouraged to snap a photo of the map to help them stay on the trail.

Those who do the full loop down to the shoreline and back up through the meadow area to return to the parking lot will have walked two miles. In addition, four places where the rip rap contractor widened existing trails to get to the shoreline will be offered as trail options.

People who start at the trailhead and choose the first option will walk six-tenths of a mile. The other three options offer distances of 1.1 mile, 1.6 miles and 2 miles. This final loop results in walking the same distance as the original loop, but the terrain and views provide a different experience.

Fiberglass trail markers, similar to the blue 911 address markers used in Guthrie County, will be purchased in a brown



There are four places where the rip rap contractor widened existing trails to get to the shoreline that are being incorporated into the Lake Panorama trail system. This means there will be five separate trail options, ranging in distance from six-tenths of a mile up to two miles.

color. Plans are to put these at each "junction" of the trail system along with arrows and distances back to the trailhead.

CROSS COUNTRY TRAILS

The cross country trails will begin and end on school property with all bus and spectator parking and bathroom facilities on school property. For the middle school, a distance of two miles has been mapped. For the high school, the trail is 3.1 miles.

Access to the south shore is near the northeast corner of the school property.



Panorama schools hired a contractor to clear this trail section on LPA property that is adjacent to school property. The school has seeded this section and will continue to improve it and several other areas in the overall trail system to ensure the safety of both cross country runners and others enjoying the trails.

The school hired a contractor to clear trees to make that entrance possible. The school also purchased a roller and a landscape rake to pull behind a small utility tractor to smooth out rough areas of the trail; has committed to adding rock and mulch in a few marshy areas; and has committed to keeping the trails mowed and cleared throughout the year.

Greg Randel is director of transportation and oversees grounds at Panorama Community School District.

"We have been mowing a trail on

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The birdhouse in this photo marks the place where land owned by the Panorama Community School District matches up with land owned by the Lake Panorama Association. This is where runners participating in cross country meets that begin on school property will cross onto LPA property then later loop back to reenter school property.

school grounds for a long time for the cross country team to practice, and it has been a dream to one day have the entire course here. When LPA started the south shoreline project, I contacted John Rutledge to see if having a portion of our trails on LPA property could be an option. It has taken off since then with a lot of help from LPA, Friends of Lake Panorama, and Panorama schools,” Randel says.

A COACH'S PERSPECTIVE

Greg Thompson is beginning his 30th year at Panorama Schools this fall. Over the years, he has taught many math courses and coached many sports. Since 1998, he has been the head girls track and field coach and, since fall of 1999, the head cross country coach. He and his wife, Kelly, have had a home at Lake Panorama since February 2000.

“It became clear to me about three years ago that using the Panorama West



Some portions of the Lake Panorama trail system on the south shore run adjacent to 30 acres of land enrolled in the federal Conservation Reserve Program Pollinator Habitat Initiative. These acres are covered with native plants that bloom throughout the season and provide better access to nutrition for pollinators, especially honey bees.

Golf Course area was becoming more difficult each year to manage the cross country course,” Thompson says. “Plus, the traffic associated with hosting races was becoming too large for the area. We received many compliments on the west course, so it was a difficult decision to begin looking for a new course.”

Yet, Thompson says the benefits of moving the cross country trail to an area that incorporates both school and LPA property are many.

“It will be easier for spectators to view the race. On the west course, most spectators only had easy access to the start and finish of the race,” he says. “On this new course, there should be many areas of a race that are easily accessible to spectators. Parking also will be easier since we can use the school parking facilities for team vehicles and for spectators.”

Thompson says it will be much more efficient to set up and manage cross coun-

LPA BOARD APPROVES ADDITIONAL RECREATIONAL AMENITIES ON SOUTH SHORE

BY SUSAN THOMPSON
Lake Panorama Times

At its July 25 meeting, the Lake Panorama Association board of directors approved a plan presented by Friends of Lake Panorama for new low-impact recreational amenities on the lake's south shore. These will be in addition to the trails project already underway.

A nine-hole disc golf course is part of the approved plan. Each hole will include a concrete tee pad and chained basket target. Participants will bring their own discs. A sign will include rules, list of donors and a course map and be located near the first tee. John Worth, an LPA member who in 2019 volunteered to design a disc golf course for Lake Panorama, will work with LPA and Friends staff on this project.

Another project in the approved plan is the addition of up to four backless benches along the Lake Panorama trail system. Two benches will be tucked into the timber along the shoreline section of the walking trail, providing great lake views. Another two benches will be placed along the open sections of the trail system above the lake. These will provide views of the Lake Panorama dam and

the native plants that cover 30 acres of land enrolled in the federal Conservation Reserve Program Pollinator Habitat Initiative.

As people leave the south shore parking lot, using a walk-through gate to enter the recreation area, there will be a welcome sign with information about the Lake Panorama trails system. The approved plan includes a concrete slab nearby for a single picnic table, plus a wooden structure with four corner posts and metal roof.

Finally, the plan calls for recruiting volunteers to build and install birdhouses in various locations in the timber and open areas. Over the past two months, private donors have contributed \$11,000 for projects on the south shore. The Friends board plans to make up to \$15,000 available from the 2023 Beach Ball for south shore projects, once cost estimates are finalized and budgets developed.

It is anticipated that additional funds will be needed to complete these four new projects. Friends and LPA staff are working together to finalize design and installation plans, and a fundraising campaign will begin this fall. New amenities will be completed as Friends has enough money to cover all costs. ■

try meets with the proximity to the school and maintenance equipment, and timers and meet managers will have accessibility to the press box, electricity, a sound system and use of the scoreboard and video board.

The starting line for all races will be near the elementary school just behind Little Panther Daycare. From there, the runners will use the Panorama School Elementary Outdoor Classroom area to access the south shore.

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A view of the Lake Panorama dam is one of the things walkers and hikers will enjoy along the meadow trail on the south shore.

"Starting here will allow teams to set up and have a home base near the starting line and in an area that doesn't damage the race trails or a golf course," Thompson says.

Runners will return to school grounds and run south alongside the baseball complex and finish on the home side straight away of the track.

"Finishing on the track will allow easy access to the bleachers and bathrooms for both athletes and spectators," Thompson says. "High school runners will run along the shore and around the prairie space. Junior high runners will run around the prairie space. Only existing trails will be used, and existing wooded areas and natural prairie spaces will be preserved."

The first official practice for the cross country teams was scheduled for Aug. 7. Teams will practice on the course once or twice a week, usually 3:30-5 p.m. Monday and Wednesday. Two races are scheduled. The first race Sept. 14 will have more than 20 schools participating. The second will be the conference tournament Oct. 12. A third meet might happen Oct. 19 and include 20 schools, if



This lake view photo was taken from the walking trail along the south shore. Those using the portion of the Lake Panorama trail system that runs along the shoreline will have just more than one mile to enjoy these types of views before heading into the timber and back up the hill.

the state athletic associations allow Panorama to be a host site for a state-qualifying meet.

Thompson says the cooperation between the school, Friends of Lake Panorama and the LPA has been wonderful.

"I have been asked many times why I haven't moved to a bigger school," he says. "The main reason is I love the family atmosphere of a small-town community. This experience has been another piece of evidence that living and working in a small town like Panora and Lake Panorama creates a sense of pride and community."

Thompson says he thinks in the next two to three years, this will be one of the better true cross country courses in the state.

"Many of our current races are on golf courses, not through wooded areas and prairies," he says. "This course allows hikers, walkers and runners to be alongside the lake shore for slightly more than a mile with spectacular views of the lake and the surrounding shores. We will continue to improve the trail system and keep it maintained for everyone to enjoy." ■

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GOV. REYNOLDS JOINS LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES FOR LAKE PANORAMA TOUR

Special to Lake Panorama Times

Gov. Kim Reynolds and her staff joined local officials on July 28 for a boat tour of Lake Panorama. Hosting the event were State Representative Carter Nordman and Lake Panorama Association General Manager John Rutledge. Guests of the tour included Guthrie County Supervisors Maggie Armstrong and Brian Johnson; RIZ Board of Trustees President Doug Hemphill; Lake Panorama Association board member Sue Thompson; and PolicyWorks CEO Justin Hupfer.

The group’s discussion focused on the importance of continued economic development in rural Iowa, including the critical role the Rural Improvement Zone legislation has played in the success of Lake Panorama. Rutledge expressed his gratitude on behalf of the community.

“It was our privilege to show Gov. Reynolds the beauty of Lake Panorama and to thank her for her continued sup-

port of programs that invest in the future of rural Iowa,” Rutledge said.

“Lake Panorama plays a major economic role for Guthrie County,” Rep. Carter Nordman stated. “The Lake Panorama Association has created a vibrant community that will continue to flourish for generations to come. I greatly appreciate Gov. Reynolds taking the time to visit Guthrie County and discuss issues that are important to all its residents.”

“I was thrilled to have the opportunity to visit Lake Panorama and see firsthand the economic benefits it brings to Guthrie County and the surrounding areas,” said Gov. Reynolds. “The lake brings an influx of visitors while generating revenue for local businesses and communities. With the forward thinking of the Lake Panorama Association, I know Lake Panorama will remain a vital part of the region’s economy for years to come.”

The event was part of the governor’s commitment to visit all 99 counties each year. ■

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GRANDSON OF LAKE PANORAMA RESIDENTS IS A RISING GOLF STAR

Ruben-hein Churr represented his home country of South Africa while competing in two international golf tournaments in the U.S.

BY SUSAN THOMPSON
Lake Panorama Times

The last two weekends in July were busy ones for Ruben-hein Churr. That's because he represented his home country of South Africa while competing in two international golf tournaments in the United States. Ruben-hein is the 14-year-old grandson of Hans van Leeuwen, who has a home with his wife, Marina, in Lake Panorama's Horseshoe Cove. Ruben-hein's mother, Nanja, is his daughter. Nanja and her husband, Rudi, also have a daughter, Anje, age 11. The family visited Iowa for a few days in mid-July before heading to the southeast U.S. for the tournaments. While Nanja had been to Iowa in the past, this was the first time Rudi, Ruben-hein and Anje had been to the United States, let alone Iowa. Ruben-hein's success in golf tournaments in South Africa, which qualified him for two U.S. golf tour-



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Ruben-hein Churr took his first steps on a golf green on the course his parents live on in South Africa.

naments, is what got the entire family to Iowa and to Lake Panorama. Hans and Marina co-own their Lake Panorama home with daughter and son-in-law, Lelahni and Tim. While at Lake Panorama, Ruben-hein played several rounds at the Panorama West golf course. He and his father also played one round at Lake Panorama National, where Ruben-hein scored a 71, one stroke under par. "I really loved the course and the attention to detail around the course," Ruben-hein says. "The tee boxes look amazing, and the greens were good. The course can definitely rate among the best courses in South Africa. The Panorama West course is a real challenge and tests your short game. I also loved the fact the course was open to all level of golfers and families." The Churr family lives in a golf community in South Africa that includes a nine-hole, par-3 golf course. Ruben-hein says he started playing golf when he started walking. Rudi Churr confirms that, saying "He literally took his first few steps on the putting green at our course, while I was practicing. He loved being on the course with me and soon was using plastic golf clubs to do what I was doing. He especially liked playing in the sand; today he's a good bunker player." Ruben-hein plays golf left-handed, although he throws balls, plays cricket and writes with his right hand. To get him started, Rudi Churr purchased a right-handed set of golf clubs. But perhaps because he was mirroring his father's golf swing, the right-handed clubs didn't work well and soon were replaced with left-handed clubs. What does he like about golf? "Everything," Ruben-hein says. "I like being out in nature. I like playing my own game; it's just me, no outside influences." Ruben-hein began working with a golf coach when he was 5 and was competing in golf tournaments by the time he was 10 years old. He admits to having some



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Ruben-hein Churr of South Africa is shown with his golf bag near the third hole at Panorama West golf course.

"butterflies" on the first tee, but, once he's playing, that fades away. Sometimes either Rudi or Nanja caddy for him, while some tournaments have strict rules about parents keeping their distance and not offering advice during a golf round. Nanja doesn't play golf but is thinking about taking up the sport so she can play with Rudi and Ruben-hein. Rudi describes his golf handicap as being in the single-digit range, and the father and son duo enjoy playing the sport together. Sister Anje enjoys walking with her brother on the course but not more than 18 holes. Her parents say she prefers saddle back outrides. On June 27, Ruben-hein won the under-15 South African Championship at the Gary Player Country Club in Sun



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Ruben-hein Churr played in the U.S. Kids Golf World Championships July 27-29 at Pinehurst, North Carolina.



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Ruben-hein Churr competed in the U.S. Kids Golf World Championships at Pinehurst, North Carolina. Here he stands in front of one of the Pinehurst clubhouses.

City, South Africa; he had a final score of four-under par and was the only player under par in the tournament. Due to his U.S. Kids Golf ranking, he received an invitation to play in the Under Armour 2023 World Championship July 22-23 at the Reunion Resort and Golf Club in Orlando, Florida.

At the Orlando tournament, Churr competed against 62 other boys in the 13-14 age group. He was two over par the first day of competition with a 74. On the second day, he shot a 69, three under par, for a final two-day total of 143. He finished in ninth place.

To qualify for his second U.S. tournament, the U.S. Kids Golf Foundation World Teen Championship in Pinehurst, North Carolina, Ruben-hein had to play two tournaments in South Africa under par. He won one tournament with a 69, three under par. Later, he won the 13-14 age group of the US Kids Gauteng Local Tour Junior Golf Championship, with a score of 66, six under par.

Each year, the U.S. Kids Golf World Teen Championship welcomes golfers ages 13-18 to seven championship courses in the Pinehurst area. This year's three-day tournament was July 27-29. Ruben-hein competed against 150 other 14-year-olds and finished in the middle of the pack.

"The result was not what he was looking for, but he learned a lot," Rudi Churr says. "It was a great experience for him, meeting people from around the world,

and playing golf in the U.S."

The Churr family flew back to South Africa Aug. 1.

"We loved Iowa and especially enjoyed the beauty of Lake Panorama," Rudi Churr says. "In Orlando, we went to the Magic Kingdom and Animal Kingdom, and both were amazing. We really had lots of fun, and it is something we will never forget. We agree with a T-shirt we saw at Disney, 'most expensive day ever,' but it was worth every cent."

Churr says their home country is growing junior golf, but the U.S. has more opportunities for junior golfers.

"It's awesome what groups in the United States are doing to get kids involved in golf. It was a great opportunity for Ruben-hein to be able to play in two tourna-



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Rudi Churr and his son Ruben-hein getting ready for the first day of the Under Armour 2023 World Championship July 22-23 in Orlando.

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Ruben-hein practicing his putting at Panorama West golf course. While at Lake Panorama in mid-July, he played several practice rounds at Panorama West and one at Lake Panorama National.

ments in the U.S.," he says.

Ruben-hein is planning a future for himself that would include playing a lot more golf in the United States. After high school graduation, he wants to attend a university in the southern part of the United States so he can continue to improve his game year-round. The University of Texas and Arizona State University are places of interest, but he is open to any Division I school with a strong men's

golf program.

"I want to play professional golf someday," Ruben-hein says. "But wherever I go to college to play golf, I also will focus on academics and get a degree in case becoming a pro golfer doesn't work out. Other South Africans have had success as professional golfers, and I believe I can, too. Dad has always said I should dream big, work hard and have fun. That's what I plan to do." ■

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Shown on the putting green at Panorama West are Rudi Churr, Ruben-hein Churr, Nanja Churr, and Hans van Leeuwen. Van Leeuwen, who has a home at Lake Panorama, is Nanja's father and Ruben-hein's grandfather.

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The original Granite Club members that renewed for 2023 are now in their 15th year supporting LPN.

BY SUSAN THOMPSON

Lake Panorama Times

In 2008, 12 businesses made monetary or in-kind contributions to Lake Panorama National to support the construction of Spikes, the snack and restroom facility located near the first tee. In exchange, the businesses received a sponsorship sign on an LPN tee box. Five of these businesses have maintained their sponsorship since.

The original Granite Club members that renewed for 2023 are now in their 15th year supporting LPN. These are Panora Fiber on the third hole; Guthrie County State Bank & GCSB Investment Center on hole five; Exterior Sheet Metal on the eighth hole; Bryton Insurance on the ninth hole; and Total Financial Solutions on the 15th hole.

Other Granite Club members include R&K Bristle Farms, first hole; Kluster Klub, second hole; Iowa Trust, fourth hole; Hawley Insurance, sixth hole; Lake Panorama Barge Service, seventh hole; Lake Panorama Realty, 11th hole; Jensen Sanitation, 13th hole; The Trash Man - Neil Wright, 14th hole; Robert Carr Insurance Agency - State Farm, 16th hole; Tometich Engineering, 17th hole; and Minnesota Cabinets, 18th hole.

Two holes remain available for sponsorship — 10 and 12. Annual sponsorships are \$500. New sponsors also are asked



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Bryton Insurance is one of five original Granite Club members, now in its 15th year providing annual financial support to the Lake Panorama National golf course. The Bryton Insurance sign is on the ninth tee box.

to pay the cost of the sign. Granite Club members receive a free round of golf for a foursome, including carts, when they purchase or renew their annual membership. Club members also are recognized on the LPN website and in the LPN Resort Weekly newsletter.

Details of the Granite Club, along with a request form for more information, can be found on the LPN website at lakepanoramational.com. Or call Royce Shaffer, LPN operations manager, at 641-755-2080. ■

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BY SUSAN THOMPSON
Lake Panorama Times

Since 2010, the Tori's Angels Foundation has been raising funds to help the families of its supported children with life-threatening medical conditions. The foundation's primary fundraising season is spring through late fall. On June 18, 500 people were served and more than \$25,000 was raised in free-will donations and a silent auction at the Tori's Angels 13th annual breakfast benefit.

This annual event celebrates the foundation's first breakfast in 2010 for then-5-year-old Tori Heckman who desperately needed heart surgery in Boston. The subsequent foundation was named for the 800 attendees who generously donated money for Tori's surgery and proved themselves to be one of Tori's Angels.



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A shed similar in size to this one has been donated by Sunrise Sheds for the Tori's Angels Gala live auction. The winning bidder will be able to have it customized and also can upgrade to a larger size for an additional fee. Sunrise sheds can be used to store boating equipment, garden tools or general items; as a party house, she-shed or man cave; or a chicken coop or dog run.

The next major fundraiser is Saturday, Oct. 14 when the Tori's Angels Foundation will host the fourth annual Gala, using the theme "Angels in Denim."

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The event will feature a dinner catered by Lidderdale Country Store with special Gala cupcakes provided by the Sweet Shoppe of Ames. Attendees will be entertained by local auctioneer Joe Bair, as he calls a host of high-end, privately donated items. New this year will be a silent auction, which will take place throughout the evening.

Some live auction items that are expected to be the most popular are a shed donated by Sunrise Sheds, which can be customized for the winning bidder; Kansas City Royals package with hotel; Pit Boss outdoor griddle and \$50 grocery gift card from the Jefferson Fareway; one-of-a-kind carved duck; custom created logo for farm, family or business; and a pendant necklace donated by Ames Silversmith and the Youngberg family.

Attendees also will have the chance to bid on homemade pies, local gift baskets and golf packages, autographed sports memorabilia and game tickets, a gourmet dinner, whole hog and more.

A limited number of tables are available and, as in past years, are expected to sell out quickly. A table sponsorship costs \$1,000 and includes dinner for eight, bottles of wine and special desserts on the table, plus recognition on the table, during the program and on Tori's Angels' Facebook page and website. To purchase a table for the event, contact JoAnn Alumbaugh at 641-431-0257 or M.J. Brown at 515-240-3692.

Proceeds from Gala ticket sales, as well as the live and silent auctions, go toward Tori's Angels' mission of supporting families with children suffering from life-threatening medical conditions. To date, the foundation has accepted more than 125 children with life-threatening illnesses and currently



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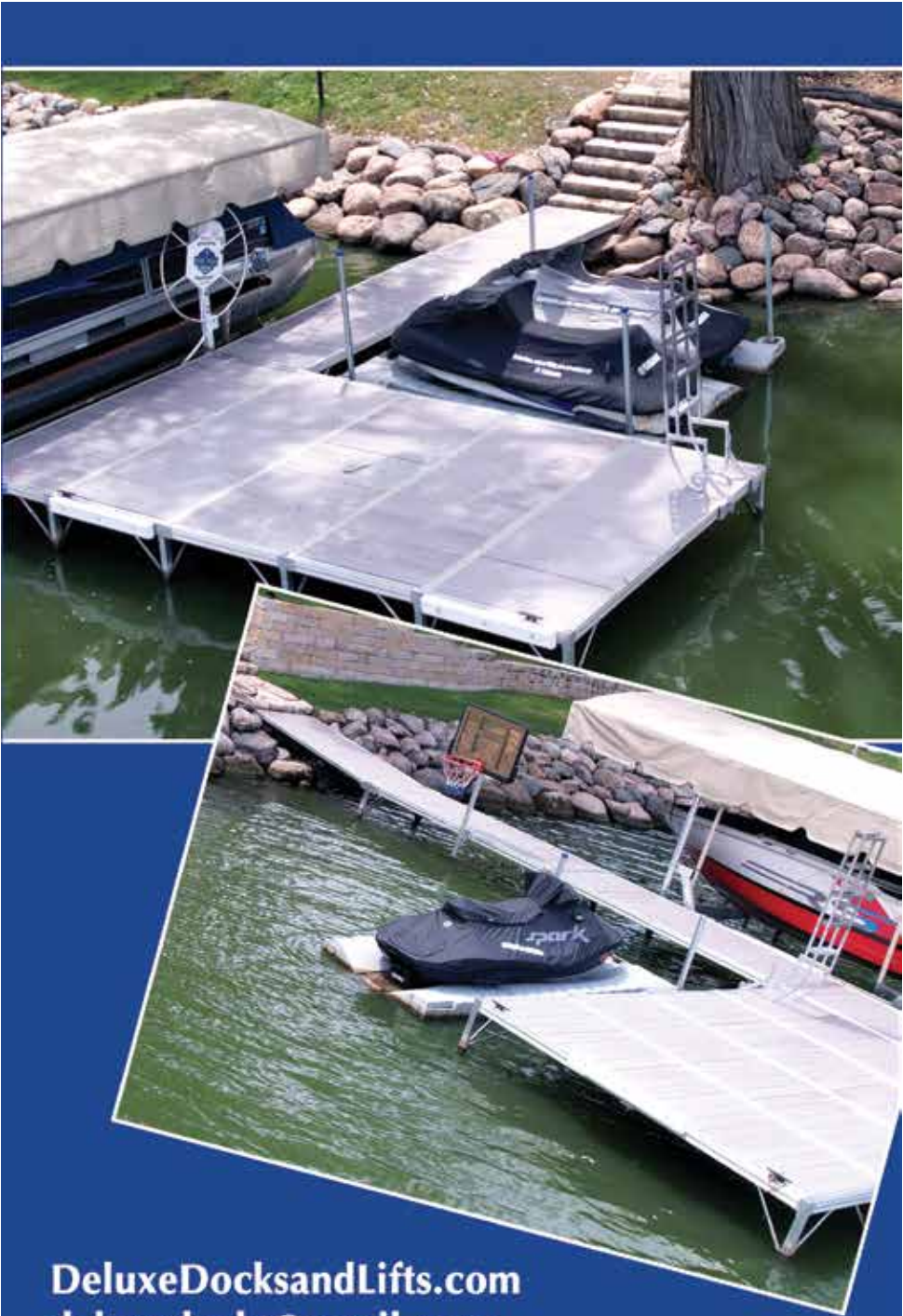
This wooden duck, hand-carved, painted and donated by Ted Reeve, is one of the items that will be available on the live auction at the Tori Angel's Gala Oct. 14 at Vet's Auditorium in Panora.

supports more than 95 children across Iowa.

Tori's Angels pays medical expenses not covered by insurance from the date of sponsorship until the child's 19th birthday. This includes travel expenses to treatment (airfare, mileage, hotel, meals), as well as prescriptions, medical co-pays and deductibles.

Anyone wishing to help Tori's Angels children can send monetary donations to Tori's Angels at P.O. Box 186, Panora, Iowa, 50216. Online donation options are located on the foundation's website and on its Facebook page, www.facebook.com/torisangels. The organization also welcomes those interested in becoming a volunteer.

For more information about Tori's Angels, check the foundation's website at www.toriangels.org. To request an application for support, contact the foundation through the website or call 641-755-2011. ■



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EVENTS

WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S IN PANORA SEPT. 16

**More than six million
Americans are living
with the disease.**



BY SUSAN THOMPSON
Lake Panorama Times

For the third year in a row, Panora will host an Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's. These fundraising events are held annually in more than 600 communities nationwide and constitute the world's largest fundraiser for Alzheimer's care, support and research.

The walk in Panora is Saturday, Sept. 16 and is titled the Raccoon River Valley Walk. There are 19 walks scheduled in Iowa this fall with the Panora walk being the smallest town to host one. Others are in cities such as Ames, Cedar Rapids, Council Bluffs, Des Moines, Fort Dodge, Iowa City, Mason City, Ottumwa, Sioux City, Dubuque and more.

Alzheimer's kills more people than breast cancer and prostate cancer combined. One in three seniors dies with Alzheimer's or another dementia. More than six million Americans are living with the disease. In 2023, Alzheimer's and other dementias will cost the United States \$345 billion, a number that is projected to rise to more than \$1 trillion in 2050.

The Raccoon River Valley Walk begins at the Michael Mills Memorial Park at Southeast Fifth Street in Panora. Registration starts at 8 a.m. A special ceremony at 9 a.m. will be emceed by Tom Reil, former owner of Bob and Jo's RV in Guthrie Center. The opening ceremony will immediately be followed by the two-mile walk that involves walking on a portion of the Raccoon River Valley Trail.

Edward Jones is a national presenting sponsor of the Walk to End Alzheimer's. Dave Grove, an Edward Jones financial advisor based in Panora, and Melissa Loest, an Edward Jones financial advisor in Guthrie Center, are instrumental in organizing this local walk.

"We have asked several individuals from the surrounding communities such as Perry, Adel, Jefferson and Stuart to join our committee and rally support and get businesses and individuals to participate," Grove says. "Creating some community-based teams to 'battle' to raise the most funds should make for some fun competition and, hopefully, help raise awareness and participation."

In 2022, 95 participants on 15 teams raised more than \$23,000.

"We have yet to crack 100 walkers and would like to change that this year," Grove says.

Grove is the captain for Team Panora and invites those looking for a team to join him for the 2023 walk. Those interested in supporting this cause, by walking, donating or volunteering, can contact him at djgrove@yahoo.com.

In addition to Edward Jones, the Lakeside Village in Panora is a key supporter.

"Lakeside Village and Joel Hester from Karl Chevrolet hosted a car show in June that raised \$1,500 for the walk, and they had a great turnout for their first year," Grove says.

Grove says Mel Borgeson, manager of the New Homestead in Guthrie Center, has volunteered countless hours to prepare and organize the event. Other committee members are Mary Jane Carothers, Bob Grove, Andrew Brommer and Sarah Wurr.

Several local businesses, including Hometown Foods and Local Liquor, have agreed to help with a "round-up" campaign to raise funds. This will give customers the chance to contribute to the Raccoon River Valley Alzheimer's Walk by increasing what they pay at the counter by a few cents or dollars with the extra money donated to the walk.



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Walk participants choose from one of four colors of spinning flowers to place in a Promise Garden, with each color representing the relationship the person has with Alzheimer's. This photo is of the 2022 Raccoon River Valley Walk Promise Garden.

While there is no fee to register for the walk, all participants are encouraged to raise funds that allow the Alzheimer's Association to provide 24/7 care and support and advance research toward methods of prevention, treatment and, ultimately, a cure. The Alzheimer's Association is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization. All donations are tax-deductible as allowed by law.

Every registered participant who achieves the fundraising minimum of \$100 receives an official Walk to End Alzheimer's T-shirt.

Anyone interested in volunteering to help with the Sept. 16 walk, or who would like to start a team, join an existing team, or make a donation, can get more information and register online at <https://act.alz.org>. Under "Find a Walk," enter the Panora zip code of 50216. ■



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LPA BOARD MINUTES

LAKE PANORAMA ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JUNE 27, 2023

The Lake Panorama Association Board of Directors met June 27, 2023, at 5 p.m. at the Lake Panorama Association Office. Board members in attendance were Emily Donovan, David Finneseth, Dennis Flanery, Mark Jorgensen, Rich Schumacher, Sue Thompson and Dirk Westercamp.

LPA Staff in attendance: Danna Krambeer, Corey Larson, Lane Rumelhart and John Rutledge

Visitors in attendance: Linda Roe and Laura Willoughby, LPA Members.

President Donovan called the meeting to order at 5 p.m.

Agenda Item 1 - Approval of the Agenda

Schumacher moved to approve the agenda. Motion seconded, carried unanimously.

No conflicts of interest were disclosed by the Board of Directors regarding agenda items.

Agenda Item 2 - Open Forum - No one spoke for open forum.

Agenda Item 3 - Consent Agenda
Finneseth moved to approve the consent agenda. Motion seconded, carried unanimously.

Consent agenda to include:

- a) LPA General Manager's Report
- b) Approval of minutes from 05.23.2023 LPA Board Meeting
- c) Acceptance of the 05.31.2023 LPA LPN Consolidated Financial Statement
- d) Set date for next board meeting

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e) Accept minutes from 05.22.2023 LPN LLC Board of Managers Meeting

f) Accept minutes from 06.12.2023 Building Codes Committee Meeting

Agenda Item 4a - Report from Treasurer

Flanery reported he met with Krambeer and reviewed the Financial Statements and various account items; all was in order.

Agenda Item 4b -Roof Pitch Variance, Lot 3620

Roof pitch request from JRL Builders for 3/12 and 4/12 pitch roof on new home construction on lot 3620, 4758 Panorama Drive. The Building Codes Committee reviewed the request and recommended it be accepted, per the plans provided.

Flanery moved to approve variance

for 3/12 and 4/12 roof pitch for new home construction on lot 3620, 4758 Panorama Drive, per the plans submitted. Motion seconded, carried unanimously.

Agenda Item 4c - Side lot and lakefront setback variance for tram / funicular, Lot 347

Side lot and lakefront setback variance request from Rod and Amy Northrup for installation of tram / funicular on Lot 347, 6378 Panorama Drive. The Building Codes Committee reviewed the request and recommended it be accepted, per the plans provided.

Schumacher moved to approve variance for funicular to be built within 10 feet of the east side lot line and within 50 feet of the lake shore, per the plans presented on Lot 347, 6378 Panorama Drive. Motion seconded, carried unanimously.

Agenda Item 4d - Proposed change

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to LPA Rule 5.6 to allow private use of bubblers near dock during open water months.

LPA has recently received a request from members who would like to experiment with bubblers to mitigate Blue Green Algae. LPA has no objections to this, as long as they are not maintained in the winter months. Proposed rule change, additions underlined:

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(c.) The use of bubblers or deicers around docks and lifts is prohibited during the months of December, January, February and March. This rule shall not apply to LPA or Rural Improvement Zone operations. Bubblers and deicers shall not extend further than the end of a member's dock/lift.

Finneseth moved to modify LPA Rule 5.6 to prohibit bubblers and deicers during winter months, rather than prohibiting them all year, as listed above. Motion seconded, carried unanimously.

Agenda Item 4e – Building Code

2403.6, add requirement for permit to move structures (including confirmation of setback)

Building Codes Committee proposed an addition to rule 2403 regarding moving existing structures.

2403 – Permits for Demolition / Removal of structures/Moving Structures

2403.6 No structure shall be moved to another location on the property without written permission from LPA management.

Westercamp moved to leave rule 2043 as is, no change. Motion seconded, carried unanimously.

Agenda Item 5a – Other Business
- None

Agenda 6 – Closed Session – The board entered closed session at 5:20 p.m. to discuss legal matters. Board exited closed session at 6 p.m.

Flanery moved to approve a motion as discussed in closed session. Motion seconded, carried unanimously.

Adjourn – With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6 p.m. ■

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