



# LBCA

May 2010

## Newsletter

### President's Comments

First, I'd like to express our thanks to everyone who helped on the May 7th, 2010 Lake Burton Cleanup. It was a great day! To John Barnett, Jim Holmes, David Bacon, Sam Dixon, Susan Leggett, Janis & Jim Stapleton, Becky & Tom Callahan and Judy & Paul Faletti – I and the entire association want you to know how much you are appreciated for taking the time to clean up this wonderful lake. Thanks also to Gaston & Ellen Brawley for the use of their boat. To the wonderful group at Georgia Power Company: we really appreciate what you do for the lakes – including: providing the crane boat, your employees, snacks & drinks throughout the morning, Cheryl taking care of lunch by calling into Chick-fil-A and Jeff for going to pick up the lunch. Thank you all!

An important upcoming event is the Boating Safety Course presented by DNR. It will be begin at 9:00 AM at the Wildcat fire station on Saturday, June 12th. As of last week, few had signed up for this course. Let's work to keep our lake safe by making sure all of our family members know how to properly operate their watercraft. Call DNR at 770-535-5499 to register.

The next important event I'd like to remind everyone of is our Annual

Membership Meeting, Dinner and Bluegrass Party on Saturday, June 19th at Fred's Shed. A short business meeting will begin at 5:30 PM. Our agenda will include the election of new officers and directors and the approval of several amendments to the association bylaws. Included with this newsletter you will find information sheets that (1) list the slate of candidates nominated for election and (2) explain each of the bylaws amendments. Following the business meeting you can look forward to a delicious meal from LaPrade's (including "Pat's Chick'n Coop" fried chicken) and musical entertainment by the "Front Porch Gliders". Your reservation form for the dinner is also enclosed in this mailing

Finally, keep in mind that our board of directors and officers are always glad to hear your comments and concerns about the quality of life in this place we hold so dear. Only through good communication and cooperation can we move forward in protecting and preserving our lake.

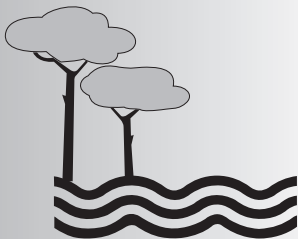
May you all have a safe and enjoyable summer...

Linda Dixon

### Reynolds Capital Buys Waterfall

On April 15, 2010, Reynolds Capital Group (Reynolds Plantation on Lake Oconee) purchased the assets of Waterfall Country Club. The CEO of Reynolds is Dan Dupree, a long time resident of Lake Burton. Reynolds' management has stated that one of their goals is to protect the

quality of the water in the lake. A representative of the "new" Waterfall will be at our annual meeting and bluegrass party on June 19th to answer any questions you have concerning the ongoing operations at Waterfall. Please avail yourselves of this opportunity.



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## Primary Voting Begins June 7th

Many people feel passionately about things going on in our government. If you want your voice heard in the upcoming July primaries, now is the time to make sure you are eligible.

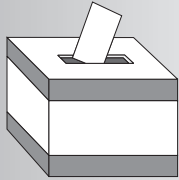
Primaries are coming up July 20th and early voting starts June 7th and continues through July 16th, Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM at the Rabun County Elections office. The last day to register to vote for the July primary will be June 21st. If you are registered, but will not be able to vote in person in July, you can still request an absentee ballot. To order an absentee ballot or to get voter information

on local races or registration, please contact the Rabun County Elections Office at 706-782-1878.

For anyone needing more information – especially for the state and federal races – there is a new web site to assist you: the Secretary of State “My Voter Page”. Enter this address into your web browser:

[www.sos.georgia.gov/MVP/Login.aspx](http://www.sos.georgia.gov/MVP/Login.aspx)

After you log in with your first initial, last name and date of birth, this site will tell you where to register to vote, who your candidates are and it will give you a preview of a sample ballot.



## Water Quality Updates

In our last newsletter we addressed the issue of interbasin water transfers. The Georgia legislative session ended with no resolution of this issue. The next major concern for the LBCA is the quality of the water in the lake. The LBCA will be working with Georgia Power Company, Reynolds (Waterfall) and the Tallulah Watershed Coalition to establish a set of standards for water quality. We will be discussing such issues as: testing (how often and the type of testing that should be done), what to test for (erosion, chemicals),

how to report problems that our members may see and what corrective actions need to be taken. As these discussions progress, we will keep our members informed.

For those members who are interested in the issue of water quality associated with Waterfall under the previous owner, we are making the water quality assessment report by Joe Tanner & Associates and the scope of work report by Nutter & Associates available on the LBCA web site:

[www.lbca.net](http://www.lbca.net)

## Boating Safety Course

The Georgia DNR will present their boating safety course on Saturday, June 12th, 2010 at the Wildcat Fire Station beginning at 9:00 AM. Everyone who

operates a boat or jet ski should complete this course. To register your family members and to obtain more information, please call DNR at 770-535-5499.

## Annual Meeting, Dinner & Bluegrass Party

Our annual membership meeting will be held at 5:30 PM at Fred's Shed on Saturday, June 19th, 2010. Following the short meeting (during which we will elect new officers and directors and approve amendments to our bylaws) we will enjoy a scrumptious dinner from LaPrade's: “Pat's Chick'n Coop” fried chicken, red potato

salad, cole slaw, fresh berry cobbler, iced tea and lemonade. YUM! We'll enjoy musical entertainment by the “Front Porch Gliders” during and after dinner. Be sure you don't miss this event. Accompanying this newsletter is your reservation form. Please send it in right away so we can get an accurate head count for the meal.

