Dear Davis Lake Residents:

We are in full-swing at Davis Lake with activities and the return of residents and seasonal guests. It is wonderful to see so many familiar, friendly faces and re-connect with neighbors and friends! The grounds look absolutely beautiful, and the sunshine is uplifting.

Since the last newsletter, several events have taken place. The Budget Meeting was held poolside on January 16. Your Board of Directors approved the proposed budget for 2019 and answered a variety of questions from the many residents who attended.

Additionally, several social events have already been held, beginning with the Welcome Back Party on January 16. Nearly 100 people attended this informal, fun party, and the food and fellowship were fabulous! The following week found 45 attendees at "Ladies' Night Out," and the Pancake Breakfast brought out 85 people! Thanks to all who attend and support these events and purchase "Lucky 3" tickets. The profits are used to improve the common areas in our community and keep them looking beautiful. As I write this, a Beach Party is set for February 20, and the following events are planned to finish up the season:

3-16-2019, 9 am Annual Meeting, Iona Ranch Community Room

3-20-2019, 4 pm March Madness Tailgate, Poolside (Wear your favorite jersey!)

Weekdays Water Aerobics, 9:25 am and 10:15 am

Be sure to see our Website for additional information: www.davis-lake.org

Thanks to our hard-working Entertainment Committee, headed up by Kathy Stewart (#113); Teri Parker (#513); and Arlene Carr (#311) for their leadership and guidance and leadership for these events. However, none of the parties would be possible without the many, many volunteers who help out. We thank you! And we encourage you to raise YOUR hand to help out in the future....new faces bring new ideas!

Many exciting projects are planned at Davis Lake to maintain the beauty and value of our homes. The following projects are scheduled to be completed this summer of 2019.

- The tennis court will be refurbished, a new net installed and the poles will be painted. All sport lines are to be replaced and when finished, the tennis court should look like new.
- The parking lot is scheduled to be refurbished this year, and here is what this project will entail: the asphalt under the parking spots will be removed along with the cement water troughs, and all this will be replaced with pavers, right up to the grass line in front of your units. All the parking lines will be completed with different colored pavers, as they currently exist today. There are several good reasons why this project should be done now in 2019, and a full explanation will be presented at our annual meeting. We hope to have an overhead picture design at the meeting, depicting what the finished project will look like.
- The walkways and stairs will be cleaned and painted this year, and the paint will contain a non-slip component to help avoid accidents due to slippery surfaces.
- The Board has approved the purchase of a defibrillator, to be installed on the outside of the manager's office. It will be stored in a weatherproof enclosure.
- For our clean-ups around the community, we plan to purchase a long-needed pressure washer.

The Board is happy to report that all these projects will be completed without any need to increase the maintenance fees.

As most of you know by now, our long-time Office Manager Linda Donnelly and her husband Don have decided to return to Ohio and be closer to family there. Therefore, Linda has announced her plans to retire effective April 1, 2019. We have all come to know Linda as a fixture in the Davis Lake office, and the friendly face that greets all visitors to the office. She juggles a lot of balls on a daily basis, and she has helped us all with the many issues we bring to her each day. But did you know......Linda was born and raised in the Lima, Ohio area, and retired from MRDD in Bellefontaine, Ohio. She and Don (a retired US Postal employee) raised their three children in Lima: Shawn, Dina and Darin. In the 10 years that Linda and Don have been at Davis Lake, their children and 8 grandchildren have visited them here many times, and it has been our pleasure to get to know them as well. We sincerely thank Linda for her dedication and loyalty to Davis Lake, and for the many contributions she has made in the efficiency of the office, in helping to manage the grounds, and in dealing with all of us on a daily basis! We will miss you, Linda, and wish you and Don many years of health and happiness!

Jane Patterson, Secretary

Davis Lake Board of Directors