

Stoneman Lake Soundings

Spring 2017

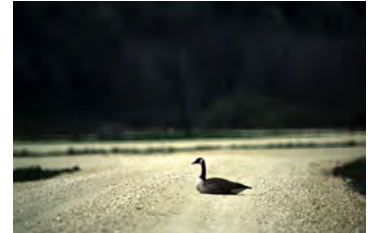
Good News and Sad News

The **sad news** is that Andrea and Guerry Buehman have sold their cabin (although good news for them ... I guess) Both Andrea and Guerry have been very active in developing and supporting activities here at the Lake. Andrea was our Firewise Secretary/ Newsletter Editor and an active supporter of our Firewise efforts. Guerry was the President of the Stoneman Lake Property Owners Association, as well as the gatherer and keeper of the Firewise work efforts that are important for our continuing certification as an Official Firewise Community. They are already being missed.

Please make it a point to greet and welcome Nicole & Howard Gill, lot 7A, who are the new owners.

Good news are additional new owners at the Lake: Joanna & Russ Miller, at lot 77, Kay & Tom Ammerman, at lot 127.

More good news is that George Caldwell has agreed to fill the SLPOA President position vacated by Guerry. We look forward to his leadership.



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Labor Day Pot-Luck

Even though summer is just beginning Labor Day will be here before we know it! We will be celebrating this event on Saturday, September 2, at the Stoneman Lake Retreat Lodge. Please mark your calendar to attend this enjoyable event. It is such a great opportunity to meet new neighbors and visit with old friends, as well as to share a dish.

The Labor Day get-together is also the occasion for the annual Stoneman Lake Property Owners meeting. After enjoying lunch together you will be given a brief overview of what your Association has been accomplishing on your behalf over the last year. There will also be an election of Association officers for 2018. Votes will be cast by current members of the Association. If you think you might want to become a Board Member and would like to learn more about what that might entail please contact any of the current Board members listed on Page 3.

Stoneman Lake Property Owners Association Board Slate for 2018

The annual SLPOA Board meeting will be held at the Labor Day Put-Luck on September 2nd at the Lodge. Votes will be cast by current members of the Association.

The current Slate of officers is as follows:

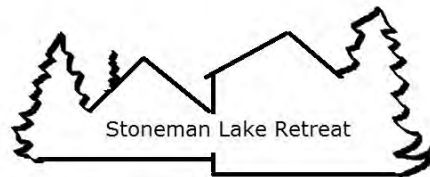
George Caldwell, President; Deb McPeters, Vice President; Cheryl Stephan, Secretary; Dave Hendricks, Treasurer; Dr. Wayne Broky, Director; Mike Buckles, Director; Dean Parks, Director; Bill McPeters, Director.

But it would be greatly appreciated if your name could be added as a possible Director for 2017. Please let us know of your interest. (davehendricks5@msn.com)



News About The Lodge

Below is some interesting information about the new status of the Lodge provided by the McPeters that you may find interesting.



8020 S. 38th Way
Phoenix, AZ 85042
EIN:81-0941010

Greetings to all of our Stoneman Lake neighbors!

In our continued efforts to keep Ponderosa Paradise the beautiful and peaceful place it's always been, we have taken a huge step forward. In December of 2016 we hired attorneys and accountants to help us create a 501c3 non-profit foundation, which has received official IRS Non- Profit recognition as Stoneman Lake Retreat. We then donated Stoneman Lake Lodge and its property to this foundation.

We are both directors of the foundation (without any payment to either of us) and do still have control of what happens on and to the Lodge and will continue to do so as long as we're able. As in the past the Retreat is made available to individuals, church groups, businesses and organizations. If Stoneman Lake Retreat is ever sold, all proceeds by law must go to other 501c3 entities...we will not receive any funds personally.

All contributions we receive (both material and monetarily) are used solely for the maintenance and improvement of the Retreat. Our major present needs and goals are solar batteries, a roof replacement over the great room (we have already done the barn and bunkhouse roofs) and up-stairs plumbing. We do have donation receipts available for anyone making a donation. Donations to the Retreat are tax deductible – please check with your tax advisor for more information. EIN: 81-0941010

Please keep us in your thoughts and prayers as we continue on this journey to keep the Stoneman Lake area a place for all to enjoy the beauty and tranquility it provides.

Warm regards to all,

Deb & Bill McPeters





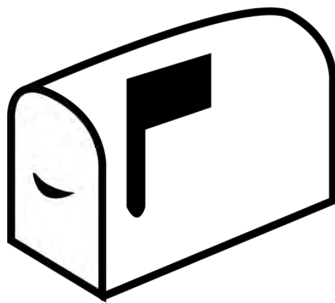
Standardized Signs

Several entities including the Forest Service, Emergency Services, and Firewise have emphasized the importance of standardized street signs and address signs. Our address numbers are our lot numbers. So, for example, if your lot number is 91 then your address is 91 Deer Trail Dr. The SLPOA has decided to provide standardized lot signs free of charge for every property that has a home on site. Below is a sample of the standardized lot number signs. They are approximately 10" X 5 1/2". The aluminum reflective numbers are 4X2". The back board is a composite material that is more or less impervious to wear or rot.

Your sign should be attached to a tree or post near the road and be clearly visible.

These signs will be prepared and delivered to your door periodically during the summer.

Several property owners had purchased lot signs prior to the decision to provide them free to all properties. Their donations are being refunded.



Association Board Members

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| George Caldwell, President gtkcaldwell@hotmail.com 480-298-0957 | Deb McPeters, V. P. valleytrenching@msn.com 602-431-1513 |
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| Wayne Broky, Director drwsbroky@gmail.com 480-838-4497 | Mike Buckles, Director MBPens@aol.com 602-312-4373 |
| Dean Parks, Director dean@parkstileandstone.com 602-758-7218 | Bill McPeters, Director valleytrenching@msn.com 602-431-1513 |
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Membership Information

The Association is a voluntary group of property owners focused on safe, healthful and harmonious living at the Lake. The Association has no powers granted in the Declarations of Restrictions and is totally dependent on the owners voluntary cooperation and financial support. SLPOA annual dues are \$50. Your active involvement in community activities and dues will make a difference in what gets done. If you choose not to join, a donation toward projects and mailing costs would be appreciated as well.

Name: _____
 Lot # _____
 Addr: _____
 City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____

Mail To:
 Dave Hendricks, Treasurer
 P.O. Box 7497
 Cave Creek, AZ 85327



Days of Yore

Here are some great pictures from “old days at the lake”, kindly provided by Lynn Custer.



Equipment Use Safety

Whether working to create a defensible space around your home, just mowing the lawn, or pulling your dirt bike over to the side of the road, if you live in a wildland area you need to use all equipment responsibly. Lawn mowers, weed eaters, chain saws, grinders, welders, tractors, and trimmers can all spark a wildland fire.

Here's how to do it with safety in mind:

Do all yard maintenance that requires a gas or electrical motor before 10 a.m. Not in the heat of the day, or when the wind is blowing! Lawn mowers are designed to mow lawns. Never use lawn mowers in dry vegetation. Use a weed trimmer to cut down dry weeds and grass. Remove rocks in the area before you begin operating any equipment. A rock hidden in grass or weeds is enough to start a fire when struck by a metal blade.



In wildland areas, spark arresters are required on all portable gasoline powered equipment including tractors, harvesters, chain saws, weed eaters, mowers, motorcycles, and All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs). Keep the exhaust system, spark arresters and mower in proper working order and free of carbon buildup. Use the recommended grade of fuel and don't top off. Keep the engine free of oil and dust, and keep the mower free of flammable materials. In wildland areas, a permit may be required for grinding and welding operations, and spark shields may be required on equipment. Be sure to have 10 feet of clearance, a 46" round point shovel, and a backpump water-type fire extinguisher ready to use. Hot exhaust pipes and mufflers can start fires you won't even see, until it's too late! Don't pull off into dry grass or brush. Keep a cell phone nearby and call 911 immediately in case of a fire.



Stoneman Lake Angie's List

- Urgent Care Sedona: 928-203-4813
- Urgent Care Cottonwood: 928-203-4813
- Flagstaff Medical Center: 928-779-3366
- Coconino County Sheriff: 928-774-4523
- Blue Ridge Ranger Station: 928-477-2255
- Prescribed Fire Hotline: 928-226-4607
- Coconino County Emergency Hotline: 1-888-679-8393
- Coconino County Forest Service: 928-527-3600
- Coconino Forest Website: www.fs.usda.gov/coconino
- Arizona Game and Fish (Flagstaff): 928-774-5045
- Az Game and Fish Field Contact: Erin Brown 928-606-6822

**Lodging**

- Stoneman Lake Retreat: Bill McPeters 602-339-7919

Services

- Septic Service: H&R Septic (Flagstaff) 928-526-0206
- Tree Cutting: Agassi Cutting 928-607-5372
- Home Repairs: Kilby Construction 928-300-9481
- Propane Refrigerators: Dynamax (Chino Valley) 928-636-1955
- Backhoe/grading: Bill McPeters Valley Trenching 602-339-7919 or 602-431-1513 Stoneman Lake Lodge
- Roofer: Jim Dooley 602-980-4153
- Plumber: Chris Geter (Camp Verde) 928-451-1573
- Solar: Rick Elliot 928-443-5412
- Solar: Pure Solar (Camp Verde) 928-567-3767 or Mike (c)928-300-4616
- Chimney Sweep: Roof Dancers (Flagstaff) 928-714-7609
- Propane Heaters: Verde Sol-air (Camp Verde) 928-567-5315
- Water Company: Stoneman Lake Water Company 928-282-4601
- Propane: Ferrell Gas (Camp Verde) 928-526-0466
- Firewood: Canyon Wood (Camp Verde) 928-567-3481
- Wrought Iron Work: Tony Utz (Cornville) 928-634-0900
- Painting: Grady Tate (Camp Verde) 928-567-2185
- General Construction: Carl Durham (Glendale) 602-451-6789
- Pest Control: Orkin (Camp Verde) Wes Boyd 928-775-8772



This list is provided and maintained by the Stoneman Lake Property Owners Association based on companies and services provided by Lake property owners based on your experiences with the various providers. Comments, additions or deletions call Tom Knecht at 602-708-6960.