



Hook, Line & Sinker

Cumberland Lakes Newsletter June 2021

FROM THE DESK OF THE P.O.A. PRESIDENT

Carole San Pietro

Hello: Cumberland Lakes Residents,

Spring has sprung! I hope everyone has been able to get out and enjoy some of this spring weather. Please use caution when weeding your flower beds; snakes love the warmth of the sun.

We had a great turn out for Earth Day, so much was accomplished. Thanks to the Leech Family for clearing around the Firewise shed saving the community time and money. The color of the mulch brings out the beauty of the flowers and the Community Center. On the behalf of the P.O.A. Board I'd like to thank everyone for their part in making Earth Day successful; a very special Thank you to Misty Fell for organizing her 1st event.

Thank you to our Activities Committee Becky Krupski & Wendy Perkowski for hosting the Memorial Day BBQ.

June 12th potluck is being hosted by the Benson's with music from a Bluegrass band that started in their church in Montana. If anyone is interested in hosting a potluck, please email me.

Thank you, Dawn Dayton, for taking on the job as Editor of the newsletter. I'm looking forward working with you.

I'm hopeful more activities will start up by the end of the year.

Enjoy you summer and making new memories.

Carole San Pietro
Cumberland Lakes
P.O.A. President



EARTH DAY HAPPENINGS



Misty



Garden



Mulch



Earth Group



Guys



Gals

PARK/LAKES MANAGEMENT & IMPROVEMENT

Michael Perkowski

Ron Seiss (Advisor)

- Summer is just around the corner and that means time on the water. Please be mindful that watercraft used on our lakes are bound by the laws of TN which can be found at www.tnwildlife.org. Self-paddled or peddled watercraft are all welcome. Watercraft powered by electric motors (the only type of motors allowed on Cumberland Lakes) must be registered with the state. Please also obtain a Cumberland Lakes sticker for all watercraft from any of our POA board members. If you have a gas motor on your boat, there is no need to remove it, but please secure a plastic bag over the lower unit to ensure no oil is leached into the lakes.
- PLEASE DO NOT park, launch watercraft from, or fish from the dams. Please use the vehicle parking, boat launch ramp, and docks at the Community Center and Lazy Lake Park. The earthen dams are not intended for the weight of vehicles to be parked on them. The water is much deeper at the dam overflow areas and the pull of water is strong. We DO NOT allow fishing in these areas for safety's sake of accidental drowning.
- Remember to purchase your TN fishing license if you have intentions of fishing. Our lakes are also bound by the TN fishing laws which also can be found on the internet address mentioned earlier. Please visit cumberlandlakes.net for our lakes fishing rules on which and how many fish can be kept. If fishing interests you, you can also find a one page "fishing survey" to keep for the year to help us maintain the stock levels in our lakes.
- A big THANK YOU for all the volunteers that are helping to keep all the roadways clear in our community. Another huge THANK YOU to all the volunteers that helped clean up the Community Center and Rock Slide Park. Rip Rap rock added to the boat ramp at the Community Center and step repairs to the steps going to the dock.
- Be aware of summer wildlife. Sightings of racoons that rob bird feeders and knock down hummingbird feeders are already reported. Snake sightings have been slow but as the weather warms, I am sure we will see more. Be mindful when walking your four-legged friends near our culverts. Snakes enjoy the warmth and safety of wood piles, old leaves under decks or stuck in corners, and hiding spots among rocks. I am no herpetologist, so I leave them alone. I do know that a black snake, called a King snake, is GOOD and will ward off other snakes. It is also illegal to kill ANY species of snake in TN. The rare exception is if you genuinely feel threatened. Deer and turkeys can be seen frequently crossing our roadways. We also have had rare sightings of a bear and cougar on trail cams. No hunting of any kind is allowed within the Cumberland Lakes community.

Please BEAR with us if you've read this information before.....

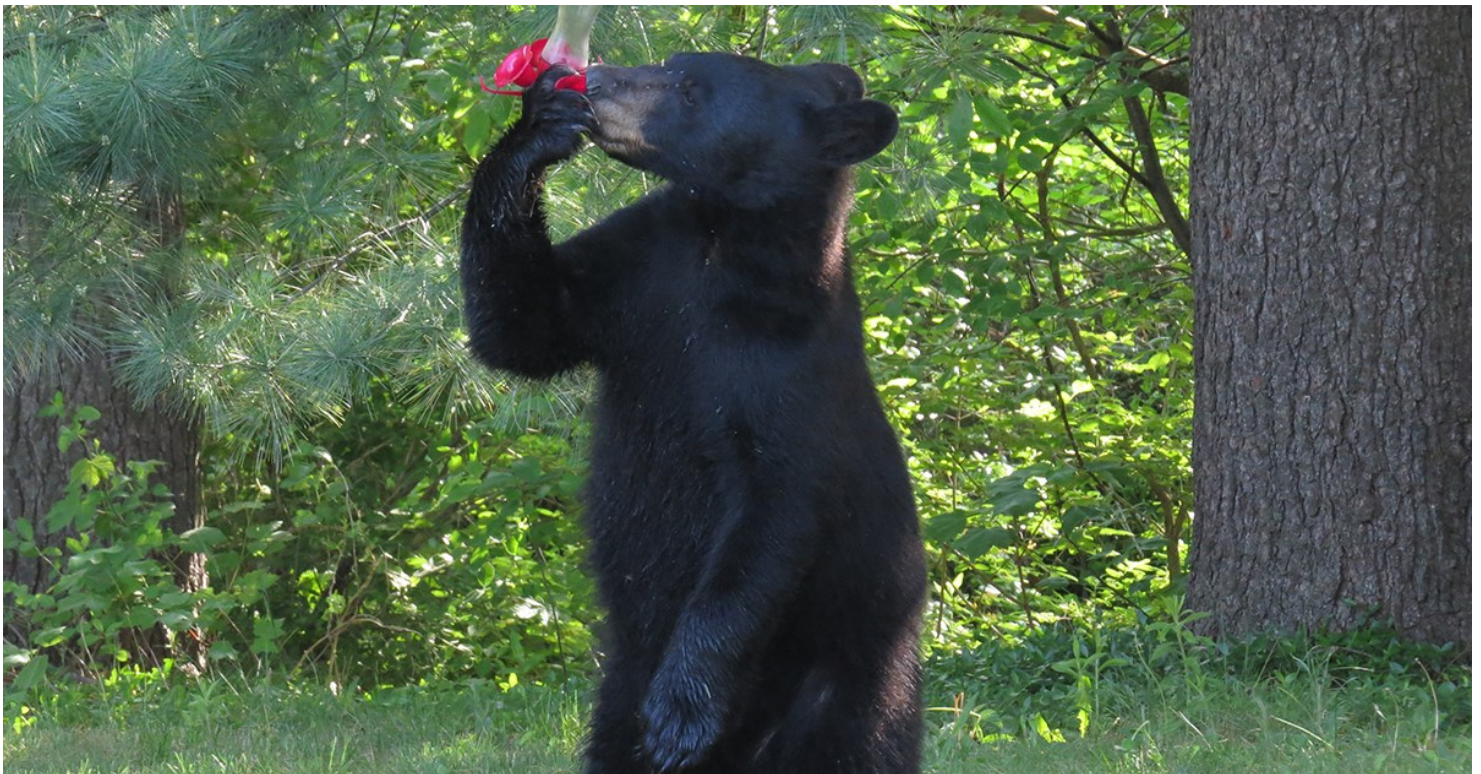
Over the past couple of weeks there have been bear sightings in our community. Just a few tips to educate us humans on how to best coexist with these beautiful creatures.

Please be careful with your pets if out after dark or early morning when bear are more active.

NEVER APPROACH THE BEAR if-the bear sees you, by all means DO NOT APPROACH CUBS without a doubt, MOMMA BEAR IS NEAR! Do not run; wave your hands above your heads clapping them to make yourself look large (think enthusiastic cheerleader). Also, make a lot of loud sounds and walk away backwards keeping an eye on the bear.

Please be aware of your surroundings if out walking or working in your yard. If listening to music while working or walking leave the ear buds at home for now.

Seeing these amazing creatures where we live is a privilege, let's be smart and respect them, they were here first!



FIREWISE

Tom Torbleau

Now that our “Burn Permit” season is over, the danger of wildfire still exists. Beware of weather conditions where we experience many days in the 90’s along with warm winds. These conditions remove the moisture from the ground floor and increase conditions of flammability. In other words, better known as drought, where burning is not allowed, even in burn barrels. I will send out an alert when Drought conditions are present.

Recently, I attended a virtual Firewise conference and found out that the forestry agency has finished a major restructuring of personnel. It seems as though our three Firewise management contacts have been replaced and the basic Firewise Program remains intact with some financial limitations.



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Tom Torbleau

Our Neighborhood Watch program has slightly changed with more communication. As some of you have noticed, the watch schedules are now posted on the Community Calendar. Any issues should be reported to the person assigned to that particular week. They should be able to handle any issue. If unable to reach a patroller on duty, you can contact me by calling my home phone (931-337-4867) or text (931-260-3089).

Back in 2019 there were several sightings of “Coywolves” and Coyotes in the northern part of our community. One of our residents is in contact with local law enforcement and TWRA. It is through his research that we have found that our community is in the middle of a “Wildlife Trail” where many species of wildlife, i.e, Bear, Foxes, Coyotes, Coywolves, Deer, Raccoons, Wild Pigs, Turkeys, etc. travel through our community from HWY62 down through our community exiting at Divide Trail. With all this wildlife travelling through our community we should take special precautions with our practices of feeding deer, raccoons, fox, birds, etc. This practice may draw wildlife closer to our homes and endanger our little children, grandchildren, and even pets.

As some resemblance of normalcy begins to return to our country, Cumberland Lakes continues to grow and change with time. New residents, new property owners, and more home plans are beginning to develop. In light of all the changes over the last year, this newsletter article is focusing on reminding residents and property owners of our commercial business restrictions and vehicle parking restrictions. Commercial businesses and parking of commercial vehicles, private vehicles, and recreational vehicles, are addressed in the Amended and Restated Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions for Cumberland Lakes and/or the AECC Requirements and Restrictions both of which are found on our website at www.cumberlandlakes.net.

Covenants and Restrictions for Cumberland Lakes (Commercial Business and Parking):

9.1 The Subject Properties. No structures other than one single-family dwelling unit and those buildings ordinarily appurtenant thereto shall be built on any of the Subject Properties. Each of the Subject Properties shall be used solely for residential purposes, except as hereafter set forth; commercial use shall be permitted inside of any dwelling unit so long as the business activity (1) is not apparent or detectable by sight, sound, or smell from the exterior of the dwelling unit; (2) does not involve door-to-door solicitation of residents of the Subject Properties; (3) conforms to all zoning requirements for the Subject Properties; (4) does not increase insurance premiums paid by the Association or otherwise affect the ability of the Association to obtain insurance coverage; and (5) is consistent with the residential character of the Subject Properties and does not constitute a nuisance, hazard or an offensive use, and does not threaten the security or safety of the other residents of the Subject Properties. Except for the foregoing, no commercial activities of any kind shall be permitted or conducted upon any of the Subject Properties.

9.5 Parking. No commercial vehicles shall be parked within the Subject Properties, unless the vehicle is there on a temporary basis in connection with new construction. Vehicles parked within the Subject Properties must have a valid current registration unless such vehicles are kept inside a garage. Any vehicle parked on a Subject Property must not be a nuisance and must conform with the communities' standards for sight, sound, and smell. If a reasonable complaint is filed, by an adjacent neighbor, that a truck, piece of equipment, or other vehicle is a nuisance, then the vehicle must either be put into a garage, moved to an out of sight location, or removed from the subject property, if the complaint is upheld by the AECC. A special purpose variance may be requested from the AECC.

AECC Requirements and Restrictions (RV Parking):

When parking Recreational Vehicles (motor homes, camper trailers, personal-watercraft, boats, etc.) on their property, the property owner must ensure they park the RV's in an orderly and neat fashion with reduced visibility from the general roadways if possible. The Association requires that property owners obtain permission from the AECC to park or stored overnight on any lot, public right-of-way (easement) road or other parcel more than three (3) vehicles of any kind, that are visible to the public roadway.

Again, these regulations are on our website, www.cumberlandlakes.net. Don't forget to use your Cumberland Lakes Community website for all AECC forms and information. You can email your AECC requests and AECC questions to aecc@cumberlandlakes.net or you can direct mail them to:

Cumberland Lakes Property Owners Association
ATTN: AECC
1901 Cumberland Lakes Drive
Monterey, TN 38574

ACTIVITIES:

There was a potluck held April 10.

Everyone had a great time. The 1st event held in a long time. Thank you Carole and Ken . We do need a host person for a potluck in August. Easy peasy. Please call Becky Krupski 352 255-2429 to host. If we get no host~ no potluck.

April 17th, We had 28 people to help clean up at the community center. It was a great success. We celebrated

With wonderful barbecue made by Louie and Julie Check.

Thank you one and all.

July 4 party. Details to follow.

Sept 6 Labor Day party details to follow.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS – WELCOMING:

New lot owners on Parkview-

Stacey and Lisa Gray

On Anne Rd.-

Rich & Kim Galkowski

New homeowners on Anne Rd.

Norm & Beth Carlson

Ozzie & Kim Osgood



A meeting was held April, 24 with Becky Krupski, Misty Fell, & Jerry Carty to discuss the Newcomer Orientation. The orientation will be held in the near future.

BEAUTIFICATION:

No submission for this edition.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES:

GET YOUR MOTOR RUNNING....and head on over to the Community Center on Saturday, June 26th (rain date TBD) for the 1st Annual Cumberland Lakes Car/Bike/Quad Show (all modes of transportation welcome) 2pm-5ish. Show off your ride! Yes, Clark you can even show off your canoe! There will be trophies for some very unusual categories. Bring your camp chairs and a cooler of your favorite refreshments. We will have burgers, dogs, salads and soft drinks. Please RSVP to dawn.dayton@gmail.com by 6/18 so we know how many entrants to expect.

Critter facts: Hummingbirds

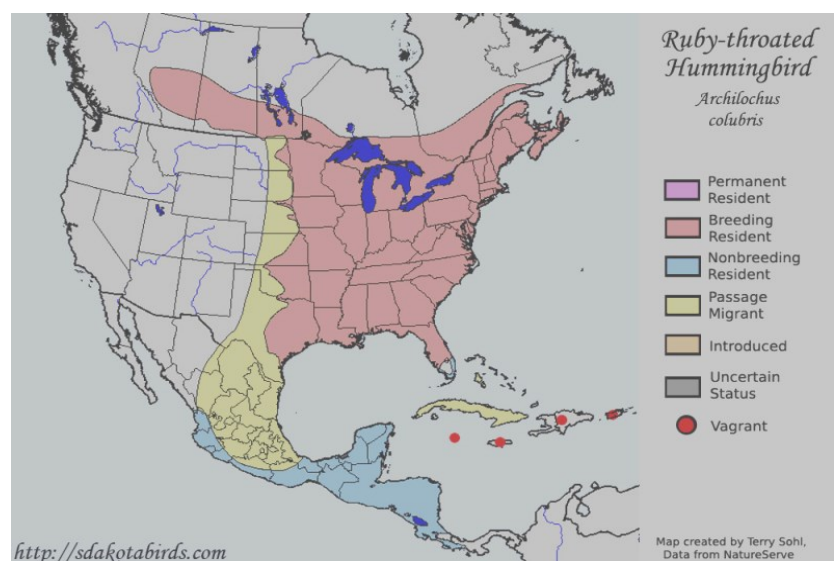
Hummingbirds are the smallest of all bird species. The bee hummingbird of Cuba weighs only 1.95 grams or about as much as a ¼ teaspoon of sugar!

It would be logical that if hummingbirds are the smallest birds, they would also have the tiniest eggs of any bird. For reference, a Ruby-throated hummingbird's egg is about the size of a pea and its nest is roughly the size of half a walnut shell. And they love to make their homes in gardens because they are secluded and quiet. So please make sure to check branches before you do your spring cleaning in your yard.

No other birds can fly like hummingbirds. They can fly forward, backward, and even upside down! Hummingbirds are also the only vertebrates capable of hovering for a period of time during flight.

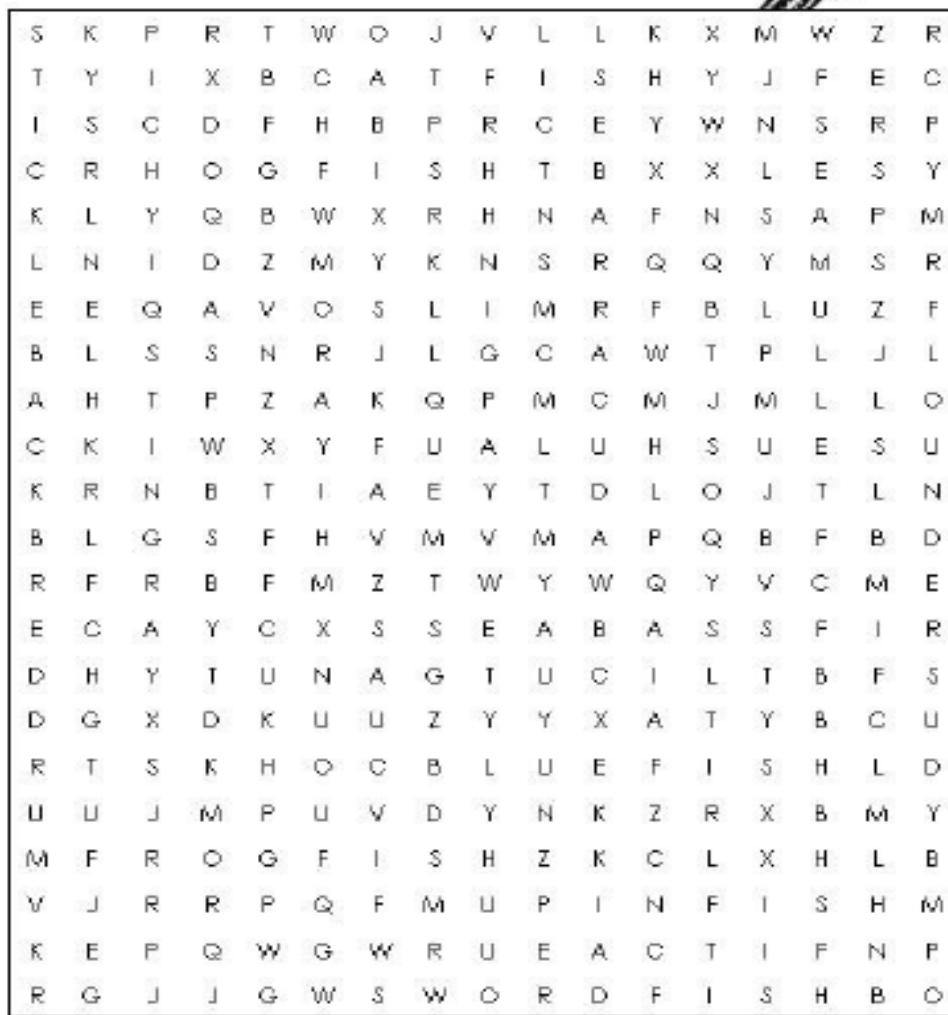
Along with being agile, hummingbirds have speed and stamina. They have been clocked at nearly 30 mph in direct flight and more than 45 mph during courtship dives.

Not only do hummingbirds move from place to place quickly, but their body parts also move rather fast as well. A hummingbird's heart beats from 225 times per minute when it's at rest and more than 1,200 times per minute when it is flying. Its wings beat about 70 times per second in regular flight and more than 200 times per second while diving.



It's Puzzling:

Fish Word Search



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Note from the Editor:

If you take unique pics, wildlife pics, extraordinary lake shots or others that you would like to see in next quarter's Hook, Line & Sinker Newsletter, please send them to me (dawn.dayton@gmail.com) with a tagline and I will be glad to add them to the next edition.

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