

the Deerfield Resort CONNECTION

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Reminder to Voice Your Opinion About the New Boat Slips by Woodson and Parc

Deadline approaching soon, comments on the projects can be made to the USACE prior to **February 27, 2020**. If you so desire a request can also be made for a public meeting. No matter what your position is, you are encouraged to comment on both projects. See on our website: www.deerfieldtnpoa.org or the USACE website: <http://www.lrn.usace.army.mil/Media/PublicNotices.aspx> for information.

Water Can Move Mountains and Create Problems

Campbell County and The Deerfield Resort Area have received an inordinate amount of rain in this first two weeks of February, raising the lake level by more than 15 feet in 3 days. It has also caused numerous mud slides. With numerous questions from you and with no answers we'd like to share the following: One such slide occurred at the Deer Lake Condos causing about 125 feet of the concrete retaining wall to collapse into the parking area. The trees and debris blocking the roadway were removed by the Developer after it was reported. The repair will be expensive and time consuming. This event highlights several issues that forced the filing of the lawsuit concerning the status of the property owner's association.

Your Chance to Vote

The voting feature is still under construction on our site for future surveys but we'd like to share the simple results of our first effort. Regarding the 3 survey questions on past association annual meetings, and with the exception of one property owner's reply to the first question that stated they thought they received an invite in 2005, 100% replied no to all three questions. That person was contacted and confirmed they were not sure.

More Information

Many questions have been asked about the home owners/condo owners fees and what will happen with them in the future. The bottom line is we don't know. The catastrophic failure of the retaining wall at the Deer Lake Front condos is an excellent example of the many questions that we would like to have answered. Questions such as: who is responsible for repairs; is there sufficient funding to cover an emergency repair; what is considered normal maintenance and what is capital improvement; what are the plans for preventive maintenance especially to the road and culverts?? So many questions and no answers – it is unfortunate these issues could not have been discussed outside of pursuing a legal remedy through the courts. Having said that, the volunteer committee continues to march forward to get you the answers along with building our website and all the other work required. Your donations are needed to help the effort. Please consider sending your donation as soon as possible. See our website for details on how.

It is with great sadness that we share that full time resident Tom Painter departed life on Thursday February 13, 2020. Tom was totally dedicated to his family and a true friend to everyone especially those in Deerfield. He loved to volunteer and was seen daily around the Deerfield Community. He was most noted for being a member of "Stevie & The Wonders, Deerfield's premier musical group. He was often the worship leader at Deerfield's Hanger Church and many times provided musical accompaniment. Tom was instrumental in organizing the effort to get a better understanding of the Deerfield Homeowners Association and

named our periodic newsletter "The Connection". Tom was also active with the Sheppard's Home and Camp Galilee. Tom is survived by his loving wife, Fran and two daughters. A celebration of Tom's Life will be held at the New Horizon's Baptist Church on February 29, 2020 at 4:00 P.M. The Family has requested that in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to the Galilee Bible Camp, 586 Camp Galilee Road, LaFollette, Tn 37766. We will miss our dear friend and our deepest sympathy to Fran and family.

We still need volunteers for a committee that will represent people who own undeveloped property, houses, condos, or hangars. The balanced input from such a group is needed to make sure we cover issues from all aspects. If you want to volunteer, please leave a note through the website. If you are selling your property, it would be a great help if you could leave a note through the website giving us the name of the new owners of your property, contact information if you have it and most importantly if you wish to stay on the contact list.

The volunteer committee has made significant progress on the first draft of operating rules. We'd really like input from the property owners. If you would like to volunteer to review/comment, please let us know.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for our next meeting – May 24, 2020 – details to follow.

We would like to hear your feedback; your comments can be submitted through our website: www.deerfieldtnpoa.org

Good, effective, polite and timely communication is the key to understanding and the elimination of confusion and rage over unknowns or misconceptions. This is what we want the Deerfield Property Owners Association to be known for.

Your Volunteer Committee

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