



LANIER OUTLOOK

The LLA Newsletter



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

I write to you today excited about the future of the Lake Lanier Association. Change always brings opportunity. An opportunity to assess, an opportunity to see things from a new and different perspective, and to consider alternative courses. An opportunity to meet new people, and to engage with people in different ways. An opportunity to learn and improve.

I'm excited to have Amy McGuire join us as Executive Director of the Lake Lanier Association. Amy's enthusiasm has been palpable since the first moment I met her. Her personal and professional lake experience will offer the organization new and exciting opportunities. Her passion and experience, when paired together, will have a positive and lasting effect on LLA and all who are a part of our world.

I'm excited and thankful to have Victoria Clevenger as our Communications and Membership Coordinator. Victoria has added tremendous value to our team since joining LLA over a year ago. Her outstanding work has quickly become synonymous with the Lake Lanier Association, and she is a wonderful representation of our brand. Her ideas, her

Summer Kick-Off 2022

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approach and her passion are what set her apart, and those same attributes are what set us apart as an organization.

We are fortunate to have a top-notch board, varied and talented in their expertise, and active in their engagement. I'm excited to be adding new and incremental talent to that group. We are currently in the process of vetting and selecting new board members to fill recently vacated positions. More details to come in future updates, but we expect their contributions to be immediately accretive to our success.

I'm excited for the opportunity to build upon the incredible and storied success of this organization. For more than 50 years, LLA has existed to improve life on Lake Lanier. This has taken many forms over time, from an initial group of concerned citizens getting together to form an informal group with a collective voice, to a well-organized team of professionals, who have worked diligently to build collaborative relationships with all major governing entities of this lake, in an effort to ensure Lake Lanier stays Clean, Full and Safe now and for future generations.

As I sit by the lake this morning and write this letter, a slight breeze in the air, my feet in sun, water gently lapping at the shore, and birds singing in background, I'm reminded of why I was drawn to this place. It's special, it's rare, and it means so much to me, as I know it does to you (our members), and to others who live, work, and enjoy its beauty and bounty. Dedicating my time and efforts to supporting this organization and its causes was one of the easiest decisions I ever made, and I'm excited about our future on Lake Lanier!

Lastly, and perhaps in some ways most importantly, I'm excited about our membership, which has continued to grow and thrive. Without you, none of this would be possible, especially at the scale required for a lake with nearly 700 miles of shoreline and millions of annual visitors! Thank you for all you've done to lead to our collective success. I look forward to seeing you on the water!



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Meet Amy McGuire

LLA's New Executive Director



Dear Valued Members,

I'd like to take this opportunity thank you all for the warm welcome as LLA's new executive director and properly introduce myself. As excited as I am to embark on this new adventure, the support I've received from members throughout the community has created a whole new energy that I can't wait to harness and direct towards leading, and growing, this great organization.

My name, if you haven't heard it by now, is Amy McGuire. I'm a Georgia native who landed in the Buford area in 1990. It didn't take me long to discover, and fall in love, with Lake Lanier. Throughout my youth, Lanier was the backdrop for some of my most precious memories. Once I met my husband, Bill, Lanier served as the primary setting for our courtship. We eventually married in 1997 in the Chapel at Holiday Marina. As we've grown our family to include our two children, Conner (20) and Molly (15), the lake has been the glue that holds our family together.

I've always believed that recreational boating is an investment in family and friends - and can be as affordable, or lavish, as your budget allows. In addition to a good time on the water, I'm a firm believer in safe boating practices. For that reason, this opportunity to serve the Lake Lanier Association, and the community, seemed a natural fit. The only thing better than a good day on the lake is confidence in knowing that you're spending time on a lake that is clean, full and safe!

In 2010, I returned to school to further my education with sights set on a career in the marine industry. In 2016, I had the honor of graduating from The University of Georgia where I majored in consumer economics and minored in entrepreneurship. My major was largely focused on consumer advocacy and property management. The minor in entrepreneurship further shaped my ability to dream big, crowdfund and see the bigger picture in a way that made it achievable. I am confident this combination of education and passion will be extremely beneficial in this new role.

My primary goal as LLA's new director is to continue raising awareness for all that Lake Lanier offers and the myriad of purposes it serves. I believe it is extremely important to educate community members of all ages about the importance of our great lake and it's contribution to economic development, tourism, recreation and purpose as a primary reservoir. Lake Lanier also possesses a rich history that is worth preserving and sharing.

It's easy to advocate for something you believe in, that which holds great value and a special place in your heart - Lake Lanier is that place for me. With your continued support, I believe that together we can not only continue something special, but grow it in such a way that we can build on the Lake Lanier Association's foundation for protecting Lake Lanier's sparkling waters, and the people who enjoy it, for generations to come.

Again, I thank you for the warm welcome, dedication to this organization and "our" lake. If you ever get the chance, reach out to me directly and introduce yourself. The only thing I love more than the lake is the people who enjoy it!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amy McGuire". The signature is written in a dark ink on a white background.

Amy McGuire, Executive Director



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Life Jacket Loaner Stations

4 New Stations Open for 2022 Season



Photo taken by Victoria Clevenger at new life jacket loaner station located at Lake Lanier Olympic Park boat ramp.
From Left to Right: Dan Ohman, Danny Smith (Volunteer), Carol Wrape (Volunteer) and Michael James.

PROGRAM UPDATE BY DAN OHMAN, DIRECTOR

Wearing life jackets saves lives. The Lake Lanier Association is proud to announce the expansion of our Life Jacket Loaner Station program for 2022. We began this program in 2020 by launching two stations with the City of Cumming at the beach area of Mary Alice Park. In 2021, we doubled our effort by working with Forsyth County to add two additional stations at the boat ramp of Charleston Park, and at the beach area of Young Deer Creek Park.

For 2022, we are again doubling this Safe Lake initiative by adding four new stations. We are excited to announce a partnership with Hall County by adding three new loaner stations at the boat ramp areas of River Forks, Laurel, and Wahoo Parks. In addition, we worked with the City of Gainesville to add a new loaner station at the boat ramp area of Lake Lanier Olympic Park. All of the existing and new stations were fully stocked with Life Jackets in infant, child, youth, and adult sizes prior to the Memorial Day weekend. The LLA and our amazing group of volunteers manage the stations during the traditional lake season from Memorial Day through Labor Day, with weekly monitoring and restocking as necessary. After Labor Day, we won't be monitoring and restocking the stations, but people can continue to borrow and return any life jackets that may be available.

We have had many generous offers to donate life jackets, and would accept donations of life jackets (PFD's) in good condition at any of our loaner station locations during this time. Hooks are provided at the stations to hang the jackets. In addition, Friends of Lake Lanier accepts life jacket donations that support the 18 stations across the lake operated by the Corps of Engineers

We continue to be grateful for the volunteer and sponsor support of this program.

We would specifically like to thank The Ohman Family Foundation and one of our volunteers, Duane Fischer for the financial support of this program. For 2022, we are very pleased to have the partnership and great craftsmanship of our new stations donated by Michael James Remodeling, and the materials donated by them and B&M Metals, Moore's Lumber and Hardware, and Builders FirstSource.



I would also like to recognize and appreciate the volunteers who were monitoring our stations and helping to make our lake a safer environment for people to enjoy. Those volunteers are:

- Charleston Park - Al Petrangeli**
- Lake Lanier Olympic Park - Carol Wrape**
- Laurel Park - Carol Wrape**
- Mary Alice Park Beach - Duane Fisher**
- River Forks Park - Teresa and Bert Stanfield**
- Wahoo Creek Park - Danny Smith**
- Young Deer Park - Gregory Westbrook, Amanda and Becca Wade**

Thanks to all of our volunteers for taking the time and effort to make a difference.

Our goal continues to be about creating awareness and availability that wearing life jackets saves lives. We want to preserve great times on the lake and prevent tragedies by making people aware of the importance of wearing life jackets as an integral part of their enjoyment of our beautiful lake both in and on the water (like wearing a seat belt in a car), and making life jackets available to those in need. The stations are designed and built to last, with large signage area on both sides that is bilingual and like a billboard to promote wear it awareness, and instructions on how to properly wear the jackets.

We will continue to look at expansion opportunities in the future for swimming and boat launch areas around the lake. Please contact us at lakeinfo@lakelanier.org if you have an interest in volunteering to support the ongoing monitoring of these stations, or if you have personal or business sponsorship in financially supporting our ongoing stations and future expansion efforts. **#WearIt**



Special Thanks to Michael James Remodeling For Their Generous Support of the Life Jacket Loaner Station Program

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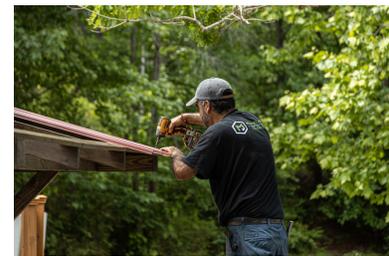
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Once Michael heard of the Life Jacket Loaner Stations, he was eager to get involved. Supporting the Lake Lanier Association in this way was very important to Michael James Remodeling not only because many of our clients live on the community of Lake Lanier, but also because providing a safe lake is a crucial part of benefiting the North Georgia community as a whole. Helping the Lake Lanier Association with the labor and donation of supplies for the lifejacket stations was an easy yes, anything we could do to be a part of promoting a safer environment on the lake was something we were all in for.



Shore Sweep Will Be Here Before We Know It!

Mark Your Calendar For Saturday, September 24th



The 2021 event set new records with over 85 tons of trash collected at the hands of over 1,200 volunteers. We can't wait to see what we'll accomplish together this year on Saturday, September 24th!

Lake Lanier's shorelines and coves can become littered with trash from those using it as well as being washed in during rain. Every time it rains, stormwater brings trash off roadsides into rivers and streams that make their way into Lake Lanier. LLA coordinates cleanups of Lake Lanier's shoreline throughout the year with the largest event occurring annually on the last week in September. Over 33 years of Shore Sweep cleanups have removed 2.16 million pounds of trash and debris from Lake Lanier's shorelines.

As the event approaches, LLA will share details via email, social media and update our website at lakelanier.org/shore-sweep

A SAFER SEASON

WITH WATERSPORTS CENTRAL

BUILDING POSITIVE EXPERIENCES ON THE WATER

Lake Lanier plays host to summer recreation for thousands of families every year, more so now than ever before. The advent of Covid-19 brought forth a surge in the boating and water sports industry that no one could have predicted, attracting families to outdoor recreation, and creating droves of new, inexperienced boaters. With Lake Lanier being the largest body of water in Georgia, 692 miles of shoreline to be exact, it has without a doubt seen the bulk of fledgling boaters getting their feet wet over the last couple of years.

Due to its sheer size, Lake Lanier has consistently played host to more boating incidents than any other lake in Georgia. But an increase in rookie boaters has brought forth an increase in boating incidents - 24 alone in 2021. Many of these incidents could have been avoided through proper education.

As a marine dealer, we embrace the responsibility to bring safety to the forefront of not only our customers, but all boaters in the area. Leaning on industry partners such as the Water Sports Industry Association (WSIA) as well as manufacturers like Nautique Boats, we are utilizing their assets with our local platform to provide educational content that helps boaters be safer and more respectful on the water.



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For example, the WSIA has a “Wake Responsibly” campaign that we fully support. This campaign is a 3-pillar guideline designed to teach boaters, specifically those participating in watersports activities, how to be respectful to other boaters. The pillars are identified as follows:



Stay 200 ft away from all boats, shorelines, docks, and people. You are responsible for your vessel and wake. With crowded waters, furthering your distance will reduce your wake.

Keep music at a reasonable volume. Sound travels over water and hearing it behind the boat is like hearing it across the lake.

Keep repetitive passes to a minimum. Finding that perfect water can sometimes be challenging but go explore and see what else Lanier has to offer.

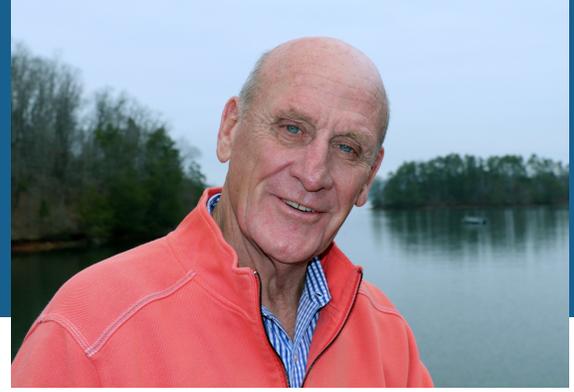
WaterSports Central also offers hands-on experiences like surf nights, factory demos, and our ever-popular women’s initiative - Ladies on the Lake. We host these events throughout the season, providing educational opportunities on some of the best boats in the industry including Nautique, South Bay, Chris Craft, and Crownline.

We all share the same passion for life on the lake. For those of us that are newer to the marine world, never hesitate to reach out and ask questions. And for those of us veterans and experts, it is our duty to positively share our experiences and best practices with the new generations so that we can all have a safe, fun time on the lake.

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Honoring John Barker

Former President of LLA



As of May 2022, John Barker has elected to retire from the Presidency of the Lake Lanier Association. John served on the LLA Board of Directors since 2015 and at the helm as President since 2019.

Under John's leadership, the Lake Lanier Association has experienced considerable growth, implemented new and meaningful programs, as well as made impactful improvements to existing on-lake initiatives.

To note a few: John had a passion for seeing abandoned docks and vessels removed from Lake Lanier. It's this effort that brought John to LLA and with his guidance, the ADDV program grew into what it is today. John led the organization as we started the Life Jacket Loaner Station program. Beginning with four stations in Forsyth County and as of the 2022 season, the addition of four new stations in the City of Gainesville and Hall County. Through his guidance, LLA has revamped the Solar Light program and implemented a maintenance process which better ensures the highest possible number of lights are functioning at all times. During John's Presidency, LLA set new records for Shore Sweep, the annual lake clean-up. In 2021, a record of 85+ tons of trash was removed from Lake Lanier at the hands of over 1,200 volunteers. John had a contagious ability to get things done – which led LLA to great success.

John had a desire to see the Lake Lanier Association become a household name to those in the Lanier community and with his leadership, LLA has increased presence on the lake and built upon strong relationships with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Georgia Department of Natural Resources and local municipalities, including city and county governments. John helped establish broader reach within State Government constituents as well. Finally, the support and involvement of LLA membership saw much growth in John's time as president. Today, the LLA's membership is stronger than ever, both Personal and Business Membership continue to grow substantially as we all work together to keep Lake Lanier Clean, Full and Safe.

The impact John had in moving forward the mission of the Lake Lanier Association – to ensure a Clean, Full and Safe Lake Lanier – will endure and be felt for years to come. Please join the Lake Lanier Association in thanking John for his steadfast service and his contributions to our collective success. The LLA wishes him well as he dedicates more time to family and friends in retirement.

We'll see you on the water, John!





Lake Lanier Real Estate Update and Summer Fun with *Teresa Smith*

Summer is here on Lake Lanier! Boats are everywhere and the restaurants are full. I love the beginning of summer when the kids are out of school and happy sounds are coming from boat docks throughout the week rather than just on weekends.

Many of the buyers we work with are moving from out of state - Oregon, California, Florida, Texas and Virginia to name a few. There seems to be a common goal with most of these buyers, they want to move closer to be near their children and grandchildren. There isn't anything like a lake home that keeps the kids coming back. Many times behind the scenes, we call lake homes 'kid bait'. Some folks on the lake would love to sell and capitalize on their ROI at the top of the market, yet they don't have any place to move to.

I'm sure you all are wondering 'what's going on with the market'? That seems to be the HOT TOPIC. We are experiencing some changes. With rising interest rates, inflation, the war in Ukraine, gas prices and the stock market - the market is shifting a bit. We are noticing more inventory coming on the market (which is a good thing), more days on the market and also seeing more price reductions.

I spoke to Mary Thompson, a well respected appraiser on Lake Lanier, to see what she is seeing from an appraiser's perspective. Her comments were, **"We are seeing a slow down in an unbelievable HOT market. The temperature has dialed down. Supply is getting better, sellers are experiencing more days on the market, we are seeing more price reductions and some homes are selling for less than list price."**

We all know that prices have been CRAZY. In 2021 we saw the market increasing at a rapid pace. Fast forward to 2022 and home prices went off the charts. Here are a couple of examples that you may find interesting:

The stats are comparing January-May 2021 with January-May of 2022 for homes with private docks and homes with slips in a community marina. These numbers do not include the homes that have sold prior to going on the market. Let's take a look!

Active Listings:

\$4 Million +	4
\$2,000,000 - \$3,999,999	16
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	31
\$800,000 - \$999,999	25
\$600,000 - \$799,999	13
\$350,000 - \$599,999	11

Under Contract:

\$1 Million +	15
\$800,000 - \$999,999	11
\$600,000 - \$799,000	7
\$350,000 - \$599,000	8

January - May 2022 Closed Sales:

\$2,000,000 - \$4,000,000	7
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	57
\$800,000 - \$999,000	36
\$600,000 - \$799,999	26
\$400,000 - \$599,000	25
Under \$400,000	13

January- May 2021 Closed Sales:

\$2,000,000 - \$4,000,000	6
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	48
\$800,000 - \$999,999	34
\$600,000 - \$799,999	64
\$400,000 - \$599,999	45
Under \$400,000	23

It will be interesting to see how this summer plays out with our lake sales. **In the meantime, get outside, play on the lake and have a SAFE and happy summer!**



Teresa Smith and the Living on Lake Lanier team are experts on lake properties, as well as have experience in and outside the Atlanta perimeter. Learn more about the team at livingonlakelanier.com.



Know the Ropes!

Boating Safety & Hospitality



BY AMY MCGUIRE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Photo taken by Mackenzie Scott, LLA Member since 2020

Ahoy! As the temperatures rise and the sun shines on Lanier, we thought it was a great time to discuss “the rules of boating”. Rules, as you know, are set in place to protect everyone. Sometimes the rules are set forth by a governing agency, city, state, etc.— or, they may be your personal rules. However, one of the hardest parts of enforcing rules on your dock or vessel, is conveying them without making your guests uncomfortable.

In this installment of “Know the Ropes” we offer some tips to help enforce meaningful safety measures. These are common boating safety topics, but sometimes awkward to enforce.

You can’t exactly hand someone a sweet tea, or a cold beer, and say, “Before we have any fun, let me remind you of the rules”. That doesn’t exactly set the tone for a fun and relaxing day on the water. However, you can still get your point across with a dash of humor or in more subtle ways where they are not expressed verbally but clearly implied.

The first step in conveying the rules is knowing them yourself.

Clear expectations and communication is vital for the captain, co-captain and deckhands—these are the ones who are going to be primary users of the boat and/or dock. These folks are the ones who must know the ropes and set the example for everyone else. This can include the youngest members of the family as well! It’s never too early to be a leader!

The Lake Lanier Association encourages you to stay informed of changing rules and laws on the lake, and we do our best to convey those when they change. We also encourage taking a boating safety course. To go a step further, pair a safe boating course with a course in First Aid & CPR—a triple threat in the fight against accidents and fatalities on and around the water. Safety courses are widely available through the U.S. Coast Guard and America’s Boating Club. More information can be found on the LLA website at lakelanier.org/safety-courses.

Let's dive in! See what I did there? I made a pun. Puns are great and when used properly, a great way to convey an important message with a dash of humor. Remember, people will remember a corny joke over a somber rule.

Below are some simple tried and true rules along with a humorous way to convey them. Enjoy!



Photo taken by Mackenzie Scott

Rule #1: Drinking and Boating

We are not opposed to enjoying a cold beverage of the adult variety on a hot summer day - especially if it helps you wash (most) of your cares away. This is where a subtle, non-verbal rule can be applied.

The Rule: Never stock your boat, or cooler, with enough alcohol to inebriate every adult on the boat.

It's in poor taste for a person to consume all the alcohol, especially when supply is limited. If one adult hogs all the alcohol (that's what we call greed if you don't happen to be from around here), they open themselves for criticism, ribbing or casual intervention.

Rule #2: Swim with a Float

This one is probably the easiest one ever and has the most potential to avoid disaster. Say it with me, "If you're gonna hang on our boat, you've gotta swim with a float".

The Rule: No one swims without floatation. Ever.

If you're swimming lakeside, simply ask, "Who, in their right mind, enjoys treading water?" then casually offer floatation of some sort. If you need further reinforcement to state the obvious, you have another option. Try saying, "Here. Use this so you don't get water in your [insert adult beverage here]".



For kids, a cool life vest will always command attention. Involve your child in the shopping process!

Pro Tip for Your Newest Boaters: Allow your infants and toddlers to wear their life vest in the house or while playing or even napping. This ensures they get used to wearing it and don't associate it with boating or being on the dock - it just becomes a way of life. * This is crucial because the smallest among us can have the biggest impact on the water. Those cries of disdain are LOUD. We advise starting them young! *

Rule #3: Please Remain Seated During Docking Procedures



Photo taken by Mackenzie Scott

As the captain of our vessel, we have our routines. And let's face it—docking is a source of pride. Nothing sparks confidence like docking your boat without incident. How do you avoid incident (and maybe show off your mad skills) when you have a boat full of guests? Easy. Take command of your vessel, Captain!

The Rule: Leave docking to the captain, first mate and/or the deckhands.

When approaching the dock, take advantage of the No Wake Zone. While you've slowed to a nice cruising speed, you can converse without the roar of the engine creating opportunities for misinterpretation. Simply state 'the plan' and add something light like "Please remain seated until the ride comes to a complete stop", or, "This is your captain speaking. We hope you've enjoyed your cruise aboard the [insert cool boat name here]. We ask that you remain seated to allow the captain and deckhands to show off their mad docking skills". If you use that last one, be sure your docking skills are, in fact, MAD!

This will avoid injuries that could happen around the dock. When everyone knows their role, disembarking will go a lot smoother. Guaranteed. Clearly stating the plan also ensures you can hurry up and get your name on the list at any one of Lanier's great restaurants!

Finally, Rule #4. In the day of rising gas prices, we believe you'll thank us for this one. We invite you to save this article and stow in your glove box for future reference. Here it is:

Rule #4: Who Pays for Gas?

While this one isn't necessarily a safety issue, this is the South where etiquette reigns supreme!

The Rule: If you're a regular on the vessel, pony up!

The best way to establish "fuel assistance" is to determine who is a "regular" and who is a "guest".

If you've invited someone on your boat (especially your boss, customer, or other VIP), fuel up before they arrive! On the other hand, if you've got that best friend from high school, college, military, work, etc. who's on your boat so much it wouldn't seem right without them, it's not in poor taste to ask them to chip in for gas. We suggest never asking for a dollar amount though; allow any regulars to contribute as their budget allows.



This concludes this installment of "Know the Ropes". Our intention was to insert some good-natured humor while reminding you the best memories are made when everyone remains safe around the water! Find more boating safety and etiquette tips on our Facebook and Instagram. Search for the "Lake Lanier Association" and follow along to never miss an LLA update.

Capture Your Share of the Sun with Cooperative Solar from Jackson EMC

Imagine using solar energy at your home -- without installing solar panels. With Jackson EMC's new Cooperative Solar program, members can benefit from receiving solar energy without the long-term commitment and risk of ownership or maintenance.

With Cooperative Solar, you don't have to worry about your home being shaded, homeowner association covenants, or being a renter. The electricity you receive is generated at off-site solar facilities. You can purchase solar energy blocks from Jackson EMC at a monthly rate.

When you purchase a solar energy block, you receive the electricity produced by approximately three solar panels. The monthly output from each solar energy block varies due to the sun's position, time of year, and the number of cloudy days. Therefore, you will receive different amounts of solar energy each month based on the available sunlight and the performance of the solar facility.

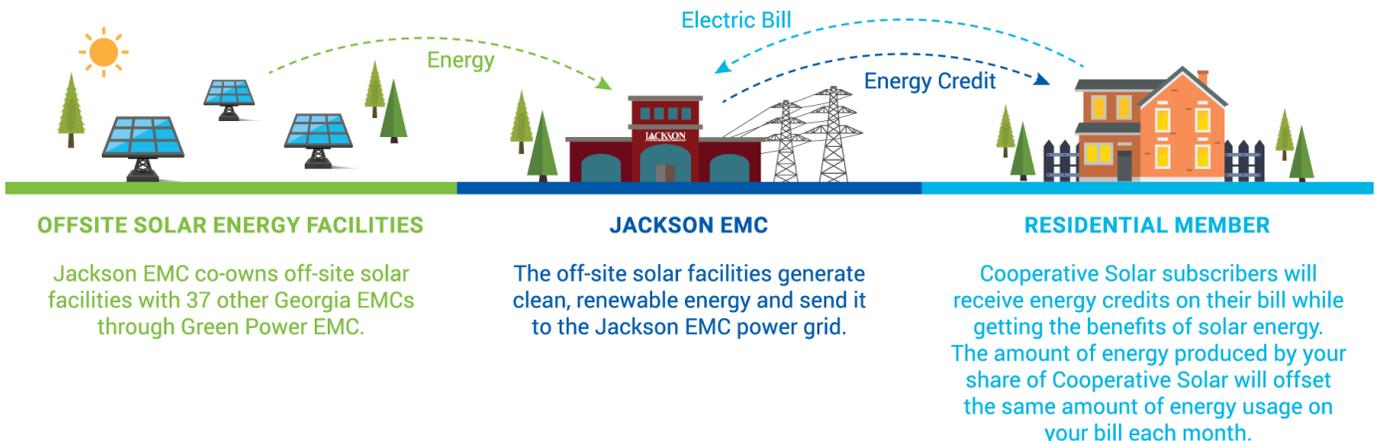
The kilowatt-hours produced by your solar energy block in each calendar month will offset the same number of kilowatt-hours on your bill. If your solar energy block produces more kilowatt-hours than you use during your billing period, you will receive a credit for the excess. On average, each solar energy block is expected to produce between 200 and 225 kilowatt-hours of solar electricity monthly. For reference, the average Jackson EMC household uses 1,200 kilowatt-hours of electricity per month.

Solar energy blocks are \$23 each per month. Residences served by Jackson EMC are eligible to sign up for up to three blocks. There is no long-term commitment, and you may discontinue your solar energy commitment at any time. Sign-ups are on a first-come, first-served basis.



Cooperative Solar Advantages:

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- Freedom from long-term contracts
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- Financing is not necessary
- Shade or orientation to sun is not a factor
- Nothing attached to your roof
- Maintenance-free
- Neighborhood covenants do not affect access



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Meet LLA Board of Director:

Sheila Davis

Many know Sheila Davis for her power-house real estate team at The Norton Agency, but her love for Lake Lanier goes far beyond selling dream homes to her clients.



Sheila Davis has been volunteering with LLA since 1995 and later joined the Board of Directors in 2017. In the early days, she worked closely with then LLA president, Jackie Joseph. They created mailbox flyers and creative efforts to spread the word about LLA. To this day, Sheila is passionate and actively involved in promoting LLA by serving as the Vice President of Marketing and helping to grow its membership.

Since 1994, Sheila has called Lake Lanier her home. In 1990, she met her now husband, Jud Davis. Their first date was heading to the lake to waterski. He even popped the question on the family pontoon boat. Once married, Jud and Sheila first lived in the Davis' family water-front cabin off of Linger Longer Rd. in Cumming. Since then, they have lived all over the shores of Lanier and have loved each area for the special memories and season of life they shared in those lakeside homes.

Sheila is an Ohio native and graduated from the Miami University in Oxford. Her professional career started as an Executive Buyer for Macy's, but she made the transition to Real Estate in 2001 and never looked back. For Sheila, Lake Lanier is the best neighborhood to represent. She loves watching her clients fall in love with lake life and get to share special memories just as she has with her own family.

Sheila and Jud have two children - Jackson, 23 years old and a UGA grad, and Lauren, 21 years old and currently attending UGA. Together, the Davis family love to boat, enjoy watersports and open their home to friends and family to spend quality time by the water.

The Davis Family is passionate about Lake Lanier not just for the special place it holds in their life, but the gift it is to all that enjoy these waters.



Summer is here! That means it's time to get on the lake.

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Summer is here and that means more time spent on the lake with family and friends, but that also means setting aside more money for boat gas. With the price of everything continuing to rise we're all looking for ways to save. For those of us that live on the lake we have the ability to fill up with gas cans, but while most technology has advanced, gas can "technology" has regressed over the past 10 years. The "safety" nozzles are hard to use, they spill, they break and they make filling up take several minutes per can!

FlowPro Siphon is locally owned and operated in Buford, and is here to change the way you think about filling up. At only \$29.95, the 1" FlowPro Siphon will pay for itself in your first 20 gallons. With just a few shakes of the nozzle, in the gas can, the gravity flow will begin and drain a 5 gallon can in as little as 30 seconds. No more wrestling 100 lb gas caddy's, sucking on a hose for gas or spending \$60 each on integrated fill cans. Stand back and let FlowPro do the heavy lifting for you. **For smaller tanks, dirt bikes, mowers, etc. the ½" FlowPro Jr. is also available.

An exclusive Lake Lanier Association discount code will be active until August 15th, 2022. Visit www.FlowProSiphon.com/shop and use the code "2022LLA15" at check out. If you're a Dealer or Pro Shop and would like to purchase wholesale to stock FlowPro in your shop, please contact us at sales@flowprosiphon.com.

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13th Annual Poker Run Returns Thanks to Lanier Partners "America's Top Charitable Poker Run" Makes a Difference in the Local Community

Lanier Partners of North Georgia, Inc. is a community-based nonprofit organization raising money to serve children. Our volunteer board members are like-minded boaters, businesses, community leaders and supporters from Georgia.

Our annual signature event is hosting "America's Top Charitable Poker Run". In addition to our annual Poker Run event, Lanier Partners of North Georgia also hosts an annual Holiday Boat Parade, and debuted our first annual charity Golf Tournament this past spring.

While our events are a lot of fun, we do it for one reason. Everything we do, we do in order to help Georgia children in need. All the money we raise is used to help organizations such as, The Boys & Girls Clubs of Lanier, Camp Sunshine, Camp Twin Lakes, the Edmondson Telford Child Advocacy Center and the Georgia Sheriffs' Youth Homes.

Over the years, these efforts have raised several million dollars and have helped hundreds of children live a fuller, happier and more productive life. Money raised comes from the very generous donations of our sponsors, as well as through the sale of tickets to our events and the related items we offer through our online store.

Join us this year to help make a difference in the local Lake Lanier Community. We ask for contributions and participation to allow us to continue to expand and continue serving the children.



The 13th Annual Pirates of Lanier Charity Poker Run is Friday, July 15th and Saturday, July 16th. Boats of all sizes participate and boaters are coming from all of the US for a fun event with an even better cause.

The event hopes to raise over \$100,000 to support local children's charities including the Boys and Girls Club of Lanier, Camp Sunshine, Camp Twin Lakes, the Edmondson Telford Center for Child Advocacy and the Georgia Sheriffs Youth Homes.

Sign-up or donate now at lanierpartners.org.