



## Bay Lake Improvement Association

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Fellow Bay Lakers,

This is the last spring letter I will write to you as President of the Bay Lake Improvement Association. When I signed up 5 years ago to be Vice President, I had no idea where this journey would take me. While I'd be lying if I didn't say there were moments during the past few years where I wondered why I volunteered to serve, I can honestly say that being the face of BLIA has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. I have met more people who share my feelings about the Lake than I can remember, literally. Our community is blessed: we are blessed with active and dedicated volunteers, generous donors, and engaged and knowledgeable people from all trades and walks of life. Most important we are blessed with natural beauty and a strong sense of community...the place you and I call The Lake.

Enclosed with this letter you will find a list of events taking place this summer. I hope you are able to attend one, two, all, or a happy number in the middle of these community building happenings—if you are able, help out and volunteer at one of these occasions, if not, bring friends and family to just enjoy the company of fellow Bay Lakers.

On the back-side of the list of events you will find the names of the BLIA Executive Committee as well as committee chairs and directors. As always, we encourage you to reach out to any of us with your questions, concerns, and comments. My contact info is at the bottom of this letter. I will be happy to put you in touch with the proper person or just email [info@baylake.org](mailto:info@baylake.org).

Finally you will find a membership list from last year and a sign up form to be a member this year. Last year our membership numbers dropped a bit, let's aim to have each cabin represented by at LEAST one membership. Remember it is okay to have more than one membership per cabin. Often kids, grandkids and even frequent guests become members. On the membership form you will find line items for the fireworks and the Environmental Fund. There will be two fireworks displays this year: one on July 2nd and one on New Year's Day. Please help offset our cost if you too enjoy these fabulous, community-building events.

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As I stated at the beginning, this “job” has been more rewarding than I ever thought it would be. My call to you, my friends and neighbors, is to do something to get more involved at The Lake. Show up at a board meeting, or an event you haven’t participated in before this year. With that, we always welcome ideas for new events (like the Trivia event this year).

It’s truly been a joy serving these past three years. Here’s to another great summer and, as always, I look forward to seeing you at the Lake.

Best,

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