



## Willow Lake Lottery Sign-Up

On the last Saturday of each month, Don Bruce and usually M.B. Childress are at the clubhouse from 9 until 11 AM to collect for the lottery. We have a community lottery pool and they collect and record the monies for those who participate. Since M.B. is in Promise at present Wayne sat in for him.



If you are not currently taking part in our lottery pool and would like to do so just see Don Bruce to sign up. The cost is \$1 per draw each month, generally there are 8 or 9 draws so it would 8 or 9 dollars depending.

This is just one of the number of activities that your community volunteers sponsor during the month. So check your calendar and if there is anything you would like to join us for you are always welcome.

# Wine and hors d'oeuvres evening

It was a cold and dreary evening but the group who gathered for the Wine and hors d'oeuvres

evening was warm and toasty by the fireplace. There was quite a group despite the weather. We shared some wonderful food, some new dishes that we hadn't tried before as well as many old favorites. There was good conversation and of course a glass of wine or two.

Sorry no one got a photo but if you would like to join in the fun check your calendar for the next wine evening.

### **Willow Lake Annual Auction**

Each year we ask our neighbors to donate unwanted or unused items to the Neighborhood Group to be auctioned off. The proceeds are used to help fund clubhouse events throughout the year. This year our auction will be on 24 April starting at 6 PM. We are having it separately from the covered dish dinner this year so that it won't run as long. We ask that you bring a beverage of your choice (tea will be available) and a bit of cheese or some other snack as this is also our Wine and Cheese night to share so that you can nibble during the auction.

If you have items you would like to donate you can leave them in the library at the clubhouse at any time. If you need help with them just call 655-2568 or email me at dmason9093@aol.com and we can arrange some assistance.

For anyone who has never attended an auction we want to let you know it is a really fun evening. Everyone gets into the spirit of

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things and laughter flows freely so come out and join in an evening of possibilities and entertainment.

### **Covered Dish Night**

We had 43 people show up for the covered event on March 6.



As you can see; the serving table was very inviting.



With almost everyone seated and eating, there was still plenty of food left. Don was checking out the supply.



Not much conversation going on at this time. Rita seems to always be the last one seated. The reason is that she makes sure everything is properly displayed.

# March Quarterly Meeting

Our Willow Lake Neighborhood Group quarterly meeting was 7 March, we had quite a good turnout and a packed agenda.



First on the agenda was our Police Juror, Jack (Bump) Skaggs.





Bump presented a full menu of the current happenings in Bossier Parish. If you weren't there you are now among the uniformed. His presentation lasted for about an hour and included questions and answers. We would like to have Bump come back every other meeting since Bossier Parish is very progressive and there is always some new and different going on. We really thank Bump for his attendance and presentation.

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Next on the agenda were reports of the Advisory Committee Chairs on the various aspects of life in Willow Lake. There were a number of other items discussed, watch for the minutes to be published and sent out soon. Watch your calendar and make sure and attend our next meeting.

#### Men's Breakfast

WOW! We had 19 show up at Ceal's for breakfast this month.



Good service, good food and lively conversation. This is one of the highlights of the month for the men of Willow Lake; it is a time to talk about sports, politics, fun, and perhaps even our wives.

# **April Birthdays**

Guidry, Debbie	7-Apr
LeGrand, Jimmy	25-Apr
Metheny, Bob	28-Apr
Varnell, Mary	29-Apr

#### Men's Luncheon

Our Willow Lake men's lunch was on Thursday, 19 March at David Beard's in

Bossier City. There was 10 of us I think we tried most everything on the menu. Most of us had the catfish which we thought was very good, one had shrimp and enjoyed those and one had the country friend steak and said it was the best he had in quite a while. We enjoyed discussing various topics as we ate and although we didn't solve any issues at least we didn't create any either. Watch your calendar and join us at next month's lunch which will be at El Mariachi on Airline in Bossier.





"I was always taught to respect my elders, but it keeps getting harder to find one."

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### A Snow Man In Louisiana

Jax Lee Beavers, great grandson of Lee and Dale Phillips, built his first snowman with a little help from his dad. It was really cold but he had a great time.



## **Learn new things**

I have always said, you should learn something new every day. Unfortunately, many of us are at that age where what we learn today, we forget tomorrow.

But, give it a shot anyway.

# **United States**



The Eisenhower interstate system requires that one mile in every five must be straight. These straight sections are usable as airstrips in times of war or other emergencies.

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