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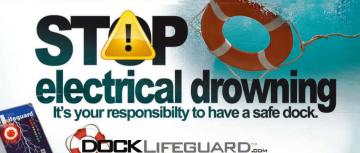
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TOP EVENTS

In June



Watch as dogs compete in a test of aginity during the annual Canine Cannonball event held at Dog Days from June 9-11. Anyone can enter their pooch or just watch from the restaurant as dogs entertain the crowd. For a full schedule, go to www.dockdogs.com.

Charity Event

A Chiefs Kingdom Championship Party will be held from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. at Shady/Lazy Gators. There will be an auction and special guest appearances. This is an all-ages event. For more information, go to Chiefs Kingdom Championship Party on Facebook. Proceeds from the event go to Wonderland Camp.

Summer Camp



Looking for something the kids can do this summer? A four-day clay workshop will be held June 12-14 at the Faye May Creative Arts Studio in Camdenton.Cost is \$225. For more information, call 573-433-6179. The Camden County Museum is hosting a Family History Camp June 17 & July 15. For more information, go to www.camdencountymuseum.org.

WHAT TO HAVE ONBOARD

When preparing to go out on a vessel, there are a few things you need to check that are legally required to be on board. The Missouri State Highway Patrol, Water Patrol Division advises operators to make sure these items are handy.

PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES

Under federal law, a wearable PFD is required for each person on board regardless of vessel length. Children under the age of 7 must wear a U.S. Coast Guard-approved PFD



at all times unless the child is confined to a totally enclosed area such as a houseboat or a day-cruiser

NAVIGATION LIGHTS

The required navigation lights differ depending on the size and type of your vessel. You must display the required navigation lights between sunset and sunrise and during periods of restricted visibility.



FIRE EXTINGUISHER

All vessels (there are few restrictions) are required to have a Type B, U.S. Coast Guard-approved fire extinguisher on board in an accessible area. Check the charge level of your fire extinguishers regularly. Replace them immediately if they are not fully charged.





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Vessels more than 16 feet but less than 40 feet in length are required to carry a whistle or horn to signal intentions or positions. Vessels that are 40 feet or more in length are required to carry a whistle or horn and a bell on board.

This is only a partial list. For more information and regulations go to **www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov**

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE

1-3 • LOTO Powerfest, formerly Lake Race, will be held at Shady Gators and Camden on the Lake. For more information, go to www.lotopowerfest.com.

1-3 • Frank's Swap Meadowlands Days will be held at Jacob's Cave. It's largest swap meet in the Midwest. Hours are Thursday and Friday 8 a.m.-7 p.m., and Saturday 8 a.m.-3 p.m. For more information, go to www.jacobscave. com/franks-swap.

2 & 3 • A dinner theater production of "The Pharoh's Son" will be held at the Camden County Museum. Dinner is at 6 p.m. with curtain call at 7 p.m. tickets are \$20/person. For more information, call 573-873-2990.

3 • The 4th annual Float Your Boat charity boat race will be held at Captain Ron's at 1 p.m. Boats entered are only allowed to be made of cardboard and duct tape. The event is a benefit for the Lake of the Ozarks Shootout. For more information, go to www. lakeoftheozarksshootout. com/events.

4 • The annual Shootout benefit Run What Ya Brung Poker Run will begin at 9 a.m. at Captain Ron's. All proceeds go to benefit Jessica & Malaica Brazil Foundation in support of kids in foster care as they age out of the system. For more information and to register, go to www.lakeoftheozarksshootout.com.

4 • The Sunrise Beach Little Theatre will be holding auditions for a Children's Theatre Production of "Pan" by Craig Sodaro on Sunday, at the Sunrise Beach Community Center (15133 North Highway 5) from 3-5 p.m. The casting for this play will be for 15 young actors (ages 6-17). Auditions are open to any young actor with or without experience. This production is a children's version of the classic Peter Pan. The play will be presented on July 21 and 22. For more

information about auditions, call Beth at 913-909-8603 or Yetta at 573-280-1958.

6 • The Lake Area Community Orchestra will host a free concert at 7 p.m. at Ha Ha Tonka State Park castle ruins in Camdenton. Bring a chair or blanket. Free to the public but donations are welcome.

9 • Hot Summer Nights will be held from 5-9:30 p.m. on the Bagnell Dam Strip. This free cruise-in will be held once a month during the summer. June's theme is "Fast and Furious with Exotics & Tuners." Anyone is welcome to bring their car, truck or motorcycle to participate. No registration required. For more information, go to Hot Summer Nights - Lake of the Ozarks, MO on Facebook.

9-11 • The annual Canine Cannonball dog sporting event will be held at Dog Days in Osage Beach. Hours are 2-6 p.m. Friday, 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday. Adult and youth entries accepted. For more information, go to www.dockdogs. com.

10 • A meet and greet with local authors will be held at the Camden County Museum in Linn Creek from 2-4 p.m. Local authors will be available to talk about their work and sign books. For more information, call 573-873-2990.

10 • The 6th annual Rock Island Road Race, organized by and benefits the Miller County Child Advocacy Council, will be held at Rock Island Park in Eldon. The same scenic course as last year will take 15K/10K/5K runners and walkers through Eldon and back to the finish line where they'll earn a custom medal. All participants are guaranteed to receive an official race shirt (if registered by May 15th) and chip timing. Packet pick-up will be from 5:45-7 a.m. with the race starting at 7:15 a.m. For more information, go to www.facebook. com/eldonrockislandroadrace.

10 • The Great Cornholio II Bags Tournament will be held at Shady Gators starting at 11 a.m. The entry fee is \$60 per team, and entries will be capped at 100 teams. The grand prize pool is \$5,000. For more information, go to www.shadygators.com/livemusic-bands.

13 • The Lake Area Community Orchestra will host a free concert at 7 p.m. at the Eldon Air Park. Bring a chair or blanket. Rain location is the First Baptist Church. Free to the public but donations are welcome.

16 • A Ladies Luncheon and Fashion Show will be held at 12 p.m. at the Camden County Museum. Cost is \$10/person. The theme is "Chic & Thrifty." For more information, call 573-873-2990.

16 • Thunder Mountain Event Center is hosting a book signing for author Valerie Battle Kienzel. She will be signing copies of her latest book, "100 Things to Do at Lake of the Ozarks Before You Die," from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

17 • A Family Living History Day will be held at the Camden County Museum in Linn Creek. This two-day session will also be held July 15. Attendees will learn about a different era in the history of Camden County and Missouri. The June 17 session will cover the time of the Native Americans to post-Civil War. The July 15 session will continue from post-war reconstruction to the present day. Games, crafts, demonstrations and speakers will be a part of the program. Held from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Children are asked to bring a sack lunch. For more information, call 573-873-2990.

17 • The talented troupe of actors will perform in the style of Old-time Radio theatre at Barista Go Coffeehouse on State Rd KK. Doors open at 6 p.m. with the show beginning at 7 p.m. For more information, call Beth at 913-909-8603 or Will at 573-462-6623.

17 • Church Chiefs Kingdom Championship Party will be held at Shady Gators from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. The event is a benefit for Wonderland Camp. A live and silent auction, and special guests will be a part of the fundraiser.

20 • The Lake Area Community Orchestra will host a free concert at 7 p.m. at the West Lake Christian Church in Laurie. Free to the public but donations are welcome.

21 • The annual Three Rivers Run for the Tri-County YMCA of the Ozarks will take participants on a 240-mile journey from Lake of the Ozarks to the St. Louis Arch. PWCs take off at 7 a.m. below Bagnell Dam on the Osage River. Entry is \$400 and includes gas, oil, lunch and the after-party at the Ameristar Hotel and Casino. For more information, call 573-348-9230.

23 & 24 • A Garage Sale will be held at the Camden County Museum from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission is free. Lunch available for a donation. For more information, call 573-873-2990.

25 • A Night on the Meowtown will be held at the former Duck Restaurant (67 Cherokee Court, Lake Ozark). Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$60/person available at Lake Patio & Spas. The Bend Restaurant will be providing food. The evening is a benefit for the Meowtown Animal Rescue. For more information, call Marge at 573-434-9207.

30 • Claws for Paws, a benefit for the Ozarks Kat & K9 Animal Shelter & Thrift Store, will be held at The Encore Lakeside Grill & Sky Bar from 5-8 p.m. Cost is \$20 and includes hors d'oeuvres and prize drawings. A silent auction, 50/50 raffles, dueling pianos entertainment and cash bar will be held. For more information or for tickets, call 573-286-1755.



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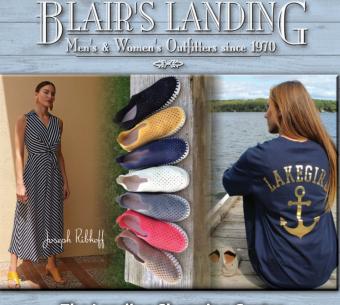


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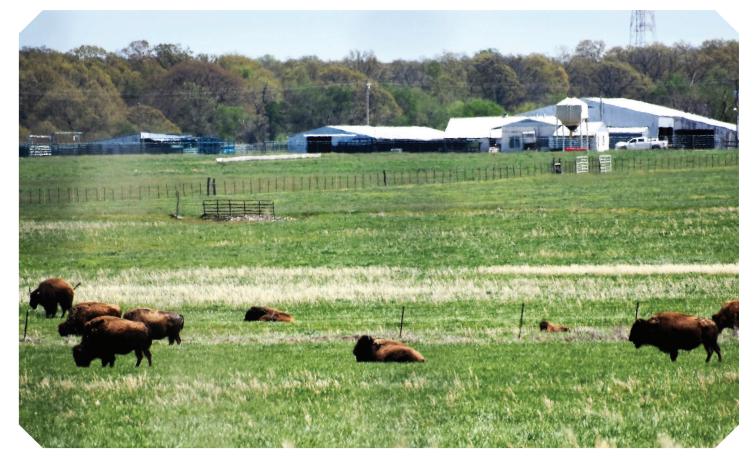
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Where the buffalo roam

Take a tour of Ottawa County, Oklahoma



here can you find buffalo in the Midwest? Ottawa County, Oklahoma is a day trip rich in history and home to a buffalo ranch. While photographing a historic church, a post on the Yelp App popped up a link to a nearby Buffalo prairie, and how one visitor to the church park likes to sit in his car and watch the buffalo. Being a huge fan of the creatures, the search was on. A way marker on the junction of County Road S679 and State Highway 10 catches your attention to pull over and read the sign on the Modoc Church. Look past the sign and you will see a buffalo ranch. The majestic furry creatures were lying in the sun or grazing on the pastures directly north of the sign. A quick glance around found more buffalo gathered in a field across the highway. They aren't very active or social. But the appearance of a near extinct, historically significant animal species is a glorious sight in modern times.

For lunch or dinner on this day trip three hours from Lake of the Ozarks, a convenient stop near the Modoc site

is The Outpost Casino. Heading back into the Wyandotte and Seneca area, The Outpost Casino on Hwy. 100 is a short drive from the Modoc Church way maker and buffalo ranches. It is a small casino with just over 250 slot games. The first thing to do anytime one visits a new casino is to sign up for their player's card, whether you intend to ever visit again or not. It rewards you with immediate free game play and discounts at the restaurant. The Star Grille is the place to eat when visiting the Modoc/Wyandotte reservation.

It has morphed into a new pop up concept cafe called Bacon Me Crazy with burgers, chicken, salads, sandwiches, and appetizers. The Rock Star Burger topped with egg is everything you need for a brunch burger, or late afternoon lunch, the perfect pick me up before journeying home. Non-alcoholic drinks are always free at this casino, don't be afraid to bring in your travel cup. And the prices at Star Grille can't be beat.

DAY TRIP

THE HISTORY

MODOC CHURCH BUILT 1879 ON THE MODOC RESERVATION LISTED ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES PEBRUARY 1980 MAJOR WILLIAM MCBRIDE CHAPTER UNITED STATES DAUGHTERS OF 1812

Ottawa County, Oklahoma's Modoc Indian Tribe is 14,000 years old, originating on the Oregon/California coast. They were hunter/gatherers and fishermen. The invasion of non-indian settlers saw the Modoc adopting some of the white men's tendencies, and soon had nicknames. Keintpoos became Captain Jack, the tribal leader, while others became known to history as Scar-faced Charley, Steamboat Frank, Bogus Charley, Shack Nasty Jim, Long Jim, Curly-headed Doctor, and Hooker Jim (Modoc Nation, 2022). California's first governor waged war on the Native tribe to drive them out. After the

war for extinction, what few Modoc survived were told that they were going to Cheyenne, Wyoming as prisoners of war. But, really the plan was to ship them to Quapaw Territory. The Quapaw agency purchased 4,000 acres for the 153 Modoc Indian prisoners and settled them in the Northeast Oklahoma county of Ottawa in June 1874. Bounded by Oklahoma and Missouri state lines, they were surrounded and included within the following tribes: Confederated Peoria, Eastern Shawnee, Miami, Ottawa, Quapaw, Seneca, and Wyandotte, under the Quapaw Agency. They were described as hardworking, cheerful, and compliant by their Indian agent. They were, however, habitual gamblers. Nepotist Indian agents, including the Quakers named as the Modoc's overseers, treated the tribe deplorably. They suffered hard winters and starvation due to swindling agents and store owners. The 153 prisoners soon shrunk to a tribe of 99, with most due to infant and child mortality.

The Modoc took any job that brought in extra money. Soon the children started thriving. The U.S. government constructed a church that served as a school house on the Modoc reservation. The church was a Society of Friends Quaker church. Tribal leaders became ministers, and one even attended seminary. Located at County Road S679, the building still stands, next to the Modoc Cemetery, with grounds that are manicured into a park-like setting including picnic pavilion and restrooms. It has been on the National Register of Historic Places since 1980. This group of Indian War prisoners/refugees grew from near extinction, back into a nation. Half returned to their homeland in 1954, and the other half remained near Seneca in Ottawa County, Oklahoma. They joined the Inter-Tribal council in the 1980s. Chief Bill Follis has led the nation since 1973. He is a rancher who is the great-grandson of the chief of the 153 Modoc prisoners sent to Ottawa County.

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GOLF

compiled by Charis Patires

Lake area golf tournaments

Lake West Chamber Tournament

June 11: Indian Rock Golf Course

The Lake West Chamber of Commerce hosts the 31st annual golf tournament with registration at 11:30 a.m. Shotgun start at 1 p.m. Cost is \$400 per team and includes golf, cart, swag bag, door prizes, hole prizes and dinner. An auction will be held.

For more information, go to www.lakewest-chamber.com.

Twisted Golf Classic

June 12: Lake Valley Golf Club

The annual Suzie Sawyer's Twisted Golf Classic will be held at Lake Valley Golf and Country Club at 8 a.m. Cost is \$75/player or \$300/team of four, and includes 18 holes of golf, lunch, prizes, raffles and entertainment.

The tournament benefits Concerns of Police Survivors, headquartered out of Camdenton. The non-profit provides resources and services to families and others impacted by the loss of a law enforcement officer in the line of duty.

To register, call 573-346-4911.

Father's Day Scramble

June 17 & 18: Eldon Golf Club

The three-person Father's Day Weekend Scramble will be held June 17 & 18 at the Eldon Golf Club. Cost is \$210 without cart or \$90 per team to cover both days. Mulligans available for purchase.

For more information or to register, email mcummings@eldongolfclub.com.

Play for the Kids

July 28: The Golf Club at Deer Chase

The 28th annual Play for the Kids Golf tournament is a benefit for the Tri-County YMCA of the Ozarks. Enter as a team of four or a single player. Cost is \$150/player and includes lunch, a round of golf for each player, one golf cart rental and a goodie bag.

Lunch and registration begins at noon with the shotgun start at 1 p.m.

For more information, contact the YMCA at 573-348-9230.

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The Fishing Report

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he lake level was 657.9, generation of 1,000 cubic feet per second (CFS) throughout the week for a level of 658.0 by the weekend. Surface temperature at Bagnell Dam was 73 degrees. Truman Lake was at the 706.1 level.

To Note: The Lower Lake is from the dam to the 22mile mark; Mid-Lake is from the 22- to 44-mile mark, the Upper Osage is from the 44-mile mark to the Route 65 Bridge.

Tournament Results: Chuck Austin and Frank Sinn won the Anglers Choice tournament last Sunday with five bass weighing 17.84 pounds.

Bagnell Dam spillway/Osage River

Water clarity: Clear. Black bass: Good on topwater lures, jigs and crankbaits along rock banks and brush. White bass and hybrids: Fair on small swimbaits around current breaks.

Lower Lake

Water clarity: Clear. Black bass: Good on shaky head worms and topwater lures along gravel banks in coves or on swimbaits along main lake points and docks. Crappie: Fair shooting jigs under docks on the main lake and in mouths of coves.

Gravois

Water clarity: Clear. Black bass: Good on Carolina-rigged creature baits and jigs along points and docks on the main lake and in the creeks. Crappie: Good shooting jigs under docks on the main lake and in mouths of coves or trolling crankbaits in the coves.

Mid-Lake

Water clarity: Clear. Black bass: Good on topwater lures and wacky-rigged stickworms around docks in coves. Crappie: Fair trolling crankbaits in the coves.

Grand Glaize

Water clarity: Clear. Black bass: Fair on topwater lures and Carolina-rigged soft plastics during the day or spinnerbaits at night on the main lake and in coves. Crappie: Fair on jigs 3 feet deep along gravel banks or 25 feet deep along main lake points.



Niangua

Water clarity: Clear on the upper end and stained on the lower end. Black bass: Fair on shaky head finesse worms and Chatterbaits along rocky banks from the middle to backs of coves. Crappie: Fair on jigs or minnows 12 to 15 feet deep near spawning banks.

Upper Osage

Water clarity: Clear. Black bass: Good on topwater lures and jigs on the main lake and in coves. Crappie: Good on jigs and minnows 10 to 12 feet deep around docks. White bass: Good trolling Roostertails along points. Catfish: Excellent on cut shad or sunfish, prepared baits and nightcrawlers.

Truman Dam spillway

Water clarity: Clear. Crappie: Good on jigs and minnows. White bass and hybrids: Fair on Zara Spooks. Catfish: Good on cut shad.

Sources: Guide Alfred Chapman (573-465-3810), www.lakeozarkfishingguideservice.com; Big Ed's Guide Service (573-692-6710) www.bigedsguideservice.com; Guide Jack Uxa (573-434-2570) www.lakeoftheozarksfishingguide.com; Guide John Blankenbeker (573-280-1455); Guide Terry Blankenship (573-480-2835); Guide Jim Dill (573-204-9005) www.jamesdillguideservice.com; Fitz Fishing (573-693-9299); Bryants Osage Outdoors (573-374-2278); Casey Scanlon (913-449-3176) and Cody's Bait & Tackle (660-723-5115). Tournament Results—Thanks to www.bassingbob. com.

BOATING



Wakesurf Open

MarineMax Lake Ozark Hosts Annual Midwest Coast Wakesurf Open

arineMax Lake Ozark will host their annual Midwest Coast Wakesurf Open on Saturday, July 15, at Ha Ha Tonka State Park.

Proceeds from the Midwest Coast Wakesurf Open will benefit Wake for Warriors, a non-profit organization aimed at connecting injured military veterans by sharing their passion for wake and water sports. This

Lighter Focus Photography



BOATING

summer, Marine-Max is partnering with Wake for Warriors and will host veterans nationwide in July. By doing so, they hope to help heal the emotional and psychological wounds of military veterans and their families. To raise money for Wake for Warriors, Marine-

Max will be raffling off a 1977 Chevrolet K5 Blazer, which has been fully restored by MarineMax team member Kenny Abbett who has donated his time and talent to supporting U.S. Veterans. The winner will be announced at the wakesurf open. Raffle tickets for the fundraiser will be \$25, to buy tickets, or donate, head online https://bit.ly/3pFAeqe.

Bring your friends and family and join in the fun at the Midwest Coast Wakesurf Open Saturday, July 15, at Ha Ha Tonka State Park. This grassroots wake surf contest is geared toward those seeking a funfilled, family-friendly atmosphere. Food, beverages, and vendors will be available. There is no admission for spectators.

There are divisions for riders of all ages and abilities, including Grom (girls and boys ten and under), Juniors (16 and under), Open Women's (16 and up), Open Men's (16 and up), Master's (over 40), and Adaptive (a division for men and women with physical disabilities). Participants will ride behind one of their latest Nautique models. The top three riders in each division will place. A \$50 registration fee for all riders and all classes. Riders will receive a free rider's jersey and will be entered to win event prizes.

Come by boat or by land. There will be plenty of room in the cove to raft out and watch the event from your boat. When you are not riding, hike the park and enjoy the incredible scenery and views Ha Ha Tonka has to offer.

For more information and to claim your spot, email teresa.riley@marinemax.com or visit the MarineMax website here https://bit.ly/41OCBEy.





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Idiot's Club hits \$1M in donations

Club kicks off the season at Lake area venues

he Lake of the Ozarks Idiots Club's is celebrating a million-dollar year. According to co-founder Danna Hiner, the all-volunteer, 501(c)3 charity will surpass \$1 million spent on meeting the personal and school needs of children living in poverty at Lake of the Ozarks.

The Idiot's Club was formed in June 2014 with the goal of helping Lake area children by providing assistance for underserved needs such as gift cards for gas, car repairs, new clothes, fees for afterschool activities and other expenses. The club is funded by membership fees and fundraising activities. During the last fis-



Kim and Brian Thornton, Denny Hiner, Peg Monohan and Constance Hoffman working the Membership Desk at Captain Ron's.

cal year, 93 percent of every dollar spent went directly to assist children in-need.

The charity had its 2023 fundraising kickoff party in may. The charity enrolled 84 members and raised \$3,731.





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EVENT ADVANCE



Join the club by attending one of the socials, upcoming events or go online.

events including the Scott Wingert's Longest Day of Golf Benefit in June, South Padre Island's Leslie Blasing Benefit Dance/Party and Shawnee Bluff Winery Give Back Tuesday in August, the 5th annual Charity Golf Tournament at Osage National in September, and Drink Jolly Dry at Jolly

Rogers Grub & Grog in October.

The Idiots Club has a \$5 annual membership, goofy shirts, and other items for sale at their fundraisers and on their website: www.lakeoftheozarksidiotsclub.org. Join the Idiots Club and help children in-need. Donations may be mailed to: Idiots Club, PO Box 1185, Osage Beach, MO 65065.

Upcoming Events

June 10: Shorty Pants, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. June 19: Scott Wingert - Longest Day of Golf June 24: Paradise, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. July 15: Franky & Louie's, 11 a.m.- 6 p.m. August 3: Leslie Blasting Dance at The Exchange, 7-9 p.m. August 22: Shawnee Bluff Winery Give Back Tuesday September 2: Papa Chubby's, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. September 25: Golf Tournament at Osage national October 21: Jolly Roger's Drink Jolly Dry, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.





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The race is on



Offshore racing comes to the Lake during LOTO Powerfest. Held June 1-3, racers from all over will compete in their class. Join the fun by anchoring out to watch by boat, getting VIP seats on land or attending an event.

Where to watch

The races will be held from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday from the 5.4-mile mark to the 8.4-mile mark of the main channel. Lots of viewing can be found along the race course or for free at Camden on the Lake and Shady Gators. VIP tickets are available for purchase that provides ticketholders with a VIP racer shirt, one meal ticket, six drink tickets, entrance to both VIP areas/locations, a VIP parking pass, and VIP shuttle and badge. Get a VIP pass for \$300 or two for \$500. Email lakeracecj@gmail.com for more information.

Main Events

Thursday, June 1 6-8 p.m. Racers Meet & Greet at Horseshoe Bend Bar and Grill

Friday, June 2 Race Village open all day 5-8 p.m., Street Party at Shady Gators & Camden on the Lake

Saturday, June 3

9 a.m.-6 p.m., Race Village open 11 a.m.-5 p.m., racing on course 7 p.m. Awards ceremony, The Encore Lakeside Grill and Sky Bar

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Who to watch

M•CON ready to defend title

yler Miller has high expectations. A veteran racer and legend in the powerboat world he's seen his share of highs and lows.

As the team owner and throttleman of M•CON, the offshore powerboat race team is gearing up for another racing season and will be making sure those countless hours of testing, changing setups and preparing leads to a podium finish throughout the year.

"Race prep is the single most integral part of our program to keep us at the top of our game," Tyler said. "We have an amazing crew that know and understand the importance of preparing in advance for every race."

For several years the team has par-



George Denny photo



ticipated in Lake Race each June and the Lake of the Ozarks Shootout in August, giving spectators the thrill they've come to expect. Lake Race is undergoing a number of changes this year, including a new name - LOTO Powerfest — and a new host location. Most of the action will be held at Camden on the Lake and Shady Gators, located down Horseshoe Bend. The course will stretch from about the 5 to 8 mile markers with racing held from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, June 3. LOTO Powerfest will continue to be sanctioned by the Offshore Powerboating Association.

From the sidelines fans can expect to see something else new this year. M•CON will enter a Class 1 438 Skater, sponsored by Monster Energy.

"Preparation started one week after our last race in the 2022 season in November, and has been full speed ahead ever since," Tyler said. "With the help of Performance Boat Center we have been going through the boats bow to stem to make sure we are 100 percent game ready."

Humble Beginnings

M•CON Racing has been a part of offshore racing for about seven years. Their first race was in Cocoa Beach, Fla. with Tyler taking over as throttleman and his cousin, Dr. Brett Miller, as the driver. Racing among the best in the world, they finished third.

It was Brett who got Tyler interested in racing with his infamous Recovery Skater they used as a pleasure boat on Lake of the Ozarks. It was while watching the supercats run in Lake Race the need for speed sealed Tyler's fate.

Once Brett left racing to concentrate on his medical practice, driver Tyson Garvin took the wheel for the next two years. The crew is made up of many Lake locals including Myrick Coil, driver; Jake Leckliter, crew chief; Craig Amptmeyer, mechanic/transport; Mike Powell, transport/crew; and Dave McIntyra, crew.

TYLER MILLER

"We battled to finish every race but the boat just wasn't competitive in a majority of the race conditions," Tyler said. They chose a more modern 388 Skater and local Myrick Coil with Performance Boat Center as the driver.

"We have been beyond blessed in our offshore careers to date," Tyler said. "Over the past two years our team has achieved back-to-back national championships and a world championship."

Tyler can't pick a favorite win, choosing to give a nod to "all of them" but says there's nothing like racing in front of your home crowd.

"The Supercat Class is the most competitive in offshore racing and to win against the best in the world... there's nothing like it," he said. "Winning Lake Race in 2022 in front of our hometown fans ... and on the course that nine years prior saw me sitting on a SeaRay watching and dreaming of someday not only racing but winning ... ranks right up there!"



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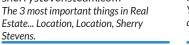
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story and photos by Charis Patires

Casual atmosphere, upscale food

f you're looking for an Italian restaurant with a new twist, Calabria may be what your palette is craving. Owner Nexh Zeka knew there were other Italian restaurants at the Lake, but felt there was a need for something a little different.

"We found an opportunity here and always liked the Lake of the Ozarks area," he said. "In terms of Italian restaurants here at the Lake, we each offer something different."

Nexh learned every aspect of the restaurant business first-hand from his father. His parents were born in Albania and migrated to the United States in 1991. His father began his career working in pizza places in New York. He then moved to Texas and opened his first restaurant.

"My father has been in the restaurant business for over 30 years," Nexh said. "I learned every job a restaurant has to offer from him."

When he was in his early 20s, Nexh opened his first restaurant in his home state of Texas. In the seven years since, he opened a second restaurant in Louisiana and recently added the Osage Beach location to his list.

The name Calabria, Nexh explained, comes from the name of a region in Southern Italy. The cuisine is typical Southern Italian Mediterranean with pasta being an important inclusion. Dishes tend to include bold flavors of tomato, olive oil, and herbs and spices. This is the type of cuisine Nexh offers on his menu.

Calabria offers one menu for both lunch and dinner. Items include several different pasta, chicken and seafood entrees in addition to steak and veal. Appetizers, salads and desserts are also on the menu as well as New York style pizza. The majority of the items are homemade, including fresh dough daily



Popular with diners, the chicken picatta is chicken breast with fresh garlic, fresh basil and capers sautéed in a white wine lemon sauce served over pasta. Pictured with a lemon drop martini.

for pizza and bread. Each entrée comes with homemade garlic rolls and a side of pasta. Entrée prices are reasonable, ranging from \$12 to \$25. The restaurant has a full bar. Specialty cocktails include several martinis, Makers Old Fashioned, Italian Margarita and a Peach Bellini. Wine by the glass and bottle are available.

While he has been receiving compliments on all his dishes, Nexh said customer favorites so far seem to be chicken fettuccine and lobster ravioli. Other items include lasagna, cannelloni, chicken parmigiana, chicken Jerusalem, veal picatta, shrimp genova, linguini white



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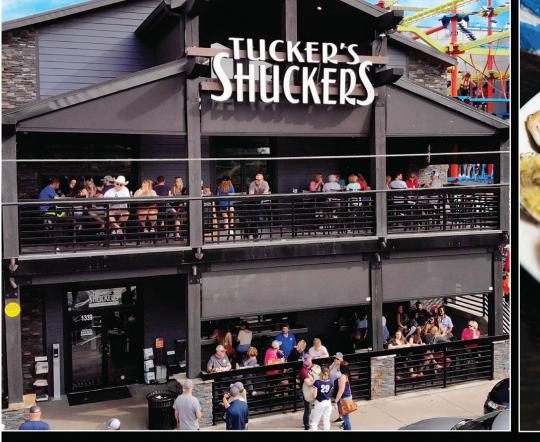
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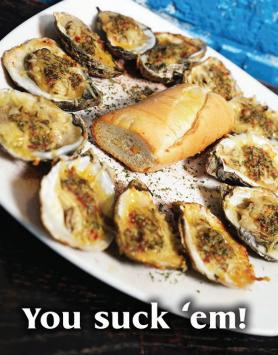
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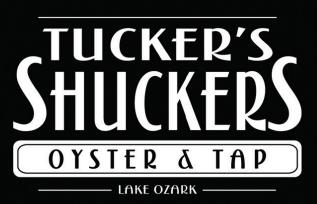


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clam sauce, and many other entrees. Don't skip out on dessert with these options: cannoli, tiramisu, limoncello mascarpone, Italian cream cake, chocolate mousse cake and New York cheesecake.

Nexh owns a home at the Lake and spends every day at the restaurant. The majority of his time is spent in the kitchen, but he does make a point to come out to the dining rooms and check on customers.

Previously a pizza/Mediterranean restaurant, the space for Calabria seemed a perfect fit for what Nexh envisioned his restaurant to be.

"We didn't have to do much remodeling," he said. "We re-arranged the kitchen to fit our needs and changed the artwork." The casual atmosphere offers seating at tables or booths with waiter service. There is also a bar area with TVs playing the latest news or sports.

About the restaurant

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Hours: 11 a.m.-9 p.m. seven days a week.

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Ongoing events

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• VFW Post 5923 Bingo every Friday and the first Saturday of the month. Doors open at 4 p.m. Bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. VFW is located at 65 VFW Drive, just off south business 5 in Camdenton.

• The Civil War & More Roundtable meets on the fourth Thursday of the month 6 p.m. at the Camden County Museum in Linn Creek. For more information go to www.militarywarroundtable.org.

• Drop in Stitchers Day is the third Thursday of the month from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Central Bank in Camdenton (lower level meeting room). Cross stitch, needlepoint, wool appliqué, rook hookers, quilting. All skill levels welcome. For more information, call Marge at 573-864-4018.

• The Newcomers/ Longtimers Club plays pickleball from 3-5 p.m. at the Community Christian Church in Camdenton. Cost is \$2. For more information, go to www.newcomerslongtimers@ yahoo.com.

• Elks Lodge 2517 Bingo every Sunday. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. Bingo starts at 2 p.m., 5161 Osage Beach Pkwy, Osage Beach. Full service bar for soda, snacks and drinks.

• The Lake Area Fiber Arts Guild meets the second Thursday of the month at Community Christian Church, 1064 North Bus. Rt. 5 in Camendenton. Social and sack lunch 11 a.m., meeting at noon and program at 1 p.m. All fiber arts from knitting to sewing to paper to weaving are explored and June 2-15, 2023 embraced; all skill levels welcome. Check website and Facebook or call Jackie at 608-692-6941.

• The Lake Area Parkinson's Support Group meets the third Thursday of the month at noon for a carry-in dish lunch at Lake Ozark Christian Church, 1560 Bagnell Dam Blvd, Lake Ozark, MO 65049. If you have Parkinson's, we can help. For more information call 573-365-3365.

• The Lake of the Ozarks Woodcarvers Club meets the third Monday of the month at the Community Christian Church in Camdenton at 7 p.m. For more information, go to www.lakeozarkswoodcarvers.org.

• The Kiwanis Club of Ozark Coast meets the first and third Wednesday of the month from 12-1 p.m. at First Watch in Osage Beach. For more information, go to www.ozarkcoastkiwanis.org.

• The Lake Area Chamber of Commerce hosts socials the third Tuesday of the month (except October) from 5-7 p.m. at Lake area venues. For more information, go to www.lakeareachamber.com.

• Women's Serenity Group 12 Step Program for co-dependent women seeking healthy and loving relationships. Meeting weekly. For more information, text Barb at 573-480-1448 or Jan at 573-434-4499.

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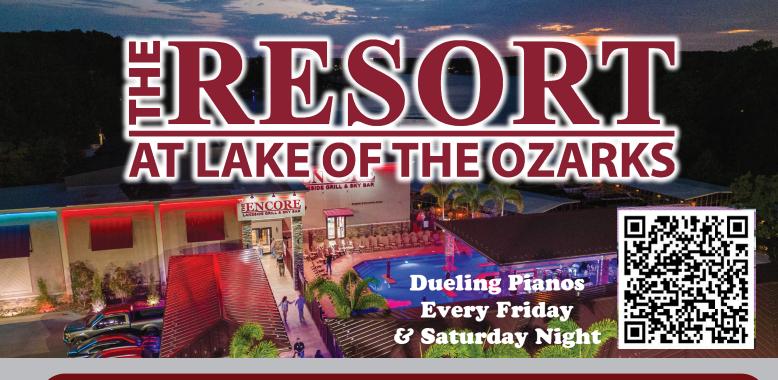
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BOATING

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ith warmer weather, the cool water of the Lake is inviting. It is important to remember Lake of the Ozarks is a moving body of water with many unseen obstacles and hidden dangers.

All too often it is easy to forget that the boat we are enjoying also has the possibility of causing injury or death, even if the water is clear and free of hazards. Each season, Missouri sees it's share of boating accidents. As with many tragedies, it is newsworthy for a period, people will demand action (or at the very least express concern), then people will move on and this will be forgotten. But it should not. Why is it, when tragedy occurs, we say "how could this happen?" "What can be done to prevent incidences like this."

Nationwide on a average 171 accidents occur with at least one person struck by a propeller. Out of that 171 propeller strikes, 35 lives are lost. In 2020 at Lake of the Ozarks there were five people struck by a propeller, one resulting in death. In the State of Missouri there were a total of 15 propeller strikes.

So what precautions can be taken to prevent such events?

To start with, do not allow anyone to enter the water while the engine(s) are running. Even if the engine is in neutral, the propellers are free turning and can cut. Wait for 10 to 15 seconds or longer after the engines are off then allow people to enter the water, do not dive headfirst, use the swim ladder enter the water feet first. Look before you jump.

If the swim ladder is mounted on the stern, think about purchasing a second boarding ladder, and enter and exit the water away from the rear of the boat.

When exiting the water, keep the engines off until all passengers are on board. As well as all lines, pull toys and any other objects are on board.

Another preventive measure is to install a propeller guard, or a prop guard as it is more commonly known, consists of a steel cage which surrounds the propeller. The prop guard freely allows the movement of the propeller and safeguards it against rough underwater parts. A propeller guard will minimize propeller injury.

Be an aware boater, many of the newer engines are very quiet and run very silently, so do not take for granted that the engine is not running. Always double check.

Take a boating education class. If you took one in the past, a review can only help.

Have fun on the water, and boat safe!

Doug Beck is a Certified National Safe Boating Council Instructor, the co-chair of Lake of the Ozarks Water Safety Council, and the president Captains Association of Missouri



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Capital City Productions on Facebook

Above: The performance of "Annie, The Musical" by Capital City Productions. The theater group is offering shows at Main Street Music Hall this season. Below: Performers showcasing "Grumpy Old Men, The Musical."

apital City Productions has launched its first show of the season at Main Street Music Hall. Earlier this year, the theater group based out of Jefferson City announced they would be offering performances at the iconic Osage Beach venue.

"Route 66, The Musical" will be performed on select nights all summer.

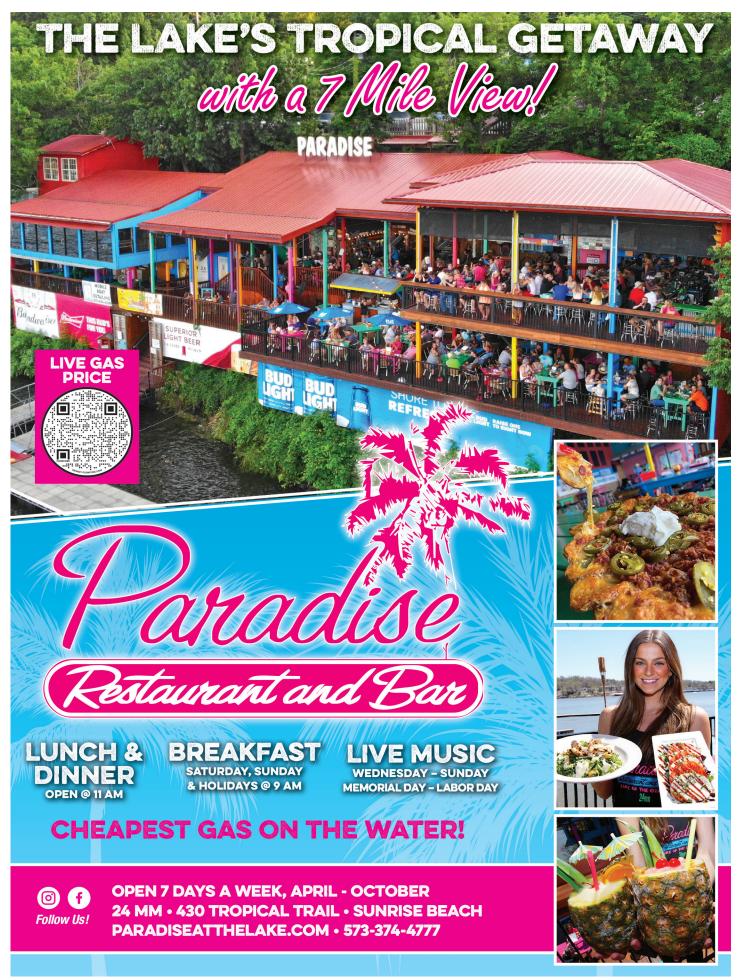
Actors, musicians and singers will blow you away with the hits you love by The Beach boys, Willie Nelson, Woody Guthrie, Roger Miller, Sawyer Brown, Buck Owens, and Glenn Frey. Songs include "Dead Man's Curve," "King of the Road," "Little Old Lady from Pasadena," "Beep Beep," "Six Days on the Road," "Long, Tall Texan," "Little GTO," "Fun, Fun, Fun," and so many more!

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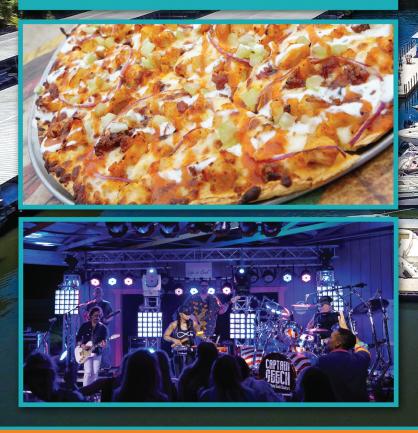


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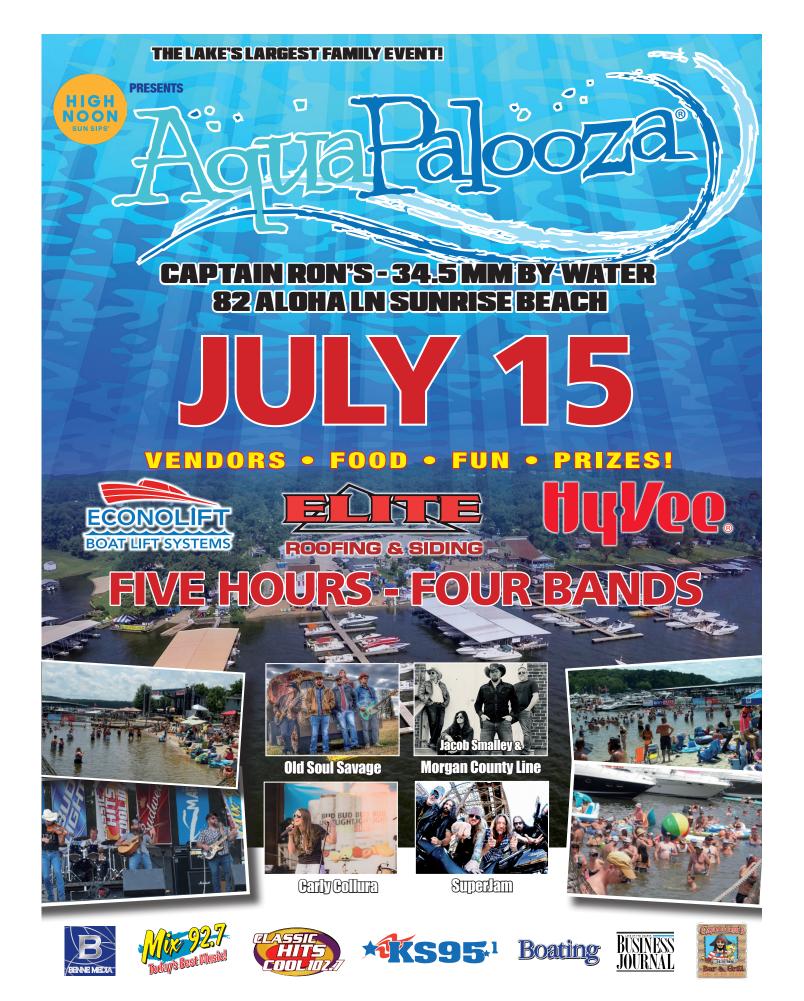
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May 30: St. Michael's Catholic Church, Russellville June 6: Ha Ha Tonka State Park castle ruins, Camdenton June 13: Eldon Air Park (rain location is First Baptist Church in Eldon) June 20: West Lake Christian Church, Laurie June 27: United Church of Christ, California July 11: Hope Lutheran Chapel, Osage Beach July 18: First Christian Church, Jefferson City July 25: High School Performing Arts Center, Versailles August 1: Lake Ozark Christian Church, Lake Ozark





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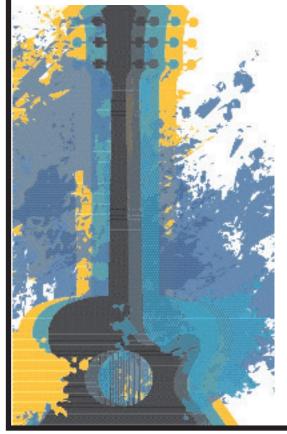
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Friday, June 2

Backwater Jack's, Machine Gun Symphony Boathouse, Bryan Copeland, 7 p.m. Brick House Cajun Cuisine, Adam Powell, 7 p.m. Bulldog's Beach House, Dave Dunklee, 5:30-9:30 p.m.

Captain Ron's, RetroNerds, 6-10 p.m.
Casablanca, Bobby Stilwell, 7 p.m.
Charlie Foxtrots, DJ Tax
Coconuts, karaoke, 6:30 p.m.
Dog Days, Wildfire, 9 p.m.
Dry Dockz, Ozark Outlaws Band, 7 p.m.
Franky & Louie's, DJ Mikey J, 2 p.m.; Madd Hoss Jackson, 8 p.m.
H. Toad's, Cherry Pistols; Dave Bennett, 6-10 p.m.



Jolly Rogers, Royal Hellions Lake Burger, Southern Edge, 6 p.m. Off the Cliff, Cindy Lawhorn, 4-7 p.m. Tap & Grill, Johnny Henry, 7 p.m. Whittle's, DJ Krazy J, 8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m.

Saturday, June 3

Backwater Jack's, Machine Gun Symphony Bear Bottom Resort, Presley and the Cross Country Band, 7 p.m. Boathouse, Bobby Stilwell, 1 p.m.; Drew Stevens, 7 p.m. Brick House Cajun Cuisine, DJ Epplebeatz, 7 p.m. Captain Ron's, RetroNerds, 6-10 p.m. Casablanca, Bobby Stilwell, 7 p.m. Charlie Foxtrots, Blue Collar Kings, 8 p.m.-12 a.m. Coconuts, Loaded Dice, 6 p.m. Dog Days, Dj Taz, 1 p.m.; Phat Mike and the Bartenders, 9 p.m. H. Toad's, Cherry Pistols; Alicia Force, 6-10 p.m. Jolly Rogers, Kalani Lake Burger, Down Side Up, 6 p.m. Tap & Grill, Brock Wade Band, 7 p.m.

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Sunday, June 4

Backwater Jack's, Kirck Brown Blues Band Boathouse, PDA, 2 p.m. Dog Days, Randall Shreve, 2 p.m.

Franky & Louie's, Madd Hoss Jackson Unplugged, 12-4 p.m.; Steve Moore, 5 p.m. Fish & Co., Dave Dunklee and the Healing Box Project benefit Lake Burger, Me and Jim, 12 p.m. Redhead Lakeside Grill, Art

Bentley

Monday, June 5

Backwater Jack's, James Clay Dog Days, The Nobodies Duo, 6 p.m. Redhead Lakeside Grill, Liz Moriondo

Tuesday, June 6

Charlie Foxtrots, karaoke with DJ Ryan Dog Days, annual White Party

Wednesday, June 7

Backwater Jack's, Marcus Words, 6 p.m. Brick House Cajun Cuisine, karaoke, 7-11 p.m.

Thursday, June 8

Backwater Jack's, The Nobodies Bulldog's Beach House, Dave Dunklee, 4:3-8:30 p.m. Casablanca, Tim Newell, 7 p.m. Charlie Foxtrots, open jam, 7-11 p.m. Dog Days, Justin Larkin, 6 p.m.

Friday, June 9

Backwater Jack's, Trixie Delight Bear Bottom Resort, Nevermind the Scarecrow, 7 p.m. Boathouse, Jason Earl, 7 p.m. Brick House Cajun Cuisine, Bobby Stilwell, 7 p.m. Captain Ron's, Loaded Dice, 6-10 p.m. Casablanca, Adam Powell, 7 p.m. Charlie Foxtrots, DJ Taz Coconuts, karaoke, 6:30 p.m. Dog Days, Retro Nerds, 9 p.m. Fish & Co., The Liz Moriondo Band Franky & Louie's, DJ Mikey J, 2 p.m.; Sound Boxx, 8 p.m. **H. Toad's,** Kricket Alley; Aaron Blumer, 6-10 p.m. Jolly Rogers, Steven Tyler Moore

Lake Burger, Pure Drive, 6 p.m.

Maggie's on the Lake, Marcus Words, 7 p.m. Tap & Grill, The House Band, 7 p.m. Whittle's, JC the DJ, 8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m.

Saturday, June 10

Alhonna Resort, Dave Dunklee, 1-5 p.m. Backwater Jack's, Trixie Delight Bear Bottom Resort, Nevermind the Scarecrow, 7 p.m. Boathouse, Steven Tyler, 2 p.m.; John Allen classic rewind, 7 p.m. Brick House Cajun Cuisine, Jason Earl, 7 p.m. Captain Ron's, Old Soul Savage, 6-10 p.m. Casablanca, Bryan Copeland, 7 p.m. Charlie Foxtrots, Alter-K-Shon Coconuts, Elvis, 7:30 p.m. Dog Days, DJ Mikey, 1 p.m.; Brock Wade Band, 9 p.m. Franky & Louie's, DJ Mikey

J, 1 p.m.; Sound boxx, 8

p.m.

H. Toad's, Kricket Alley; Marcus Words, 6 p.m. Jolly Rogers, Kael Wade Lake Burger, Retro Nerds, 6 p.m. Tap & Grill, Soul Root, 7 p.m. Whittle's, The Astro Katz, 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

Sunday, June 11

Backwater Jack's, Aaron Blumer Boathouse, Bryan Copeland, 2 p.m. Dog Days, Brock Wade Duo, 6 p.m. Fish & Co., Marcus Words, 5 p.m. Franky & Louie's, Justin Conrad, 12 p.m.; 5 p.m. live music Lake Burger, Pounch, 12 p.m. Redhead Lakeside Grill, Lake Collection Shawnee Bluff Winery, Dave Dunklee, 12-3 p.m.

Monday, June 12

Backwater Jack's, James Clay Dog Days, Brock Wade, 6 p.m. Frankie & Louie's, Dave Dunklee, 5-9 p.m. Redhead Lakeside Grill, Noe Palma

Tuesday, June 13

Charlie Foxtrots, LOZ Blues Jam Franky & Louie's, Marcus Words, 5 p.m. Shorty Pants, Dave Dunklee, 6-10 p.m.

Wednesday, June 14

Backwater Jack's, Phillip Twitchell Brick House Cajun Cuisine, karaoke, 7-11 p.m. Franky & Louie's, karaoke with DJ Kyle. 5 p.m. Jolly Rogers, Aaron Blumer Off the Cliff, Marcus Words, 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 15

Backwater Jack's, Phat Mike and the Bartenders
Casablanca, Tim Newell, 7 p.m.
Dog Days, Justin Larkin, 6 p.m.
Franky & Louie's, Aaron Blumer, 5 p.m.
Jolly Rogers, Chloe Hoecker Lake House 13, Marcus
Words, 6 p.m.
Whittle's, Out on a Limb, 6:30-9 p.m.

Friday, June 16

Backwater Jack's, Pyrosonic Bear Bottom Resort, Retro-Active, 7 p.m. Boathouse, Grayson Wood, 7 p.m. Brick House Cajun Cuisine, Rebel Walker, 7 p.m. Captain Ron's, I-70 Overdrive, 6-10 p.m. Casablanca, Steven Scott, 7-11 p.m. Coconuts, karaoke, 6:30 p.m. Dog Days, The Nobodies, 9 p.m. Franky & Louie's, DJ Mikey J, 2 p.m.; Machine Gun Symphony, 8 p.m. Fish & Co., Kricket Alley H. Toad's, Marcus Words, 6 p.m.; Dirt Road Addiction Jolly Rogers, Kalani Lake Burger, JD Heckler Band, 6 p.m. Off the Cliff, Cindy Lawhorn, 4-7 p.m. Oh Tommy's, Dave Dunklee, 5-9 p.m. Ozarks Amphitheater, The Avett Brothers Tap & Grill, Johnny Henry, 7 p.m. Whittle's, DJ Krazy J, 8:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m.

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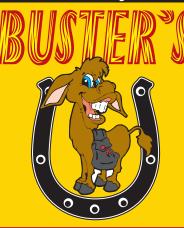


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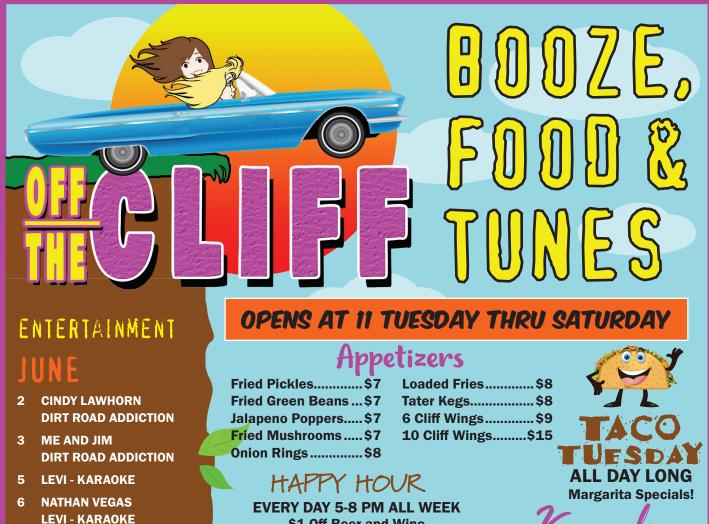
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