

# CANDLEWICK LEISURE

## Have You Seen the Bald Eagles at Candlewick Lake?

Photo by Barb Appelhans, Candlewick Drive

Information from American Eagle Foundation & Illinois DNR

We have some beautiful residents here at Candlewick. Have you seen them lately? Bald eagles live almost exclusively around water—lakes, rivers, ponds, oceans—in North America: all around the United States, except Hawaii, and throughout most of Canada. They live in dramatic temperature extremes, from hot deserts of Arizona and the heat of Florida and the Southern United States, to near the tree line in extreme northern Canada and Alaska. The Missouri and Illinois river areas host the second largest wintering population of bald eagles in the lower 48 states. Did you know that Illinois boasts the largest population of wintering bald eagles outside of Alaska? We are privileged to host these birds through winter at our lake.

The Bald Eagle Population Size Report: 2020 Update provides the most current population estimate of bald eagles in the lower 48 states. The bald eagle population climbed to an estimated 316,700 individual bald eagles, including 71,400 nesting pairs. This estimate indicates that the bald eagle population has quadrupled since the last set of data was collected in 2009.

Fish comprise about 70 to 90 percent of the diet of bald eagles. However, they are opportunist feeders, meaning they will feed on what is most available, and requiring the least amount of energy to acquire it. For example, bald eagles will often follow the fall migration of ducks and geese and feed on birds that have been injured by hunters. They also can feed on moderately sized wild mammals, such as ground hogs. Eagles consume one to two pounds of food each day.

Bald eagles usually establish a territory where they will nest with a mate; however, wintering birds do not establish a territory, but usually do use the same area each winter.

These majestic birds are so special, that they are protected by federal law. The Bald Eagle will continue to be protected by the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act even though it has been delisted under the Endangered Species Act. Bald eagles are recently recovered from endangered species status. Humans are the main reason for bald eagle deaths in Illinois, either directly (shooting, poisoning, trapping) or indirectly (vehicle strikes, hitting power lines, electrocution).

This law, originally passed in 1940, provides for the protection of the Bald Eagle and the Golden Eagle (as amended in 1962) by prohibiting the take, possession, sale, purchase, barter, offer to sell, purchase or barter, transport, export or import, of any Bald or Golden eagle, alive or dead, including any part, nest, or egg, unless allowed by permit Bald Eagle sitting in tree (16 U.S.C. 668(a); 50 CFR 22).



“Take” includes pursue, shoot, shoot at, poison, wound, kill, capture, trap, collect, molest or disturb (16 U.S.C. 668c; 50 CFR 22.3).

According to the Illinois DNR, January and February are ideal months for viewing bald eagles in Illinois. Did you know that the fourth Saturday in January each year is Illinois

Eagle Day? Eagle Day celebrates the American Bald Eagle, the official national emblem of the United States and the living symbol of our nation’s freedom, spirit and strength. Watch those skies, especially during this month, and you may see some of our beautiful visitors! They think our fishing is pretty good too!

EVENT SCHEDULE

January - June 2025

Community Events at The Rec Center

**VALENTINE BINGO**  
February 7th, 6:20pm - 8:00pm

**DUES RAFFLE**  
March 1st - April 15th, 10:00am - 3:00pm

**VENDOR FAIR**  
March 22nd, 10:00am - 3:00pm

**LUNCH WITH THE EASTER BUNNY**  
April 12th, 10:00am

**WINE TASTING**  
May 3rd, 4:00pm - 6:00pm

**SUMMER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION**  
June 21st

**INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION**  
July 5th

# Amenities

## 2024/2025 Amenity Information

**Watercraft Registration & Renewals** Email documents to [cwl@candlewicklake.org](mailto:cwl@candlewicklake.org)  
Boats & Personal Watercraft (Jet-skis/Waverunners)

Mail, email, or drop off your current registration, proof of \$100,000.00 liability insurance,

and the completed watercraft registration form and a new decal will be issued.

Maximum boat length is 20' and there is a 90 HP limit on all motors operating on the lake.

There is no charge for the decal. All watercraft not registered to your Candlewick Lake address in 2023 must be inspected by Public Safety before it goes on the lake. All motorized watercrafts are required to be registered, have a new decal displayed every year, and have the member's unit and lot number preceded by CWL displayed on both sides of the watercraft.

Guest watercraft are not allowed.

Canoes, Kayaks and other Non-Motorized Watercraft

Non-motorized watercraft that are not required to be registered with the State, must display the member's unit and lot number preceded by CWL on both sides of the watercraft. You do not need to register non-motorized watercraft at the office. Candlewick decals are not required for non-motorized watercraft.

**Storage Site Renewal** Email documents to [cwl@candlewicklake.org](mailto:cwl@candlewicklake.org)

Mail, email, or drop off your completed registration form, payment, along with registrations

for each item stored in the storage area and a new decal will issued. A current year's decal must be displayed on all items.

Storage Site locks will be changed on May 1st. Please renew your storage site and exchange your key.

Large sites – Yearly Rental \$250.00

Small sites – Yearly Rental \$175.00

**Boat Dock Rental**

Marina Docks \$500 per season

Stationary Docks \$325 per season

\$25 Key Deposit

To be put on the waiting list, please contact the Administration Office

**Dog Park Registration**

The dog park is located by the Outpost. All dogs must be registered and have a dog park tag and a key to enter. The tags and keys are available at the Recreation Center.

The lock will be changed on May 1st.

You must be registered for 2024-2025 season to use the park

Dog Tag \$10.00/Annually plus a \$25 Key Deposit

You must provide:

A copy of your homeowner's/renter's insurance

A copy of your dog's rabies vaccination including rabies tag number

Dog Park Registration Form

**Extended Fitness Memberships**

Residents may use the Fitness Center during regular hours of operation by presenting a valid Member ID card.

Extended Membership hours are 4:00 am – 10:00 pm daily. You must be 18. Sign up at the Recreation Center.

\$10.00/month per person

You must have a change of shoes to use the Fitness Center and Gym.

**Savannah Oaks Golf Course**

Please call ahead for a tee time. 815-339-0500 Ext. 410

**Guest Fishing Passes** Email pass request form to [cwl@candlewicklake.org](mailto:cwl@candlewicklake.org)

Anyone age 16 and over is required to always have an Illinois Fishing License and a Candlewick Guest Fishing Permit in their immediate possession while fishing at Candlewick Lake. Active-duty military personnel and disabled veterans need to present a Military ID in lieu of an Illinois Fishing License and Candlewick Guest Fishing Pass.

Mail or email completed pass request form along with check made payable to CWL.

Annual Pass (Valid May 1st – April 30th ) \$30.00 each - Limit 4 per household

Daily Pass \$10.00 each - Limit 5 per day

Three Day Pass (Consecutive Days) \$15.00 – Limit 5 per day

**Guest Pool Passes** Residents must be with their guests while at the Candlewick Lake Pool.

Children age 9 and younger must be accompanied by a chaperone that is at least 16

years old.

Annual Pass (Valid May 25th – September 2nd or when pool closes for season.) \$35.00

each - Limit 4 per household

Daily Pass \$5.00 each Your Member ID serves as your Resident Pool Pass.

A complete list of rules and regulations can be found at [candlewicklake.org](http://candlewicklake.org).

## 2024/2025 Member ID Card

### Information

It is not necessary to renew your Member ID card if your Member ID card has your bar code printed on it. The following amenities will be included with your dues and will require a Member ID card. Your Member ID card must be presented at the time of service. If you do not have your Member ID card, additional fees may apply. All members of your family residing with you and wishing to use these amenities will be required to get a Member ID card.

(A Member ID card will not be issued to children under age 3.)

Resident Pool Pass

Resident Fishing Pass

Resident Green Fees

Resident Gym Pass

Fitness Center

Boat Decals

Snowmobile Decals

ATV Decals (for operation on the ice only)

Your member ID is also available on the Candlewick app.

### Waiver Forms

A waiver form must be on file if you, your children, or your guests wish to use the pool, fitness center, gym, or participate in any classes or camps. All guests under the age of 18 must have the waiver form signed by their parent or legal guardian. Waiver forms that are already on file are still valid. Contact the Recreation Center for more information. Blank waiver forms are available online, at the Recreation Center, and at the Administration Office.

# PLEASE BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR!

Please do not deposit your animal waste bags in the port-a-potties.



This causes a major problem with the pump system. If this continues, the port-a-potties will be removed.

# SAVANNAH OAKS

Candlewick Lake's Community Clubhouse and Golf Course

## A few updates...

### WINTER HOURS:

MONDAY - WEDNESDAY CLOSED

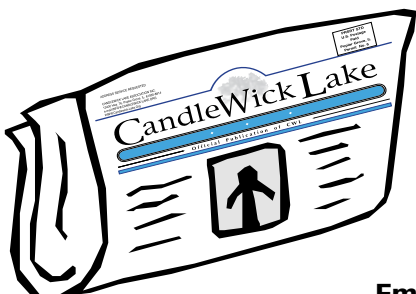
THURSDAY - FRIDAY 4:00PM - 10:00PM

SATURDAY 2:00PM - 10:00PM

SUNDAY 11:30AM - 8:00PM

Our hours have changed recently; please note the most up-to-date hours are posted here. We appreciate your patience and your understanding!

## Advertise in Candlewick Lake



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For Classified Line Ads call...  
the CWL Office @ 815-339-0500  
or visit us online @ [www.candlewicklake.org](http://www.candlewicklake.org)

Exciting improvements are happening at Savannah Oaks! If you have been down to the Clubhouse recently, you likely noticed some changes. Behind the scenes, there is even more happening and we are excited to see where this new chapter at Savannah Oaks takes us. We are happy to announce our new Clubhouse Manager, Ben! Next time you are at Savannah Oaks, be sure to introduce yourself. Ben is a Candlewick Resident with great bar management and marketing experience. We are all excited to see him elevate the Savannah Oaks Clubhouse and continue to improve our residents' and their guests' experience.

# Savannah Oaks

## Savannah Oaks News

by Mike Pehanich, Golf Commission  
**Winter Fun at Savannah Oaks!**

The lake is frozen, ice fisherman are out, and it's cold, BUT there's fun to be had at Savannah Oaks while we wait for the warmer weather.

Kudos to the residents who rang in the New Year at the Savannah Oaks New Year Eve Party. A very lively crowd enjoyed good food and drinks -- including some bubbly -- and singing and dancing with a DJ.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark your calendars for two of our most popular events in February:

- **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH - SUPER BOWL SUNDAY**  
Always a good crowd with lots of raffles, games and, of course, food and drink!
- **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH - DAYTONA 500**  
Our most popular event with a huge crowd of avid fans! Get ready to participate in meat raffles throughout the day! Along with Specialty foods and a Bloody Mary bar - Race begins at 1:30 pm.

### WHAT'S NEW AT SAVANNAH OAKS?

**BEN WILKEN** - Our new manager comes to us with a wealth of experience and so many great ideas.

We will feature a profile of Ben and his staff in our next issue of the Candlewick Lake newspaper.

Hope you'll stop in Savannah Oaks soon to say hello!

**Savannah Oaks will be open during the winter months with special hours of operation. Stop in for some good food, drink and fun times with friends in our wonderful community.**



# Rec Center

## CWL Rec Center Member IDs

You are required to show your Candlewick Lake ID to enter the fitness center, gymnasium, and pool for any reason other than programs.

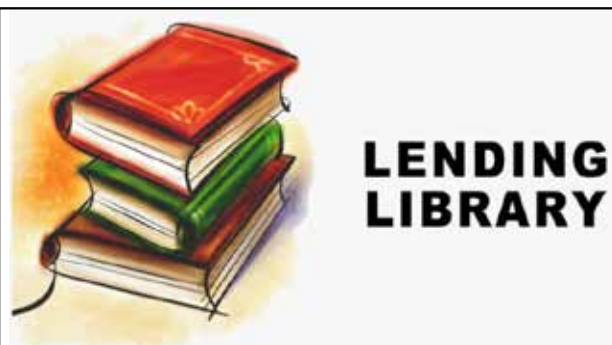
It will cost all individuals a daily fee of \$4.00 to enter the gym, \$4.00 for the fitness center and \$5.00 at the pool if you do not have an ID. All guests must be accompanied by a Candlewick Resident.

### Dog Park Tags/Keys

Locks are changed on the gate May 3rd. You must be registered for 2023-2024 season to use the park. Please bring:

- a copy of your homeowners/renter's insurance declaration page
- a copy of your dog's rabies vaccination including rabies tag #
- Dog Park Registration Form, available on website,
- \$10 for Dog Park Tag
- \$25 Key Deposit

\*\*If you have previously registered your dog for the Candlewick Dog Park you do not need to fill out a new registration form.



Stop by the Rec Center for a book!

We have a great selection of books to choose from in the Water's Edge.

Take a book, leave a book!

### Seeking Coffee Sponsorships

At the Rec Center

The agreement will be \$200.00 per quarter. The sponsor will be allowed to advertise their business with a sign not to exceed 12"x16" provided by the sponsor and business cards can be displayed in the provided holder.

If interested call 815-339-0500 ex 301 or email [recmanager@candlewicklake.org](mailto:recmanager@candlewicklake.org).



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## VOLLEYBALL



1pm - 3pm  
2nd & 4th Saturdays  
ages 14+  
free for all residents



6pm - 8pm  
1st & 3rd Tuesdays  
ages 14+

## DODGEBALL

This activity is free to all residents. Adults are encouraged to come join the fun! This game is not just for kids!

## PICKLEBALL



Join the Pickleball League every week in the gymnasium! Rackets and balls are available at the Rec Center. Residents may bring a guest for a \$4 fee per visit. Remember to bring a change of shoes to keep the floor clean!

Wednesdays at 6pm - 8pm (ages 18+)  
Thursdays at 6pm - 8pm (ages 14+)

## BUNCO



6:30pm - 8:30pm First Friday every Month

Anyone 18+ is welcome to join us at the Outpost on the first first Friday of every month! BYOB & a snack to share!



## PONY CANASTA

Wednesdays  
1pm - 4pm  
Water's Edge

## CANDLEWICK CRAFTERS



1pm - 4pm  
2nd & 4th Monday  
every month

Looking for a friendly group where you can learn a new skill or simply work on your current project? Meet the Candlewick Crafters in the Lakeview Room twice a month!



## KIDS GYM

10:30am - 12:00pm  
EVERY TUESDAY

A fun non-instructional environment for both you and your children to gather and socialize! Equipment such as balls, mats, and toys will be available for your children to use.

Kids Gym is FREE for Residents. Bring your CWL ID and a change of shoes. No registration required. Parents/Guardians must remain with children and supervise their play at all times.



### Fitness Center Orientation Classes

The Rec Center will be offering Fitness Orientation Classes for anyone wanting to know how to properly use the fitness equipment and for resident's ages 16-17 who want to use the Fitness Center without needing a parent present to workout.

### BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Sign up at the Rec Center front desk.

Class Cost: \$10.00

Your \$10.00 will be **forfeited** if you are a **no show** when you have scheduled a class.

If you call the instructor and cancel, you will have a \$10.00 credit.

# Rec Center

## REC CENTER GYM SCHEDULE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Morning Walking 9:15am - 10:15am	Morning Walking 9:15am - 10:15am	Morning Walking 9:15am - 10:15am	Morning Walking 9:15am - 10:15am	Morning Walking 9:15am - 10:15am	Open Gym 9:00am - 1:00pm
	Open Gym 10:30am - 6:00pm	Kids Gym 10:30am - 12:00pm	Open Gym 10:30am - 6:00pm	Open Gym 10:30am - 6:00pm	Open Gym 10:30am - 8:00pm	Volleyball (2nd & 4th Saturdays) 1:00pm - 3:00pm 14 years +
Open Gym 12:00pm - 4:00pm		Open Gym 12:00pm - 6:00pm				
GYM CLOSED 4:00pm	Full Court B-Ball 6:00pm - 8:00pm 16 years +	Dodgeball (1st & 3rd Tuesdays) 6:00pm - 8:00pm 14 years +	Pickleball 6:00pm - 8:00pm 18 years +	Pickleball 6:00pm - 8:00pm 14 years +		GYM CLOSED 5:00pm
GYM CLOSED 8:00pm						

### GYM RULES:

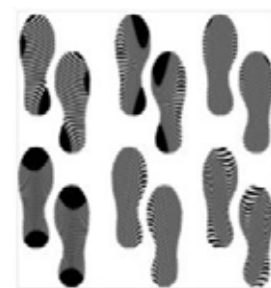
- CWL Member ID must be presented to front desk staff to use the Gym.
- No one under the age of 14 is allowed in the Gym at any time without someone 14 years or older to supervise them
- \$4 Guest Day Passes are available for non-residents and may only be sold to someone who is with a CWL resident with proper ID.
- Liability waivers must be signed by anyone entering gym or fitness center. Minor waivers may only be signed by parent/legal guardian.
- Family Gym ("Kids Gym") is designed for the enjoyment of Candlewick families. No unaccompanied children.
- Shoes must be changed before entering the Gym.
- No street shoes, no dark soled tennis shoes, no stocking feet
- No drinks (except water), food, or gum is allowed in the gym
- No playing kickball
- No full court basketball unless scheduled

### REMINDER

You Need a State Fishing License as Well as a CWL License to Fish on Candlewick Lake!  
Get Yours Today!



Share your news with us! Congratulations, condolences, births, life events, etc., can be announced here in our paper!  
We welcome your photos and news.  
Send your information to [newspaper@candlewicklake.org](mailto:newspaper@candlewicklake.org).



### CWL Morning Exercise

Fitness walking is serious exercise!

It is a safe and fun way to health and fitness!

Participants walk & march in place while working out to DVD's.

You will choose your own work out intensity & speed.

**Monday - Friday**

**9:15-10:15 a.m.**

**Rec Center Gym**

**THIS IS A FREE CLASS!!**

# Community Events

# VALENTINE BINGO



**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2025  
6:30-8:00PM**



**IN THE REC CENTER GYMNASIUM**

*Bring your family and enjoy an evening of bingo and fun!!*

*There will be valentine-themed prizes awarded to the winners.*

*Bring your own snacks and beverages.*

*there will also be a 50/50 raffle to benefit the 2025 fireworks fund*



## BOOK CLUB

Join the Candlewick Lake Book Club!  
Meetings take place the last Wednesday of each month at the Rec Center (Water's Edge Room)  
No sign-up required!

READING IN FEBRUARY:  
**"SOME DANGER INVOLVED"**  
by Will Thomas

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH**  
**5:30PM SOCIAL TIME**  
**6:00PM BOOK DISCUSSION**



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- In the real estate industry since 2006. Prior to my real estate career, I was a legal assistant for 18 years.
- **Download** my real estate search app to find homes for sale in CWL or homes for sale anywhere in the US! (below)

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# Community Events



## 2024-25 CWL Dog Park

Key/lock system - \$25.00 key deposit

Yearly tag - \$10.00/dog

Guest dog tag - \$10.00/dog

To register your dog come to the Rec Center with,

**\*Proof of Current Rabies vaccination required**

**\*Copy of Homeowners or Renters Insurance Policy**

**\*Suggested vaccinations**

Parvovirus

Bordetella

Distemper

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# Information

## Winter weather is upon us - Be Prepared!

The Public Safety Commission would like to recommend putting together a Car Emergency Kit.

The average American spends 17,600 minutes driving each year, and for those of us living in the northern part of the country, a lot of those minutes are spent driving in hazardous conditions that include wind-driven snow, poor visibility, and icy road conditions. We need to be prepared for breakdowns.

Items that should be included in your car's emergency kit are listed below and should be considered the minimum necessary to carry you and your family through an emergency.

- Durable bags or crates to store your supplies
- First aid kit
- Small fire extinguisher
- Jumper cables
- Flashlight(s) and extra batteries
- Some basic tools – a wrench, pliers, a multipurpose tool.
- Ice scraper
- Rain ponchos
- Plastic tarp
- Blankets and warm clothing
- Bottled water and a small supply of non-perishable food
- Local maps
- Rags and duct tape
- Automotive fluids such as oil, transmission fluid, and anti-freeze
- Cat litter for icy, slick roads
- Good spare tire and a jack and tools for changing a tire
- Road flares or caution reflectors
- Empty but refillable gas can
- And if possible, emergency cash for gas and a cell phone charger cable.
- Finally, remember to include those items unique to your family's needs such as baby supplies, pet necessities, and/or important medications.

We thank you and please drive safely!

## Vision Statement

Candlewick Lake is a residential community featuring well-maintained and accessible amenities including a lake, golf course, recreation center, pool, parks and conservation areas; and through events, programs, and outreach enables residents to engage with one another, fostering a sense of community.

## Mission Statement







Candlewick Lake's Mission Statement: Our mission is to enhance the quality of life in the Candlewick Lake Community and to oversee matters of mutual interest to property owners of Candlewick Lake through effective management of our resources and our community owned property, reliable and consistent enforcement of our rules and covenants, and providing education, recreation and entertainment that promotes a strong sense of community; accomplishing this through ethical and fiscally responsible solutions that optimize current assets, mindful of the resident's financial contribution, while planning for future growth within the community.

## BOAT STORAGE

This is a reminder of the rules that state for improved lots any recreational vehicle parked on the property **must be registered to the owner or resident of the property and are limited to three items.** For unimproved lots only watercraft with or without the trailer are allowed to be parked on unimproved lots. No more than three watercraft may be parked on the lot and must be behind the front setback line. **All watercraft must be registered to the owner of the lot.**

## GET IMPORTANT, REAL-TIME UPDATES, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND NEWS DELIVERED STRAIGHT TO YOUR INBOX!

PLEASE CONSIDER SIGNING UP FOR CWL EMAILS, THE EASIEST WAY TO STAY INFORMED OF YOUR COMMUNITY'S BUSINESS AND EVENTS.

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-  BOD & COMMISSION MEETING AGENDAS
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### INTERESTED?

LOG IN TO YOUR CANDLEWICK ACCOUNT AT **CANDLEWICKLAKE.ORG**

GO TO "MEMBERS", CLICK "EMAIL SUBSCRIPTION", MAKE SURE THE BOX IS CHECKED, AND CLICK "UPDATE".

Need assistance? Please call the Admin Office 815-339-0500



## DON'T FORGET ABOUT OUR APP!

Download the app from our website or by searching the Apple App Store or Google Play App Store on your smartphone under the name Candlewick Lake.

*Thank you for taking the time to be a well-informed resident!*

## Amenity Usage

The Rules and Regulations state that a Candlewick Lake Photo ID Membership Card (Member Card) or app are required for use of the amenities (pool, golf course, fitness center, gymnasium, and boating and fishing facilities). The rules further state that any Member that is not in good standing shall have their Membership Card privileges suspended until said Member rectifies his/her membership standing. This includes the privileges for all registered Members. The rules do not say that a Member can't pay the daily fee for use of the amenities. The Board of Directors passed a resolution at the April 21, 2015 Board meeting that any Owner, Associate Members, Tenant, and any other family members who reside in a house will not be allowed to pay the daily fee to use the amenities if their amenity privileges have been suspended. Additionally, any Owner, Associate Members, Tenant, and any other family members who reside in a House and are not in good standing they will not be permitted to rent any of the Candlewick Lake facilities. If any Member is not in good standing Owner, Associate Members, Tenant, and any other family members who reside in a house will also not be allowed to use the Recreation Center or come into the Savannah Oak Clubhouse.

**WANT TO PLACE A DISPLAY AD IN THE CANDLEWICK NEWS?**

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**or EMAIL**

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# Information

## 2024-25 CWL Ice Fishing Regulations

- A State Fishing license is required for all people ages 16 and over.
- Your CWL Member ID is your Candlewick Lake fishing permit and must be carried with you while fishing on the lake.
- A guest fishing pass is required for **each Guest age 16+** and may be a non-designated seasonal or a one-day pass. Both can be purchased at the Administration Office or Recreation Center. Guest passes must be purchased by a Resident with proof of residency.
- Guest use of the lake is permitted provided that the Property Owner is on or within the immediate vicinity of the lake at all times. Immediate vicinity is defined as the shoreline or a Property Owner's lakefront property. Exceptions will be made when there are extenuating circumstances, as predetermined by Public Safety, that would prevent a Property Owner from being with their Guest. The Property Owner is responsible for contacting Public Safety in advance so that the request may be considered and logged. The log will be maintained so that an individual that has an "approved situation" will not need to call Public Safety every time their Guest wants to use the lake. If Public Safety staff members or certified volunteers see any pattern of abuse to this rule exception, it will result in a withdrawal of the exception privilege for the remainder of the season/year. When there are extenuating circumstances that prohibit the Property Owner from being on or within the immediate vicinity of the lake, the Property Owner must still be within the Candlewick Lake Community. (Policy 09-11)
- All shanties must be marked with the name and address of the CWL Property Owner or Resident and cannot be left on the ice overnight unattended.
- **Only two (2) lines per person.** This may include: 2 rods, 1 rod and 1 tip up, or 2 tip ups.
- **NO MINNOWS ALLOWED** (dead or alive). **All other live bait is also prohibited.** Exceptions: Bluegill and Perch caught at Candlewick, worms, leeches, and dead smelt may be used. **Bluegill & Perch being used as bait may only be collected with hook & line. Netting of fish is not allowed.**

### FISH LIMITS FOR RESIDENTS:

Bluegill	25 per day	8" or more	limit of 5/day
Perch	15 per day		No size limit
Crappie	15 per day		9" minimum
Crappie	<b>**Catch and Release 4/1 – 6/1**</b>		
Walleye	2 per day		16" minimum
Catfish	6 per day		No size limit
Northern	2 per day		24" minimum
Musky	1 per day		48" minimum
Rock Bass			No limit
Large Mouth Bass			Catch and Release
Small Mouth Bass			Catch and Release
Redear Sunfish			Catch & Release
Grass Carp			Remove
Koi			Remove
Bullhead			Remove
White Bass			Remove

### FISH LIMITS FOR GUESTS OF RESIDENTS:

Bluegill	15 per day	8" or more	limit of 5/day
Perch	7 per day		No size limit
Crappie	7 per day		9" minimum
Crappie	<b>**Catch and Release 4/1 – 6/1**</b>		
Walleye	1 per day		16" minimum
Catfish	3 per day		No size limit
Northern	2 per day		24" minimum
Musky			Catch and Release
Rock Bass			No limit
Large & Small Mouth Bass			Catch and Release
Redear Sunfish			Catch & Release
Grass Carp			Remove
Koi			Remove
Bullhead			Remove
White Bass			Remove

- **Any fish not listed above is Catch & Remove.**
- CWL Residents age 16+ with a valid Illinois State fishing license may use tethered arrows to remove **carp only** from dusk to dawn. **Please notify public safety when you have removed a grass carp** and dispose of carp in a plastic bag before placing in trash can.

**FISH LIMITS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE – PLEASE CHECK THE INFORMATIONAL SIGNS AND THE CANDLEWICK PAPER.** Approved 10/15/24

## Renew Your Illinois State Watercraft Online

If your State Watercraft Registration is expired, you can apply for a renewal online at <https://www.explore-moreil.com> (only for Illinois registrations).

When renewing online, there is a printable confirmation page that serves as your temporary registration card. The Candlewick Lake Administration Office accepts copies of this confirmation page as proof that the registration has been renewed until the actual card is received. When renewing over the phone, the DNR provides a confirmation number that the DNR can check if they stop you. Candlewick Lake has no way to look up this confirmation number and cannot accept it as proof of registration renewal.

If you do not have a printer, but do have a computer with internet access, you can save the transaction confirmation page as a PDF. This will allow you to save the file on your computer – that file can then be emailed to [cwl@candlewicklake.org](mailto:cwl@candlewicklake.org).

### REMINDER

You Need a State Fishing License as Well as a CWL License to Fish on Candlewick Lake!  
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### DID YOU KNOW...

That the money from the cans collected at the three can bins (Castaway, Highland Valley Green, and the Recreation Center Peninsula) is used for funding projects to benefit both the lake and the community. The funds have been used to help pay for fish stocking, building fish structures, purchase of a GPS that is used for lake related issues, lake plantings, waders, laser lights (to chase the geese), and the Kids Fishing Tournament. If you have aluminum cans that you are either throwing away or putting in the recycling bin, please consider bagging them and taking them to one of the can bins located in Candlewick. **The Friends of Candlewick have recently voted to use funds from the cans for projects that could either benefit the lake and/or the community. This is expanding the scope beyond specific lake use, and may be used to benefit the entire community where needed.**

### Around the Lake


Share your news with us!  
Congratulations, condolences, births, life events, etc., can be announced here in our paper!

We welcome your photos and news.  
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## Clean Up After Your Pet





If you have **LOST** an item, contact the **Rec Center** (815-339-0500 ext. 300) to check the Lost & Found.  
If you have **FOUND** an item, please drop it off at the Rec Center.  
Items left in the Lost & Found will be disposed of or donated if not claimed after one month.

### Looking for an AA Meeting?

AA meetings are held at the Outpost:  
Wednesdays.....7:00 PM  
Saturdays.....8:00 AM

# Information/Classifieds

## From the Table - Just a Bite

By S.L. Bartels, Drew Ct.

### Hidden Kitchens

One of my first jobs was working at a plant nursery, which also coincided with my first apartment. In those days, many of the labor laws did not apply to agriculture jobs. I earned a whopping \$1.25 per hour; so my food budget was quite tight!

I rented a small attic apartment. My landlords had a large garden and let me use part of it to grow vegetables for myself. Generally, I would buy one container of beef liver, which usually contained enough slices for me to have one a day along with the vegetables from the garden; enough to eat, but pretty boring.

At the nursery, I worked alongside men and women from all over the world: Mexico, South America, France, Germany, Denmark and beyond. I loved working there; the camaraderie, the diverse group of people, learning their cultures and having the opportunity to learn about a variety of foods. There were always new smells, interesting dishes to be tasted and shared by all.

I hadn't thought about this for a long time until I was reading a book called Hidden Kitchens. It contains stories and recipes about food or lack of it and the memories and stories it brings. About clandestine cooking and secret kitchens that were and are everywhere, often where you least expect to find them but exist because of a need in a community or business to feed hungry people, and about how communities come together through food and sharing.

One of the most unexpected stories in the book is about George Foreman and the George Foreman Grill. Of course I had heard of George Foreman and his grill but both had little significance to me. BOXING? I have no interest in watching people beat each other up and never had any interest in the grill. I thought of it as just a way to capitalize on his fame and make some money once his boxing career was over. That is, until I read this book.

Actually, the story starts with the grill and how it has become a "Hidden Kitchen" and come to have an unexpected life of its own. The book talks about a homeless man named Jeffry Newton who lived in a refrigerator box in a cardboard community under Wacker Drive in Chicago and how he jury-rigged a George Forman Grill that was missing its plug to an electrical outlet on one of the many poles down on Wacker Drive by using a long extension cord. He made hamburgers, grilled cheese or bologna sandwiches in his "kitchen on the street" for himself and others in their cardboard community.

When this story was relayed to Foreman along with other stories about people who don't have an "official kitchen" and what the grill has meant to homeless, low income people and the elderly who are often relegated to smaller and smaller spaces without a place to cook, and how his grill had helped so many people, he shared his own story.

Foreman explained, growing up in Houston, he was one of seven children and spent his whole life trying to get enough to eat. They were poorer than poor. He recalled how his mother would come home with a cheeseburger and try to divide it among the seven kids. He remembers it as "the most supreme thing when she would come home with a burger!"

He learned to disguise not having food. He was embarrassed by the lack of it, so he would find a greasy bag, blow air into it on his way to school, to make it look like he had a sandwich in it so no one would know he had no food to eat.

Being hungry all the time had a devastating effect on his perceptions and the choices he made in his life. Many of them bad- like dropping out of school in 10th grade. It all changed one day when, at age 16 he heard his football hero, Jim Brown, talk about the Job Corps, a program initiated by President Lyndon B. Johnson in his War on Poverty in 1964.

Foreman joined the Job Corps. It was the first time in his life he had three meals a day- and that changed everything for him- his outlook on life and the possibilities in his future that would lie ahead as a boxer and yes, as an entrepreneur of the George Foreman grill and more.

He went on to become a Physical Education Teacher at Camp Parks in Oregon, Amateur Boxer and Olympic Gold Medal Winner, Heavy weight Champion of the world...His accomplishments go on and on.

The immense financial success of the grill surprised him, but also allowed him to open youth centers and summer camps where children could have three meals a day and learn and stretch the possibilities in their lives!

What can I say...? I love to learn little nuggets of information like this that give me insight into misconceptions I have had for so long.

So in honor of George Foreman and his Grill, I offer you his recipe for Grilled Salmon

### Grilled Salmon

#### Ingredients:

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|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2 (6 ounce) skinless salmon filets | 1/8 cup water         |
| 1/8 cup low-sodium soy sauce       | 1/4 tsp garlic powder |
| 1/8 cup brown sugar                | Lemon Pepper to taste |
| 1/8 cup vegetable oil              | Salt to taste         |
| 1/8 cup water                      |                       |
| 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder         |                       |

#### Directions:

- Place all ingredients, except salmon filets in a bowl and mix well until sugar is dissolved. Pour mixture into a ziplock bag and add salmon filets. Make sure filets are well coated, squeeze out any air, and refrigerate for at least an hour - a couple of hours or even overnight for more flavor.
- Preheat your George Foreman Grill with the lid closed for at least 5 minutes. Use the high setting for the first batch. If your grill is a particularly hot one you may need to adjust the temp down, but this is rarely an issue.
- Brush a little vegetable oil on the grill to help prevent sticking. Add salmon filets to the grill and close the lid. Grill for about 2-3 minutes. Flip the filets and give them a 1/4 turn. This helps assure even grilling and gives nice grill marks. Continue grilling for approximately 2-3 more minutes. Salmon will flake easily with a fork when done.
- Enjoy this recipe!! You can adjust the amount of lemon pepper and garlic powder to suit your taste.



If you do not have an indoor grill, you can use an outdoor grill using these steps.

- Grill the salmon for **6-10 minutes**, depending on the thickness. Salmon is cooked to perfection when it flakes apart easily with a fork. It's ok if the middle is a bit pink, that's actually what you want.

You want the center to be **145°F**. To avoid overcooking the salmon and to get that perfect result, pull the salmon off the grill when the internal temp reads *close to 140°F*, then let it rest on a plate, covered in foil for **5 minutes**. The salmon will continue to cook and reach the desired temperature. The results will be awesome. There will be just enough char on the outside with a nice, tender and moist meat that's oh so good.

## The Florida Transplant

by Whitney Johnson

Ever since the move from St Pete to Poplar Grove I was wondering when the big moment would come. It seemed to be inching a little closer with each passing week. First, I bought snow tires for my truck and got it winterized. Then it was a spending spree at Blain's that found my shopping cart loaded up with heavy duty wool socks and insulated underwear. Next it was my purchase of a Gayle Sayers football jersey. Slowly, ever so slowly.... I was becoming a Northerner! When I put the boots on and ventured outside to shovel the snow a few weeks ago, I thought it would be the final piece of the puzzle. I was wrong. And I blame Jimmy Buffett.

I don't know if this is common knowledge, but it is a state law in Florida that one must listen to Jimmy every single day. Spending a ton of time (and loving it!) hanging with our four grandchildren, the only music I have been hearing lately has been the Toy Story and Frozen soundtracks. And Taylor Swift, since my granddaughter is nine! So, imagine my surprise that while I was standing in a snowstorm, ready to unleash my newly purchased snow shovel on the driveway, Mr. Buffett's A Pirate Looks at Forty came on the headphones. Instantly the snow vanished, and I was on the beach in Clearwater with flip flops on and a frozen concoction in each hand. I guess you can't totally leave Margaritaville after all. But I am trying to change that. First step, writing a song with the title Italian Beef in Paradise.



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# February Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> 8:00 AM AA Meeting Outpost
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 6:30 PM Events Commission Rec Center	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 1:00-4:00 PM Pony Canasta Rec Center  6:00 PM Golf Commission Meeting Rec Center  7:00 PM AA Meeting Outpost	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 6:30-8:00 PM Valentine Bingo Rec Center  7:30 PM Bingo Savannah Oaks	<b>8</b> 8:00 AM AA Meeting Outpost  12:45 PM Special Board Meeting Rec Center  1:00 PM Budget Hearing Rec Center
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Deadline to remove holiday lights and decorations  1:00-4:00 PM CWL Crafters Rec Center	<b>11</b> 6:30 PM Lake Management Rec Center	<b>12</b> Ballots & Annual Meeting Notice Mailed  1:00-4:00 PM Pony Canasta - Rec Center  6:30 PM Public Safety Rec Center  7:00 PM AA Meeting Outpost	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 8:00 AM AA Meeting Outpost  8:00 PM Pub Trivia Savannah Oaks
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 5:30 PM Finance - Admin Office	<b>18</b> 6:30 PM Board Meeting Rec Center	<b>19</b> 1:00-4:00 PM Pony Canasta - Rec Center  6:30 PM ECC Meeting Admin Office  7:00 PM AA Meeting Outpost	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 8:00 AM AA Meeting Outpost
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 1:00-4:00 PM CWL Crafters Rec Center	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 11:00 AM Communications Admin Office  1:00-4:00 PM Pony Canasta Rec Center  5:30 PM Book Club - Rec Center  7:00 PM AA Meeting Outpost	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	

# March Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> Dues Reduction Raffle Begins  8:00 AM AA Meeting Outpost
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 6:30 PM Events Commission Rec Center	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 1:00-4:00 PM Pony Canasta Rec Center  6:00 PM Golf Commission Meeting Rec Center  6:30 PM ECC Meeting Admin Office  7:00 PM AA Meeting Outpost	<b>6</b> Ballots Due by 4:30 PM  5:30 PM Special Board Meeting Budget Approval Rec Center	<b>7</b> 6:30 PM Bunco Outpost  7:30 PM Bingo Savannah Oaks	<b>8</b> Ballot Counting  8:00 AM AA Meeting Outpost  9:00 AM Citation Review Rec Center
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