

# SAVE OUR LAKES



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## **“A FAMILY DAY AT THE LAKE” EVENT OCTOBER 22nd GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!!**

We are VERY excited about S.O.L.O.'s SECOND Annual “A Family Day At The Lake” event! The business community has, once again, come out to support this event. Not only are you going to enjoy JOHNNY’S BAR-B-QUE, you’re also going to be entertained by the ‘MID-LIFE CRISIS” band AND, as if that weren’t enough, the GATOR LAND SKI CLUB is going to put on a ski show for you AND SINGLE VISION will bring their wild animals!

We’ve done our part to provide a fun day for the entire family! **NOW IT’S TIME FOR YOU ALL TO BUY TICKETS** and come out and **ENJOY...** “A FAMILY DAY AT THE LAKE”! Tickets will be sold at Mallards and the Keystone Heights Farmers Market on Saturdays. If you are out of town, please call Vivian Katz (352) 473-2494 or mail your ticket request to: S.O.L.O., P. O. Box 185, Keystone Heights, FL 32656. Make checks payable to: S.O.L.O.

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### NEXT S.O.L.O. MEETING

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11th, 7 p.m., Keystone Heights City Hall**

**REP. VAN ZANT AND SJRWMD WILL BE THERE!!!**

#### **SAVE OUR LAKES ORGANIZATION, INC.**

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## **RECOVERY STRATEGIES ON THE TABLE!**

### **2ND MFL-PREVENTION/RECOVERY MEETING REPORT**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> MFL-Prevention/Recovery Stakeholders meeting was held September 28<sup>th</sup> at the Trinity Baptist Church. The meeting got off to the usual start; announcements, organizational issues, etc. The District gave a power point presentation on “Factors that contribute to lake level fluctuation” and a discussion on “Freeboarding”. Fortunately, the fact that I STILL don’t understand “freeboarding” doesn’t matter in the overall scheme of things!

Some recovery strategies were presented. The District as well as John Dumeyer of the Schreuder Company gave a presentation on potential strategies for consideration. Strategies presented ranged from short-term (1 to 2 years) to long-term (5 to 15 years). One short-term strategy involved receiving additional water flow from the Southwest Quadrant by lowering the current outfall at the Option # 3 pipeline that flows into Blue Pond. A long-term strategy brought up the possibility of a water reuse plan that would bring water into the upper portion of Camp Blanding and use the extensive sand as filtration allowing a constant flow of water into the chain of lakes. At present, the SJRWMD is studying ALL strategies.

One VERY PROMISING strategy the District is currently studying involves lake recovery via augmentation wells. While the District was conducting preliminary test models, a separate study was being completed by scientists outside the District. When the two studies were compared, the results were almost identical, pointing to a very viable recovery strategy. At present, additional studies are being completed by the District to fine-tune well locations, depths, pumping volume, cost of installation, maintenance and operation. FOLKS, THIS IS THE MOST PROMISING THING I HAVE SEEN FOR LAKE AND COMMUNITY RECOVERY.

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COME TO THE OCTOBER 11<sup>TH</sup> S.O.L.O. MEETING FOR FURTHER EXPLANATION OF THIS AND OTHER STRATEGIES UNDER STUDY BY SJRWMD. IN ADDITION TO HAVING REPRESENTATIVE VAN ZANT AT OUR OCT. 11th MEETING, THE SJRWMD WILL BE THERE TO REVIEW STRATEGIES AND RESPOND TO QUESTIONS. **WEAR YOUR S.O.L.O. OR RED SHIRTS TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!!**

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*PLEASE stay tuned! You can "stay tuned" by coming to the S.O.L.O. meetings! Our Members give us great ideas!*

**WATER FLOW**

**PLEASE VISIT US ON OUR WEBSITE AT**

**[www.saveourlakes.org](http://www.saveourlakes.org)**

Our website will be a work in progress, so your input and ideas are always welcome!

## LAKE RECOVERY FUND

I mentioned a RECOVERY FUND in the September newsletter. I'm bringing that up again to be sure we do our part. The City of Keystone Heights entered into a \$30,000. contract with the Peter Schreuder Company for technical expertise during the MFL-Prevention/Recovery process. Since the City of Keystone Heights has about 1400 citizens, it seemed fair to split this cost between the City, Clay County and the general citizens of the lake area community.

That said, I just wanted to remind you that S.O.L.O. supports the fund raising effort needed to provide that \$10,000 from the citizens. The S.O.L.O. Board approved a donation to this fund and we have already sent a check. We have also received checks from a few S.O.L.O. members designated for "Lake Recovery Fund" and we have placed those into the Recovery Fund. If you can help in this effort, you can send a check to S.O.L.O. and designate for "Recovery Fund".

If you receive a fund raising letter, please know that S.O.L.O. supports this effort.

Thank you for your help.

*Vivian*

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*Don't forget...*

**OCTOBER 22<sup>nd</sup> - SECOND ANNUAL**

**"FAMILY DAY AT THE LAKE"!!!!**

Buy your tickets early please!!!

*Alligator Creek.... the lifeline to recovery of our lakes!!! Keep it flowing!!!*

### **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL**

*RENEWAL OR NEW MEMBER? (Circle One)*

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