November/December 1986 No. 5 Indian Lake Improvement Association

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

\*\*\*\*\* ANNUAL MEETING IS SET FOR JANUARY 12, 1987 \*\*\*\*\*\*

Plan now to attend the Indian Lake Improvement Association's Annual Meeting. It will be held at the Oaklandon Elementary School, 6702 Oaklandon Road, at 7:30 P.M., Monday January 12, 1987.

This is your opportunity to hear your board members' reports of activities and plans for the coming year, what was spent, and what is needed in the future. We will be electing three board members to fill vacancies as well as appointing a person to fill the remaining one year of Paul Butalla's term. Paul and Eula have moved from our community to Athens, Alabama. The Women's Committee will be serving refreshments at he meeting. I can't stress enough the importance of your ideas and input toward next years plans for our community. Remember, That's Jan. 12th. at 7:30 P.M. See you there.

The most recent information I have for you concerning the dredging project is that the application for the permit is being submitted this month and will take 60 to 90 days for approval. Dredging will hopefully start in March or April of 1987.

Your Board of Directors, Women's Committee, and Smoke Signal wish you a Merry Christmas and a prosperous and successful New Year. •

Sincerely, Joe Hoone



## "ACROSS THE FENCE" mmm



Maureen Wagner



Come, come, come to the manger,
Children, come to the children's King.
Sing, sing, chorus of angels.
Stars of morning o'er Bethlehem sing.
He lies with the beast of the stall,
Who is maker and Lord of us all.
The wintry winds blow cold and dreary.
Seek ye peace. The Lord is near thee.
Lord have pity and mercy on me.



It's been a very long time since I heard this carol. In a few days, Andrew and I will be winging our way over the ocean to sing this carol with our loved ones overseas. The wishes I leave you for Christmas are just as warm whether they come from 4,000 miles over the Atlantic, or a quarter of a mile over our wee lake.

John and Loretta Miller have a lot to celebrate this season. Their son, Brian, recently married a lovely girl named Ann. The wedding took place in Del Ray Beach, Florida. The Millers also have two new grandsons; Brandon, the son of Douglas and Vickie Miller, and Steven Andrew, the son of Mark and Mary Miller.

Rob and Linda Parker recently spent eight days in Hawaii, and from all accounts, they would gladly return to the Islands.

Will and Flo Peck spent a week in New Orleans. I believe Will had some work to accomplish. Flo just enjoyed herself.

We particularly want to extend a very warm welcome to two new families on the lake. Mark and Angie Vogt are the new owners of the former Zimmerman home. Mark and Angie will be right at home as soon as they move in. The Vogts, the Lees, the Sweeneys, and quite a few other families on the lake are all members of Oaklandon Christian Church.

Stan and Carol Hoke are the new residents at the former Serra home. Daughter Linda, and son Scott, are also residing with their parents. Stan and Carol are both very gifted in music. Stan is one of the main soloists of Walnut Grove Chapel Choir, and Carol substitutes for the organist. The reason I am well Informed on this topic is that Bob and I are also members of Walnut Grove Chapel.

In this very special season, everyone seems friendlier, kinder, and much more tolerant. Could it be that the teachings of the Prince of Peace, whose birthday we celebrate, are indeed valid, and do work? Have you inquired into them? I leave you with this little verse, and Lord willing, I hope to be back with the rest of my family in late January.

May your joys be numerous as the stars in his heavens,
Your sorrows just shadows that fade in the sunlight of God's love.

Maureen

## INDIAN LAKE WOMEN'S COMMITTEE REPORT

The final meeting of the year was an open house for new members, and was held November 17. Three new members were welcomed, and the majority of the present committee will stay active. Jane Ann Kopitzke was elected President for 1987. Linda Parker and Vivian Matthews will act as her Vice-President and Treasurer/Secretary, respectively.

Saturday, December 20th, the First Annual Indian Lake Christmas Light Display took place. Flyers were distributed to announce the event. My family and I toured the neighborhood that night, and were really impressed. My young daughter shouted, "Light!

Light!" continuously, as rarely a house was seen without some Christmas light. The Shumans, Cecils, Jones, Noltings, Carters, Hairs, Clases, Schnettkers, and Frenches were just a few of the people who really did their places up brightly. Candles were placed beneath the Indian Lake Community signs by committee members. If you did not look around, next year be sure to do so.

In January, the committee will serve refreshments at our annual business meeting. Until then, we extend wishes to you all for a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

Linda Parker

## KID STUFF

The wise guys tell me that Christmas is Kid Stuff . . . Maybe they've got something there -

Two thousand years ago three wise guys chased a star across a continent to bring frankincense and myrrh to a Kid born in a manger with an idea in his head . . .

And as the bombs crash all over the world today, the real wise guys know that we've all got to go chasing stars again, in the hope that we can get back some of that Kid Stuff born two thousand years ago -

( written by Frank Horne, from The Gift of Christmas Anthology)

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