

Fast Facts:

- Choosing property with water views can add significant value to a home (about 10-15%).
- Regular interaction with water is as integral to well-being as sunlight, exercise and diet. (W.J. Nichols, *Blue Mind*)
- Lakes contain about 90% of all the surface water found on Earth (not including oceans).



'Swan Boat' off the point at Whistling Swan, captured by Darren Witte, June 2015

Dam Remediation Progress

Thousands have lived without love, not one without water.

—W.H. Auden

Time wasted at the lake is well-spent.

Significant efforts are being made to address the new State regulations concerning the operation of private dams such as in Woodland Pond. A conditional Certificate was issued last year to operate our dam classified as 'high hazard'. Improvements must be completed by July 2018 with several interim steps required. Be assured the Board and members of our community are working hard to address this issue while paying close attention to the financial impacts to the Association and individual homeowners.

- Special committees have been formed with WPLA members to research how other communities are responding; explore financing alternatives; seek legal and legislative relief; and explore engineering options.
- Additional help is needed to augment the special committees. The Board is seeking individuals with experience in: civil engineering, construction project management, contract/technical writing, community covenants/bylaws and public relations. Please contact a Board member to share your skills in these areas.

Save the Date: April 22 WP Fishing Tournament



The Annual Fishing Tournament, sponsored by the Woodland Pond Lakefront Association, is Saturday, April 22. Open to WP lot owners and their guests, we begin at **6:30 am** with a free angler's breakfast and end with a community picnic. Weigh-in your catch for prizes and award ceremony at noon. Learn more at the new [Woodland Pond Lakefront Association website](http://www.woodlandpondlake.org). (www.woodlandpondlake.org) Contact Bobbi Internicola 804-229-0647.

Boating on Woodland Pond Lake

- 2017 Boat decals must be prominently displayed on all watercraft: pontoons, kayaks and canoes.
- If you have paid your annual membership dues but have not received your boat decals or keys to boat launch, contact Eric Ertzner at 804-920-4421 or eric@coastalpc.com
- Any B member who has not renewed membership for 2017 must return their gate key to Eric.
- We hope to accommodate as many boats as possible in the racks at the boat launch. So please note that if your boat is in a rack and your dues are not paid by April 8, it will be removed and disposed of.
- There are also several boats in the racks without decals and they may be abandoned. So, please make sure your boat displays a current decal or it will also be removed and disposed of.



WPLA Board of Directors

Officers: Owen Waltman—President; Paula Graham—Treasurer; Joe Internicola— Secretary

Directors: Jane Abbate, Eric Ertzner, Laurie Hucker, Jim Morris, Vance Narron, Eileen Sundstrom

NOTE: We are seeking candidates to replace Paula as Treasurer in 2018 as her term expires. Please step forward for this opportunity to serve our community and 'shadow' Paula to learn 'the ropes'.

Boating info for Virginia located here:
[Click for more info](#)

We are also seeking a volunteer to join the Board as Vice President.

Protect Our Lake

- Board members have cruised the lake and removed floating debris. If you discover material, tree limbs, etc. that should be removed, contact Joe Internicola at 814-229-0647.
- Conserve the beauty of our lake by not disposing of grass clippings, leaves and other yard debris in the lake and tributary streams.
- Enjoy our lake! Note that boat traffic is not permitted after sunset and access to the dam is restricted for approved maintenance only.

Questions or comments? Contact Newsletter Editor, Jane Abbate, at abbatejane@gmail.com 412-953-9806. We welcome photos and articles about the waterfowl, fish, etc. that beautify our lake!