

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - JANUARY 2024

Dear Members of Westlake Lake Community,

Happy New Year!

As we step into 2024, I'm delighted to welcome the newly elected Board, Executive Committee, and Officers, all eager to uphold our commitment to maintain the beauty, privacy, and safety of our lake, and the continuous improvement of WLMA operations supporting the lake – *All Roads Lead to the Lake!*

The past year marked transformative changes in our overall operations, and this momentum will carry us forward into 2024. We are dedicated to a continued and thorough review of both the lake and financial operations, ensuring sustainability and excellence in the years to come. As part of this commitment, we have embarked on the significant task of reviewing, simplifying and documenting, where considered helpful, our rules and policies for current and future years – **Built to Last!**

Boat Activities (including Political Demonstrations) on the Lake: As we navigate through this Presidential election year and due to requests by many members, a policy is currently under review for boat activities (including political demonstrations) on the Lake. We expect to have this policy completed in February and will communicate it at that time. While we understand and respect the 1st Amendment Rights applicable to our private lake and community, our outside legal counsel advised us that we are permitted to establish a policy regarding the "time, manner, and place" of such activities on the Lake to consider safety and to mitigate noise / disturbances on the Lake. This will also help preserve the serenity we all expect and enjoy as homeowners and for our families and friends, and the surrounding community. A lot of this comes down to respecting the varying political views of our neighbors and community.

Looking ahead, 2024 holds promises of more exciting initiatives. We plan to focus on aerating the lake and implementing special treatments to enhance its health, beauty and vitality. We are enthusiastic about the journey that lies ahead.

Thank you for being an integral part of our community. Here's to another year of unity, progress, and the enduring beauty of Westlake Lake.

Chip Lightfoot President, Westlake Lake Management Association