

June 2016

Ladies of the Lake
by Barbara Galvin

On [June 1](#), 2016, the Ladies of the Lake gathered in the lovely pavilion decorated by Gail Maher. Gail, who collects bird houses, show-cased her treasures on brightly colored tablecloths. Along with the quaint bird houses of every size and shape, a wooden swan, hand-crafted by Hank Dunlap, Barb Dunlap's husband, graced the head table. Little bunny and bird knick-knacks surrounded the bird houses and the unique swan.

Our hostess, Gail Maher, had help from the exercise ladies in the morning setting up the tables and chairs, and then Sharon Butler stepped up to help with all the little details a good hostess manages. Thank you, ladies.

Ladies of the Lake were delighted to welcome two new faces, Pat Bonecutter and Kathy Coultas. Pat is a new member of Ladies of the Lake. She has a new home for retirement, easy living, on McGrew. She also has family in Bushnell so she will be feeling right at home. Welcome, Pat.

Kathy Coultas has been a regular at Ladies of the Lake luncheons until she moved to Punta Gorda, Florida. She enjoys swimming in her pool and the warm weather year-around. We miss her and were happy to welcome her back for a visit.

Barbara Potter began the lunch with a prayer. The potluck dishes emphasized breezy summer days. Salads were the number one dish, from Strawberry-Walnut Salad to Broccoli Salad, from fruit salad to cut-up fruit, from Quinoa Salad to tossed salad. Main entrees included Chicken Salad sandwiches, Hot Dogs with all the trimmings, and Broccoli-Cauliflower Chicken Casserole.

The desserts were delicious. A Mandarin Jello Yogurt Salad looked like dessert to me! The Lemon Lush dessert is like ice cream plus lemon. Two different recipes for brownies were tasty; one was a traditional brownie with powdered sugar dusted on top, the other was a coconut brownie. Who could resist the summer extravaganza? Not the ladies, when they spied Strawberry Pie with oodles of whipped cream on top.

After the luscious desserts were sampled, Jane Stevens gave the treasury report. Nancy Hoppes reminded everyone that mulching will be needed to keep the Memorial Garden in shape. Nancy also announced our next rummage sale will be [May 2017](#) (the weekend after Mother's Day). Begin putting away items now for the rummage sale.

Barb Jonckheere asked for volunteers to help with weeding the flower beds around the pavilion. Barb also mentioned the Tshirts (red and blue) with the Little Swan Lake logo are for sale for \$15. Children's Tshirts are also available for \$15. Navy blue sweat shirts are \$25, and golf shirts for men are also \$25.

The Ladies of the Lake asked about Pat Bricker. We send her our greetings and our prayers for her health.

Jane Stevens mentioned the new Sports Bar to be located in the former quilt shop, scheduled to open in the fall. Also, Barb Dunlap reminded ladies of "Not Just Another Dip," an ice cream shop which opened in [November 2015](#) in Avon, at the former Powell Electric Shop location. They have expanded the menu to include nachos and hot dogs.

Ladies of the Lake enjoying the June luncheon were Barb Jonckheere, Gail Maher, Sharon Butler, Jane Stevens, Nancy Hoppes, Barbara Galvin, Pam Gaskill, Gloria Bewley, Barb Dunlap, Pat Bonecutter, Barb Potter, Patty Anderson, Kathy Coultas, Peggy Garrett, and Nona Kempton.

Get back to summer basics! Enjoy the flowers and pull those weeds! We will look forward to seeing you on [July 6](#) at the pavilion, for an after- the Fourth of July potluck.