## LAKE PARKER RECREATION COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2023

Since our last annual meeting in July of 2022 the Recreation Committee sponsored a working day on the walking path, a Boat Social, Taps across America, and Independence Day Ice cream giveaway.

Once again groups of volunteers kept the walking path in great shape. On July 23, 2022 ten neighbors came out on a warm and sunny day to give a helping hand. The walking path was widened by cutting weeds. Two donated sections of dock were carried in to replace rotting sections. A beautifully crafted in place walkway was constructed as you enter the trail from Parker Road. A bridge that was very tilted was leveled using some creative leverage techniques to raise it. Special thanks to Steve Cutler for clearing fallen trees and leaners this spring.

On Memorial Day we participated with Taps Across America once again by going to the middle of the lake raising a flag and playing taps at 3:00 pm after a three gun volley. A special thank you to Orleans Legion Post 23 for the color guards for thus event.

As an impromptu event, on July 3, 2022 for the first time we went around the Lake giving ice cream treats to all the children and some adults as well. We again made this a new tradition by repeating this past weekend with "Mister Softee" ice cream boat music. It was great to see so many neighbors enjoying the lake.

A boat social was held on August 20, 2022. It was a beautiful day to revive the boat social with 13 different types of boats, 30 people and 3 dogs sharing snacks and stories. What a great way to meet your neighbors. We plan to have a boat social this summer on Saturday, August 19 at 1PM with a rain date of August 26<sup>th</sup>. Be on the lookout for an email blast with details. A great way to begin the close of summer.

The recreation committee would love to plan more events for spring and summer and are seeking ideas from the membership. Please email **Recreation@lakeparker.org** with your thoughts. What would be fun events to bring the lake community together?

Enjoy your time on the lake.

Respectfully,

Tim Plastridge, Chairperson