I hope everyone has had a great winter and is healthy and doing well!

I am excited for the 2025 season and am ready to see all of you back at the lake! I am truly blessed to have such a great group of customers. Thank you all for being so wonderful to work with!

Our rates will be going up this year by \$200 in order to cover our 25% increase in property taxes and a couple small park improvements. These rates will take effect April 1st. Despite the increase, we are still the cheapest campground with lake access in the area. And just like last year a larger discount is given to those who pay farther in advance over monthly. Compared to paying annually, semi-annual is an additional 2.5%, quarterly is an additional 5%, and monthly is an additional 10%. If you are interested in switching from monthly to annual, etc., just give us a call at (260) 316-1199.

The exterior improvement contest will happen again for 2025. The before and after pictures must be turned into the office by June 30<sup>th</sup>. Myself and other Lakewood staff will be doing the voting this year. Prize money for the improvement contest will be \$750 for first, \$500 for second, and \$300 for third.

Events are listed below. We could always use an extra hand with events, especially with setting up the Sunday Funday and the Haunted House. Also, this year a food truck will be provided on Saturday May 24<sup>th</sup> for the Car Show. Food will be provided for free for everyone that signs up by a certain date. Details will be provided on our Facebook page as we get closer.

Please visit our website at: <a href="www.bartonlake.com">www.bartonlake.com</a>. There you will find the rules listed, homes for sale, rates, and activities that are scheduled. Also, "like" the Lakewood page on Facebook. Many updates will be posted on this page.

Also, this is a friendly reminder that in order to drive a golf cart, you must have a driver's license.

This year, water will be turned on April 15<sup>th</sup> and will be turned off October 20<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting.

See you soon,

Joseph Herber

Owner, Lakewood Mobile Home Court

## <u>Lakewood Events Schedule 2025</u>

- May 24<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day
  - More Power Drive In (tractors, cars, trucks, golf carts) w/ FOOD TRUCK, 12-3pm
  - o DJ & Tropical Paradise Prom, 8-11pm
- May 25th Movie Night at Dusk on the Beach
- July 5<sup>th</sup> Golf cart parade, 11am at the park
  - o Live Band, 8-11pm
- July 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday Funday, 11am-1pm (games, crafts, obstacle course) with Ice Cream Vendor
- July 26<sup>th</sup> Christmas in July (decorate your lot for best lights)
- August 30th Labor Day Family Tug-o-war on beach, 7pm
  - o DJ, 8-11pm
- October 3<sup>rd</sup> Haunted House, 9-10pm
- October 4th Trick or Treat, 6pm
  - Hayrides, start at 7pm
  - o Haunted House, 8:30-10pm

## Schedule of rates for 2025

		Semi-		
Class 1	Annual <b>\$3300</b>	Annual <b>\$1691</b>	Quarterly <b>\$866</b>	Monthly \$302
Class 2	\$3240	\$1660	\$850	\$297
Class 3	\$3120	\$1599	\$819	\$286
Class 4	\$3080	\$1578	\$808	\$282