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**FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK**

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2016 has been a year of change! Not only did we separate the date for the Annual Meeting from the date for Summerfest, but we eliminated the Spring and Fall Meetings in favor of just one Annual Meeting in July. That meeting was well- attended and members spoke about appreciating the change. In addition, we published and distributed an updated Telephone Directory of all of our members. And, we decided to have the music at the 2017 Summerfest continue until dusk, in time for fireworks.

Once again, we had a successful year monitoring our boat landings to protect our waters from any further contamination by invasive species. Ours is an educational, as well as a preventative program, and we met both goals. We continued the hand-harvesting of EWM, and can report that it is being kept in check. Our Shoreline Restoration Model Garden is growing and looking beautiful. Soon there will be signs and pamphlets available with all our native plants listed. This model garden might be an inspiration for you to easily plan and plant your own shoreline with native plants.

Following our year-of-change theme, the PLPOA Board of Directors has recently decided to send out just one newsletter, in April or May of each year, but still send membership applications and raffle tickets in early December. In between times, our website at <http://www.pelicanlakepoa.org> is the place to visit to keep up on information about activities, meeting Minutes, fish reports, algae alerts, as well as previous newsletters. If you haven't sent in your e-mail address and want to be on our master list for e-mail blasts, please write your e-mail address on your membership form and we'll add you to our list. Our goal is to continue to publish one hard-copy newsletter each year, rather than publishing two per year. With this change, we can well afford to send every member a hard copy in the mail in the spring.

You will find enclosed herewith three raffle tickets for our \$500 Lake Protection Raffle, plus an orange 2017 membership form. Please fill-out and mail them in as soon as you can. Remember, our memberships follow the calendar year, and all your donations are tax-deductible.

The PLPOA Board of Directors appreciates your participation in the protection of Pelican Lake. Together we are accomplishing important things.

Have a fine winter season. See you when the ice goes out!

Jean Roach  
President, PLPOA