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HRL ASSOCIATION AWARDS INAUGURAL JULY 4TH DOCK DECORATION WINNER

July 3, 2019 (Southmont, N.C.) – High Rock Lake Association presented the winner of its inaugural July 4th holiday dock decorating contest with an antique wooden engraved oar trophy and \$500 gift certificate from Rock Outdoors, Southmont going to Crane Creek residents Kris and Randy Hall, Salisbury, N.C. Judging criteria was based on creativity, use of dock space and patriotic thematic.

The inaugural award was given to sisters Kris Hall and Kim Hardiman who grew up on the lake. They call themselves ‘official River Rats’. “That oar trophy is awesome. I am already planning for next year,” said Kris Hall. “I love decorating, and this contest was a little incentive to up our game. Kim was the creative brain behind the Uncle Sam theme, and we joined forces to make her ideas a reality,” continued Hall.

The HRLA dock decorating committee was created less than two months ago. “We were hoping for 25 lake homeowners to participate this first year, as this contest is something new and we didn’t know what to expect. Well, we surpass our goal with a total of 29 entries,” said Board Member AnnMarie Clark. “I love that we got to see all kinds of creative thinking. It didn’t matter if the participant had a small or large dock, it’s what they did with the space that mattered,” continued Clark.

Additional HRLA board members who took time to organize, judge and create the unique annual ‘traveling’ trophy are Barry Childers, James Noonan, Rick Monk, Joyce Caron-Mercier, and members Ron Gibson and Marilyn Monder. A special thank you goes out to HRLA members John and Nancy Flowers who volunteered to navigate the Abbott’s Creek area for several entries.

North Carolina House of Representative Steve Jarvis joined the judges for one of the days which provided key learnings about the lake, its residents and what is important to this lakeside community. As a long-time resident of Davidson County and former county commissioner, Jarvis enjoyed the day as a guest judge, “I was thrilled that I could spend a few hours with members of High Rock Lake Association, seeing and judging the entries. It is great to see how our lake communities take pride in their properties and really appreciate High Rock Lake! I encourage more lake homeowners to participate next year while adding some color to the natural beauty of the lake. “

With the various entries and the broad reach of the lake among several communities, it was a difficult task deciding who was the overall winner. Therefore, the committee decided to name two dock owners as Honorary County representatives: Shaun Brinkle of Salisbury and Tony and Lydia Albanese, Lexington for their use of flags and balloons incorporating red, white and blue items.

For a listing of participating docks and pictures, please go to HRLA.com

ABOUT HRLA

High Rock Lake Association’s mission is to promote the safe and recreational use and environmental welfare of High Rock Lake and the Yadkin River in Davidson and Rowan Counties. The Organization is more than 50 years old and is a membership based non-profit with a board of directors elected by its membership. Nearby communities on High Rock lake are Denton, Gold Hill, Lexington, Linwood, Richfield, Salisbury, Spencer, Southmont

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