

# Gardens & Gables 2008

*A tour of seven beautiful gardens in North Platte.*



**Saturday**  
**July 12, 2008**

8:00 AM—1:00 PM  
Tours and Workshops

This event will take place Rain or Shine!

**A litter free event.**

# Things to Know

- 🌸 Please take a minute to familiarize yourself with the map before starting the tour.
- 🌸 Tour organizers have timed the tour of the 7 gardens and believe that it will take approximately 2 1/2 hours to 3 hours total to complete the tour depending on how long you stay, look and visit at each site. Estimates used were 15-20 minutes per site.
- 🌸 Please listen to your body and drink plenty of fluids. Heat illness can be very serious. Take a moment to review the precautions included in this booklet.

# Shuttle Information

We will have three air-conditioned 6-passenger vans acting as shuttles for the convenience of our Tour participants. Shuttles will go from Centennial Park to Lake Maloney, designated parking areas at the Lake, as well as in-between the homes. A free-will donation container will be located on each van. Shuttle van use donated by Bob Mayber Motors.

# Acknowledgements

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Grandy's Greenhouse (Raffle Prize)  
Great Plains Regional Medical Center (Raffle Prize)  
Huebner's Lawn & Garden (Raffle Prize)  
Keep North Platte & Lincoln County Beautiful (Vests)  
KNOP TV (Publicity)  
KELN Radio (Publicity)  
KODY Radio (Publicity)  
KOOQ Radio (Publicity)  
KXNP Radio (Publicity)  
Lake Maloney Home Owners Association (General)  
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Morgan Greenwood (Event Coordinator)  
Brian Hirsh (Shuttle Driver)  
Marvin & Chris Rankin (Shuttle Drivers)

*All other volunteers at each home and those who have helped in so many ways to make this event a success!*

There are so many volunteers and donors for this event, if we forgot you, we apologize.

***A special thank you to the home owners who have allowed us to peek into their beautiful gardens and willingly share them with us.***

***...and everyone who purchased tour and raffle tickets for this event!***

The proceeds from this event benefit the North Platte Public Library Foundation, a Mid-Nebraska Community Foundation Fund. The North Platte Public Library Foundation exists to enhance the facility and services of the North Platte Public Library.

# Heat Illness Information

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS	TREATMENT
<p><b>Early Heat Illness</b> Mild dizziness, fatigue, or irritability; decreased concentration; impaired judgment.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Loosen or remove clothing.</li> <li>• Rest in shade 30 minutes or more.</li> <li>• Drink water.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Heat Rash</b> Tiny blister-like red spots on the skin; prickling sensations. Commonly found on clothed areas of the body.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clean the skin and allow it to dry.</li> <li>• Wear loose clothing.</li> <li>• Rest in a cool place.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Heat Syncope</b> Fainting of an unacclimated worker when standing still in the heat.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lie down until recovered.</li> <li>• Moving around, instead of standing still, in the heat will reduce recurrence.</li> <li>• Acclimate to heat.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Heat Cramps</b> Painful spasms of the muscles; occurs when workers drink large amounts of water without replacing salts. May occur during or after work hours.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drink electrolyte liquids (i.e., sports drinks such as Gatorade, Allsport, etc.).</li> <li>• Rest.</li> <li>• Massage affected areas.</li> <li>• May require intravenous salt solutions if determined by a doctor.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Heat Exhaustion</b> Extreme weakness or fatigue, giddiness, nausea, or headache. Moist, clammy skin. Pale or flush complexion. Normal or slightly elevated body temperature.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rest lying down in a cool place.</li> <li>• Loosen or remove clothing.</li> <li>• Splash water on body.</li> <li>• Massage legs and arms.</li> <li>• If conscious, drink water or an electrolyte solution, but not salt or salt water.</li> <li>• If unconscious, treat for Heat Stroke (below) until proven otherwise.</li> <li>• Severe cases involving individuals who vomit or lose consciousness may require longer treatment under medical supervision.</li> <li>• Medical personnel should evaluate individuals who collapse.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Heat Stroke</b> Often occurs suddenly. Sweating stops. Mental confusion, very aggressive behavior, delirium, loss of consciousness, convulsions, or coma. Fast pulse. Rapid breathing. Body temperature of 106 °F or higher. Hot, red skin that may be red, mottled, or bluish. Worker may resist treatment.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>VICTIMS WILL DIE UNLESS TREATED PROMPTLY.</b></li> <li>• While awaiting medical help, remove victim to cool area, soak clothing with cool water, fan vigorously to increase cooling, and elevate legs. Treat for shock, if required, after temperature drops.</li> <li>• If conscious, have individual drink as much water as possible.</li> <li>• Prompt first aid can prevent permanent injury to the brain and other vital organs.</li> </ul>

*This information is a general guide.*

Sources: A Guide to Heat Stress in Agriculture (EPA); Protecting Workers in Hot Environments (OSHA); Occupational Health & Safety magazine (May 2000).

# Richard & Patsy Wolfe



# 223 South Maloney Drive

## Garden Summary by Richard & Patsy Wolfe

Every day, sunrise to sunset is special. The lake never looks the same. If you took pictures, morning, noon, and night; very few would look the same. We enjoy our home and it fits our family, our hobbies, and we love having holidays at our home.

Like many of the houses out here at the lake, it started as a cabin and became a home. The deck, patios, plus the wrap around garden provides a comfortable area day or night. Everybody enjoys the boating, swimming, & fishing.

My gardening expectations are not unusual. Like life, do what you can, be thankful for what you can do and accept what you cannot change.

To have a plant survive, put it next to a stepping stone. Use flowers that reseed and travel. Divide and use all your plants throughout your yard. You will always have something to hoe or pull. It's great therapy. I never expect my yard to look like it did last year and I always find a use for anything my husband brings home from an auction. When I can no longer garden, I will water the rocks!

## Gables Discussion by Stephen Granger, AIA

Richard and Patsy Wolfe were wonderful hosts and are very passionate about the years of collecting antiques. I had the opportunity to get educated about antique crocks which are well displayed in the interior of their home, along with several other antiques, each treasure having its own story. The Wolfe's moved into this ranch style home in the early 80's and filled it with their life-long treasures. The home was previously owned by a local doctor. The home is a single story ranch with no basement. It has a wonderful view to the north across the lake. The home has its own boat house and the concrete sea wall has utilized old steel farm implement wheels into its design. The full perimeter of the house is surrounded by landscaping providing a full range of colors from the blooming flowers, along with several ponds around the house. One pond was full of several tad poles, did I say several? I mean millions of tad poles. Visitors should also be aware of the largest lawn frog that I have ever seen!

## Notable Plants

Lady's Mantle  
Butter & Eggs "Linaria Vulgaris"  
Cimicifuga "Bugbane"  
Globe Thistle "Echinops"  
Monarda "Bee Balm"  
Ivy "Helens"  
Weigela  
Verbascum  
Obedient Plant "Polystchum"  
Moon Flower Vine "Ipomoea Alba"

Ninebark "Coppertina"  
Seafoam Statice  
Helenium Kanaria  
Dragons Blood Sedum  
Yellow Star Sedum  
Campanula "Lady Slippers"  
Rudabeckia "Prairie Sun"  
Virginia Creeper  
Currant  
Wild Cucumber "Lacywhite"

Clematis "Double Blue"  
Clematis "Josephine"  
Japanese Knotweed  
English Burgandy  
Wisteria "Japanese"  
Wisteria "American Lilac"  
German Statice  
Allium "Drumstick"  
Clematis "Super Jackmani"  
Firethorn

# Kevin & Ellen Kennedy



# 241 South Maloney Drive

## Garden Summary by Kevin & Ellen Kennedy

When I come home from work, the most relaxing part of my day is pruning, weeding and watering my plants...sometimes when I think they need real vitamins...I go to the lake to get my bucket filled...I've even cracked my chin open for my plants!! The calming influence of the water lapping in my backyard is just a peace of heaven for me. After gardening, I sit on my back porch swing and soak up the aroma of life in Nebraska....it is quite a wonderful switch from being born and raised in Brooklyn, New York.

## Gables Discussion by Stephen Granger, AIA

The residence of Kevin and Ellen Kennedy is nestled off of South Maloney Drive, protected from the main traffic noise by several cedar trees and lower growth shrubbery. The home was previously owned by Dr. & Mrs. Young. According to Ellen, the home was the recipient of an award winning floor plan sponsored by the Omaha World Herald in the early 70's. The ranch style home has a large covered front porch from which the family likes to sit and watch the storms come and go. The home has a large main level porch area that spans the entire width of the back of the house, providing a great view to the north across the lake. The house has a walk out basement, by the deck above, which provides excellent access to the large back yard and a large tree deck which the kids enjoy immensely. The tree deck is located in a large cottonwood tree that provides excellent shade for the tree deck. Several alterations were performed on the interior of the home. Several window seats were removed to provide more floor space on the main level. The lower level remodel incorporated a second kitchen/bar area providing a separate level where the younger kids can take a break from the lake activity to enjoy snacks and beverages. The improvements are too numerous to mention, so if you get an invite to the Kennedy's, take them up on the offer.

## Notable Plants

Wisteria

Sumac

Willow

Giant Delphinium

Stella d'Oro Day Lily

Climbing Roses

Coral Bells

Hosta varieties

Yew

Sedum

Ornamental Grasses

Coreopsis

Euonymus

Barberry

Coleus

Cedar

Amaryllis

Raspberry

Boxwood

Salvia

Norway Pine

Blue Spruce

Cottonwood

Viburnum

# Bob & Candy Spady



# 605 South Maloney Drive

## Garden Summary by Bob & Candy Spady

Nothing is better than at the end of the day being able to go out on the porch to relax and enjoy the sound of running water and the beauty of the lake. The color of flowers, birds, and greenery only helps top the perfect place to live.

## Gables Discussion by Stephen Granger, AIA

Bob & Candy Spady have a large full brick ranch style home on the south side of Lake Maloney. The home provides a wide open view to the north and the south. The large front yard offers a wonderful view of the hipped roof lines and the large front porch which nearly spans the entire front of the home. The roof also displays a cupola with an operating weather vane. Cupolas can be traced back to the 8<sup>th</sup> century Islamic Architecture, which provided a ventilation system at the minarets (towers) allowing a natural flow of air up and out and provide a protection from the weather. Access to the home is on the east side of the property with the drive extending toward the lake. On the east side, a long retaining wall is landscaped to provide privacy along the drive to the house. The back of the home has wonderful views and access to Lake Maloney. The back yard has a white picket fence that matches the trim around the house. The back yard has been cleared of older trees and new landscaping installed. The trees have matured well and provide the crisp clean design of a manicured yard.

## Notable Plants

Myrtle  
Weeping Mulberry Tree  
Sugar Maple Tree  
Mugo Pine Bush  
Snowball Bush  
Ninebark  
Cotoneaster  
Honeysuckle Bush  
Lilac Bush  
Trumpet Vine

Beautyberry  
Euonymus  
Holly  
Ground Cover Rose  
Pincushion Flower  
Peony  
Speedwell  
Dianthus  
Million Bells  
Coral Bells

Mums  
Hibiscus  
Lilies  
Marigolds  
Sedum  
Rose Bushes  
Moneywort  
Petunias  
Geranium  
Phlox

Sweet Potato Vine  
Hyacinth  
Hosta  
Blanket Flower  
Daisy  
Tulips  
Dahlia  
Zinnia  
Linden Tree  
Spruce Tree

# Jim & Mary States



# 619 South Maloney Drive

## Garden Summary by Jim & Mary States

Mary and Jim States have been lake people from an early age. The States family was the fifth property owner at Lake Maloney in 1944. Mary's family, Floyd and Dickie McMurtry acquired a cabin in 1954 at this site. They both grew up enjoying water sports and entertaining family and friends at the lake. That tradition continued as they held a Fourth of July gathering that spanned thirty years.

The original cabin on this lot set a mere forty feet from a bay, which is now the lake front lawn. The patio in the lawn was the floor of the boathouse. A sea wall was built and filled with lake sand to create our lawn. The original cabin was torn down in 1974 and a new structure was built by Mary's father and family. In 2000, Mary's mother moved to town and left the home vacant. In 2002, we started the extensive remodeling and addition. The house was doubled in size and everything replaced. They moved in on December 10, 2004.

"We both enjoy nurturing our landscaping as it is a relaxing pastime. Jay Turnbull's Landscaping designed and installed most of the landscaping and waterfall feature. We take special pride in our accomplishment and hope you enjoy visiting our yard."

A quote from Mary's mom, "the problem with living at the lake is, you have to go to town!"

## Gables Discussion by Stephen Granger, AIA

The ranch style home of Mary and Jim States is located close to South Maloney Drive, providing a large back yard towards the lake. The property has excellent views around the entire property. This home also provides a well designed landscape which is manicured extremely well. A carefully designed and maintained berm provides excellent curb appeal.

## Notable Plants

### Ornamental Grasses

Hosta varieties  
Blue Hydrangea  
White Hydrangea  
Chameleon Plant  
Buckthorn  
Chokeberry  
Rose "Knock-out"  
Rose of Sharon  
Korean Lilac  
Autumn Purple Ash

### Dogwood

Peonies  
Hibiscus  
Yew  
Vinca  
Lamium  
Hosta  
Coreopsis  
Burr Oak  
Red Maple  
Potentilla

### Purple Beauty Berry

Boxwood  
Burning Bush  
Astilbe  
Fern  
Judd Vibernum  
Cranberry Cotoneaster  
Sumac  
Pawnee Butes Western Sandcherry  
Red Prince Weigela  
Catmint

# Tom & Deb Erickson



# 621 South Maloney Drive

## Garden Summary by Tom & Deb Erickson

I love living at the lake because of the quiet, peaceful sounds of nature. There is a beauty in everything around us and we love all of the wildlife. The cottonwood trees produce drifts of snow in July. When the seeds fly, it is both mesmerizing and frustrating at the same time.

## Gables Discussion by Stephen Granger, AIA

The Ericksons have lived at their spacious lake home almost 10 years to the day. The house was originally built as a cabin by Grandfather Richard. The property was overgrown with cedars that hid the ranch style brick home. The Ericksons have removed all of the natural landscaping, with the exception of several large cottonwood trees. The property provides good visibility to the house as well as the lake. The lower elevation of the home and the low roof lines offer wide-angle open vistas in all directions. The front drive welcomes visitors with roped fence surrounded by beautiful landscaping. The fence reminds me of similar icons found around seawalls with the addition of the seagull, it completes the "by the sea" feeling. A small rock wall provides a visual border at the drainage inlet toward the northwest side of the property. This wall gives the property a distinguished peninsula look. As you walk around the property, be careful of the Pelican Guards at the boat house.

## Notable Plants

Day Lily  
Dianthus  
Autumn Sedum  
Barberry  
Cottonwood  
Spirea  
Ornamental Grasses  
Mums

Yew  
Euonymus  
Alyssum  
Impatiens  
Boxwood  
Hosta  
Marigolds  
Gazania

# Twila Conell



# 505 Pelican Bay

## Garden Summary by Twila Conell

I had to make a change in my life a few years back and knew I wanted to spend the rest of my life by water. I have a friend that was going to give up her lake home and that was the answer I was looking for. I moved out to the lake 2 years ago and love it all. I start out my day by walking with friends. We see deer, turkeys, geese, pelicans, lots of different birds and sunshine coming through the trees. It really starts your day out right; not to mention all the world problems you and your friends solve while you are walking.

My home and garden were created by the previous owners Jim and Loretta Ellett. They did a wonderful job. My job is to keep taking good care of it. My favorite feature of the house (and everyone else's) is the 53 foot wide span of windows facing the lake. When you open the front door your first view is the lake. My grandson describes it best when he said; "it feels like you're on a boat house."

## Gables Discussion by Stephen Granger, AIA

Twila's home is located off of a small private cul-de-sac on Pelican Bay. The location is off the main road, providing a quiet front yard setting. The front yard is small and covered with concrete and pavers, and surrounded by well established trees. The ranch style home is all brick and provides a modest front elevation. There is a wonderful porch area at the main entry surrounded by lots of landscaping. There is a single tree located at the front entry that provides just enough shade during the evenings since the home faces the west. The back of the house opens up to lake providing great views and lots of action with the boaters and jet skiers. As the front of the house is somewhat smaller, the angled plan of Twila's home almost doubles in size, again providing a great view over Lake Maloney, especially at sunrise. A unique feature about Twila's home is the exposed roof rafters. Typically most homes have gutters around the perimeter, while Twila's home shows off the roof rafters and color coordinated trim with the privacy fence at the main entry.

## Notable Plants

Shasta Daisy (Leucanthemum)

Penstemon

Phlox

Poppy

Salvia

Golden Rod (Solidago)

Tradescantia (Spiderwort)

Correopsis

Day Lily (Hemerocallis)

Tiger Lily

Coral Flower (Heuchera Sanguinea)

Iris

Black Eyed Susans

Delphinium

Dianthus (Caryolphyllus)

Dianthus "Spooky"

Echinacea (Cone Flower)

Hosta (Plaintain Lily)

Pansy

Viola

Euforbia

Astilbe

Pampas Grass

Goats Beard

Honeysuckle

Vinca

Red Husker Bush

Varigated Dogwood

Hibiscus "Disco Bell"

Potentilla Fruticosa

Weigela

Juniper

Yew

Tea Roses

Smoke Tree

Mountain Ash Tree

# Mike & Paula Ross



# 401 Sandpiper Way

## Garden Summary by Mike & Paula Ross

The saying "beauty is in the eye of the beholder" is definitely true when describing our home. When the house was first purchased in April of 2003 there was no grass or flowers. The only green growth were the existing trees. The house's siding was old and the paint had been falling off. The house needed a lot of TLC and is still a work in progress. The new siding was purchased from a saw mill in South Dakota and is Black Hills Pine. The Black Hills Pine wood gives the house the lake cabin and country appeal. There are many wagon wheels throughout the lawn that were used in ranching business in the Sandhills and belonged to a family member.

I love my home and garden because of the progress that has taken place. We have put a lot of time and work into our home as a family and continue to do so. Our home brings so much joy because the kids enjoy the outdoors, swimming and fishing.

## Gables Discussion by Stephen Granger, AIA

The original cabin purchased by Mike & Paula Ross has had several exterior improvements, with one just being completed prior to the tour. This is the only property on the tour that is not lake front property, but still has the feel of a lake home. The cabin was originally built in the 1950's. It was a one bedroom cabin with a small attached garage. Improvements have been made to increase the bedrooms of the home and install additional patios around the home. The original exterior siding of the home has been removed and replaced with Black Hills rough cut pine installed vertically. The siding has been stained and provides the exterior cabin look and feel. Paula had window boxes built and installed at the front of the house showcasing a contrast of color against the stained rough cut pine siding. At the front corner of the property, a small guest room was built to accommodate any visitors to the property. Be sure to ask Paula about the small playhouse / guest room. It's quite a story.

## Notable Plants

Colorado Pine Tree  
Black Hills Pine Tree  
Cedar Tree  
Mugo Pine  
Moon Bush  
Lilac Bush  
Iris

Petunias  
Day Lily  
Balloon Flower  
Black Eyed Susan  
Hosta  
Spanish Lavender  
Hibiscus

# Workshop Information

**University of Nebraska-Lincoln Master Gardener Volunteer program  
will be offering a different workshop at each home.**

**8:00 AM — 1:00 PM**



## ***“Growing Fall Vegetables”***

**By George Haws**

**at  
Twila Conell  
505 Pelican Bay**

## ***“Tree Detectives”***



**By Faye Fisher and Kathy Jacobsen**

**at  
Richard & Patsy Wolfe  
223 S Maloney Dr**



## ***“A beginner’s guide to growing Phalaenopsis Orchids”***

**By Cecelia Lawrence**

**at  
Kevin & Ellen Kennedy  
241 S Maloney Dr**



## ***“Seed, Bulb, & Plant Swap”***

**By Barbara Dye**

**at  
Tom & Deb Erickson  
621 S Maloney Drive**



## ***“Macro Photography: a Slide Presentation”***

**By Morgan Greenwood**

**Sandy Slaymaker  
Robert Martinson III**

**at  
Kevin & Ellen Kennedy  
241 S Maloney Dr**



## ***“Pond Maintenance” & “Pond Plants”***

**By Jim States & Chas Berke**

**at  
Jim & Mary States  
619 S Maloney Dr**



## ***“Growing Herbs”***

**By Paul Coxson**

**at  
Mike & Paula Ross  
401 Sandpiper Way**

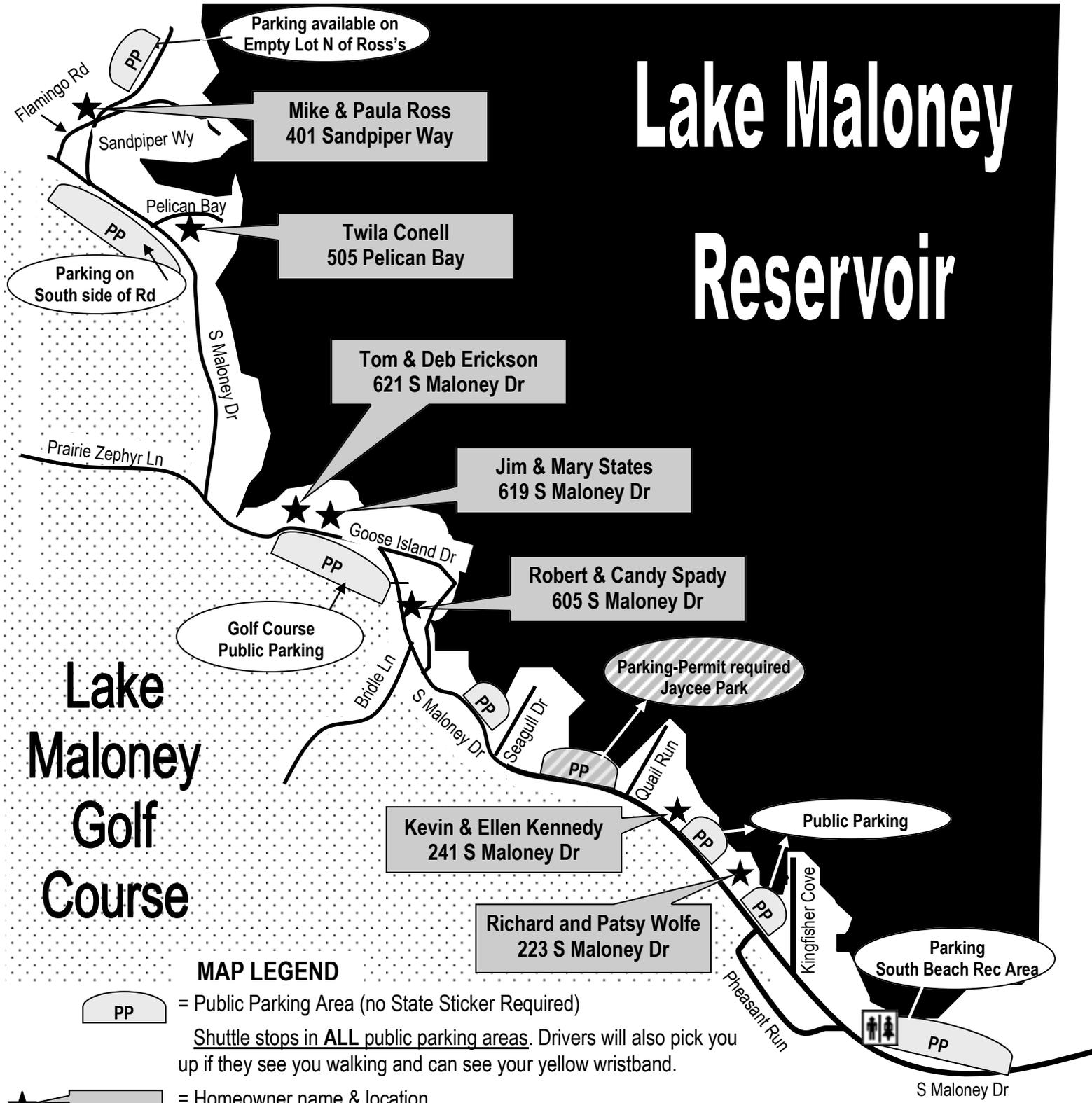


## ***“The Pondless Pond”***

**by Jay Turnbull**

**at  
Bob & Candy Spady  
605 S Maloney Dr**

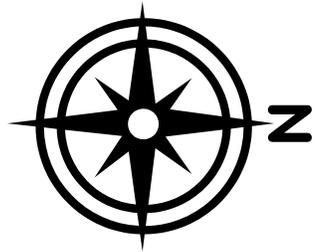
# Lake Maloney Reservoir



## Lake Maloney Golf Course

### MAP LEGEND

-  = Public Parking Area (no State Sticker Required)
-   = Homeowner name & location
-  = Public Parking location and/or information
-  = State Parking—State Park Permit REQUIRED
-  = Lake Maloney Golf Course
-  = Road
-  = Restrooms (port-a-potties)





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**CENTENNIAL PARK MAP PICKUP**

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