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Dam Safety Inspector Matt Duke monitors subsurface conditions at Boone Dam from one of the newly installed inclinometer locations.

Progress Update: Installing New Instruments to Evaluate Grouting Work

Additional instrumentation and monitoring points are being installed at Boone Dam in order to evaluate the grouting performance to date. “We want to optimize our grouting process moving forward,” said Construction Manager Kevin Holbrook. “The data gathered from these new instruments helps determine how the dam is responding.” Twelve inclinometers have been installed onsite to monitor from 54 feet to 140 feet below the top of the earthen embankment. Dam Safety Inspectors use inclinometers to provide additional information about the subsurface conditions.

Giving Back to the Community: Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee

Several TVA and Johnson City Power Board employees participated in the Second Harvest mobile food pantry at John Sevier Center in Johnson City last week. The Mobile Food Pantry provides regular distributions of food and groceries in our region reaching thousands of people in need. “We are grateful for the volunteer spirit of TVA and the JCPB employees,” said Second Harvest’s Community Relations Manager Katie Prendergast. “TVA and JCPB have been continuous advocates and supporters of the mission of the Food Bank.”



Boone Dam Quality Manager Lenny Peterson packs a bag of groceries at the Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee’s Mobile Food Pantry.

Speakers' Bureau Roundup

Boone Dam project managers have been busy speaking at various community meetings. Civil Engineering Manager Patrick Kiser (photo top right) spoke with the Lake Harbor Homeowners Association. Construction Manager Kevin Holbrook was a speaker for both the Tri-Cities GreenDrinks group and the Holston Ruritan Club (photo center right). Engineer Aaron Nottis addressed the local chapter of the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (photo bottom right).



Workers gathered at sunrise for the monthly All Hands Safety meeting.

Emphasizing Safety: Monthly All Hands Safety Meetings

While regular safety meetings are conducted each day at Boone Dam, once a month all workers gather together for an All Hands Safety meeting. At that time, employees are recognized for “good catches” and “great safety attitudes.” During last month’s meeting, workers were acknowledged for their participation in support of TVA’s safety culture and for logging more than 600,000 hours on the project.

Boone Lake Annual Clean Up Set for April 29

Mark your calendars for the 18th consecutive Boone Lake Annual Clean Up Day. Boone Lake Association organizers say the event will kick off at 9 a.m. on Sat., April 29, 2017, and end at 3 p.m. According to the BLA, trash will be collected at Boone Lake Marina, Davis Marina, Lakeview Marina, Rockingham Marina and Jays Dock (at Pickens Bridge Ramp). Additionally, Bluff City ramp and TWRA/11E ramp will be used. The event will conclude with a picnic for volunteers at the Winged Deer Park’s Pavilion at 4 p.m. with prize drawings at 5 p.m. Last year, volunteers, including several from TVA, collected some 17 tons of trash. For more information visit the BLA website <http://www.boonelakeassociation.org/>.



Volunteers used canoes and boats to haul trash during the 2016 Boone Lake Clean Up Day.

New Community News Updates: Remember, we’ll keep you informed in between monthly editions of this newsletter through the new “Community News” section of the [Boone website](#). We’ll also update the @BooneRepair Twitter feed and, if needed, provide special newsletter editions. You can always e-mail us questions at boonelake@tva.gov, or stop by the TVA Community Relations trailer at the intersection of Boone Dam and Minga Roads.

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