

## Ranger Report

April

Hello everyone!

The fishing at the lake has been great! We have been stocking catfish since early April and they are hungry! Members have found that shrimp and shad sides have been working well as have stink baits. So far this has been the best spring for catching bass, but please remember that all bass are strictly catch and release only. We encourage you to take pictures of your catch and return the bass to the lake quickly. We have been working on lake structure and forage foods for our panfish and are seeing good results. Please see our Facebook page for new pictures of the bass and large catfish our members have caught. White perch still have a bounty on them. Catch them and take them alive to the bait shop to collect your bounty! Just make sure they are not crappie. Just a reminder, there is absolutely no swimming, wading or dipping your toes in the lake. No pets are allowed on the property. Rental boats will be out in mid-May.

They live here full time we do not; please help us treat with respect the wildlife that shares your lake. This is as simple as **keeping all hooks and fishing line picked up or tossed into the trashcans** because the hooks get caught up in the bird's beaks and the fishing line end up wrapped around the birds causing great harm.

Stop in and check out the new merchandise that has arrived in the lake store. Also the lake store sells live bait, worms and other fishing bait as well as a great selection of tackle and fishing poles. Support your SBEA lake store by shopping for all your fishing needs.

Creel Count: Catfish- 286, Bass 58, Bluegill 41, Crappie 66, Total 451