

Lake LaSalle

Property Owner's Association Inc.

Spring 2015 Newsletter



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- Spring Reminders! Preserving our Lake! -

- Please remove fall and winter debris from your lakefront area and burn or bag it. A huge amount of limbs, logs and leaves were forced over our coffer dams from the force of the early rains and this battle with nature continues. We must continually clean out our lake from this build -up. And remember NO grass clippings or raked leaves go into the lake!
- Remember to get boat stickers for all your watercraft from Jared Sawyer. Also put your lot number on each boat for efficient return when adrift. Guest watercraft is prohibited as they introduce bacteria and algae from other sources.
- There are several LLPOA maintenance projects this year. Please respond to requests for help when the projects are announced via e-mail. This saves us money for labor fees. Likewise, calls to resources for help in Brown County are seldom, almost never, returned. A few cannot do it all.
- As outdoor activities are in full swing, please remember to courteously keep outdoor music low as it carries over the lake from one end to the other and increases volume. Welcomed music from several properties can become din.
- When fishing, please do not throw dead worms or any dead organic bait into our water. Burn it or bury it at home. Remember that fishing boats have the priority on the water and if you are pontooning please motor slowly and at a distance.
- Be watchful for our resident beaver's/ and muskrat and report any den or repetitious activity to Joe Giblin or any board member. Small, young muskrats are now cruising the lake.
- If you or guests are walking your dogs, you must be courteous and carry a refuse bag for waste removal. Our common grounds, especially on LaSalle Road, are being victimized.

Thanks! Let's enjoy our beautiful lake this spring through fall!

M.B./J.S. -Communications Committee



We would like to give a warm lake LaSalle welcome to Daniel and Susan Jackson -lot 57 and David and Vicki LaFon -lot 62



LLPOA Board meeting

April, 16, 2013



Members present: Officers (one year term) Charlie Backofen – President, Harry Hicks - Vice-president, Mary Backofen – Secretary, Linda Schwaner – Treasurer; Directors (3 year term) John Slater - Long-range Planning, Jon Schwaner – Communications, Joe Ridenour – Entertainment, Carolyn Giblin – Complaints & Compliances/Building, Joe Giblin – Grounds and Maintenance, Jared Sawyer – Fishing

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. at the home of Carolyn and Joe Giblin. All members were present and Mary Backofen read the minutes from the meeting held on January 15, 2015. The motion to approve these minutes was presented by Linda Schwaner and seconded by John Slater. Motion passed.

President Backofen had no new business and Harry Hicks, Vice-president, then brought the members up to date on the bankruptcy status of lots 79 and 80 ½. As bankruptcy court protects the debtor, our attorney suggests to continue by petitioning a “stay” which would allow a lien to be filed on the 2015 annual dues. Linda Schwaner made a motion to recommend our attorney petition the court for a “stay” and to again file a new lien and it was seconded by John Slater. Motion passed. Our Association continues to be very grateful for the superior legal representation supplied by Harry Hick’s colleague.

Linda Schwaner, Treasurer, reported that 11 property owners have paid no dues for 2015 and that she has sent out reminder letters that included a potential lien notice. Sandy Ridenour performed our annual audit that indicated “all deposits and disbursements were accounted for and the bank accounts are in balance. A great organization as usual.” Our association is also very grateful to Sandy for helping us with this critical and required task.

Linda next reported that the owners of lots 92 and 93 had advised her by e-mail of no longer paying annual dues until the sale of their property. The sale has been turned over to an auction company. There was discussion whether or not to immediately file a lien for the remainder of the 2014 dues and the current 2015 dues. Harry Hicks reminded the Board that a 60 day notice of a lien is required. Linda assured that the April dues reminder contained this lien notice, handwritten and in red ink. A motion was made by Carolyn Giblin and seconded by Mary Backofen that the Board will immediately file the lien after Linda replies to the property owners’ above mentioned e-mail. Motion passed.

Linda indicated that to avoid a service charge on the savings account she will execute a transaction to transfer a minimal amount from our saving account to our checking account.

She reported the status of our banking accounts* as follows:

Savings Account as of 3/31/15	\$9,962.67
Checking Account as of 3/31/15	\$43,851.49
SBA (Small Business Assoc. Loan) 3/31/15	\$88,471.35

*full details of these accounts are available through Linda Schwaner or Mary Backofen

Mary Backofen, Secretary, reported that the petition to the Brown County Commissioners for road repairs successfully yielded a return of 80%. Many members on LaSalle Road and non-members on LaSalle Road supported this effort. Those who attended the Commissioners Meeting in March learned that our petition had been read by all commissioners and the superintendent of roads for the county. With our legal rights of way in place for repairs on secondary roads Chickadee and Cardinal, drainage repairs and road resurfacing will happen within the next two years. Perhaps our roads will be addressed when the primary road, Three Story Hill, is repaired.

There was a discussion of a custom made Lake LaSalle flag for the new south end flag pole. Kurt Ellinger was asked about the best source locally for a quality flag. Kurt was able through his company to order for us a custom flag at his cost. He sent two designs and the Board chose the design that replicates the original boat sticker used on Lake LaSalle decades ago. Jeff Macy of LaSalle Road had this original boat sticker design and generously had donated 50 remakes of it a few years ago. The cost for the flag is \$125 and it will be flown from May through September only in order to preserve it for as many years as possible. John Slater made a motion to purchase the flag and it was seconded by Jon Schwaner. Motion passed. The Association is very grateful to Kurt for his time and for the lower cost of this special flag.

Finally, Mary reviewed her document inviting all members to consider being on the Board next year as there are many completing their terms. A quorum is required to even initiate any vote at a meeting. The document reviewed the basics of being on the Board and defined simply each position. An updated document will go out prior to the July 16 meeting to be held at Jared Sawyer's home.

Carolyn Giblin, Complaints and Compliances, presented a member's request to place a pontoon lift at her dock and likewise place a canopy over the area to protect the pontoon. The canopy will be simply that with no end closures as with a boat house. There is nothing in our Governing Documents that disallows this request and the member will be informed to go ahead.

Carolyn continued with a reoccurring complaint about lots 111 and 112. A few years ago the Complaints director spoke with the tenant about the dreadful conditions of the lots piled with cars, bikes, furniture, garbage, etc. He insisted the property be cleaned up according to our Covenants and Restrictions, paragraph 7. The tenant reluctantly complied with partial clean up. Since then the condition of the property has further deteriorated with rats and wildlife prompting complaints and a stench from the house. The tenant vacated the house many months ago and the conditions inside as well as outside are a menace to public health. A letter has gone out to the Florida owner with details, photos and a time limit of replying with a clean-up plan within a month. If no reply, the Board of Health and Sheriff will be contacted.

Joe Ridenour, Entertainment, had nothing to report.

John Slater, Long-range Planning, had no report.

Jared Sawyer, Fishing, has again checked in with the State Lake Association about membership with no reply. He recommends not to continue requests. He asked the Board's opinion about a fishing contest on July 4th or in the fall. The Board felt July 4th on the lake is too congested with pontoons and families and the fall is the best option. The contest will probably coordinate with the Annual Meeting weekend.

Joe Giblin, Grounds and Maintenance, reminded that the bi-annual dam inspection will be this year. He also had to purchase a new American flag as the prior one was already tattered due to no protection from weather conditions at its placement at the north end.

Finally, Joe listed post-winter repairs that are mandatory: replacement and repair of the posts downed or damaged by the hit-and-run car event in December, the removal of boards and posts at the entrance to Cardinal Drive, painting of the dam cage, cleaning up and repairing the common ground at Thunder Creek where there are extensive tire tread ruts and winter gravel, and removing debris from the coffer dam on Lawrence Creek. Our thanks to Mike Miskell who cleaned off the coffer dam in Thunder Creek to our surprise!!!

Jon Schwaner, Communications, reiterated his request for material for the newsletter. He also wants to remind our membership that the LLPOA e-mail (jon.LLPOA@outlook.com) should be used for an individual reply ONLY to him/the Board. It was not planned as a chat room. Please make sure your reply is to him individually.

A call for adjournment at 8:30 was made by John Slater and seconded by Joe Ridenour.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Backofen, Secretary

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2014/2015 Board of Directors

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I told Kurt and Peter I could give them 15 min. of limited fame— so please read slow ! -Editor



Meet your Neighbors— Kurt Ellinger

My name is **Kurt Ellinger** and my wife Janet and I are part timers at 8426 Chickadee. We purchased our house last summer and love the time we spend at Lake LaSalle. We have two sons, Derek (28) and Matt (19). Derek is the Band Director at Mt. Vernon High School in Fortville. He has a beautiful daughter Ava who is just about to turn two. Matt is finishing up freshman year at IU Bloomington and is studying Business.

We are originally from the Chicago area and met while attending Northern Illinois University. I studied Graphic Arts Management, which led to a career in the Printing field. I worked for several printing firms in the Chicago area before uprooting the family to come work for Shepard Poorman Communications in Indianapolis in 1996. After a few years working there, I partnered with a coworker to form Print Resources in 2000. We produce all sorts of marketing products for our customers, including apparel, promotional products and printing. The soon to be flown Lake LaSalle flag is one of our products, along with this newsletter. Our website, www.printindy.com tells a little more about our company.

As a recent empty nester, I'm looking forward to developing a few new hobbies I didn't have time for in the past. Hopefully you will see me fishing or boating on the lake soon. We are looking forward to spending much more time in the neighborhood this summer and are excited to see everyone!

Oh, and one more thing, "Go Bears!!" Although the Colts are OK too.

Peter Frenzel

Peter tried his hand at banking for a ten year stint back in the sixties. He found out he could double his income in sales so that's the avocation he pursued. He wound up retiring from this profession.

Along the way he became Chairman of the Indianapolis Christmas Committee in 1969, the organization at the time responsible for decorating Monument Circle at Christmastime. It's now done by the downtown Merchants Association.

Then he became one of the original founders of the Penrod Society. He ultimately received a "Sagamore of the Wabash" award from Governor Mitch Daniels for his contribution to the Arts.

He was an avid art collector prior to his retirement. Unfortunately he lost his collection in a disastrous home fire in August 2006. He's lived on the lake twenty-eight years with his wife Alene. They've traveled Europe, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, the Caribbean and Belize in Central America.

Peter and Alene are proud parents of two children and eleven grandchildren three of which are great grandchildren. They love their "showstopper red" house and their enchanting neighbors on Chickadee Drive.



Big catfish caught by

Caleb Kauffman— August 2014



8 lb. 28 " catfish caught on 2 lb. line by

Curtis McCloud-- April 2015

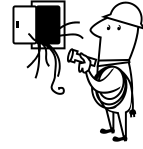


5 lb. 19" Bass caught by

Jon Schwaner Nov. 2014



MEMORIES
Let's Make
Some New
One's!



WHO TO CALL “When you need a helping hand”

Eagle Lawn Care 597-2319 or 317-374-9921 Perry Pierson of Lake LaSalle Road, is available for small projects of 1 or 2 days that include tree work, dock and seawall repair, landscaping, mowing and pressure washings.

Cecil Swafford, Jr. 597-0486 or 812-720-0695 Carpentry, decks, roofs, remodeling

The Chimney Man 812-829-4558-Chimney cleaning by Steve Beaumont

Parker Construction 812-597-4355-Carpentry, decks, roofs, remodeling

Fire in the Hole 765-342-6878- Tree service and chimney service. Contact Wayne Almond.

Critser’s Flowers & Gifts- Shane White in Morgantown -812-597-4551 lives on the lake.

McCloud’s Home Maintenance 317-965-6333-General construction, landscaping, docks and painting, contact Andrew McCloud

Honey Creek Tackle (located south of Bargersville on State Road 135) huge selection of fishing tackle, rods and reels, live bait and quality outdoor gear.

Knight’s Electric licensed and Insured -812-327-3014 (lives on the lake)

Clearshine window and or gutter cleaning service Pleasant St., Edinburgh, IN 46124, Ph. # 812- 350-3481
E-mail clearshine@sbcglobal.net Owner operator is Allan Woolbright