

RAMBLIN' WITH RIPP - SPRING

Submitted by Dick Rippey

So, I drive "Up North" to enjoy the springtime - Trilliums, birds singing and at least ice breaking up. I just pulled into my parking spot at 4904 Knott Lane, I mean just, when the cell rang and it was Larry asking me to write a piece for the Lake Lucerne News. And here is is. Oh, by the way, we stopped at the Capitol Jazz Fest in Madison where we kicked off my new book called Schulz ...And More. Its a bio of Bob Schulz from Wonewock, Wisconsin (now of San Francisco). He's a fantastic Jazz Coronetist. Excuse me, back to Lake Lucerne.

Anyway, it's tough to find a bird, there are no flowers and the lake is ice filled - C'mon Spring!!!! Even though none of the expected is happening, it's rally very special. Big flakes of snow & crackling fireplaces are sill very exciting and a stroll down the lane in brisk, fresh air is quite inviting. However, one should have water, not hard water, to fish in on opening day!

In the hard luck news is all the freezupa of lines running to various sorts of outlets and inlets at our lake homes. I had to call Mr. Fannin twice for freeze ups and neighbors had much more bad luck than I, including thievery and severe ice problems. A hint of good judgement for the future is some sort of insulation around pipes and better guard over valuable equipment too.

It's a bit hard to write about good cheer right now with the long harsh winter still in mind and a tardy spring to face up to.

But, the ice is looking weak, I do see a birdy or two and my dog Blaise really enjoys the white stuff for rolling and strolling and eating. Like he knows soon it will be gone - we all hope.

I see signs of maple sap gatherers afoot so I know our days of glory will arrive soon. So hang in there people, pray for those less fortunate, know spring is just round the corner and enjoy special stuff - like my new - really old, 1975 Corvette now housed at good friend Rick's here at the lake.

Get a smile on your face, cheer the first place Brewers on, hope the Pack makes good draft choices and look forward to the trilliums and the first cast as you seek an energetic bass or walleye right out your front door! See you around the corner. Dick Rippey

FISHERIES UPDATE

Submitted by Mike Preul, Fisheries Biologist, Sokaogon Chippewa Community

On November 13, 2013, fisheries staff from the Sokaogon Chippewa Community (SCC) and WDNR transferred cisco from North Twin Lake, Vilas County to Lake Lucerne. Cisco were captured with seines after dark when the cisco were spawning on rocky shorelines. Approximately 225 adult cisco, 12-16 inches in length were transported using SCC fish hauling trailer. Cisco were disease tested prior to transplant and a fish disease expert was present to inspect fish prior to transfer. The transfer of cisco will continue for one more year in fall 2014.

Cisco are a cold-water pelagic forage species that is native to Wisconsin. They were historically found in Lake Lucerne, and they were most likely extirpated from the lake by the invasive species rainbow smelt. Survey results from a 2011 study by SCC and anecdotal accounts from locals suggest that smelt are no longer in Lake Lucerne. Cisco will be benefit many fish species in the lake, but they should have the biggest impact on walleye and particularly lake trout. The WDNR stocked lake trout into Lake Lucerne in 2013, and periodic lake trout stocking will continue in the future.

Lake Lucerne is a uniquely special lake and the Association desires to maintain and improve its quality.

2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ACTIVITIES AT CLUBHOUSE UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

JUNE

June 14 - LLAA Meet/Pot Luck - 9 a.m.

JULY

July 12 - Fun Days Organize Meeting - 9 a.m.

July 12 - Meet Your Neighbor - 5 p.m. - ????

AUGUST

Aug. 1 - Fun Day Set Up - 9 a.m.

Aug. 2 - FUN DAY - 9 a.m.

Aug. 3 - Fun Day Clean Up - 9 a.m.

Aug. 30 - LLAA Annual Meeting - 9 a.m.

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 2 - LLAA Golf Outing - 12:30 p.m. - Nicolet CC

Sept. 2 - Cocktails & Dinner

VOLUNTEERS NEED FOR FUN DAYS!

Please call LexAnn Hitchcock at 715-478-2233 or Jack Kloss at 715-478-3425 to sign up!

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BUILDING AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Submitted by Jack Kloss

LAWN CARE

The LLAA Board decided to take care of the grass cutting and cleanup with association volunteers. We hope to have a lawn mower donated to the Association. Larry has offered his riding mower for our use and it will be kept in the association garage. We would like to thank Tim Turriff for cleaning up all the leaves last fall. Job well done.

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

We would like to start construction of the new pavilion the first part of June. The pavilion will start at the front of the garage and cover the concrete slab that has already been poured. This is where the auction will be held and we will not be using the tents anymore. We will need volunteers to help with construction. We had a good crew on the first pavilion but will try to keep Larry off the roof on this one. Hope to see you all in June.

Electronic access to our newsletter is available on our website at www.lakelucernewi.com

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Submitted by Larry Sommer

It's May 6th and it seems as wither might actually be over. Temp is about 55° and the ice is off of the lake here on the south end but the north end is still covered. I guess in a day or two the lake should be totally clear.

Since Easter Sunday my "official" yard stick indicates that the water level has increased 6 to 7". That's a lot of water on a 1,000+ acre area. Streams around the lake are still running strong and we could pick up another 1 or 2".

It's too early to access the condition at the boat landing, but the extra water will surely help. The DNR has been contacted and will be here to check out the condition and make changes if necessary and possible.

We have had several questions regarding our newsletter and it's distribution. We send out about 440 newsletters to 17 states 3 times a year as per our bi-laws. 26% to the Crandon area, 23% to the Fox River Valley area, 16% to the Milwaukee area, 19% to other smaller Wisconsin locations, 7% to the state of Illinois, 3% to Florida and 6% to MN, IN, MI, IA, AR, OH, CO, CA, TN, VA, NJ, TX, MO and ID. The newsletter is sent to association members and non-members. So, why do some individuals not pay dues and still get the newsletter? The board of directors wants to keep as many individuals as possible informed as to what's happening on our beautiful lake and the efforts of the association to keep it free of invasives. We want all to enjoy the many benefits the lake provides. In order to be a member of the lake association you must have a temporary or permanent residence within 1 mile of the lake. What are the benefits the members receive? Please see Wayne Daul's article below.

The board is always pleased to receive new members. The dues are only \$20 a year or a life time membership is only \$200. A membership application is enclosed. You can mail it or bring to our great fund raiser on August 2nd.

Secretary Cheryl Hermus is working on a way to communicate to all how far ahead your dues are paid. Hopefully the label on the summer newsletter will have this information. Example: If the number 16 appears after your name, you're paid thru 2016. If a L appears your paid for life. If nothing appears you're not an association member, but we encourage you to become one.

NR115 is back in the news. The latest version is on the governors's desk for signature. Two important issues are noted as follows: a 15% impervious surface is allowed on any new building permits with a maximum of 30% with litigation. A 35' "no mow" area from the ordinary high water mark (OHWM) is included in the bill. The 30' wide viewing corridor on a 100' lot in front of a cottage or house is unchanged.

The spearing season is over and only 5 walleye were taken from our lake. Hopefully the results on other lakes will be available before this newsletter goes to print.

You may not be aware that Phragmites (see color insert) was found on the south end of our lake. This tall grass, as you might have seen in the Green Bay area near the tower drive bridge, grows and expands very fast. Thanks to John Preuss, AIS Coordinator for Forest, Lincoln and Langlade Counties checked this out and reported to the finding to the DNR. The DNR will have a contractor treat this area in our lake this fall at no charge to us.

Thanks to the Sokaogon Chippewa Community for their \$1,000 donation. It will be used to offset costs at our boat landing this summer. Thanks also to Mike Preul for his efforts in obtaining this grant.

That's all for now. Thanks to all that provided articles for this newsletter. Anyone may submit items of interest. The next letter will be sent in July with tickets for our Fun Day fund raiser. \$1,000 cash is first prize!

SEE YOU THIS SUMMER! LARRY

WHAT ARE YOUR DUES DOING FOR YOU?

Submitted by Wayne Daul

Listed below in no particular order are just some of the things the LLAA board and committees work on every year.

- Over the years we have applied for and received almost \$50,000 in grants from the DNR.
- We promote and administer the "Clean Water, Clean Boats" program. Part of this is boat landing inspections.
- We purchase and also request fish for our stocking programs. This is a priority for the board to keep a very aggressive approach to improving the fishery.
- We survey the lake during open water for invasive plants or zebra mussels, this is done on a weekly basis by volunteers.
- Our board president has been working with the DNR to keep the boat landing in a useable condition. This is an ongoing issue and we are starting to get a more timely response to our request.
- Board members and others are working with Wisconsin Public Service towards the installation of natural gas service in our lake area. It also looks like underground power will come to much of the area this year.
- We provide a Lake Lucerne informational sign and make available cottage name signs at the intersections.
- We have a website with camera which was recently updated. It is still a work in progress like most websites are.
- We have a board representative on FCAL (Forest County Association of Lakes).
- We have a working relationship with Mike Preul, Fisheries Biologist at the Mole Lake fish hatchery. Our plan is to both purchase and receive grants for stocking our lake.
- And, as you know, we have built a great clubhouse facility over the years. This provides a great place to hold our functions such as board meetings, Fun Days, our auction and Meet Your neighbor events. We also rent the buildings a number of times each year for added income. Only \$150 + refundable deposit if left clean
- When possible we support local organizations.
- All this and more is done by unpaid volunteers. These are reasons to renew or to become a member.

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ATV ROUTES: Larry Sommer: The Town of Lincoln has passed an ordinance to allow ATV's on all town roads when signs are up and notice has been published in the papers. The Potawatomi Community will underwrite the \$600 cost of signs and has undertaken an education program that provides training for ATV drivers. Potawatomi Security and the Forest County Sheriff's Department will monitor speed and excess noise. Fines can exceed \$200. There will be signed routes around Lake Lucerne and Lake Metonga which will connect to the two state trails. The routes bypass the lakes. Other roads will be open to ATVs but will not be signed. The Town of Lincoln has the prerogative to discontinue the ordinance at any time. Jim Hammond expressed concern for safety. Larry responded that in Forest County there have been no injuries or deaths involving ATVs. There is a plan for a 10,000 acre Recreational Vehicle Park in Forest County. Jeeps, campers, ATV's, snowmobiles, horses, and walkers could use the park. Anticipated revenue to the area could be \$50 million per year. Clay Schaefer responded that Lake Lucerne Drive needs to be monitored.

SIGNS: LexAnn: We currently have six orders for signs. A question has come up as to adding private or business signs to our signposts. Our signposts are for signs procured by members through the association. It is not appropriate to attach personal signs to LLAA signposts.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS:

For President: Steve Bunda was nominated by Andy Wienser. The nomination was seconded. Larry Sommer was nominated by Clay Schaefer. Jim Hammond seconded the nomination. Wayne Daul moved that nominations be closed. The motion was seconded. Motion carried.

For Secretary: Carol Tomasi nominated Cheryl Hermus for secretary. Judy Nelson seconded the nomination. Jim Hammond moved to close nominations. Lex Ann Hitchcock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Board Member Number One to replace David Meier: Brian Cundiff nominated Wayne Daul. Jack Kloss seconded the nomination.

Board Member Number Two: Clay Schaefer nominated Sara Austin for a second term. Peter Tomasi seconded the nomination. Rick Hermus moved to close nominations. Jim Hammond seconded. Motion carried.

Elected to two year terms on the board were Wayne Daul and Sara Austin with Larry Sommer serving as President and Cheryl Hermus as Secretary.

PROGRAM: John Preuss, AIS Coordinator for Forest, Lincoln, and Langlade Counties gave a presentation on Yellow Floating Heart. This non-native lily species is extremely aggressive, living in wetlands as well as in water. The first lake in Wisconsin to exhibit this species is Lake Gordon in Forest County. Reproduction occurs both by seeds and by root fragmentation. In twelve weeks time one plant can generate 100 plants. We need to watch for yellow floating heart and immediately report any that are found.

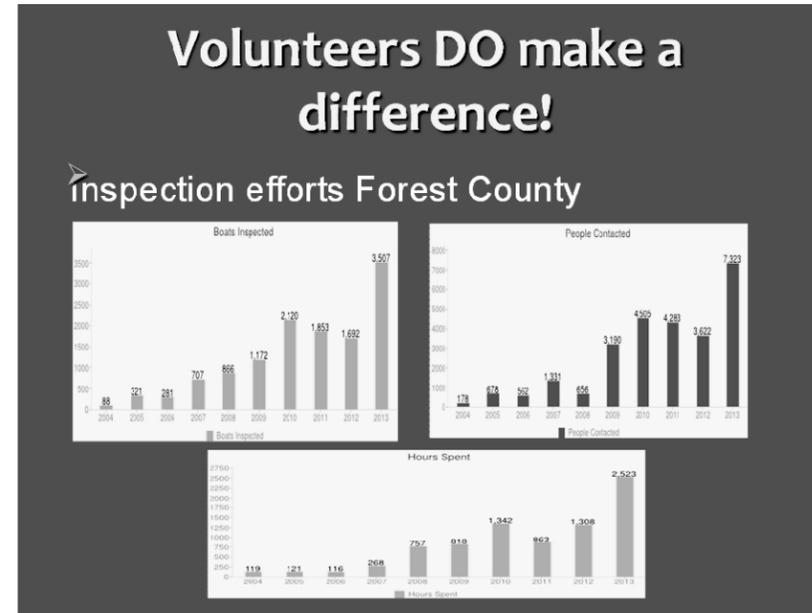
ADJOURNMENT: There being no further old or new business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Tomasi

CLEAN BOATS / CLEAR WATER PROGRAM

Submitted by Todd Veeseer

Here are the numbers for all the lakes in Forest County that participate in the Clean Boats / Clean Water Program (44 total lakes). There was a total of 3507 boats inspected last year with Lake Lucerne inspecting 320, 7323 people contacted with Lake Lucerne contacting 848, and 2523 hours recorded at all the landings with a total of 679.75 spent at ours. As you can see we inspected and contacted about 10% of all the boats and people, and almost 27% of all the hours, Which means that Lake Lucerne has an extremely active program and is progressing in the right direction. A Big Thanks to all that volunteered and please keep up the good work. I look forward to seeing you this year.



DIRECT VISITOR SPENDING 2013

Provided by WI Dept. of Tourism

RANK OF 72	COUNTY	IN MILLIONS	% OVER 2012
13	Vilas	\$203	+4
15	Oneida	\$197	+6
20	Marinette	\$138	+3
35	Oconto	\$77	+8
43	Langlade	\$44	+2
68	Forest	\$12	+3
71	Florence	\$5	+2

HOW TO FIND THE OHWM

(Ordinary High Water Mark):

To locate the OHWN, go to your shoreline and look for obvious indicators of water. These indicators may include:

- stains on rocks or other shoreline structures
- bare dirt, marks on trees
- exposed roots running along the shore
- changes in vegetation from water plants to upland plants

6"-8" WALLEYES STOCKED LAST FALL BY THE D.N.R.



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LLAA MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING AUGUST 31, 2013

9:00 Breakfast was provided by Renee Daul, Reenie Heberer, Cheryl Hermus, LexAnn Hitchcock, Marian Kloss, Judy Nelson and Carol Tomasi. Thank you to all who prepared and served breakfast.

9:45 Call to order. Pledge of Allegiance. Welcome and introduction of the board and John Preuss: President, Larry Sommer.

AGENDA: The speaker, Mike Preul, was moved to a place on the agenda following the treasurer's report.

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 15 MEETING: It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the minutes as printed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Rick Hermus presented a recap of the financial statement and budget which was included with the agenda for the meeting. Cash available at the end of August: \$15,759.91. Jim Hammond asked about expenses for 2013 for the expansion of the garage and for concrete that has been poured. Rick anticipates there will be \$7,000 to \$8,000 remaining after all of those bills are received and paid. The budget for 2014 will be close to that for 2013 except for capital expenditures. In 2013 we spent reserves. We will not need to do that again. Funds will be set aside for future purposes such as invasive species. Dave Meier moved to accept the treasurer's report and 2014 budget. Chuck Zwerg seconded. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FUN DAYS: SARA AUSTIN reported on food sales. Last year we sold 400 sandwiches. This year we sold 307 sandwiches, 98 orders of fries and 43 orders of cheese curds. The problem in the kitchen was a breaker that went out for an hour and was repaired that day. **LEXANN:** The paddlewheel did well. People like to choose their prizes. Raffle ticket sales were down. Larry recommended that we discontinue the dice game. Children's games are not profitable but provide entertainment for children while their parents enjoy the celebration. For 2013 expenditures for the paddlewheel declined because items were retained from last year. We also received \$120 in rebates this year. We will need more volunteers next year. Net profit from Fun Days was \$9,790.15.

GOLF OUTING: AMY COUGHLIN: 37 have signed up to play golf. There is room for more golfers. Registration is set for 1:30 There will be a shot gun start at 2:00. Cocktails (cash bar) are set for 5:00 with a buffet dinner to follow. Please bring appetizers and dessert. Steve Bunda made the trophies which were on display.

FISH STOCKING: LARRY SOMMER AND NORM HEBERER: The DNR will give us approximately 10,000 six to nine inch walleyes free of charge. (They have a pond that is closing). The DNR is also introducing into the lake 35,000 one and one half inch walleye which have a very low survival rate. Our organization has allocated \$2,500 toward the purchase of walleyes. The question was posed, "Should we spend that money or reserve it to purchase walleyes at a later time?" The DNR has adopted our lake to promote better fishing. Last year, this year and next year DNR has added and will add trout along with cisco as prey for the trout. In spring the DNR came in to net cisco and smelt. They found no smelt. Jim Hammond remarked that our lake is now a bass lake. Mary Meier confirmed that in the past this was a bass lake. Larry stated that DNR is aware of that and suggested that when you catch bass do not release them. The limit is 5-14 inch bass. To date we have not had success in reducing the size limit of bass. Jack Kloss remarked that there are lots of fish in 45 to 70 feet of water. Larry stated that trout are at the surface at ice out but now they re in deep water. Wayne Daul would like to see more fish in the lake in his lifetime and suggested that we allow \$5,000 toward purchase of walleyes in 2014. Carroll Halstad moved to put this year's fish budget into a reserve fund to purchase fish in the future. Norm Heberer seconded. Jack Kloss suggested that we request a walleye report from Mike Preul in the spring. Judy Nelson stated that we have 2 walleyes per acre whereas Lake Metonga has 5.5 walleyes per acre. Norm has been told that bass are voracious eaters and if we don't reduce the bass population walleyes will not recover. Sara Austin suggested a bass tournament for our members. Roy Conrad asked if we know why the walleyes are not reproducing in the lake? Larry responded that there has been some walleye reproduction here in the last two seasons. Reproduction has been minimal but improving. Loons, eagles, northern and turtles are all predators. Jim Hammond called the question. The motion was to hold over this year's \$2,500 to next year, allocating \$5,000 to next year for the purchase of fish. Motion carried.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR: LEXANN HITCHCOCK: Max was the DJ. Bruce Desotelle will be our DJ next year. 25 pounds of pork and 25 pounds of beef were prepared. Donations were accepted for New Cap and ARC. Larry emphasized that next year BRING YOUR WEEKEND GUESTS. The purpose is to bring people together and guests are welcome.

OLD BUSINESS:

DNR GRANT UPDATE: RICK HERMUS: PLEASE SEND SHORELINE MONITORING HOURS TO RICK. This is an area where we are short on our matching grant. This refers to time spent monitoring the lake bottom or the water's edge. Our boat landing hours are down for the year. Rick asked whether we should apply for a grant in 2014? Jim Hammond moved to apply for a grant in 2014. LexAnn Hitchcock seconded. Motion carried.

BOAT LANDING CONDITION: LARRY SOMMER: The water level is presently as high as it has been this year. The water level picked up three inches this last week. Snow fall here averages 70 inches. Last winter we received 52 inches. At the boat landing, wave action is bringing in sand to cover the 12 concrete planks that have been installed. You need to back in straight until water reaches the front wheels using a four wheel drive vehicle. Marc Blazich remarked that his direct drive boat bottoms out because of the accumulated sand. Judy Nelson asked about removing the sand. Larry responded that the DNR owns our boat landing and there is a new manager who is not in favor of removing sand. Larry will again contact the DNR. Clay Schaefer proposed a petition to the DNR to remove some of the sand.

BUILDING UPDATE: JACK KLOSS: The addition to our garage is nearly complete and will be ready to accept items for next year's auction. There is a small overhead door at the back of the garage. We need handicap bars in our bathrooms. Steve Bunda will donate two new bars.

NEW BUSINESS:

2014 LAKE GRANT: Members are asked to sign in at each of our meetings. Since we discuss aquatic invasive species at meeting, these gatherings count as hours toward our Lake Grant.

FALL NEWSLETTERS: Judy Nelson is the new coordinator for our newsletter. Pioneer Express does our set up. Any member of LLAA can submit items for our newsletter at: 19jknelson42@gmail.com. September 30 is the deadline for newsletter items. We have a new website at: www.lakelucernewi.com. Michelle Gobert, the Crandon librarian is the new web master. We will not have links to lots of other sites. Our website is maintained for the lake people, about the lake. The board of directors will authorize any new links.

VOLUNTARY SHORE LAND RESTORATION: Dave Meier There is a motion pending that Dave submitted at the June 15 meeting: *The shore land zoning ordinances of both the County of Forest and the Town of Lincoln require lakeshore owners to preserve and restore vegetation to a natural state on portions of their lake frontage.*

The Town of Lincoln has commenced enforcing its ordinance by action brought in the Forest County Circuit Court.

It appears that a great number of properties on Lake Lucerne may not presently be maintained in compliance with these ordinances. It is further likely that many owners of such shore land property are unaware of the requirements or unable to objectively determine whether their property is in compliance with the law.

Therefore, it is hereby moved that this association consider, at the next meeting of this membership, the establishment of a plan to render to Lake Lucerne lake shore owners the information, education, and advice to assure them of present compliance, or the means to become compliant. Furthermore, it is moved that such plan will make available to such owners the vegetative plants necessary to gain compliance and, with owner permission, the planting thereof.

Dave Meier stated that the Town of Lincoln and Forest County require that if natural vegetation is removed, it must be restored by the owner. (Note that a 30 foot viewing corridor is allowed on a 100 foot lot. Larger lots require a 35 foot buffer between viewing corridors.) This motion calls for the association to make available to riparian property owners information as to what plants are appropriate and the cost and labor to plant those plants. Jim Hammond made a point in favor of education and that if property is allowed to grow unattended native plants will grow there. Dave Meier stated that shore land zoning does not apply to lake bottom and that the town and county ordinances require that plants, if removed, must be restored. Maren Klich stipulated that then the town should underwrite the cost. Eric Anderson reported that, in Minnesota, property values have been shown to increase where shorelines are restored to the natural state. He has allowed his to grow in and there is no maintenance. Dave Meier stated that seedlings from DNR sources are inexpensive and that the association could buy the seedlings and volunteers could plant them in April.

Dave proposed splitting the motion and beginning with the education component. Tom Austin remarked that the DNR has recently recorded the shoreline as a baseline. Wayne Daul stated that shoreline zoning is contentious in several respects. NR 115 has been rewritten and could change again. Dave responded that in 1965 legislation set up the DNR to provide guidance to counties. Initial NR 115 language has not changed in this regard. Dave does not address impervious surfaces, building requirements, or set backs but asks us to get ahead of the curve regarding shore land revegetation. Rick Hermus does not want our organization to become involved with enforcement. Jim Hammond called the question. Dave Meier amended the motion to **"The association will establish a plan to render to Lake Lucerne shore owners the information, education and advice to assure them of present compliance or the means to become compliant with shore land zoning laws of Lincoln Township and Forest County."** Jim Hammond seconded. Motion carried.

TRAILERS ON RIGHT OF WAY: Larry Sommer: Last year 33 trailers were parked in the right of way. (33 feet from the center line out on both sides.) This year there have been 7 trailers parked in the right of way. The Town sent out letters to owners of the trailers asking that the trailers be removed. Town snowplows have twelve foot wide blades. Compliance has improved but there are still individuals who are in violation.

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JUNE 14TH MEETING/ POT LUCK - 2014

Submitted by: LexAnn Hitchcock

The general meeting will be starting at 9 am. Members will have an opportunity to "sign up" for volunteering for Fun Day. Many volunteers are needed to make our day a success. Please consider volunteering a couple of hours for a shift at one of the stations for the event. Following the meeting there will be chicken pot luck lunch. Please bring a dish to pass, salad or dessert to share. Apparel will be on display and for sale at the meeting and members may pay their annual dues.

Fun Day – August 2nd - 2014

Submitted by: LexAnn Hitchcock

Mark your calendars for our annual Fun Day on Saturday August 2nd commencing at 9am. On Friday Aug. 1st set up will start at 9am at the clubhouse. We need many volunteers to help set up the auction, kitchen, bar, paddlewheel, kids games, clothing sales, boards, cashiers, grilling station, etc. Sign up sheets for volunteering on Fun Day will be at the first meeting on June 14th. If you can't attend, please call LexAnn Hitchcock at 715-478-2233 or Jack Kloss at 715-478-3425 to sign up. Volunteer for a couple of hours and still enjoy the rest of the festivities! Clean up will be at 9am on Sunday Aug. 3rd.

NEEDED ASAP: One or two volunteers to organize and run Kids Games. This position entails ordering small prizes, setting up games and finding volunteers to help. Please contact Cheryl Hermus at 920-841-2997 or LexAnn Hitchcock at 715-478-2233.

Auction Items: Clean out your garages, basements cabins and houses! Items may be dropped off every Saturday at the clubhouse. We don't accept tvs, mattresses, and microwaves. If you want to drop off items on a certain day...please contact Larry Sommer at 715-478-5001, LexAnn Hitchcock at 715-478-2233 or Jack Kloss at 715-478-3425.

You Can Make a Difference!

Help keep our roads, beaches and boat landing clean by picking up garbage on and around your property. It is a never ending job but if we keep picking up, we can maintain the beauty of our lake and the surrounding area. Keep a garbage bag in your car or take one with you while walking or biking. Every little bit helps! Keep our lake safe, healthy and beautiful!!!

Driftwood and woody structures should be left intact.they provide habitats for many animals and fish.

“6th Annual Meet Your Neighbor”

Date: Saturday, July 19th; (rain or shine)

Time: Social hour 5:00-6:00pm • Dinner: 6:00pm

Music: 6:00 to ????

All LLAA members and their friends or guests are invited to attend. Main entree and beverages will be provided. If you wish to bring a small side dish or dessert, it would be appreciated. Members and guests are asked to bring an item for each attendee for the food pantry- NEWCAP, Humane Society, or Animal Rescue Fund. Monetary donations accepted as well.

- Food items-canned goods, soups, boxed dinners, noodles, hygiene products, laundry soap, etc.
- Animal donations- dry dog and cat food, treats, toys, towels, blankets, bleach, laundry soap, etc.

Contact LexAnn Hitchcock 715-478-2233 or Jack Kloss 715-478-3425 with any questions.

SEE YOU THERE!



2014 AIS - CLEAN BOAT / CLEAN WATER GRANT

Submitted by Rick Hermus, Grant Coordinator

Lake Lucerne Advancement Association Receives Clean Boats/Clean Water Grant from Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

The Lake Lucerne Advancement Association (LLAA) has been notified that we have once again received a Clean Boats/Clean Water Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for 2014.

The LLAA has been very fortunate over the years to receive this critical grant from the Wisconsin DNR to help monitor both the boat landing and our shorelines for aquatic invasive species (AIS). We have established a great working relationship with the WDNR, and they appreciate the great response we receive each year from our members to volunteer for the program.

The grant covers several items, one of which is the hiring of a contractor to act as our AIS Coordinator (Todd Veese) for 2014. Todd will once again be coordinating the inspection schedule at the Boat Landing, spending several days each week at the boat landing conducting boat inspections and working with other volunteers, and uploading all of the data gathered into the Wisconsin DNR data base. Please see Todd's article elsewhere in this newsletter for contact information.

The most critical part of the grant is the volunteer hours put in by the LLAA Members each year assisting at the boat landing, and conducting shoreline inspections throughout the summer.

We will once again be having a training session at our June Membership Meeting. A trainer will review the boat landing inspection requirements and the shoreline inspection guidelines, along with a review of the various invasive species being targeted. The WDNR consistently updates their data base and will provide the Association with information regarding the most threatening AIS. You can visit the WDNR website about Aquatic Invasive Species at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/lakes/invasives/>

New this year will be the availability of "Mentors" for boat inspections. If you would like to volunteer, but are nervous regarding what needs to be done, a volunteer will meet you at the landing when your shift begins and walk you through the process on site. The process is not difficult or complicated, but we understand some people are nervous about volunteering for the first time, especially if they cannot make the spring training session. Todd Veese will coordinate this mentor for you.

Please consider becoming a part of the 2014 AIS Program for Lake Lucerne, and help us protect one of the most pristine lakes in the State of Wisconsin.

Living On The Lake...Annual Reminders

Submitted by Tom Austin

Per DNR:

- Jet skis or boats cannot be operated at faster than "slow/ no wake" within 100 feet of any vessel, dock, pier, or raft and within 200 feet of shore.
- Water skiing is allowed sunrise to sunset. NOTE: Forest County's Lake Courtesy Code recommends 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Children 12 years and older must have completed a DNR Boating Safety Course to operate motors/ jet skis.
- We love our loons! Chasing wildlife with jet skis or boats is illegal.

Courtesy to walkers and bikers:

- Please do not store trailers on the shoulder of the road. 33' from center of road is right of way. (Only mail boxes are allowed with this area)
- Please keep pets under control and not allow them to run into the road.
- Observe posted speed limits on lake roads.
- ATV's are prohibited on the roads. Unless posted as a route or trail. Most limits are 25 mph, but within 100' of a building or individual it's 10 mph!

LLAA Website: Please visit us at www.lakelucernewi.com

Submitted by Judy Nelson

If you're having problems finding our website, you might be using the wrong browser. You should be able to get onto the site with Internet Explorer, Chrome, or Firefox, unless your computer is missing some necessary program. Be sure to type in the correct address in the address bar at the top of your browser screen. Do not look for the website by using a search engine such as Google or Yahoo since our site is several pages down in their lists and therefore hard to find. We have been working with Tim Lippert to improve access to the webcam on the LLAA website. Please note the new hyperlink on the home page of the website which provides extra help in accessing the webcam.

Be sure to check out the website and send any news or photos which you might like to have posted to Judy Nelson at 19jknelson42@gmail.com

Important News from Wisconsin Public Service Corporation

Submitted by Eric Anderson

If members visit the Wisconsin Public Service Corporation website and select a link titled: "System Reliability Projects", they will see that WPS currently plans to bury underground much of the electric service around Lake Lucerne and the nearby area including along Cty W.

At the June 14 Association meeting, WPS Electrical Engineer Rich Reitz will present the Electric Underground Reliability Project affecting much of our membership and beyond. In addition, Bruce Hahn, Manager of Gas Expansion Projects will present natural gas expansion information.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR ANNUAL DUES

NAME(S): _____

LAKE ADDRESS (FIRE # & ROAD): _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

IF NEW TO LAKE - FORMER OWNERS: _____

(For record keeping purpose)

PHONE(S): _____

E-MAIL (optional): _____

Check all that apply: NEW RENEWAL

2014 - \$20 2015 - \$20 2016 - \$20 Lifetime - \$200

Make checks payable to:
Lake Lucerne Advancement Association

Mail to: Lake Lucerne Advancement Association
P.O. Box 517
Crandon, WI 54520

2013 / 2014 SNOW FALL - SUBMITTED BY LARRY SOMMER

NOVEMBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
24 - .7"	8 - 3.8"	3 - 1.8"	4 - .9"	13 - 2.8"	3 - .8"	4 - 5.6"
TOTAL .7"	20 - 1.8"	9 - 1.8"	11 - 4.0"	15 - 3.4"	4 - 1.1"	13 - .6"
	21 - .9"	10 - .6"	14 - 3.2"	17 - 3.6"	17 - 2.9"	14 - 2.5"
	23 - .5"	14 - 1.7"	15 - 1.9"	20 - 1.9"	19 - .8"	17 - 2.6"
	TOTAL 7.0"	TOTAL 5.9"	17 - .6"	21 - 4.9"	TOTAL 5.6"	29 - 1.5
			22 - 1.1"	28 - .9		TOTAL 12.8
			24 - 2.0"	TOTAL 17.5"		
			26 - .7"			
			30 - 3.5"			
			TOTAL 17.9"			

SEASON TOTAL 74.2"

LAST SEASON: 52.0" • 2010/2011: 80.5"
2011 / 2012: 73.6" • 40 YEAR AVERAGE: 70.0"

UNDER .5" NOT SHOWN

This information from the Forest Republican and provided by Gary Zimmer. Gary provides this information to the weather service in Green Bay. His collection site is approximately 5 miles south east of Lake Lucerne.

NOTE: Since 1969 only 4 seasons had more than 100" of snow. These being '70/'71, '71/'72, '95/'96 & '96/'97.

Winter Spear Fishing Report - Walleye Speard By All Chippewa Bands



LAKE	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Butternut	46	86	87	780	292	622	456	491
Franklin	40	33	257	0	0	116	0	0
Jungle	45	173	117	60	99	103	59	0
Lucerne	64	73	64	101	22	56	58	5
Metonga	107	157	0	0	0	283	177	1086
Lily	119	136	50	207	152	71	133	137
Mole	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pine	28	0	9	0	0	0	0	0
Roberts	30	45	31	45	157	162	30	44
Stevens	28	12	81	23	0	0	0	0
Crane	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0
Howel	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Kentuck-Vilas	906	707	947	1128	87	170	128	6
TOTALS	1413	1423	1673	2345	809	1583	1041	1769