

Dewart Newsletter



"The Dewart Lake Protective Association was founded in 1965"

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Lane 23	Linda Jamiel	658-9200
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* Between Lanes 12 & 13 All (574) Area Code

** Between Lanes 17 & 18

July 6th Fireworks Display

Allan Foyle has advised us he will put on a fireworks display on the west side of the island on Saturday, July 6th. As this event is costly, we are asking for donations from lake residents to help Allan with the costs. You can mail your check directly to Allan at Foyle Plumbing, 9640 North 300 E., Syracuse, IN 46567. You can also give your check to your Lane Director. It would be appreciated if you could get your donation to Allan several weeks before the event so he will have the funds when he's ready to purchase the fireworks.

"Thank you" to all who donate. This is a fun event and you don't even have to leave your home. This is something all ages and everyone on the lake can enjoy.

4th of July Flotilla

Schedule of Events for 2013

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
April 13th	Roadside Cleanup (see below)
May 11th	Annual Lake Garage Sale
June 9th	Annual Meeting & Potluck Luncheon
June 10th	Annual Golf Outing
June 17th	" " " Rain Date
June 15th	Chicken BBQ Sale
July 6th	4th of July Fireworks Display & Flotilla

Thank You

A **BIG** thank you to the following lake residents for braving the sleet, snow, rain & cold temperatures on April 13th to pick up trash along the roadsides of the lake. Thank you to Tom & Janet Robb, Ken & Sue Brehob, Tom Hamstra, Alex Barrett, Larry & Barb Sheets, Peggy Bucher and Dennis Prezbindowski. Almost 40 bags of trash were collected. Thank you to Ken and Sue Brehob for getting the orange safety vests and bags, and to Tom and Janet Roth for the use of their truck to haul the trash to the recycling center. Great job everyone!

Thank You & Best Wishes

The Association wishes to thank Jim Redslob for his many years of service to our organization. Most recently Jim held the Office of Vice President, was the organizer of our annual golf outing, and a Lane Director. Jim recently spent some time in the hospital, and we are happy to hear that he is at home recuperating. Jim and his wife, Roberta, have moved to Cincinnati to be nearer to their children. We thank Jim for his years of service, and he will be sorely missed.

Betty Busch was nominated and voted in to fulfill the role of Vice President and complete Jim's term.

Garage Sale

The annual garage sale will be held on Saturday, May 11th regardless of the weather. The sale will be advertised in the local papers and the 300E Road sign.

Annual Meeting

Sunday, June 9th is the Annual Meeting and Potluck Luncheon. The event will be held at the Activity Room at the Quaker Haven Camp. The luncheon begins at 1:00 p.m. and the meeting will start at 2:00 p.m. Bring your favorite food dish to share. We will provide the main entrée, beverage, and table service. Ken Brehob will bring the members up to date of the Association's activities. We hope to have a representative from the DNR to speak at the meeting.

President's Message continued:

A Flotilla will be held on Saturday, July 6th. Any lake resident may enter the event. There will be awards for first, second and third places. See the registration form in this info packet.

Annual Golf Outing

The Annual Golf Outing will be held at Maxwellton Golf Club in Syracuse. The date is Monday, June 10th and a rain date of Monday, June 17th. Enclosed with this newsletter is a registration form. If you have a group that would like to play, please call Linda Jamiel at 658-9200 to register. Or you can mail your registration form and check to Linda Jamiel at 140 EMS D23 Lane, Syracuse, IN 46567. Please look over the enclosed form for all the information. Look forward to seeing you there!

Chicken BBQ Sale

Once again we will be selling Nelson's Golden Glow chicken and potatoes. Nelson's chicken is a favorite in the area, and we usually sell out all of our supply. The event will be held on Saturday, June 15th in the parking lot in front of the Dollar General Store in Syracuse. More info will be in the next newsletter.

Scrap Metal Drive

The Dewart Lake Friends Church is sponsoring a scrap metal drive for the benefit of the Friends Church. If you have scrap metal that you wish to get rid of, please call J. B. Stillson at 457-6469 for additional information and the types of metal that will be accepted. The drive is for the entire month of May and the first two weeks in June.

President's Message

It looks like we're going to start the season with a lake full of water!! Nature has taken care of that---let's hope we can help nature deal with our exotic invasive species problems—Eurasian Milfoil and mute swans.

Lake Weeds (Eurasian Watermilfoil)

Weevils will be placed in a couple new locations this June. This will improve the chances of last year's weevil crop, that hopefully over winter, to spread throughout the lake. The September survey of last June's placement sites showed some reproduction and some stem damage of the milfoil—typical of first year results. This is the year we should see reductions of milfoil in some locations by the fall—let's hope so. The DNR will continue to fund 80% of this project again this year.

Owners should be able to spray their lake front areas again this year if the treatment is completed before the June weevil placement. The DNR will approve these permits on a case by case basis. Contact your professional applicator early to schedule treatments.

No Copper Sulfate herbicide products should be used in the lake—it can kill the weevils.

Mute Swans—The DNR has issued us (and many other lake associations) a permit to control our rapidly

expanding population of swans. We will use control methods approved by the DNR. Mute swans are a problem in Indiana lakes because they are-- 1. Selective eaters, preferring many native "good" weeds over Eurasian Watermilfoil for example.-- 2. They eat and poop about 8 lbs a day.-- 3. They may be related to the "swimmers itch" problem we had last spring.

Never Feed the Swans or any other wild animal.

Sediment Control—Four projects have been completed this winter and spring that will reduce the amount of sediment reaching the lake. Two are on Cable Run ditch near 500E and 550E. One is on the ravine west of Hasse Court and other is at Quaker Haven. These were completed at **no cost** (actual cost \$80,000) to the DLPA because of grants we received from the DNR and the Great Lakes Commission (through the Elkhart River Restoration Association). Local farmers and landowners cooperated with these projects. You can easily see some of the work on Cable Run as it crosses 500E and 550E. Take a look!!

Membership

This newsletter is part of a packet of useful lake information, including the 2013 Lake Directory. It also contains a Golf Outing and 4th of July Flotilla registration forms. Most importantly is the DLPA Membership Form and return envelope. The packet also contains the State of Indiana boating guide and fishing sheet with size and bag limits. Please look them over.

If you have never joined our Association, we encourage you to do so this year. The membership dues are only \$25.00, but we appreciate any donations over that amount. We also look forward to present members renewing their membership.

We do a lot with a little money. Without the DLPA there would be no control over the weeds in the lake, no control over the sediment flowing into the lake, no lake water testing, no events to bring our lake community together, and no convenient Lake Directory. There are four Association Officers, 25 Lane Directors, a Web Page Manager and a Newsletter Editor. All these folks live on our lake and volunteer their time and talents to keep Dewart Lake clean and safe. Please help us with your membership dues or donation. You can give your check to your Lane Director or mail it to Dewart Lake Protective Association, P.O. Box 152, Syracuse, IN 46567.

Lane Director Wanted

Presently we do not have a Lane Director for Lanes 3 & 4. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Ken Brehob at 658-3636. You don't have to be a full time resident. We hold seven monthly meetings, which Directors are asked to attend. These lanes presently have no representation.

**Take a moment to check our Association website—
www.dewartlake.org**