

Dewart Newsletter



"The Dewart Lake Protective Association was founded in 1965"

Spring 2015

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* Between Lanes 12 & 13 All (574) Area Code
 ** Between Lanes 17 & 18

IN REMEMBRANCE

Ken Leatherman, husband of Luann Leatherman passed away in February. He was a local realtor and they have a home on EMS D12.

CHICKEN BBQ

The Nelson's Golden Glow Chicken BBQ will be held on June 20th. The sale starts around 10:00 a.m. and will continue until all the chicken is sold. Please mark this date on your calendar.

Please check out the DLPA website for up to date information about our lake. www.dewartlake.org

EVENTS FOR 2015

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>CHAIRPERSON</u>	<u>DATE</u>
ROAD CLEANUP	ALEX BARRETT	APRIL 11
LAKE GARAGE SALE	EVON FOYLE	MAY 15 & 16
GOLF OUTING FUNDRAISER	TOM & JANET ROTH	JUNE 8
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ANNUAL DLPA MEETING	RANDY YODER	JUNE 14
CHICKEN BBQ FUNDRAISER	CHUCK RANEY	JUNE 20
FLOTILLA	DAVE & BRENDA SMITH	JULY 4

ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

The Annual Garage Sale will be held on May 15th & 16th. Ads will be in the local papers. Please check with Evon Foyle (658-3969) if you need a lane sign. If you don't want to hold your own sale, but still have a few things to sell Peg Bucher owner of the Blue Barn Berry Farm will also take consignments on the 15th. Please check her website at www.info@bluebarnberryfarm.com or call 574-742-2247 for how to consign and receive your consignor number.

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

The Annual Golf Outing will be held again on Monday, June 8th. If you are interested in attending, you will find a registration form enclosed. Complete the form, include your check and return both to Tom & Janet Roth at 464 EMS D15 Lane, Syracuse, IN. 46567. The golf outing is our biggest fundraiser, and we look forward to having a great turnout. There are some super prizes and a good time for all.

ANNUAL MEETING

The DLPA Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday June 14th at 2:00 p.m. The location is Quaker Haven Activity Building at the end of EMS 16. If you want to be a part of what is happening on the lake with the weed problems, water quality, species problems, or just get together with other interested lake residents, please come. If you are a member you will have a vote on any motions that are brought before the group by the Lake Officers and Directors. If you have a question or a problem concerning the lake, this is your chance to be heard and get the answers that you require.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

If you are from my generation, you will remember when we were told "Elvis has left the building.....well today let it be known "The Ice has left the lake." Spring always brings new excitement as we watch piers and lifts getting set, boats coming out of storage, and the fishermen heading across the water to their favorite fishing spot. Soon we will see some brave person being the season's first being towed across the water. Gives me chills just to think about it.

Spring is my favorite time of year for many reasons, but most of all, I love watching nature come alive all around me. I have been asked on several occasions by folks visiting our area, "what makes northern Indiana so special?" I always tell them, "come here in the spring and you will understand."

Each year, unfortunately, we read and hear bone chilling stories from across the state of accidents on the water. As you begin making plans for your summer lake activities and parties, make sure you have inspected your "water toys" before you begin. Please, with a safety mindset, inspect your tow ropes, life jackets, fire extinguishers, watercrafts, or anything else you use on the water. Remind everyone of hand signals, lookout responsibilities, and other important safety practices. Remember the alcohol laws while boating are the same as on the road. Please be responsible and do your part in keeping the lake safe. Make sure you have given your best to ensure your lake activities are long remembered as a wonderful time by all, not one that is now a horrible memory.

Also, if you haven't yet paid your 2015 membership dues, I would ask that you consider doing that soon. These funds are what helps support and maintain Dewart Lake for all to enjoy, and it also gives you voting privileges on all business that comes before the membership. Feel free to contact me anytime if you have ideas or concerns you would like to share. Have a wonderful summer,

Randy Yoder, DLPA President

4TH OF JULY FLOTILLA

Even though the 4th of July is a few months away, give some thought to entering your boat. It's a lot of fun to get the family together to decorate and show off your creativeness. First prize is \$100, 2nd prize is \$50 and 3rd prize is \$25. The theme is patriotic honoring our country, servicemen and women, police and fire fighters. To sign up call Brenda or Dave Smith at 658-4594.

ROAD CLEAN-UP

The Annual Roadside Clean-Up was held on April 11th. The Association would like to thank those lake residents that came out to help by keeping our lake roads clean and beautiful. All of us enjoy our lake and the perimeter roads are part of that pleasurable environment. GOOD JOB. Let's all help and not throw trash along the roadsides, and if you notice trash please pick it up and discard it. Every little bit helps.

VOLUNTEERING

Do you have some extra time during the spring and summer months? If you do, the DLPA could use volunteers for our fundraising events, and road cleanup. The chicken BBQ sale and the annual golf outing are our two great fundraisers and extra hands are always needed for these events.

LANE DIRECTOR NEEDED

Presently there isn't a Lane Director for Lanes 7 & 8. If you are a property owner on either lane and would be interested in representing these lanes at director meetings, please give Randy Yoder a call at 574-773-7169. Without a Lane Director these lanes have no voting representation at meetings and will be unable to have their concerns heard by the Officers and Directors. There are only six meetings a year (April thru October) and you don't have to be a full-time resident.

FREE FISHING DAYS

The Dept. of Natural Resources is allowing for four free (no license) fishing days in 2015. Here are the remaining dates:

May 16th, June 6th & June 7th

DEWART LAKE PRODUCTS

Trisha Small of Ace Hardware advised me that they are now carrying tee shirts, tank tops, towels, etc. monogrammed with "*Dewart Lake*". Some residents of our lake had asked to have Dewart Lake included with the products they carry with lake names on them. These items are now available at their Syracuse store.

MEMBERSHIP

We urge all lake residents to invest a small \$25.00 or more to become a member of the Dewart Lake Protection Assn. A membership form is enclosed with a return envelope. Just fill out the form, enclose a check and mail it back to us. You will also receive a new updated Lake Directory with your membership. This is a small amount to pay to make sure our lake continues to be safe and clean. Please join us.