

LLPOA NEWSLETTER

WELCOME TO LLPOA - Fall 2016!

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All precinct meeting dates, times and locations will now be posted on the LLPOA website. Please feel free to contact your Precinct Director with any questions or concerns you may have.

WOW...is fall really upon us already??? Well...like they say all good things must come to an end...or in this case...take a brief hiatus until spring ☺ The Board of Directors would like to thank each and every one of you for another great season here at Leisure Lake and for the faith you have placed in us to oversee this most wonderful place so many of us call home. ☺

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Message from the President

Hello again fellow Leisure Lakers! As I sit here writing another article for the newsletter, I realize how quickly my first year as President has gone by. I have to admit that at this time last year, I was fairly certain that I didn't want the job. I made my final decision upon addressing you after being nominated at the fall meeting. I stated to you that I was willing to get more involved if you would do the same. I asked you to raise your hand if you were willing to do this-many of you did. That is why I accepted the nomination. You kept your word! The number of new faces working to make this a better place for our families to enjoy is growing steadily. To show our appreciation, the board will host a volunteer appreciation potluck this fall. You can find more details later in the newsletter.

One thing I think needs improvement is attendance at precinct meetings. I would like to think that the lack of attendance means that everyone is happy with the state of things here at the lake. If this isn't the case, please bring your concerns to your precinct meetings. This is your platform to affect change and tell us what you would like to see us do differently. Being psychic is not a prerequisite to serving on the board. If you come to the membership meeting and lose your temper because you are not happy about something, it's not the board's fault that you are unhappy unless you have brought the problem to our attention upon learning of the issue. We work for you and our goal is to make Leisure Lake everything that you want it to be. If we make a mistake we want to know about it. We will make it right. Please attend your precinct meetings.

With all of that business out of the way, I would like to say that we have had a great summer. We could have done without all of the heavy rain-our road crew can attest to that. They've done a great job trying to keep the ruts and washouts repaired on a very limited budget. I've heard nothing but positive comments about the 4th of July events and fireworks. Several fundraisers were held this year-all were successful. All of this was made possible by you. Thank you for your support. In closing I hope to see all of you at the fall meeting. You will be voting on several issues to be described later in this newsletter. You will also be voting on several board positions. We have an excellent board that works well together. I hope you keep this in mind when voting. As I mentioned earlier, we will be hosting a volunteer appreciation potluck. Please join us and get to know the people who are doing so much for all of us. You might decide to join their efforts. They are all part of the machine that makes this place so special. If you are not able to volunteer, take the time to thank those who can. Your appreciation is the fuel that makes this machine run.

Thanks, Del Bischoff

FALL MEETING 2016

The year's Fall Meeting will be held on September 11, 2016, at 1 p.m. at the Pear Street Pavilion. We will be voting for the positions of Vice President, Secretary, and Precinct Directors in the following Precincts: #2, #4, #6, and #8, all positions will carry a two-year term of service.

The Board of Directors has approved a proposed LLPOA College Assistance Program to be voted on at the Fall General Membership meeting. A yearly \$500 scholarship would be awarded to a descendant of a LLPOA Member in Good Standing enrolling in an accredited college or technical school as a freshman or sophomore.

Please attend the Fall General Membership meeting for all the details.

NOTICE

Anyone that has a receipt that LLPOA should pay will need to come to the BOD's meeting held @ 10:00 a.m. the third Sunday of the month, unless otherwise specified.

Sewer Hook-ups

Frank Freiburg/ Jackson County Sanitation: Frank will continue to be at Leisure Lake inspecting member's sewers making sure they are legally installed and will also be making sure all the old septics are properly pumped and filled in. If there is more than one permanent structures/camper on your property, and only one sewer hookup, only one of the structures/camper can stay.

If you want to **reserve the pavilion**, please contact Jennifer @ llpoatreasurer@hotmail.com, or call 319-480-3149.

- A very big reminder! **If you are going to dig**, you need to call contact **Iowa One Call** at iowaonecall.com, Phone: 811 or 1-800-292-8989 and **Mark Schneider (ECIA/ EIRRUS)** for the **Grinder lines** at 563-690-5770. If you don't call and you sever a line of some sort, then it is **YOUR** responsibility to pay the fine and to have the line fixed.
- **Keep in contact with your Precinct Director.** If you have any questions or concerns, they will be able to address them for you. If they don't have the answer, they will find out and get back to you with the information. Check with your Precinct Director regarding your precinct meetings. These will also be posted on the website.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES?

If you have not paid your dues yet, please contact Treasurer Jennifer Abitz and she will be glad to assist you, (319) 480-3149.

Any watercraft deemed necessary by the new Lake use rule set at the Spring Meeting, must have a current LLPOA dated sticker attached within viewable site or you will be asked to remove it from the water immediately. Report any and all violations to any member of Security or to any board member. ☺

LAKE MANAGEMENT REPORT FALL 2016

Hello again as another great summer at the lake winds down. As you read my lake report, you have undoubtedly noticed a common theme in my opening line-the weather. There are a couple of reasons for this. I work outside, and more importantly, it plays a huge roll on our lake. Today is July 24th, and the heat index outside is about 100 degrees! I sweat profusely in this kind of heat and since I have spent the last week doing just that, I thought this would be a great day to sit in the A.C. and write this report.

As I mentioned last spring, work will begin on the cave leak very soon. Mainline Excavating has set a tentative start date for mid-August. The project will take one to two weeks to complete. I feel that it would be negligent on my part not to remind you that there can be no guarantee of success on this repair. I am, however, confident that the methods used on other leaks will also work on this leak. I will give a full report on this project at the fall meeting. I really hope to have good news for you by then.

The silt pond projects that I discussed last spring are on hold for now. Funding for these will not be available until late winter or early spring at which time we will move forward with these projects.

On June 26th lake management committee (LMC) held a meeting. About twelve people attended this meeting. We covered several topics. The two main topics that affect all of us were the geese and the aquatic weed problem. One solution for the goose problem is a goose light. The light is an amber flashing light at the goose's eye level. We placed one at the beach and it is very effective at night. The problem is, they come back during the day. LMC will work with the IDNR in the coming months to come up with a solution before the geese return in the spring. We also formed a sub-committee to look into a better solution to the aquatic vegetation problem in the lake. Dave Merrill is the chairman of this committee. Dave is looking into several options to reduce this problem. We are hopeful that the grass carp will eventually be able to control the vegetation. At this time they are too small to eat enough to be an effective control. We will discuss some of these options at the fall meeting.

The final subject of this report is on funding of these projects. On behalf of the LMC and roads I would like to thank everyone who attended the spring meeting and voted. The vote for the dues increase passed by an overwhelming majority, (94-21). As I stated before the vote, the Kirchhoff family would contribute an initial investment of \$10,000. per year for the first three years if the dues increase passed. They held up their end of the bargain by sending their first installment on July 11th. This money will be used to complete funding on the cave leak repair. None of this would be possible without your support. Please check out the LLPOA website from time to time for updates on projects and events at the lake. I hope to see all of you at the fall meeting. Enjoy the rest of your summer. I guess I'll close this for now, it's getting cloudy and a nice breeze is blowing. I think I'll go outside and enjoy it while it lasts.

Thanks, Del Bischoff

SECURITY

Remember to watch the speed limit, ALWAYS have the correct amount of persons per seats on your NLV, and drive safely while on the four wheelers. Security will be in full force this summer, so remember to have your stickers in your cars and stickers and flags on your NLVs. If you need a flag, we will have them available for sale for the low price of \$10 – contact any board member if you need one or for more information! If you have guests, make sure they have guest passes! Anyone who does not have a guest pass will be escorted to the nearest gate. **(Remember, if your guests break any rules, YOU will be held accountable! Your guests are YOUR responsibility!)**

GARAGE SALE WEEKEND LAKE WIDE

The final lake wide sale of the season will be held this Labor Day weekend. Participants are encouraged throughout the lake to have a garage sale Friday, Saturday and Sunday during the hours of 8:00 am and 3:00 pm. If you don't have enough to sell but still want to turn your trash into someone's treasure, feel free to grab a table and set up on the lawn surrounding the pavilion.

Start going through those closets and find that treasure to set out.
You never know, you just may make someone's day ☺

FARMERS MARKET AND SALES DAYS

Farmers Market's season for 2016 ends October 29th. You still have a chance to bake, cook or sell any handmade crafts or items you wish. Join us Saturdays from 9 -11 am @ the pavilion. Come on down and have a great time and maybe make a little money while you are having fun in the sun.

Pork Fest Snow Plow Fundraiser

This year's fundraiser was held on June 6th and was a great success, we raised \$801.52 and the money will go to the snowplow fund. I would like to thank everyone who cooked, brought a dish, donated money or supplies and came and enjoyed the wonderful meal. Without all of our volunteers these fund raisers would not be possible, so a big thankyou to all☺.

Fire Works Breakfast Fundraisers

The Fireworks Committee held two separate fundraisers this year and the first one was May 28th and raised over \$1400 which included many cash donations. Many thanks to all involved for making this a huge success. July 2nd's breakfast brought in just over \$1000 that includes \$216.00 in sausage donated by Jimi-B's and \$130.00 cash. We would like to send a big thank you to all who helped/donated and supported us to make this a very successful year for the Fireworks Fund and show. Thank you all and get ready for next year's show. ☺

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION POTLUCK

A potluck dinner is scheduled for **Saturday, September 17, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.** at the pavilion. We would like everyone who has volunteered their time, made a donation, or simply want to thank those who did to attend. Bring a meat and/or side dish to pass. BYOB. Also bring your own dinner settings. We hope to see everyone there.

SOUP A PALOOZA

The 2016 event will be held on Saturday, October 1st, 2016 at the Pear Street Pavilion. There is a \$5.00 Entry fee to enter your soup into the contest. All soups are welcome and soups should arrive at the pavilion starting at 3:30pm. We will be judging and serving from 4pm until 7pm. Soups, Salads and Desserts **Cost \$7.00 per person, kids ages 12 and under \$4.00.** For information on entering a soup, donating a salad or dessert please contact Debbie Bartell (563.879.3343) or Linda (563.542.4429). And Come Hungry ☺

HALLOWEEN

Kids Halloween party is October 22 at 4:30pm at the pavilion. There will be food, games and a hayride so the kids can trick-or-treat throughout the lake. Hayride will leave at five if you would like it to stop by your house to give the kids candy please contact Carla at (563) 495-1603 by Oct.17

[To make a donation to the Halloween Party, contact Karla Marshall or Jenny Pfeiler]

COLOR WALK

The 5K color run/walk is 8am September 4th, it will start in the backyard of 21508 Pleasant Dr. If interested in joining in on the fun, please let Carla Marshall know by August 28 so she can order shirts. \$20 to do the color walk and that will also get you a shirt. Proceeds go toward enclosing the pavilion. So please grab your friends and family and enjoy a nice color run/walk with us! Any questions contact Carla at (563)495-1603.

End of Season Entertainment Schedule

Thank you to all who helped and came to make Fourth of July such a successful, wonderful weekend for all. The kids had an amazing time and can't wait until next year already! Check out the website (llpoa-ia.com) for the great memories made during the 4th of July activities, pictures of all participants and winners are posted.

A special thanks to Pat & Nancy Gaul for being such great Grand Marshalls.

August 13th

CARNIVAL & First ever- LLPOA Got Talent!

Noon to 3:00 – Come enjoy the Carnival and BRING YOUR TALENT!
Whether it be a dance skit, Lip synching, gymnastics, juggling or even dog tricks, BRING IT!

Concessions will be open with your favorite snacks!

**First Annual Leisure Lake Adult Fishing Derby
September 3rd 8 am – 11 am**

\$5.00 entry fee per person. (All money goes to Kids playground at pavilion)
Two person teams per boat. We will start at 8am at Blue Heron with boat in water for group photo then you are off. More to come so please check the web site, information boards and Facebook event for more details on the rules and registration.

**Saturday Sept 3rd 6pm-11pm
DANCING TIME!!!**

We will be having Anytime Mobile DJ to play all our favorite summer songs! From the 40's, 50's, 60's all the way up to today! What's the end of summer without our favorite music? ALL ages are invited to enjoy music from our youth! Concessions will be open from 5:30-10:00 so don't worry about cooking supper! Grab the family and enjoy an evening that will go down in the books!!

The LLT&K (Leisure Lake Teen and Kids) update!

We had a great first turnout with over 15 kids and teens! I asked the kids what they wanted to accomplish over the summer. The BIGGEST thing is more playground equipment and another basketball hoop. Those are first on the list! Also if you see a group of Teens and kids walking around give them a High five! We have special missions to help improve Leisure Lake by helping out with some of the clean up!

If you have any old paint, trash bags and gloves please contact Juli at 309-558-9000