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PRESIDENT'S PROGRESS REPORT

– FRED POSS

This summer, even with its late arrival, certainly has been a busy time for the work of the association. Our board members have all been engaged in assisting projects like the triathlon, which continues to be a method of community building for lake residents as well as a main source of revenue for the association. More fish cribs went into the lake on Saturday, June 22 as well. On the Lake Rehabilitation Project Front, we reconstituted the Budget and Finance Committee to consider and review the financial aspects of the spending for the dredging and aeration work. I have signed the contracts for the hydraulic dredging of Skid Row and the mechanical dredging of both the Gravel Pit and Troubled Waters Bridge areas. The dredging work will begin in early July, depending on the amount of rain and high water this summer keeps producing. I am also very pleased to report that key officers of the association like Rod Zika and John Selz have joined with me in securing significant donations from local organizations, local governments, and the Five Star Mine. These donated funds will be targeted toward providing extra money to the lake district government in order to help reduce the public costs for dredging.

Please Note:

- FOR THOSE INTERESTED: OUR ASSOCIATION WILL BE PRESENTING A PUBLIC MEETING TO SHARE THE PROGRESS DETAILS OF THE LAKE REHABILITATION PROJECT. PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING.**

- SATURDAY, JULY 13, 10 A.M., BRIDGE CREEK TOWNHALL. QUESTIONS/ANSWER SESSION FOLLOWS.**

LAKE EAU CLAIRE CLEARWATER TRIATHLON ANOTHER SUCCESS!

Saturday, June 8, was a banner day for the annual Lake Eau Claire Association's Clear Water Triathlon and Picnic. The event is intended to create some family fun, build a sense of togetherness for lake residents, and raise money for water quality improvement. The triathlon itself is a non-timed event, and this year we had approximately 65 participants. The location of the event continued to be the C and G Hideaway Bar on North Drive. The bar's generosity and helpfulness to host this event is a real plus for our association. The triathlon itself started at 2:30 P.M. Beverages and snacks were available to those watching and waiting, and a great band filled the warm summer air with plenty of oldies and goodies. A chicken dinner cooked up by the Ettrick Lions Club provided a tasty dinner, and the Comstock family served up generous helping of strawberry shortcakes. There were also some great prizes raffled off to lucky ticket holders including Luxury Box Seats at a home Packer Game, a big color television, a two person kayak, a beautiful homemade quilt, a wood carved bear as well as Silent Auction items from handycraft donations. Terry O'Donahue, a local artist, also donated four lovely art pieces, which were sold via a live auction. To all of the wonderful folks who donated items or services to make this event a big success, the Lake Eau Claire Association owes every one of you a sincere Thank You!

FISHERIES CHAIRMAN REPORT

Saturday June 22nd we installed 16 more half-log structures (fish cribs) into Lake Eau Claire. That brings the total in the lake to 101. I think we are already seeing positive results in the fish population since we began in 2011. I would like to thank everyone who helped that day and those who did the prep work: Rod Zika, Fred Poss, Larry Comstock, Craig Vinopal, Herb Comstock, and Mike Harden. Also thanks to Mary Wagner and Cheryl Poss for bringing food for the workers.

We plan to install more this fall (late September) and are looking for those interested in putting a crib in front of their property. There is a form on our website, call me at 715-286-2848 or email me at jselez@centurytel.net.

If you could help with the installation please let me know also and I will contact you when we have the date. It usually is a Saturday and we build cribs from 9-12 in the morning.

Fireworks Committee Chair

Needed for 2014

The Lake Association is planning on sponsoring an annual fireworks display again this Fourth of July. However, contributions to support this show are down considerably from past years, and as things now stand, the display will be less spectacular than in the past. Some reasons cited for the lack of support include the fact that a large fireworks show is now presented at Lions Park in Augusta on the Fourth, the strain caused by the economy, and a preference by many individuals to contribute to the Lake rehabilitation Fund. Any future that the annual fireworks display has lies in the hands of lake residents. The current chairperson of the fireworks committee has announced that this is her last year. Someone in the association will have to step forward to collect donations and order fireworks if we are to continue to have this event in 2014. Please contact Fred Poss at 715.286.9413 if you are willing to chair the fireworks committee.

LAKE DISTRICT MEETING AND LAKE ASSOCIATION PICNIC – August 17th

In order to be efficient and save travelers from having to make two trips to Lake Eau Claire on separate weekends, the Lake Eau Claire Lake District government will hold its first annual meeting on the same day that the Lake Eau Claire Association will hold its annual picnic. That common date is Saturday, August 17.

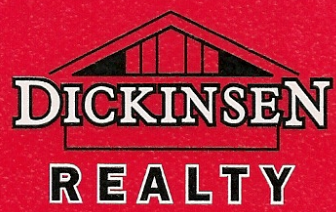
The Lake District First Annual Meeting is currently scheduled for 10 AM at the Lions Hall in Augusta. This is the meeting where lake residents will vote in the first permanent board members and settle on the first budget.

The Lake Association will hold its annual picnic at 4 PM at the Lake Eau Claire County Park as usual. There will be a presentation on the year's activities followed by a picnic supper.



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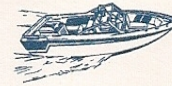
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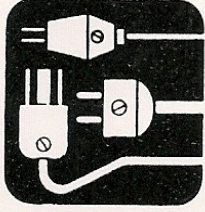


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