

Vote

Still time to return your ballot! Due before July 10. Help the lake **IMPROVE!**

Hot topics - Zoning Board

A phone call was received by a Board member from a member of the Township Zoning board stating that Norma Taylor, a lake member "representing the lake" has asked that our Covenants and Restrictions be entered on the books and be treated as zoning law. Whoever called made no communication with the current Lake Shores Association Board before taking this action.

We want to be clear; this is not the lake's position. If the covenants and restrictions were entered into the zoning law of the township it would almost eliminate the opportunity for by-law changes. It would take public hearings, test periods, and more public hearings by the WHOLE township. We would be governed by rules written in 1966 by a group of people who don't have a lot of vested interest in our lake.

The LSA Board and its Architectural Committee work hard to ensure that not only are our own By-Laws and Covenants Restrictions enforced, but that we also follow all zoning rules. We have made contact with the zoning board. They have taken no action on this request.

Watch the bulletin board the their next meeting date, WE ALL SHOULD ATTEND!

East Suwanee

The Association has decided to allow placement of up to four docks on common property at the end of East Suwanee (the property begins at the telephone pole and continues across the whole dike). We have had requests for only 2 docks this year.

The neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Burmania have retained a lawyer and are claiming this property as their own via "adverse possession". They have posted no trespassing signs on the Association property as well as placing a swing set and picnic table. It is the Associations responsibility to provide parks, fish, weed control and protect the interest of all of its members. Efforts have been made to communicate with Mr. and Mrs. Burmania only to result in "talk to our lawyer". Therefore, in order to protect the interests of all of the LSA members we have retained a lawyer to deal with their lawyer.

We have since ordered a survey of the property line at a cost of \$425. The survey stakes were removed by an unknown party. A police report has been filed with the State Police.

Attorney Brian Vincent has been given a retainer fee. He as given us a reduced rate and will be dealing with this situation. We will keep you posted.

Obviously we do not have "lawyer" as a line item in the budget; the money has to come from somewhere... weeds, fish, park maintenance.....

BOAT PARADE

" A BOOK or STORY "

Line up: 5:45 Start: 6 pm Shady Oaks Park

Register by phone to Judy Weed at 937-7293

She will assign you a number that you will write boldly on a paper plate on the front of your boat. You will tell her your boat's name/theme and the class you are entering (Run-a-bout or Pontoon). We will be awarding a first and second place in the pontoon division and first place for the run-a-bout division.

Remember Run-a-bout is a special division, so if you only have a speed boat/fishing boat – you can still play and enjoy the fun and win your own trophy!

Remember, the boat parade was disbanded for years because of lack of participation – if you want to keep this tradition we need boats to enter. Show off your artistic strengths (or lack of) and have fun.

The boat parade will be run just before the ski show to allow for maximum viewing by all. It will take off from Shady Oaks Park (closes to the entrance) where we will line up and follow the leader around the main bay (around the islands). The judges will be near the ski show platform. It will proceed around the main bay, back through the big bay (maybe the "big part" if its not too windy) and will end at the ski show. Boat Parade boats will have special parking in front of Tom Boss' house so they will be ready to enjoy the ski show.

4th of July Indian Lakes Bass Tournament

TOURNAMENT RULES

- **PARTICIPANTS AND ELIGIBILITY:** Tournament is for Indian Lake Members in good standing only. At least 1 team member must be 18 years or older. ALL BOATS WILL BE REGISTERED WITH THEIR PROPER STICKER OR TEMPORARY FLAG.
- **TIES:**
Big bass breaks all ties. In the event of a tie on big bass then 2nd biggest bass will determine winner.
- **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND DRUGS:**
At no time during tournament hours are any alcoholic beverages or drugs, other than prescription, allowed in the boat or to be consumed while on the water.

- **BOATS AND MOTORS:**

There is no horsepower limit, however no engine may exceed the horsepower rating for the boat on which it is used. All boats must meet U.S. Coast Guard and State regulations. All boats must have an aerated live well or aerated cooler large enough to sustain the tournament limit in releasable condition.

- **SAFETY:**

Boating safety must be observed at all times during competition. A U.S. Coast Guard approved chest-type life preserver is to be on and fastened anytime the combustible engine is running.

- **TACKLE AND EQUIPMENT:**

All fish must be caught in a legal sporting manner. Intentional snagging of fish will not be allowed. Only artificial lures may be used. No live bait or prepared bait is permitted with the exception of pork rind. Only one rod per person may be used at any one time. Rods may not exceed 8 feet in length. There will be a courtesy bump board available. This will be the official measurement used.

- **PROTESTS:**

Must be submitted in writing within 15 minutes of the closing of the scales.

- **SCORING:**

Each team may weigh in 5 fish with a minimum of 14 inches in length, measured on a flat board, mouth closed and tail compressed. A dead fish penalty of 4 ounces per fish will be deducted from the total weight. Any team bringing more than 5 fish to the scales will be disqualified. Winner will be determined by the total weight of fish. Any team weighing in a fish shorter than the legal tournament length will be penalized by losing the weight of the biggest fish in their sack. Any team returning to the scales late will be penalized at the rate of 1 pound per minute up to 15 minutes. After 15 minutes no weight will be allowed. You must leave by boat and return by boat. No culling at the weigh-in site. All culling must be done before you reach the weigh-in site. Violation of this rule will be cause for disqualification. Weigh-in bags will be provided.

- **PERMITTED FISHING WATERS:**

All fishing must be done from a previously inspected boat. No fishing is allowed within 25 yards of a non-anchored tournament boat without the boats permission. No fishing is allowed within 50 yards of another anchored or tied tournament boat with trolling motor out of the water, without the anchored boats permission. Only contestants may be in the boat during the tournament hours. Having a non-contestant "sit on a hole" will not be allowed. Contestants cannot leave the boat to land a fish.

- **NO WAKE:**

Remember the no wake times on our lake. Violation of this rule is cause for disqualification.

Tournament hours will be 6:30 am – 12 noon (take-off will be at 6:30 prompt)

There will be a pre-tournament meeting at 6:15 at the launch site

For entry contact Mike Moody at 937-6338 or email me at moodym@pathwaynet.com

Deadline for entry is June 15th, 2001

Volleyball Tournament

11 AM – 17148 Seneca Court

(Back corner of the lake-on a professional court!)

\$10/team: 4 on 4 Double Elimination

Pre-register if possible – Terri Stearns 937-6992

Horse Shoe Tourney

4th of July – 2 pm

Pre-Register with the coordinator:

Steve Pritchard 937-5010

(Note: If you have a set of shoes and stakes that we can use for the day please call)

Round Robin Play, \$5/team

Pawnee Points Park (End of Apache)

Ski Show

7 pm between Warrior Island and Apache Trail.

We are still in desperate need to raise money for the ski team's program. There is no cost to the LSA but we need to help them find sponsors for their program. A business card size ad is \$50. If you have a business or know of a business, Mr. VanDam needs help immediately. WE HAVE TO SELL 10 ads yet! If you have will buy and ad or can help sell one call **Dave** at 937-4170. **Lots of people enjoy the show – now help support them and keep our lake on their schedule!**

Fireworks at Dusk on the 4th

Pig Roast

August 4th

Gordon and Kathy Thayer will coordinate. If you can help them in any way, please call them 1-616-866-9431.

A special thank you, it is extra nice when "non full time" people take part! Can you provide music; decorations/table cloths, etc... please call.

MSU Lecture

Saturday August 4th 10 AM, Abbott Pavilion.

Speaker: Nancy Clouse, Michigan Groundwater Stewardship Program – MSU

Topics: Managing Shoreline property, lawn fertilizers, runoff from driveways roofs, gas and oil from boating, Weeds, Septic system effluent– how these things effect Indian Lake. What we can do to improve and protect our lake.

Annual Meeting

Friday August 24 – 7:15 PM

Abbott Pavilion

We are required to have a meeting after the second Tuesday of August. We have chosen Friday August 24. In the past we have nick named the meeting an "Hour from Hell", but the lake is moving forward greatly. Volunteerism is amazing, family fun things are back on the summer schedule. We need everyone to come. If you are pleased with where the lake is going – we need your attendance! Help SUPPORT the board by coming to the meeting with a positive attitude. Maybe it will be contagious! And we can change the nickname.

We want to share that Mr. Ben Abbott recently passed away. Without Mr. and Mrs. Abbott we wouldn't have such a wonderful building.

Yard Sales – August 25

We need input – should we continue with 2 sales a year or just one. If one, which month? Please forward your opinion to the web site. Indianlakes.org

No Wake Time before 11 AM and after 8:30 PM

(that includes fishermen getting to their spot)

If you see someone speeding, get their MC number, identify the rider and call the police non emergency number 1-800-632-8992, If you think these hours should be changed come to the August Meeting, maybe it should be discussed?

All boating is done in a counter clockwise fashion – if you see someone misbehaving call the police! (this includes fishermen, you must troll in the same circular pattern as the high speed boats – we have had complaints). These are boating laws and can and will be enforced by the County Marine Patrol. Special note, we have invited the police for sometime during the holiday week.