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Winans Lake Board Meeting

The next WLA Board meeting will be August 11th at 6:30 pm at the LGCC Beach House.

Water Quality Update

The lake was chemically treated for invasive Eurasion Milfoil during the last week of June. Approximately 60 locations were treated with a granular herbicide containing triclopyr. This was a follow-up to an earlier treatment in late May that used a 2-4,d based herbicide. Using different herbicides is a good practice which helps to ensure we are not selecting weeds with a resistance to any one herbicide. Most of the weed beds that were treated in June were showing effects of the earlier May treatment. Multiple treatments help ensure that weed beds die completely. Follow-up surveys will be conducted to determine if additional treatments will be required later this summer.

Next year it is expected that most, if not all, water treatment activities will be taken over by a professional lake management company.

Beach Escapee

Once again, a beach water toy described as a black swim float "cheese" has escaped from the beach and is floating around the lake. It should be marked "WLA" to help in its identification. Please let Carrie know if you see it, she will gladly pick it up (734-604-5822 or cdygert@hotmail.com) or you can simply return it to the beach house.

So, what is it with all the geese on the lake this year?

WLA obtained a nest destruction permit; only one nest with 6 eggs was found and destroyed despite a valiant protest from the mother goose.

It obvious that there are 3 - 4 families of geese on the lake and it is suspected that they walked to Winans Lake from neighboring lakes and | or ponds where they nested undisturbed.

In past years, WLA has typically been able to obtain a permit to roundup and relocate geese during the summer molting season when they can't fly. However, this year the DNR didn't issue roundup permits due to the bird flu. Subsequently we are stuck with these families until they begin to fly; hopefully that will be sooner rather than later.



Let's remember that it is against WLA rules to feed or harbor geese. But more than that, it's not very neighborly either. You are not only encouraging geese to come into your yard to feed; you are also encouraging them to wander into your neighbors' yards. And if your feeding attracts deer, that actually is a state misdemeanor.

Bottom line: harass and discourage geese from staying on our lake.

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Live Music on Winans

Reminder - this event happens this week e.g., tomorrow night.

You will once again have the rare opportunity of enjoying live music performed by your neighbors. Randy Overly, David Mosher, and Josh Killom will be entertaining us Thursday, July 21st starting at 7:00 pm. Bring your lawn chairs, sit and enjoy their music in front of the Leabu carriage house - 6032 Winans Drive.

Show your appreciation of their musical skills and neighborliness by planning a contribution to the tip jar.

Once again, July Fourth was a highlight of the summer. Denise and Al Pelky feel they had one of the largest crowds ever for their continental breakfast after the flag raising. They estimate around 130 people, maybe even more!

Here are some pictures from the day. If you couldn't make it this year, we hope to see you in 2023.





Traditional Fourth Parade



Boy Scouts Simon Killom and Liam Wheeler raised the flag

Some of the flag ceremony attendees



Our current veterans





The 2022 First in the Lake recipients, Kahlan and Hamish Ibrahim, received their trophies. Their names have been added to the First in the Lake plaques. They went into the lake on March 6th.



This was the 31st year for the Winans Lake July Fourth Celebration. Here are three generations of families that were present on the this and many other Fourths.

Al and Denise Pelky once again hosted a continental breakfast after the flag raising ceremony.

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The traditional games for all also started after the flag raising. Many more games were enjoyed than are shown here.

The day ended with a grilling and potluck at the beach.

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Grill masters Simon and Lee Ren and Ken Martenka provided plenty of hamburgers and hot dogs for the crowd.

It takes many people in front and behind the scenes to orchestrate our July Fourth events. Please join the WLA Board in thanking the following volunteers for a spectacular day:

Melissa Benzie - table and chair rental Angie Killom - relay

Continental breakfast - Pelky's

Liz Larwa - games

Mary Evergreen - street closing (for morning activities on Winans Drive) and food shopping for Potluck

Brenna Wheeler - purchase and set up drinks and ice for the Potluck

Dennis Durnwald - take down drinks at end of Potluck

Simon and Lee Ren - grilling and serving at Potluck

Ken Martenka - grilling at Potluck

Simon Killom and Liam Wheeler - flag raising

Martha Leabu - parade and flag raising, First in the Lake, relay medals, and overall coordination.

This month's new neighbors include:

James and Christine Thomas live at 8815 Tamarack Dr. They have four children: Anastasia, Christopher, Ava, and Kara (1 month old.) They also have two dogs: Koda and Rory.

John and Lori Hulyk live at 8750 Club House Drive with their son Karl and their dog Gizmo.

New Neighbors

Mary Evergreen does a great job welcoming new neighbors but could use YOUR help. Please send her an email if you see movement on houses next/close to you. Her email is mlevergreen at charter dot net.

WLA Web Site

The Winans Lake Web Site is up and running. Check it out for the latest news and beach schedule at WinansLake.org.

Newsletter

Please send any articles or pictures you'd like included in the newsletter to Terre Voegeli (voegelit@gmail.com).

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