

INDIAN LAKE SMOKE SIGNAL

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Lake Residents:

I hope the holidays have left you well and anticipating bright things in the new year. The Association's Annual Meeting has passed, and your Board of Directors is making plans for the new year.

Following are a few of the activities being considered by your Board for the upcoming year.

1. Community appearance will remain the priority item this year. We made great strides forward in this area last year, and we will do our best to continue to improve this year.
2. Rehabilitation of the dam will be completed. The north side of the dam is nearly completed now, and the south side will be completed this summer.
3. Extensive repair work to the North Beach road is being considered. This may include re-surfacing. Other considerations for the North Beach include a seawall and sand at the west end of the beach.
4. Replacement of the swings and recreation equipment at the playground will be considered. This is replacement of equipment destroyed by a 4-wheel drive vehicle this winter.
5. The quality of our lake water will be extensively monitored during the summer months. Anyone wishing water quality reports should contact a board member.
6. A Reclamation Planning Committee is being established to evaluate the long range lake rehabilitation and management needs, and to develop the programs necessary to accomplish these needs.

Dave Kingsbury is the committee chairman. The other committee members are John Miller,
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PUBLIC HEARING, MARCH 6 *

ALL URGED TO ATTEND!

The State Board of Health's public hearing to determine status of the BFI proposed landfill will be held at Craig Junior High School, March 6 at 7:30 p.m.

This meeting will vitally affect the Board of Health's decision to approve or disapprove a landfill near our homes and lake.

"A large turnout for the hearing could play a significant role in the outcome of the hearing," says David Kingsbury, who feels "it's imperative that Indian Lake people attend."

Kingsbury and Shelley Huerkamp have represented our Association at the Lawrence Township Citizens committee meetings, and have given much of their time serving on its Finance Committee to raise funds to stop the landfill.

The LTCC is holding a meeting prior to the March 6 public hearing, to tell what to expect at the hearing. The two attorneys who will present the case against the dump will discuss the hearing at the LTCC meeting, February 23.

Attendance at both meetings is recommended, but if you must miss the prior one, following is a brief rundown of procedure: A hearing officer (not a member of the Board of Health's Environmental Management Board) will listen to facts pro and con about the proposed landfill. Citizens who wish to speak will be given up to ten minutes, but it is stressed that
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, cont'd.

Glenn Brown, Paul Butalla and Bruce Malcolm. Anyone interested in participating in this committee should contact Dave Kingsbury.

Following are your Board Members for 1984 and their primary areas of responsibility:

Tom Lyons - President
Red Harris - Vice President. Playgrounds,
Tools and Equipment
Joe Rohrman - North Beach
John Taylor - North Beach
Paul Butalla - Dam
John Miller - Dam
Joe Hoone - South Beach
Ted Adolay - Fish and Lake Use
Dave Kingsbury - East End and Lake Conservation

As you are probably aware, the Indian Lake Improvement Association has formally expressed its opposition to the proposed BFI landfill. In addition, the Lawrence Township Citizens Committee is seeking private donations to help pay legal expenses incurred in opposing the proposed landfill. Their expenses will run into thousands of dollars.

At our Association's Annual Meeting, an open discussion was held of our Association's possible donation of funds to the Lawrence Township Citizens Committee. As a result of the discussion, the residents attending the Annual Meeting instructed the Board in a nearly unanimous vote to donate \$5,000.00 to the Lawrence Township Citizens Committee.

The Board will donate up to \$5,000.00 to the Lawrence Township Citizens Committee as funds are needed to pay legal costs. Last month, our Association's first donation of \$1,500.00 was made. We hope that all Association members will continue to donate privately to this most critical cause.

Board Meetings will continue to be held the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Location of the meetings will vary.

Sincerely,

Tom Lyons

PUBLIC HEARING, MARCH 6, Cont.d

they should give factual information only. After the meeting the hearing officer presents the information to the EMB technical secretary. He then makes recommendation to the 11-member EMB for final decision.

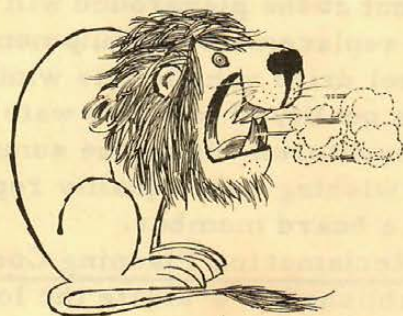
The Lawrence City Council, Mayor Sterrett, the Lawrence Township Citizens Committee and Oaklandon, Indian Lake and Lawrence residents are all united against having the BFI landfill located on Pendleton Pike. A fine turnout at the LTCC Chili Supper Saturday, February 4, added over \$1,800 to funds needed to fight the dump.

The hydrologist and the two attorneys who will present our case against the dump will do their best, March 6. But, just in case the State Board of Health's decision is to approve, there are other steps that can be taken to stop the dump. They will be taken if required.

First step, which could put an effective end to the dump, is the public hearing.

It is considered of vital importance that as many people as possible attend the hearing* to show a united concern.

* Transportation to the March 6 hearing will be provided for anyone at Indian Lake needing a ride. Call Dolores Serra, -4883; Flo Peck, -4246; or Jane Quirk, -4184.



IS THIS IN STORE FOR MARCH?

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE KEPT BUSY IN 1983



"We had a very good year," Carol Sweeney, outgoing president of the Women's Committee, reported at the Annual Meeting. "We had a total of 15 members, a real revitalization, over the small membership which had dwindled in recent years."... Those who served are: Dolores Serra, Helen Brodie, Freda Helfer, Flo Peck, Lois Armstrong, Sharon Lyons, Irene Workman, Linda Parker (secretary/treasurer), Sylvia Bordenkecher, Louis Hoskins, Becky Lee, Loretta Miller, Kathy Zimmerman and Lou Powers. Irene Workman and Lou Powers now have moved from our area; Jane Kopitzke and Jane Quirk will replace them.

1984 Planning... First meeting of the Women's Committee in 1984 was held at the home of Helen Brodie. Dolores Serra, new president, will coordinate the activities, each of which will be headed by a chairman who will be responsible for arranging and securing assistance. First on the agenda is refreshments for the beach clean-up crew. Linda Parker chairs this activity. Kathy Zimmerman will again head-up the Easter Egg Hunt; Helen Brodie will be responsible for the Ice Cream Social which will be held at her home; Dolores Serra will head up the planning for the Annual Picnic; and, Flo Peck will chair an event to be held during fall... The Telephone Committee has been reactivated so that Indian Lake people can be quickly informed of news of significance... Serving on the Hospitality Committee again are Flo Peck, Helen Brodie and Freda Helfer. This committee arranges for flowers, or cards or food to be brought to the home for appropriate occasion. Be sure to keep this committee informed... Louise Hoskins will be in charge of refreshments for the Annual Meeting. ... Members of the Women's Committee expressed appreciation to Carol Sweeney for leadership and service during 1983... Next meeting will be held at the home of Jane Kppitzke, March 19.

SEPTIC SYSTEMS ON LAST LEGS

Hook-up to the new sewer system is almost completed in the Indian Lake area, according to Bob Davis, superintendent, Lawrence Utilities.

"There are only a few homes with lake frontage not hooked up at this time and it is expected they all will be connected before deadline," Davis said. "Residents' response to the official hook-up request was excellent and we really appreciate it."

"The installation such as the Lawrence Township sewer system is a monumental task and as is usual there are bugs to be worked out," he stated. "On the whole, the system is working satisfactorily."

Davis points out that the large lift stations are on an automatic alarm system bringing immediate response. The small grinder pumps in residential areas are checked by utilities' people at intervals. Indian Lake people are reminded to be alert for any malfunction or leakage and to call for maintenance: 542-0511, Monday-Friday, 8 to 5. On weekends and after-hours, call 545-6191 or 545-7575. The dispatcher will quickly get in touch with the maintenance crew.

FOR SALE: 1977 Squire Station Wagon, completely overhauled, in good condition, 44,000 mi., AM/FM CB radio, air cond., 2 new Michilen tires, front; 2 snows, rear; 2 xtra tires & wheels. PS & PB, \$2,550. Call Paul Butalla - 4798

Editor's Note: Look for "Over the Fence" next issue. The flu bug bit the Wagner family this month.

EITHER MAKE THEM BEHAVE OR CONFINED THEM

Dogs, most owners love them and consider them members of the family. And, most families at Indian Lake have dogs. Trouble is that some of the dogs, or rather their owners responsible for training them, are causing problems. It's been reported the the dogs chase runners, bicycle riders, cars and people walking along our roads. Sticks, mace, and even a tennis racquet are carried to drive away these nuisances. Of import is that two people have been bitten.

There is an ordinance requiring that all dogs be confined in their owners' yards. Because we are a neighborly community, no legal action was taken.

It's essential that all dogs in our area be trained in good behavior (including restraint from strewing contents of garbage bags and cans) or, that they be confined. Particularly, when their lack of confinement in a few cases is resulting in their running in packs. Even the most friendly, domesticated pets can get carried away into harmful behavior



when running with a pack.

Dog owners are advised to keep their dogs under control, or to confine them to their property.

If the dogs are untrained and allowed to roam at will, the safety of Indian Lake people as well as others coming into our area is at risk. A harmful incident could result in a lawsuit against the dog's owner. Away from the yard, the dog's safety, too, is at risk from accidental death on our roads, or the lake as the ice goes out, or, from impoundment caused by complaint and legal enforcement.

ICE FISHING, INDIANA STYLE

Dressing properly is one of the most important aspects of ice fishing. Insulated boots, socks and jump suitare recommended. A light-weight jacket or sweater with a hood is a good idea. Gloves and hat are a must. Keep clothing dry....Most ice fisherman use monofilament line less than 10-lb. test attached to anything from a wooden slat to an ice fishing rod,...Popular bluegill baits are bee moths, golden grubs, "mousies" and corn borers. Minnows are good larger fish baits...An ice cutting tool can be purchased, or you can make one by welding a 2-inch chisel to the end of a crow bar...A wooden box on runners can double as a carrying case and a seat...Best ice fishing is usually 2 hours after sunrise or before sunset...Fish tend to pool during winter. Locate near successful fishermen if possible... Indiana law restricts the hole thru the ice to be no larger that 12 inches in diameter. Each fisherman is limited to 3 lines. Please don't fish alone, and always wear a personal flotation device.

ICE STRENGTH TABLE

Ice Thickness in Inches	Permissible Load (Clear, blue, lake ice)
2	One person on foot
3	Group, in single file
7 1/2	Passenger car (2-ton gross)
8	Light truck (2 1/2-ton)
10	Medium truck(3 1/2 ton
12	Heavy truck(7-8 ton grc
15	10 tons
20	25 tons
25	45 tons
30	70 tons
36	110 tons

Reduce strength value by 15% for clear, blue, river ice. Slush ice is only 1/2 the strength of blue ice. This table applies only to moving loads, not stationary ones.

The above information is courtesty of Tom Lyons and the Department of Natural Resources. If the lake ice goes out, the info could be helpful next winter.