SEPTEMBER 1992 INDIAN LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

INDIAN LAKE WOMEN'S COMMITTEE by Marge Crouch





Summer is winding down, school is now in session and soon we will be enjoying the magnificent colors of Fall. Take a few minutes from your hectic schedule and enjoy this Paradise we have at our own "Indian Lake".

THANK YOU ...

...Kathy Van Treese for hosting the July Indian Lake Women's Committee meeting and also for coordinating the Annual Indian Lake Picnic. Great job, Kathy!

... Helen Brodie for all your hard work in hosting the 10th Annual Indian Lake Ice Cream Social. Those of you who were not able to attend, missed Helen's truly wonderful homemade toppings!

...Candy Worland and Marlene Miller for putting together the very successful 1st Annual Indian Lake 4th of July Boat Parade. I'm told next years will be even bigger and better - WOW!

...to all our neighbors who have spruced up their properties, planted flowers, pulled weeds, etc. to make our community look a little better!

EXTRA EFFORT AWARD . . .

TEAM WORK

... Kevin Zainey, Ed Thomas, Frank Helfer and Bud Powers for their hard work of keeping the beach area cleaned up. Your efforts are noticed and appreciated - Thanks!

DID YOU NOTICE ...

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...the Lemonade stand recently at the park area? Pink lemonade, a cup and ice all for only five cents. If you did not stop and take time to meet little Brittney Sweeney and enjoy a wonderful glass of lemonade, you missed a real treat and a bargain!

GOOD-BYE...

... Marie Reeves. After spending many, many years at Indian Lake, Marie has settled in Madison with her nephew. She would love to hear from her many friends and neighbors at the following address:

327 Highland Drive Madison, Indiana 47250

...Frank and Jean Knox who have moved into their new home at Painted Hills.



WELCOME . . .

- ... Gary Keithley and Suzanne Bridges who recently moved into the Bud Reeve's home on West Drive.
- ... Steven and Janet Barnett who have settled into the McFarland's home on Cherokee.
- ...Mark Rumreich and Lori Schattner who have moved into Medvescek's home on South Drive.

MARK YOU CALENDAR . . .

...Monday, September 21st, 7:30p.m. Indian Lake Women's Committee meeting at the home of Marge Crouch. Please plan to attend and give us your input on plans for the remainder of the year!

ACROSS THE FENCE

It's absolutely amazing what happens when the Mind and the Body get a rest. Peace and tranquility are very scarce in this busy world. Some folks believe you have to travel or spend alot of money to capture those illusive qualities. Others have managed to find them right in their own backyard. Dan and Marlene Miller said so when they decorated their pontoon as an island and called it "Paradise is Indian Lake". By the way, they won first place in the boat parade.

Many of us chase the tranquil state by many different methods. Some love to move quietly over the waters. No noisy engines for us, just the sound of wind filling the sails. I see our new neighbours, the Eaton's are in this group.

Many of our friends find the peace they seek in fishing. I have often thought that fishermen must be the most patient people. I wonder if that is true?

As I drifted around the lake past certain homes my immediate thoughts were about the young couples who have come to the lake in the last two years. So many of these couples have already become a very special part of our community. Some of these families are headed by children who grew up on the lake and have returned with spouses and families.

Needless to say memory always travels back to the earlier years. Did you know that on the third Sunday of July past we celebrated the 40th Indian Lake Picnic? It was a fantastic day. Our special thanks to Kathy Van Treese for her excellent planning and tremendous work. Not only was the picnic the 40th, but it has been for those 40 years hosted by Mildred French.

Are you aware Mildred has lived on the lake for 45 years? Ray Heinzen, Mildred's brother-in-law has lived for 41 years. Helen Brodie, another very active participant in the lake happenings has resided here for 43 years. Mary Boese has been here for 36 years and Lou Powers, Freda Helfer and the Wagner's have all lived here for 31 years. All in all there must be something that satisfies to keep families around so long.

In fact the same thoughts that have been with me this past week were summed up in a slightly different way by Ray Heinzen away back in November of 1963.

Here are Rays own Words



Lush Living??

"Got the kids ready? How about the groceries? Come on, let's go. I want to beat the traffic. No, I'm not going to clean up, no time; I want to get some fishing in tonight yet. Let's go!!! Boy, is this traffic heavy already. Everybody and his brother seems to be leaving the city. Sure wish we lived closer to the cottage. Hey, you Blankety-Blank, what kind of driving do you call that? That was a close one. Hey you kids, pipe down and keep that dog quiet. No, we're not going back. The lights will just have to stay lit in our room. What time is it? Seems we'l' never get there. Look at that maniac go. Which reminds me, I'll have to get some new tires next week. This going to the cottage every week end sure piles up the miles and the old expense. Sure pretty down here this time of year. I envy these people seeing the seasons change out in the country. Man, I wish we were there already. Won't be long now, tho. Can't wait to get up early tomorrow, breathe that fresh air, kick around the lake and live it up. Hate that drive home Sunday night. I'd give anything to live here on the lake. Oh brother!! We have to go back - I forgot my fishing gear. What ever it costs, it's worth it. I've had it!!! -That's when we move to Indian Lake!!!"

by Ray Heinzen

Have you ever thought about counting your blessings, well try it and be sure to put living at Indian Lake near the top, and don't forget to include your neighbours. Maybe this portion of a poem by Garnett Schultz will help put things into perspective.

LET US GIVE THANKS

Let us give thanks for this wonderful day For the gift of Life and the hope to pray, The Heavens fair and the earth so sweet The friends so dear that we chance to meet.

Let us give thanks in a humble way With peace in our hearts as we kneel to pray, Our eyes and our Souls ever looking above Let us give thanks for our God of Love.

God Bless

Until next time,

Maureen



Seventeen people turned out on Sunday, July 19, to participate in the tournament. The weather was perfect, but the water was quite muddy due to all the rain. Everyone went into the tournament thinking the fishing would be pretty tough, but as it was, most people caught fish. Out of the seventeen people present, nine fish were caught for a total weight of 15 lbs. Even I considered this to be light for Indian Lake, yet it was much better than the weigh-in from last years tournament where two out of nine people caught two fish that weighed 6 lbs. 2 oz. This year and last, the best bait used were the spinners and plastic worms.





In an effort to increase interest this year, we allowed lake members to fish with an outside guest. The guests were eligible to win the money prizes, but were not eligible to win trophies.



BOB NICHOLAS MEMORIAL BASS TOURNAMENT. . . (Continued)

Names of Winners	Money Winners	Trophy Winners	# of Fish	Weight Money of Fish Won
Richard Robbins	1st Place		2	3.1 \$60
Bud Nelson	2nd Place	1st Place	2	2.8 \$40
Jake Upton	3rd Place	2nd Place	1	2.2 \$20
Richard Robbins	Big Fish		1	2.6 \$60
Ron Tucker		3rd Place	1	2.1

Total money taken in was \$170, less \$50 for the cost of the trophies, leaving \$120 for prize money. Twelve people entered for the "Big Fish", which was worth \$60.

Contestants included:

Bob & Ed Thomas

Kevin Zainey & Richard Robbins

Ron & Steve Tucker

Jake Upton & Scott Richwine

Bud Powers & Frank Helfer

Rodney Davis

Bud & Warren Nelson

Pat Kline & Chris White

Steve & Joe Beaupre

All of the fish were released alive without any losses. One more thing I would like to add about the bass in Indian Lake. In having tagged some of them, it takes about 7 - 8 years for them to grow to 4 lbs. What this means is, if a four pounder is caught and kept, it will take about four years for a two pound fish to grow to four pounds to replace it. This is one reason why "catch and release" is so crucial to keeping Indian Lake's bass population healthy.

Also, remember, bass are the main predator in the lake, which means they are our best defence in controlling all other species of fish in the lake. Especially the <u>CARP</u> and <u>SHAD</u>.

PLEASE LET THE BASS GO!!

Thanks to all who turned out for this tournament and I hope I'll see alot of new faces next year.





by Fred Zainey



HAVE YOU EVER

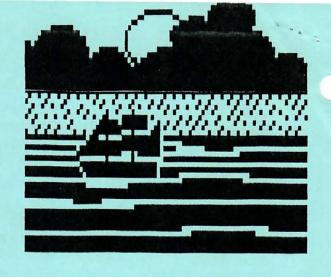
Been on the lake at Sunrise ...

Watched the Sunset from the Lake ...

Sat quietly at Dusk and watched the Heron fishing (East end of Lake)...

Watched the Water go over the Dam after a Flood...

Ever swam at night...



THANK YOU



Our four guardians of the North Beach...

Dave Upton for rescuing boats during the floods...

Dick Lyke and our oldest son - Robert Wagner, for cutting the big tree that came down in the storm and was blocking most of the entrance to the east end and the creek. It took two full days to complete the job...

by Maureen Wagner



NEWS ON THE 1ST ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY BOAT PARADE

by Candy Worland



The 1st Annual Indian Lake 4th of July Boat Parade was a huge success! Nearly 100 people lined the shore of the North Beach with 16 boats entering the competition for assorted prizes.

The boat that looked like a floating island titled "Paradise is Indian Lake" won most original and best of show. "Jim's Revenge" was voted most patriotic and "Always Late" with the Zainey family and Jane Quirk on board posing as pirates was voted most outrageous. Other prizes were won by the Millers, Uptons, Wagners and the Morris'.

After the voting, several of our neighbors showed star volleyball talents with only one reported injury. We ended the day with quite a display of fireworks.

Thanks to Becky Lee for being the hostess at the snack buffet; my assistant Marlene Miller who rounded up almost all of the prizes. Suzy McDaniel who helped tally the votes; and the men who cleaned up the next day.

Although I have only lived here 8 months, I learned two things from this

#1 - I have some great neighbors and

#2 - Paradise is Indian Lake

Please patronize the following Boat Parade patrons:

***** The Lawrence Journal ***** Indianapolis Watersports *****

The Dry Dock ***** Little Caesars ***** Marsh at Geist

Hard Day's Night Cafe ***** The Feed Mart ***** The Great Frame Up



1992 INDIAN LAKE PICNIC

The Indian Lake Picnic with the "Mexican Theme" was a big success and alot of fun, combined with alot of hard work to put together. I think this year we had the biggest turn out of guest ever!

I would like to thank all those who returned their reservation card, it helps to know a count on number of guest attending, when ordering the food.

I hope everyone enjoyed the broasted chicken this year. It was cooked by none other than my own brother-in-law, Andy Van Treese.

If anyone has any suggestions on future themes or ideas on food, call and let the Women's Committee know about it.

Thank you ladies for all your help and to Benny, I thank you also for another job well done!

Special thanks to Mrs. French, without her gracious kindness there would be no Indian Lake Picnic. Your a kind and beautiful lady!

by Kathy Van Treese



Thank you to Jeff and Linda for taking care of the boys, so I could work really hard at the picnic! Ha! Ha!

THANKS!

I want to thank everyone who came out of the woods to assist me and my family in the spring when a tree fell in our yard. J.D. Bush for his quick response in getting fire trucks and other emergency vehicles. John Flack for helping stop traffic and keeping people away from the "HOT" electric lines on the ground. The new neighbors whose name I'm sorry to say I don't know, but they both were there instantly.

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Kathy Van Treese for water and morale support. John and Lois Repass for many, many services. There are others I've missed.

But again - Thank you very much!!

by Gary Benjamin

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FROM THE DESK OF THE EDITOR

Hi, my name is Barb Morris and I am your Editor for the Indian Lake Smoke Signal! This is my third newsletter that I've helped put together and I thought it was time to jump in and get organized and prepared for our next issue.

I would like for everyone interested in writing an article for our next issue to have it at my house no later than November 1st. Our target date for the next newsletter is November 15th.

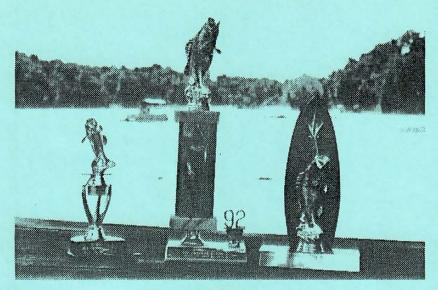
I know all of us are busy with our day to day lives, but let's work together and get our next issue out in a timely manner.

If you have any suggestions on the preparation of the newsletter, I would like to hear your comments.

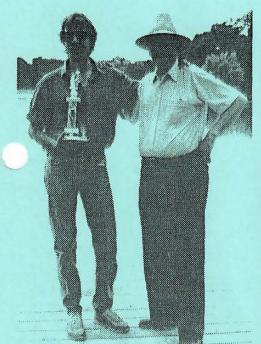
I enjoy helping create the structure of the paper, but as you have probably noticed, it's not by talent that I have acquired the position of the Editor, just drafted as many Editors before me.

My address is: 10237 Mohawk Drive. Remember all drafts in by November 1st.

Thanks!



The Trophies



Bud & Warren Nelson 1st Place



Jake Upton 2nd Place



Ron Tucker 3rd Place



Catch & Release



Trophy Guards