

Indian Lake Smoke Signal

• INDIAN LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION •

President's Message

by Mark Rumreich

The Pipe Under the Lake

It's been over a year since the City of Lawrence commissioned American Structurepoint to study the sewer pipe under Indian Lake. We have finally received a copy of their report.

Scott Salsbery, City of Lawrence Utilities, provided the following comments:

"Here is the report prepared by our engineer after the inspection was performed. It should be noted that the contractor's equipment was not able to provide a video inspection of the entire pipe due to bends in the pipe that caused the equipment to overturn. However, sonar imagery was obtained for the whole run. The data was not as complete as we would have liked, but still provided a look at the pipe, the first since it was installed.

We are presently in the process of obtaining a proposal for a full video inspection from a new inspection company that we were made aware of last week and after meeting with the owner of that company, we believe this inspection will provide the level of inspection we want to have. The owner, who is actively involved in the field operations, is confident he can video the entire run of pipe, and in fact has done so on other projects like this where sewer pipes are located under a lake. Although it seems strange to me, apparently sewer pipes under lakes is not as rare as I believed.

We are still confident that this pipe does not pose any threat at this time and there is no reason to believe it is in imminent danger of collapse or breaching. However, as the engineer's report notes, we do need to start planning as to how we will address this pipe as it is of an age where it is prudent to have a plan in place. Because of the data that is not available to us,

the engineer's report cannot and does not make any firm conclusions (note the final paragraph where the engineer stated there is significant corrosion although there is uncertainty about the actual depth of corrosion and how much pipe wall thickness remains) other than we should be planning to replace or rehabilitate this pipe, which is the path we are on now. We are continuing to look at different technologies and methods and our options for addressing this pipe to determine upon the best course of action."

The full report is available online at www.IndianLakeHOA.com on the Documents and Forms page.

Dirt Hauling Project

Back in 2010, the board established a rule that if we can ever get rid of a cubic yard of sediment from the spoils area for five dollars or less, do it. Thanks to Phil Marble, this summer should be one of our best for dirt hauling. Phil has been working long hours with customers and contractors to make sure our sediment finds a good home. See the article on Dirt Hauling elsewhere in this issue for more details.



When You Need To Call



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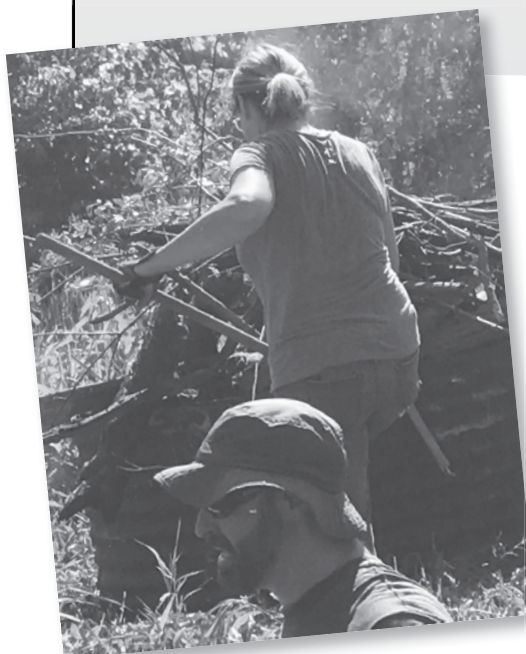
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Beach Cleanup

Beach Cleanup was a big success. The weather cooperated and we had a good turnout. In addition to cleaning up North and South beaches, neighbors picked up a truckload of trash at the peninsula and around the lake. Lunch was courtesy of the Civic Committee, served by Mark and Holly Dennett. It was a great time to meet some new neighbors.



Tying Pontoon Boats to Docks

by Phil Marble



Every year, multiple boats escape from the ILIA floating dock, seawall, and personal docks. There have been three boats that have gone over the spillway only to be crushed at the bottom and then scattered in the creek. If a loose boat isn't going over the spillway, it is floating freely on the lake or lodged against the shoreline. These boats become untied or the ropes securing them break during storms and floods. This indicates that some of our boat owners need guidance in the proper techniques for tying a boat to a dock.

South Beach Dock

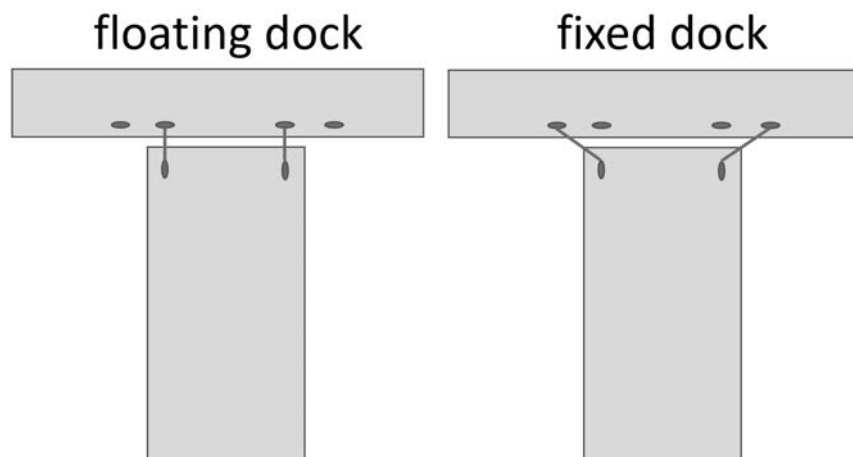
The South Beach Dock is a floating dock that goes up and down with the lake level, the same as boats. When tying up to the South Beach Dock, tie your boat tightly to the dock using the two nearest cleats. Use the Cleat

Hitch knot (described on the next page).

North Beach Seawall

The North Beach Seawall is a fixed dock. As the lake level changes, the height of the boat with respect to the dock changes. If the ropes are tied tightly to the nearest cleats, flooding can cause ropes to snap or cause damage to the boats or dock. By tying up tightly to cleats that are further apart on the seawall, ropes can better compensate for up and down movement of boats. Try to form 45 degree outward angles between the cleats on your boat and the cleats on the dock. Use the Cleat Hitch knot (described on the next page).

We hope that all boaters will use these techniques.





Across the Fence

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2019 GRADUATES:

Katie Joseph, MD, graduated, cum laude, Boston University Medical School. She is doing a residency in Emergency Medicine at Denver Health Medical Center/University of Colorado.

Charli Odenwelder graduated from Transylvania University cum laude with dual majors in Reading, Writing, and Rhetoric, and Spanish. Her plans include a 10-month assignment in Chile to teach English as a Second Language.

Grace Mathews graduated last year from her homeschooling coop. She then spent 6 months traveling the world with a missions team called YWAM, with stops in Norway, Nepal, Thailand, Ethiopia, and Israel. She begins school this fall at IU to study linguistics.

Conrad Testin graduated from Lawrence North this spring, and will be attending Purdue's Krannert School of Management, studying Management Information Systems. The Testins are looking forward to having another student at Purdue. Boiler Up!!

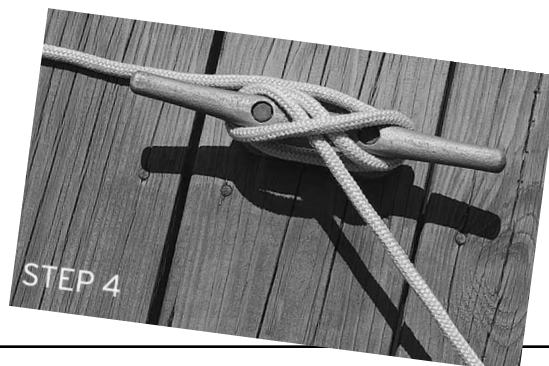
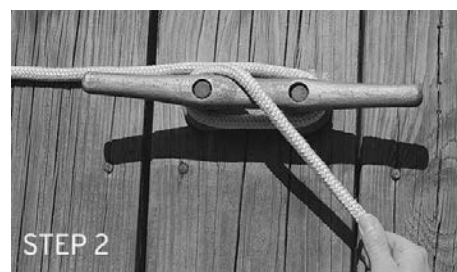
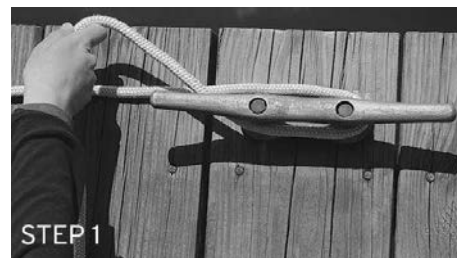
The Cleat Hitch

Walk down any dock, and you're bound to see a bad cleat hitch — either a tangled mess of excessive line or a series of insufficient loops that will slip apart under strain. Among charter fleets, the number of dinghies lost to bad cleat hitches is beyond counting.

The trick to a good cleat hitch is to keep it simple: Three turns around the cleat's horns; no more, no less. Pass the line once completely around the cleat's base (under the horns); next, make a figure-8 over the two horns; finally, turn the line under itself to make a half hitch.

Often you'll see people layer on the turns, crossing and recrossing the cleat. Extra turns provide no extra holding strength. None.

What's worse, they may make it more difficult to untie if things start moving fast.



Lake Life

by Carla Rosebrock

Neighborhood Kickball Game

by Chad Rosebrock

A "kids and teens-only" kickball game was held on June 21st at the Indian Lake park. It was conceived and organized by Kate Rosebrock (12) and Ali Gillum (14) whose ILIA families both live on Mohawk Drive. About a week prior to the game, the girls drafted and distributed fliers and communicated via social media to get the word out.

Mother nature decidedly approved as the game fell on one of that month's only rain-free days. About eighteen kids and teens in total from all around the lake participated in the popular and timeless activity. There were also a few parents who were able to attend and help keep score.

The kids enjoyed a physical and fun-filled game lasting nearly three hours. It was a huge success by all accounts. Kudos to Kate and Ali for taking the initiative to plan the game.

Our lake family continues to grow as homes change hands and newcomers discover the joys of lake living. A new generation of children are rejoicing in the unique magic that is growing up as a "lake kid," covered in mosquito bites and unexplained bruises; dirty and barefoot and collectively parented by a village of loving adults. On any given day, you may see a group of them reveling in the drama of a round of Captain on the dock, organizing a game of kickball at the park, or stalking the woods to build forts and climb trees. Laughter rings across the lake and we all pause to smile - and perhaps remember our own filthy, beautiful childhood at home on Indian Lake.



Dirt Hauling

by Phil Marble

ILIA dredges thousands of tons of silt out of the lake every year to ensure that the depth of the lake remains at current or deeper levels. This silt is pumped through pipes into several ponds in the spoils area. After a couple of years in the ponds, the silt dries and is excavated into large hills. Then we find customers that want free or low-cost dirt.

ILIA pays our contractor Bill Kershaw to excavate and load the dirt and we arrange a trucking company to haul the dirt away. Customers subsidize the trucking expense.

For all of this to happen, ILIA must identify customers that want the dirt. In 2019, we've identified three customers and we are currently hauling dirt to these locations. As of July 19, we have hauled away 32 truckloads of dirt. There are 15 yards per truckload, so this equates to 480 yards of dirt. Each of the trucks have approximately 24.5 tons of dirt, so that is 784 tons of dirt removed to date. With the current customers that we are servicing, we expect another 29 truckloads. That is another 710 tons of dirt. For a total of 1,494 tons of dirt removed. ILIA will continue to look for new customers to receive our dirt.

Meet the Neighbor

by Alyssa Alexander



Meet the Schlarbs - Brandon, Kelsey, Hudson and Norah. They moved to our community in early spring of 2018 and have created a nature lover's retreat at 10321 Indian Lake Blvd South.

From the street, you will see signs of a future ninja warrior as Hudson (who is 5 years old) commands their climbing and obstacle harness with more ease than seems fair of someone so young. Together, the family has improved the property in so many ways – with a new fire pit and playset out back (freshly stained with the help of Hudson and Norah), and a now cleared, open back yard for Hudson and Norah (who is 2 years old) to run, jump and play to their hearts content.

Brandon & Kelsey found our community after several months of searching and competing in a very active real estate market. They knew immediately that this was the house and neighborhood for them – and made an offer immediately. All four agree that seeing hawks, deer, and all sorts of wildlife are their favorite parts of our community.

Kelsey, who is from the Indianapolis area, graduated from IUPUI and works at The Orchard School where she is a Development & Fundraising Associate. Both Norah & Hudson attend The Orchard School – Hudson is beginning kindergarten this year and is so excited about the possibilities.

Brandon is from Greensburg and is a Ball State University alumni. He works for the Colts organization in Business Development. Both he and Kelsey interned with the Colts during college, and that is where they met.

In addition to playing baseball, Hudson is a lover of all things dinosaur – but T-Rex is his favorite. He informed me that his sister's favorite hobby (when she has to be inside) is taking care of her dolls, including putting them to bed each night.