

LAKELINES May 2010

President's Letter www.lakeinthewoods.org

Dear LITW Residents,

What can we say? Another gorgeous month! It's great seeing everyone out in their yards or walking and, you've got to admit, we have some beautiful yards to admire.

Clean Up Day-

This was a rousing success. We had better participation than in recent years and got a lot done. Deborah Squires Goeble provided the <u>wonderful</u> Raised 'n Glazed donuts, as she had to work and couldn't be with us. Those 10 dozen flew off the picnic table! To the 40 families who participated, thank you so much. It's your efforts that keep LITW the gem of Bainbridge. We'll be having some additional work to do at the entrance, pavilion, etc. in the coming months. Please let us know if you'd like to help.

Recreation Area/Pool-

The weather was so good that the pool simply had to be opened for Memorial Day weekend and we had a wonderful turnout. The water was great and, as always, the kids made it a special occasion. We'll be open this weekend and then full time starting on June 10—the LAST DAY OF SCHOOL AT KENSTON. Thanks to all who worked so hard to get the pool opened, particularly Charles Marchant and Jackie Krumel, our Head Lifeguard; we appreciate your efforts.

Sediment Pond-

Sediment Solutions is at work on the sediment pond, vacuuming up 20+ years of muck that settled out before entering the lake. Work is going great and, once completed, should allow the pond to trap the suspended dirt that would, otherwise, fill in our lake. You've gotta see the bag they are filling on the Barton's property; thank goodness that all that muck didn't go into the lake.

Barking Dogs-

Now that the weather is warming and people are opening windows, sitting outside and having guests over, we have been getting calls on persistent dog barking. It can be a real headache and, while the dog's owners may be accustomed to it and, possibly, enjoy it, it is not neighborly to let this run on. We've been asked to contact the township and the county and we do not wish to take these actions at this time. Please be considerate of your neighbors and keep your dogs inside if they feel the need to express themselves. We ask that you value the feelings of your neighbors as much as you do those of your dog. Or as a resident told me, "Please understand that your dog's mad barking is driving us barking mad." Should this continue, we'll ask for suggestions from all of you as how to best address this difficult situation.

Swim Team-

Yep, we've got a good team forming. Please contact Nellie Masturzo to get your kids signed up. Still space available. It's really great fun and a great way for your kids to get to meet other LITW kids.

LITW Directory-

Pete Bongiovanni is updating the Directory. Please send him any info on new residents if that's you), new emails, children, baby sitters, etc. He's only had 28 responses so far and would like to get the new Directory out this summer. You can contact him at thebonjs@adelphia.net or 543-9754.

LITW Email List Usage-

Some residents have been using the LITW Lakelines mailing list to send out blanket emails that do not pertain to LITW Community functions. We would ask that this not be done as some residents have commented that they do not wish to receive these emails.



That's all for now. Thanks, again, for making LITW such a great place to live.

Best regards, Chris

GUPPIES SWIM TEAM INFORMATION

Dig out those goggles and floaties, it will soon be time for Guppies! Guppies is the LITW swim team for children ages 2-7, who are not yet ready for the big swim team.

Guppies practices are held at the LITW pool 2 to 3 times a week for 15 minutes. Practice consists of getting into the water and "swimming" (no particular stroke is required) any way possible (children can use floatation devices) to a "catcher" (either a mom/dad or a big swim team member.) Practices are not mandatory and we have practices at the beginning of open swim. We also have meets just like the big swim team where everyone

is a winner. Meets are held just prior to 4 or 5 of the big swim team home meets. Guppies begin in mid-June and end in July

This is a fun way to foster a love of the water to our children. If you are interested in signing up your child, Please call me – Theresa Bhanoo at 708-1015 by the end of May. There will be a \$5 fee/per child for ribbons and medallions due by the first practice. I will distribute the Guppies schedule once the "big swim team" schedule is firmed up.

Additionally, anyone interested in helping to coach guppies, please let me know. I no longer have a guppy but will help set-up and train the new guppy coach (it is very easy).

Theresa Bhanoo (Outgoing Guppy Coach)



LAKE IN THE WOODS GROUP SWIMMING LESSONS 2010

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS "LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM"

The American Red Cross "Learn to Swim" program is being offered at our pool again this summer. Children ages 4 and up can participate and will be put into groups according to their ability. Jackie Krumel is returning again this year as the primary certified instructor.

The first session will be June 14-18 and the second session will be June 21-25. Classes will be from 9:00-9:30 AM and 9:30-10:00 AM. Grouping for each time will be determined after all the sign-ups are in. The cost is \$35 per child for the 2-week session.

In addition, any parents who would like their younger children (under age 4) to participate in a mommy/me or daddy/me swim lesson program please contact me. Jackie is willing to start a program this year if there is enough interest.

Please contact me at 708-2909 or epohley@yahoo.com to sign up or if you have any other questions. You can also sign up by sending your name, participating child/children's names and ages with payment to: 9236 Wilderness Passage. Please write checks to LITW.

Deadline to sign up is June 10th.

2010 LITW Community Garage Sale

This year, the sale will be on Saturday, June 19th. It will begin at 8:30am and end at 4pm. We are going to try an earlier start time this year and you are free to end earlier just by pulling your yard sign/balloons when you are done. If you would like to participate in the community sale, please sign up by Friday, June 11th.

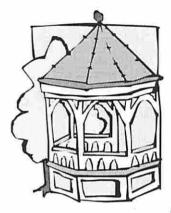
For 2010, I am asking for \$6 from each participant due to some cost increases. First, the Chagrin Times will no longer let me put in a free ad (that comes with my subscription) because they view this as a 'community' event and not a personal one. Second, I need to replace several of the signs that were damaged from last year's windy day. Thank you for your understanding and please contact me with any questions.

Also, when you sign up this year, please let me know any 'big-ticket' items you are either selling or looking to buy. I am thinking I will email a list out to the development and/or put some bigger items in the newspaper ads.

You can contact me at 440.708.2909 or email epohley@yahoo.com to participate. If you don't reach me in person, please leave your name, phone number and address. I can pick your donation up from you or you can drop it off/mail it to us at 9236 Wilderness Passage.



In the spirit of both recycling and saving money, please let me know if you still have your sign from last year. Thanks!



Community Social Events

There are a number of fun social events planned throughout this summer. Remember that all events are posted on the following website:

http://sites.google.com/site/lakeinthewoodssocial/home

This is the most up to date list with dates, times, and locations and will be where any changes due to weather or other circumstances will be posted. We will also be posting information about swim team here as well. So make it a favorite bookmark and visit frequently!

Also, if you have any ideas for events, please contact someone on the social committee. We love new ideas and new people to help organize and plan events!

Social Committee Karyn Markel, Beth Fleming, Chris Kuhen, Allison McBrady

2010 Pool of Rock Party – Saturday, June 26, 2010 - The Mills family will host a party at the LITW Pavilion open to all Lake in the Woods residents. We will provide beverages and live roots rock music for your late afternoon entertainment. This will be a kid-friendly event. If you'd like to participate, we ask that you bring something simple to share. The party will start at 4pm, music at about 5pm, and we will be sure to shut down any loud music before too late. Please call the Mills' with questions, 543-3955. This is a shine only event.