

LAKELINES

OCTOBER 2009

## President's Letter www.lakeinthewoods.org

Lake in the Woods Residents:

Lake in the Woods is turning into its most beautiful stages. Eighteen years ago in November my wife Holly and daughter Melissa moved into the neighborhood. We really looked forward to moving here from Cleveland Hts. where we had lived for eight years. This beautiful neighborhood still always reminds me of the first fall that we spent moving in. The beauty of this neighborhood is never better than these fall days- erasing the green colored leaves and showing off the pretty reds, yellows and oranges. This is a gorgeous area in which to live.

After living here for a number of years and getting to know some wonderful neighbors, I decided to take my turn in helping to do my part to maintain the quality of life I had become used to. Believe me, the experience of serving as a LITW Trustee has been very rewarding. I have met many fine people and learned so much about the neighborhood. Some years have been more trying than others. The work of the trustees is on going and demanding. We serve the community in the best ways that we can. We use past knowledge and look for new ways to do things better. Wouldn't you do that if you were a trustee? As a trustee you have to keep the best interests of the community, and the other 141 homeowners, at the top of your priorities.

This year there will be 3 or 4 openings available. Do you have some time to make a 2-year commitment to help your community continue to be one of the most desirable places in which to live? Houses are still affordable and selling very nicely. We have great facilities. The pool is a great asset but needs constant upkeep. Are you handy with pumps, hoses and machines or willing to learn? Finances continue to be a focus for the trustees and the community. Do you have

an affinity for numbers or would you be willing to learn? The job takes people who can work affectively with other people to solve issues that will undoubtedly come up. Do you have leadership abilities?

Next year should see more progress being made on lake issues. The present committee has a number of items to explore for the future health of the waters of LITW. The current Constitution and Deeds are very outdated and need to be brought up to date. This will be a time consuming process for the members of this committee. We need to address technology issues for the betterment of the community.

Think about the talents that you have. If you don't get involved, who will???

Call a Trustee if you need further information about this opportunity. If you are interested you need to let one of the current trustees know. You will be asked to submit a personal biography by the 14<sup>th</sup> of October for the vote, which will take place at the LITW annual meeting, which is scheduled for the second Wednesday in November.

Best Regards,
Dave Strauch
President of your Lake in the Woods Trustees

## LAKE IN THE WOODS FAMILY CORN MAZE OUTING

Friday, October 16, 2009, 6:00 PM

Derthicks Farm

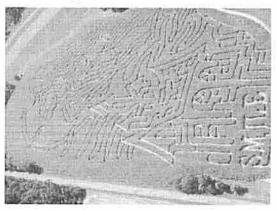
Corner of State Route 82 and Sheldon Road,

Mantua, Ohio 44255

Farm website:

www.derthickscornmaze.com

Join us for a fun filled evening making our way through miles of corn mazes. We will meet at the farm at 6 pm. The cost is \$6



per person (group rate). There are 3 different mazes in varying lengths (from .4 miles to 3.2 miles). If you go in the maze after dark you <u>MUST</u> have a flashlight (one per person, cell phones are NOT flashlights). There is a concession stand (so bring extra money for treats!) as well as a bonfire for relaxing at afterward. More questions, contact Beth Fleming: 708-0921 or jbflem@msn.com

## LITW BOOK CLUB



It's never too late to join us. Members read one book per month, engage in light, lively discussion, socialize and enjoy the company of neighborhood friends. Meetings take place the second Thursday of the month at 7:30. The hostess provides

soft drinks and prepares/prints off discussion questions. Our next meeting is **Thursday, October 8**th at 7:30 PM at Peggy Karg's house, 8730 Lake in the Woods Trail. The Guernsey Literary and Potato Pie Society by Mary Ann Schaffer is our book. Hope to see you there! Please contact Trish Owen, owennos@roadrunner.com or 543-4105 if you have any questions.

The November meeting is **November 12**th, and we're discussing <u>The Sparrow</u> by Mary Doria Russell.

## SECOND ANNUAL LAKE IN THE WOODS TURKEY TROT

Keep your calendar open and get ready, whether you run or walk (or crawl ③), for the second annual LITW Turkey Trot. We will meet at the pavilion, Saturday, November 21st at 10:00 AM. There will be more information to come. If you have any questions call, Karyn Markel, 708-2314.

