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President's Letter
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Dear Lake in the Woods Residents:

This is Important!

Please read this letter very carefully. Last year at this time the sediment pond and big lake became an issue. The sediment pond reeked, blue-green algae bloomed, and the big lake became unbearable for the lake residents. The trustees have been trying to rectify this unacceptable situation since that time. Much discussion has taken place since then. **The time to act is now!!!!**

You should have recently received a mailing with three items enclosed. First, the cover letter tries to explain in detail the past attempts to fix the situation. The trustees have been working very patiently and progressively through this process. There are four provisions for you to consider. All four provisions have been thoroughly analyzed and refined. All four provisions have the recommendation of the trustees, the lake committee and a resident advisory group. All four provisions are needed to move forward on this project. Your yes vote will allow the sediment pond to be dredged, the deeds and restrictions to be updated to allow this project, and a cap of \$6,500 to be set in place for future capital improvements on private property. All of this will be done at no cost to you. The cost will come from the sinking fund. The fund is set up for usage of this type (for the maintenance and upkeep of the community).

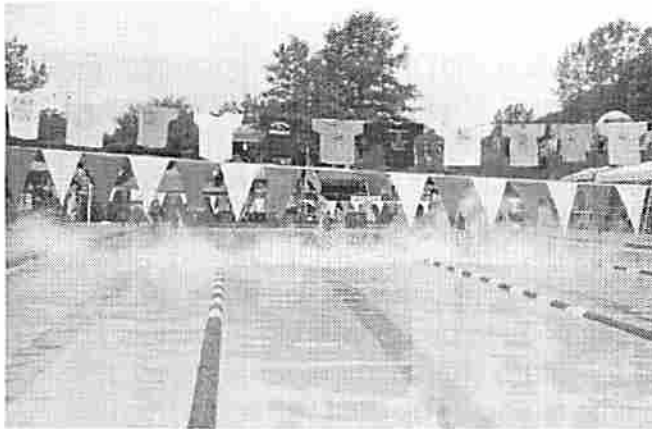
A community informational meeting is set for Monday August 31st. at the pavilion at 7 PM (rain location as usual is the Bainbridge Library). In June we had a very well attended community meeting. Please read the provisions and come ready to discuss the issues.

Secondly, a ballot is included in the mailing. There is one issue that contains four provisions relating to amending the LITW Declarations. We need a 2/3 favorable vote of all eligible voters for this issue to be passed. We want to hear from all 147 homeowners this time. This issue is too important to be complacent about. The future of our community is at stake. Every vote counts. Lake in the Woods deserves to be well maintained and we have done that in the past when issues have arisen. This is our turn to take care of the sediment pond so that it can continue to positively affect the big lake.

Thirdly, the mailing contained the actual amendment that will be filed with the county. This is the language that will be added to our current LITW Constitution and Deed Restrictions.

Thank you for reading thoroughly all this information. Thank you for considering what impact passing this issue will have. Thank you for becoming informed on this very important issue. Thank you for wanting Lake in the Woods to remain a prime residential neighborhood.

Regards,
Dave Strauch
President of your LITW Trustees



The 20th anniversary of the Bainbridge Invitational was celebrated in style. The opening ceremony included four young swimmers pulling inner tubes full of dry ice with American flags attached, for a very dramatic effect. Across the center of the pool, the t-shirts from all of the previous BI's were displayed. Many swimmers from past BIs came back to swim in special alumni events, as well.



Our 2009 LITW Swim Team poses on the hill before the BI. Emily Polk and Molly Wilberg each broke records in their age group for the breaststroke. Thanks to everyone who helped with swim team and the BI this year. It was a wonderful summer for the swim team.

LITW BOOK CLUB



This month we're going to the movies to see The Time Traveler's Wife. The movie is based on a book we discussed and really enjoyed. We plan to meet at the Chagrin Cinemas on **Monday, September 14**. The current show time is **7:20 PM**, but please check the paper or internet that week to be sure of the time. Our October book is The Guernsey Literary and Potato Pie Society by Mary Ann Schaffer, and our November title is The Sparrow by Mary Doria Russell. Any questions, please call Trish Owen, 543-4105.

A MESSAGE FROM THE BI SPONSOR CHAIRPERSON: REMEMBER OUR SPONSORS...

Please, when you visit any of these area businesses, thank them for their support of the Bainbridge Invitational swim meet held at our pool every July for the past 20 years. Some of these businesses have been with us for as long as 12 years; others joined this year. Regardless, all would love to hear a kind remark from a customer!

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Thanks! –Leslie McKnight☺

P.S. This volunteer position is up for grabs next year....