



LAKE GEORGE BREEZE

N E W S L E T T E R

***4th OF JULY FIREWORKS**

SATURDAY * JULY 2 (rain date: Sunday, July 3)
Boat Parade at 6:30

FREE SAFE BOATING

SATURDAY, JULY 9 - Hall's Clubhouse
8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

***NO CHILD LEFT INDOORS**

Mondays: July 11, 18 & 25
10 a.m. to Noon

LAKE GEORGE COTTAGERS' ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETINGS

Conservancy Community Building (west side of Old 27, just past the state line)
Meetings are always the 2nd Saturday of the month & are open to the public:
8:30 a.m. Saturdays, August 13 * September 10

ANNUAL MEETING: SATURDAY * JULY 9 * 8:30 A.M. * Conservancy Building

LGCA EVENTS & INFO

**Free Safe Boating Class *July 9, 2011 * 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Hall's Clubhouse**

A great opportunity for beginner boaters at least 11 years of age to learn the basics or update an experienced boater on current laws and safety issues. The class covers both Indiana and Michigan rules that effect Lake George and is recognized in all 50 states. Boaters may receive a discount on their insurance if the boaters in their family have taken the class. This is the last class to be offered in the area this year so make the class part of your holiday vacation.

Michigan does require the Safe Boating Certificate to operate a personal watercraft if you were born after December 31, 1978. While this class is available online, Michigan requires you to take a proctored test to validate your certificate. If you are stopped on a personal watercraft and do not meet the requirements, the fine is close to \$200. Remember that this is a Michigan law and it doesn't matter where your watercraft is registered. By taking the class, you will gain so much more information and have the opportunity to ask any questions that you have.

Rose Carmer, Coldwell Banker Roth Wehrly Graber, sponsors the class for Lake George and provides beverages and Bubba's pizza and famous doopy dough for lunch. Thank you to the Hall family for letting us use Hall's Clubhouse for the class. A wonderful turnout for the class guarantees that we can offer it every year.

Contact Rose Carmer at 260-316-6812 or rosecarmer@hotmail.com to sign up for the class or with any questions.

Lake George Book Club



The Lake George book group meets on the 4th Thursday of each month (June through September) at 10 AM. In June the group enjoyed Ann Helmkamp's delicious refreshments while Helen Weldy and Mary Ann Yoder facilitated the substantial discussion. The June selection was *Cutting for Stone*, a work of fiction by Abraham Verghese.

On July 28th the group will discuss *Brave Companions*, a collection of several essays by historian David McCullough. All readers are welcome to attend the meeting at the home of Jane Kearns.

The August 25th selection is *The Faith Club: A Muslim, A Christian, A Jew-Three Women Search for Understanding*, a non-fiction book by Ranya Idilby, Suzanne Oliver, and Priscilla Warner. The discussion will be held at the home of Suzy Fulghum.

September's book is yet to be selected. Check the book group webpage of the Lake George website for the latest information about books to be discussed and location.

Lake George Fleet

With three season races completed, the competition within the Inland Cat fleet is as fierce as usual. Three different skippers have had the honor of being first over the finish line so far this summer: Stan Parrish (#178), Jack Stiefel (#152), and Rick Ahaus (#179).



The annual 'Round Lake George Race was held on June 26. Last summer's winner, Wally Leuenberger, set the course and conducted the race from the committee boat. Tom Stone (#10) was first over the finish line, nosing out his cousin Nathan Larimore (#189) by no more than a couple of feet. Nathan is a senior at Hope College in Holland, Michigan.

Dates of the next Beer Can races are Thursday, July 14 and August 11. All mono-hull sailboats, not just Inland Cats, are welcome to participate. The races begin at 6:15 PM. Cookout locations will be announced from the committee boat.

The 54th annual Inland Cat Regatta will take place the weekend of July 30. If you own an Inland Cat and would like to participate, contact Kris Stone, her phone number and e-mail address are in the Lake George Directory.

(submitted by Nancy Stiefel)



BOAT LIFT

\$300

see at cottage

560 Lane 201

CONSERVANCY UPDATE

The Conservancy thanks our guests and sponsors for making A Taste of Summer June 25th a wonderful fund raising event. It was a perfect summer evening and our committee had Glendarin Hills Golf Club decked out in summer flowers and colors. Ninety three items were sold in the silent and live auctions. Many, many thanks to the auction committees and to the merchants and friends for their donations. Jane Hamlin was the fantastic Event Chair who brought this well-organized production together. Proceeds will be used for Conservancy projects.

At the Conservancy Annual Meeting June 18th Tracie Martin was elected as a Board Member. She has served on many non-profit Boards of Directors in the Fort Wayne area, and her work at WANE TV involves station support for non-profits. This experience is especially valuable for the LGC Board. Welcome Tracie! Tom Blackburn, a current Board Member, is now Membership Chair for the organization.

If you have been to the Lake George Preserve recently, you may have noticed the acreage being developed as a native wildlife habitat. Pheasants Forever has done this with full support of the Board and at no cost to the Conservancy. Before long you might see even more wildlife when you are walking the Preserve trails. In addition, the long brown strip of dead vegetation that can be seen from Old 27, also is being planted by Pheasants Forever, but in wildflowers not prairie grasses. Thanks to Gary Zandstra for making the Pheasants Forever connection.

The "No Child Left Indoors" nature study program is beginning July 11th. Contact Nancy Stiefel or look for the article in the **Breeze** for more information.

The Watershed Management Plan Steering Committee has received the first draft report of the Assessment of Current Water Quality of Lake George and its Watershed, written by William W. Jones, Clinical Professor, School of Public and Environmental Affairs at Indiana University. Mr. Jones is certified in Lake Management and certified in Limnology which is the scientific study of bodies of fresh water, as lakes and ponds, with reference to their physical, geographical, biological, and other features. His report is a compilation and analysis of the past 18 years of available water tests data for Lake George and the lakes in its watershed that ultimately drain to Lake George. This and the results of the recent stakeholder concerns survey will be shared at a public meeting to be scheduled for early August.

If you would like to receive Conservancy Updates and/or Watershed Management information by email, please let us know by sending an email to linha@frontier.net with **LGC Update** in the Subject line.

Don Parrish
Lake George Conservancy President

Still Have Openings for No Child Left Indoors

The Lake George Conservancy is offering its third annual nature study program this summer, "No Child Left Indoors." The program will take place on three consecutive Monday mornings, July 11, 18, and 25 from 10 AM to noon.

The leaders will meet the children on each of these dates, rain or shine, and provide a nature lesson appropriate for children from ages 5 to 12. A related art project is also a part of each morning. Light snacks and water will be provided.

The first session on July 11th is *Trees and Plants*. Fred Wooley, naturalist at Pokagon, will meet the children on the Conservancy preserve and take a walk in the woods. Children should wear sturdy shoes and socks and weather-appropriate clothing.

The second session on July 18th involves learning about water quality. Nate Simons of Blue Heron Ministries will explain the concept of a watershed, and the children will examine samples of water and lake bottom to see what else lives at Lake George besides humans. Children should wear water shoes, swimming suits or shorts for wading, and sunscreen.

They will meet on the lawn of the Lake George Retreat.

On July 25th, the children will again meet on the lawn of the Retreat. *Let's Go Fishing* is the theme as volunteers Gene and Edna Moser will lead the children in learning how to prepare a fishing pole, how to cast, how to bait the hook, and how to remove your catch from the hook. Cleaning your catch and an art activity will also be part of the morning. All children should wear sunscreen, water shoes, shorts or swimsuit, **and bring a life jacket.**

Children may attend any one or all three of the sessions at **no charge**, thanks to the sponsorship of the Lake George Conservancy. Enrollment is limited to 20 children each Wednesday, so please RSVP your children or grandchildren soon by calling Nancy Stiefel (260-833-9896) or e-mailing her at stiefel152@yahoo.com. Parents need to sign a permission form.

(submitted by Nancy Stiefel)

Lake George Conservancy
Boutique

Grand Opening

July 2

10:00 – 12:00



New Items – Infant sun hats & onesies,

Toddler Tees & Hoodies,

Ladies Shirts & Long Sleeve Tees,

Lake Design Coasters, & More

CLEARANCE TABLE FOR BARGAINS
CONSERVANCY BUILDING, OLD RT. 27

IN MEMORIAM...



In Loving Memory of...

Sally Gallogly

April 2011

*580 Lane 301 * Kopekanee Beach*

She had been coming to Lake George since 1945.

Year 'Round Resident for the past 30 years.

In Loving Memory of...

William P. "Bill" Carroll

September 15, 2010

Spring Bank



In Loving Memory of...

Donald Pressler

1042 Spring Bank

To our many friends and neighbors that we maybe haven't contacted at Lake George... some were due to not knowing addresses, etc. We sincerely say 'Thank You' for so many acts of kindness shown to our family now, and throughout the years.

Donald will surely be and is missed. We loved him so much, as did many of you. He was one of a kind. May God bless each one of you.

Dorcas Pressler & Family

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Happy 4th of July!

