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What's Up?

JULY

July 2-4, Lake Waukomis 4th of July Celebration

July 8, 7 pm, City Council Meeting

July 13, Lake Waukomis Strategic Planning Workgroup Meeting (open to all residents)

July 14, 6:30 pm to 7:20 pm, Chinn Families Book Exchange at South Park (see article on p. 12)

July 14, 7 pm, Association Meeting

July 18, Submissions due, NEWS



SNEAK PEEK AUGUST

Aug 8, 8 am, Lake Waukomis Golf Tournament at Hodge Park Golf Course (see flyer insert for details)

Aug 29, Hot Dam Party, sponsored by the Men's Club

City Stickers, Zebra Mussel Stickers, and Pet Tags available at City Office



The official 4th of July Program is also posted on the lakewaukomis.org website.



Clockwise from top left: Amy Barrett manned the cash box at the first of four Lake Waukomis 4th of July Store Pre-sales; Connie Rhoden and 14-yr-old granddaughter Paige Rhoden participated in the Community Garage Sale on June 12-13th; Bill Massock and Gary Fiddler assembled a gas portable fire-pit, one of the many nice raffle prizes in this year's 4th of July general raffle; Barry Sanderson got down and dirty to power-wash the pontoon boats at the Men's Club Spring Boat Wash. Banner photo: Pete Godfrey came up with a creative way to affix the Zebra Mussel 'I Got the Message' stickers to the docks (see p. 8 for details).

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- Peggy Coriell, President, (741-8278)
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 - Newsletter - Teddi Wolff (587-2139)
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 - Silt Mgmt/Stormwater Control - Jim Hopper (741-2467)
 - Trailer Park - Dale Crouch (587-7540)
 - Water Quality/Zebra Mussels - Cindy Law (868-2912)
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The President's Corner

By Peggy Coriell, Association President

The 4th of July is just around the corner. A great crew of volunteers has been working to make this the best 4th ever. Our theme is Life, Liberty, Lake Waukomis. Already sounds like fun. Two and a half days of nonstop activities. Games, parades, decorations and lots of food and beverages will fill the days and nights. The committee can always use more volunteers, so help out where you see a need. The grand finale is the fireworks on Saturday night. They are spectacular!! So have fun.

There are, however, some things to be aware of. First of all, there is a City Ordinance which prohibits aerial fireworks. See the flyer insert in this edition of the NEWS for details. Become acquainted with the rules and know what is excluded. It is your responsibility as a resident to make sure your guests understand what is illegal. You don't want to ruin your holiday by getting a big fine. Also, you don't want to risk starting a fire on someone's roof or boat.

The other very important issue is Zebra Mussels. All boats and docks must have a Zebra Mussel sticker on them. And you get these by paying dock fees and watching the video which explains the danger that Zebra Mussels present. All gear must be from here, so don't let your family and friends bring fishing poles, minnow buckets, floats, or other fishing and swimming gear from their homes, and certainly no boats should be on the lake that aren't owned and stickered by residents. Many surrounding lakes and streams are already infected with the dreaded mussels and we want to protect our lake and our investment.

So have fun and obey the laws.

CITY AND ASSOCIATION OFFICE HOURS

City Office Hours (City Clerk - Cindy Erich)

Monday - 7 am to 12 noon

Tuesday - 8 am to 12 noon

Wednesday - 7 am to 12 noon

Thursday - 8 am to 12 noon

Association Office Hours

(Admin. Coordinator - Donna Rhodus)

Tuesday - 4 pm to 7 pm

Friday - 9 am to 12 noon

Mayor's Message

by Mayor John Douglas

During the years I have held positions on the HOA Board and the city council, I have sometimes been concerned that we seem to be operating in crisis management mode. It can easily happen to any organization, whether government or private industry. With our aging infrastructure (sewer lines, water lines, and roads), there are certainly enough crises to keep everyone busy. However, successful businesses and thriving communities have learned how to look to the future and plan accordingly. There have been attempts before by previous Mayors and Association Presidents to create a vision for our community, establish priorities, and determine how to finance established goals. However, due primarily to turnover in elected positions, continuity has sometimes been lost and established plans forgotten. In the last newsletter, I mentioned plans to form a strategic planning workgroup. The goal is to create a vision for how our lake community will develop and evolve in five years, ten years, and beyond. Once the vision has been articulated, priorities can be established, and a strategy can be developed for determining how to finance long range goals. It is my hope that whatever plan is developed will be implemented and updated as appropriate with necessary follow-up. With that in mind, I have appointed a work group with some representation of elected officials, but primarily comprised of residents with a variety of experiences who are not on the city council or the HOA Board. Some are long-time residents; others are relatively new to the lake, but all have skill sets that can be helpful in this planning process. Input from the community will not only be helpful, it will be necessary, if our workgroup is to be successful. With that in mind, all meetings of this group will be open to the public with attendance of residents encouraged.

In addition to myself, the following residents agreed to serve on this workgroup: Ed Bradley, Neil Blair, Dan Garrity, Debora Hankinson, Jim Hopper, Sandy Massock, Les Petersen, and Ann Sanders. Peggy Coriell, HOA president, and Ed Landis, Operations Manager, will serve as ad hoc members in an advisory capacity to the workgroup. Please share your ideas with anyone in this group. Our first meeting was conducted on Monday, June 15. Dr. Tex Sample, a former long-time resident, served as the meeting facilitator. We focused on the goals of the work group, the infrastructure, and the financial status of the city and the HOA at the first meeting. The workgroup will meet again on Monday, July 13. If you have are interested and have time, please plan to attend that meeting.

ANNUAL FUN RUN/WALK: When I proposed to organize a Fun Run/Walk July 4, 1991, I had no idea it would become an annual event and still be one of the Fourth activities

in 2015. This year marks the 25th anniversary of the event. In the past, winners have received medals or ribbons. However, to recognize the 25th anniversary, prizes will be provided to the overall winner this year. Please join us the morning of July 4! No reason to register in advance. Just be in the parking lot of the community building at 7:45 a.m. to register and predict your time. There will be a women's division and a men's division. The winner of each division will be the person who comes closest to predicting how long it will take them to run or walk around the lake (without looking at a watch). We will start the race promptly at 8:00 a.m. in order to finish in time for the flag raising ceremony. See you there, and see you around the lake. Have a fun and safe Fourth of July celebration!!



4th of JULY HOUSE DECORATION CONTEST



Decorate your house and/or yard (streetside)
for the 4th of July holiday ! Our Theme this year
is 'Life, Liberty, Lake Waukomis'.

1st Place: \$100 Gift Card

2nd Place: \$50 Gift Card

3rd Place: \$25 Gift Card

Judging will take place the afternoon of July 3rd
and winners announced at the Raffle Drawing
July 4th at 10 am

PANCAKE BREAKFAST WORKERS NEEDED

All hands on deck! We need your help at the Pancake Breakfast on July 4th. Contact Kathy (Morelli) Kersey at (816) 665-6362.

BAKED GOODS NEEDED FOR BAKE SALE

Bring your baked goods to the Community Building from 5-7 pm on July 1 or 4-6 pm on July 2. Proceeds from the Bake Sale go toward the 4th of July Fireworks fund. Contact Janus Hinson at (816) 582-7490 if you have questions.

Police Report - May 2015

Car Stops	25
Traffic Warnings	20
Tickets	14
Licensing	2
Golf Cart Licensing	1
Insurance	2
Stop Sign	1
Speed	2
Trespassing	1
Tall Grass and Weeds	5
Calls for Service	46
Reports	
Animal Call	1
Bomb Threat	1
Disturbance	3
Civil Matter	1
Information	5
Medicals	4
Property Damage	1
Suspicious Activity	4
Intrusion Alarm	2
Fire/CO	1
Nuisance	4
Open Door/Window	2
Parking Issues	1
Suicide Attempt	2
Trespassing	3
Warrant Arrest	
Assisting Other Agencies	10
Residence Checks	563



Cop's Corner

by Chief of Police Donnie Hachman

Office: Call 816-741-2071
Dispatcher (non-emergency): Call 816-858-3521
Emergency: Call 911
Email – lakewaukomispd@kc.rr.com

The police department has responded to several trespassing calls this past month and we want to thank the watchful residents for contacting us whenever they see unfamiliar subjects in their neighborhood. Some of these calls led to trespassing arrests and others turned out to be misinformed family members and friends of our residents who had been told that they can come and use the lake anytime they want but were not told that they must remain on the resident's property only. **It is unlawful for any non-resident of the city, except non-resident lot owners, to fish at Lake Waukomis or remain upon association property; unless fishing with permission from or on a resident dock, owner's dock or property, or in the company of a resident or lot owner of the city.** Trespassing is punishable by 3 days in jail and or a \$500.00 fine.

Boat Patrol officers will be contacting residents on the water this summer to conduct compliance checks. Officers will be checking for lot and block numbers and zebra mussel stickers. They will also be writing summons for boating and swimming violations. Please review the boating, fishing and swimming regulations with your family members. These regulations can be found on the City's Home page at www.lakewaukomis.org under the General City Info tab.

Scam alert from KCP&L

We've received reports of phone and social media scams involving customers' utility bills and other personal information. We want to make sure you don't become a victim. **Here's what to look out for:** The caller will pose as a KCP&L employee and demand immediate payment to prevent disconnection. If you're unable to make a payment or don't answer, they'll provide a phone number for you to call back. When you call that number, you'll be prompted by a recording to press '2' to make a payment with a live person. A fake KCP&L Twitter account @kcpnl has also been set up posing as KCP&L. **This phone number and Twitter account are NOT associated with KCP&L.** If you ever have questions about the legitimacy of a bill, phone call or email regarding your utility bill, contact **KCP&L's Customer Service (888) 471-5275 or (816) 471-5275.** View our other tips on how to protect yourself and your personal information. If you feel you have been a victim of this scam please work with your local law enforcement agency to report the situation. **For more information, visit kcpl.com / scam alert.**

During our recent flooding events did you drive all the way to the spillway to find out that it had been closed due to high water? The police department broadcasts spillway closings, severe weather and other important community information on Nixle. If you're not currently receiving these notifications you can sign up on our City's Home page.

RESIDENCE CHECK

A complete check of the exterior of the residence including physically checking of all windows and doors. Pick up any papers and packages.

RESIDENCE WATCH

A visual check only. No physical checking unless something suspicious is observed or reported. Call 741-2071 or check the City web site www.lakewaukomis.org.

Want Ads/For Sale/Services

Services rendered: Briar Clippery Dog Grooming - 305 N. Shore Drive. Small and medium dogs. Lake Waukomis resident. Also, need thick used bath towels - will pay up to \$2 per towel. 587-7393.

Services rendered: Let an animal lover make your time away from home worry free! Pet and house sitting is my specialty. I have references from your neighbors right here on the lake. Suzanne Carpenter 913-515-1196.

Wanted: CAR. Older model... approx. 1995 - 2007 with relatively low or average mileage. Bells and whistles not necessary but OK. Lake resident. Call Gary or Janet 587-5796

Services rendered: To Buy, Sell, Trade or Repair a golf car, please contact Millet Golf Cars, Inc. - Dave Millet - 816-630-3656. He is a sponsor for the Lake Waukomis Men's Club Hot Dam Party.

Want Ads/For Sale/Services

For sale by owner: 809 South Shore Dr. Excellent location. Lake Front with private dock. Living Room, Family Room with Fireplace. Formal Dining Room. Call 913-636-5454.

For sale: King size bedroom set – 5 piece. Sleigh bed frame, 2 night stands, dresser with mirror, big armoire with mirror: price negotiable. Antique Vanity Dresser w/ Mirror - \$60; Deluxe Stationary Reclining Exercise Bike – price negotiable. Can text you photos of any/all. Call 913-636-5454.

Retirees' Club News

by Steve Burger, President

Did you ever want to know more about Lake Waukomis and its people? At the June meeting of the Retirees, we had just such a learning moment. Annette Smart was our game master and she handed out M&M's - you could take 3 to 5. Then you had to tell that many facts about your life. Many related it to their years at Lake Waukomis. Lee Williams won the longevity contest, stating his first visits were when he was a teen, and he has lived here over 50 years. Others shared the early stories before roads and even before water. Us 'newbies' were impressed. Twenty-two retirees were in attendance - we welcomed a special guest for the meal, former Lake Waukomis mayor Paul Bowlin (mayor in 1973).

We have no meeting in July, due to the July 4th Celebration, but we will be back on August 3rd. We are asking North Kansas City Hospital to provide a program. More information will be in next month's NEWS.

Now, let's enjoy some Summer Fun with Ida Clayton:

- ☺ An old frumpy woman says to the airline ticket agent, "Oh, I'm not flying anywhere, I'm just here for the pat down.
- ☺ It's bad to suppress laughter; it goes back down and spreads to your hips.
- ☺ The famous Olympic skier, Picabo Street (pronounced Peek-A-Boo) was not just an athlete; she's also a nurse. While assigned to the Intensive Care Unit of a large metropolitan hospital she is not permitted to answer the hospital telephones. It causes too much confusion when she answers the phone and says, "Picabo, ICU."
- ☺ Nothing is worse than that moment during an argument when you realize you're wrong.
- ☺ How many times is it appropriate to say "What?" before you just nod and smile because you still didn't hear or understand a word they said?
- ☺ The first testicular guard, the "cup," was used in Hockey in 1874 and the first helmet was used in 1974. That means it only took 100 years for men to realize that their brain is also important.
- ☺ Kids in the back seat can cause accidents. Accidents in the back seat can cause kids.
- ☺ Grow your own dope; plant a politician.
- ☺ Wrinkles are hereditary. Parents get them from their children.

Back in Time at Lake Waukomis

by Donna Rhodus, Lake Waukomis Historian

Recently, Jackie & Lee Williams spoke at the Retiree's Club about early life at Lake Waukomis. As a young married couple, they moved to Lake Waukomis in 1952 but Lee lived here with his parents before that. They said in 1947 the dirt for the dam was taken from what is now known as South Park, leaving just dirt, rocks and no grass. When their children went out to play, they would say "We're going to the desert". We have come a long way since then. We started with baseball fields, then a tennis court. In 1991, a shelter was added and in 2000, the restrooms. The Lake Waukomis Women's Club provided playground equipment in 2004 & 2005. In 2007, we were awarded our first Platte County Parks and Recreation grant and we have been awarded a grant all but one year since. The Platte County Grant funds have totaled more than \$130,000.00. I think we all agree that for a small city, we have a first class park.

Photo at right: Retirees' President Steve Burger with former mayor Paul Bowlin, in front of the plaque listing Lake Waukomis mayors.



Photo at left: Annette Smart passed out M&M's to the retirees.

Platte AARP Chapter 1390

The Platte AARP Chapter 1390 meeting is held at 12:00 noon every second Tuesday of every month in the Stratford Room at Wexford Place, 6500 N. Cosby Ave., Kansas City, MO, 64151. Persons age 50 and over are welcome. We have hot lunches, entertainment, and door prizes. We focus on keeping Social Security, Medicare and Health Care safe, secure, and strong, preserving our life answers. Call early for reservations at 816-455-0135 or 816-808-0991. See you soon!

Men's Club

by Dale Crouch, President

"Rain, rain, go away, please come back another day". Some of you may recall that old saying and I think it applies to our current situation as far as rain. Fortunately, we have had a few beautiful days as well to enjoy our Lake Waukomis Community. I have noticed a little swimming going on as the water starts warming and it will not be long until we are in full swing with lake activities. It is great to be at Lake Waukomis!!

The Men's Club completed their June meeting by discussing the much delayed Boat Wash project which has been rescheduled twice now. Bill Massock, Garry Fiddler, and Jim Edwards have done a great job communicating the reschedule dates. We extend a special thanks to Craig Johns for making and spearheading our sign project for the Men's Club notification at each entry. The new signs are waterproof and big enough for the information to be read from your car. Please call Bill Massock if you need scheduling changes for the revised Boat Wash dates.

The first Hot Dam Party flyers will go out this month. Be sure to watch for the new Late Night Event for adults only. Make sure you put this on your calendars.

The Men's Club has also purchased a number of new outdoor tables for our events and activities in the community.

Until next month.... Have a great Spring and enjoy our Lake Waukomis Community!



Clockwise from top left: Before the Boat Wash could even take place, Men's Club members had to power-wash the spillway to remove the dangerously slippery algae that had accumulated there due to the high lake levels that kept the spillway covered in water: Gary Fiddler prepared to change the oil in one of the boats being serviced; Clarence Matthews and other Men's Club members adjusted the cover on a motor; Frank Gardner took a break from his work to enjoy a brat for lunch.



4th of July POSTER CONTEST

**How would YOU stop Zebra Mussels?
We want you to tell us!**

Instead of our traditional 'Art Show', this year's Fourth of July Activity Calendar will include a special event - a poster contest for "Zebra Mussel Awareness." Put your artistic talent to work and design a poster! Tell us about the dangers of zebra mussels or what you would do to stop them. Let your imagination run! All ages are encouraged to participate - prizes will be awarded by age group. Submit posters at the Community Bldg. at the 4th of July STORE on the Pre-sale days. For information, contact Cindy Law at 868-2912.

PLEASE THANK THESE ADDITIONAL 4TH OF JULY SPONSORS/DONORS/CONTRIBUTORS

- BEST BATTERIES (RANDY BEST*)**
- S.D. STRONG DISTILLING - PARKVILLE**
- SMOOTHIE KING (JOELLEN SPINI*)**

4th of July QUILT RAFFLE

Mary Christensen has made another one of her fabulous commemorative 4th of July quilts and we will be raffling it off during our Lake Waukomis 4th of July celebration. Quilt raffle tickets are only \$5 each (5 for \$20) and can be purchased at the Lake Waukomis Store during the Pre-sales on 6/21 and 6/28 from 1-4 pm, and on July 2-4 during Store hours (see the official 4th of July program inserted here in the June NEWS for times).

Women's Club

by Tina Buckler, Co-President

The Women's Club has had a wonderfully busy year! From social outings (Atchison) to philanthropic projects (Red Bag, military gift boxes, and coat drive) to educational meetings (learning about skin care from a dermatologist's assistant) to fun and games (Speakeasy and Minit-to-Win-It) to Lake activities (Bake Sale, Halloween and Easter Parties) to name a few! None of these would have been possible without you, the Lake residents guided under the direction of the Women's Club Board. Many thanks to all who volunteered to help make each and every one of these events a success!

On June 4th, appetizers and desserts were enjoyed by all who attended the meeting! The following women took top honors in each of their events: Appetizer Category, 1st Place - Patti Clark, Chicken/Bacon Cream Cheese Bites; 2nd Place - Sandy Massock, Smoked Salmon; 3rd Place - Ida Clayton, Mushroom Paté; Dessert Category, 1st Place - Mary Christensen, Peach Cobbler; 2nd Place - Chris Godfrey, Rhubarb Raspberry Dessert; 3rd Place - Alice Kenney, Patriotic Trifle. Thank you to everyone who brought something to share. This is one of many highlights of the year!

After enjoying all of the culinary delights, the installation of officers was held. Thank you to the nominating committee comprised of Janus Hinson, Theresa Edwards and Rebecca Hart for compiling a great list of officers for the upcoming year!

Officers:

Co-Presidents: Amy Barrett and Robin Banes
 Vice-President: Theresa Edwards
 Treasurer: Laurel Hoog

Co-Secretaries: Karen Hay and Sandy Massock
 Parliamentarian/Historian/Directory: Teddi Wolff

Committee Chairs:

Mickie Schroeder - Membership
 Rebecca Hart - Civics & Cultural Events - Easter Party
 Patty Russell - Ways & Means - Holiday Homes Tour
 Jennifer Croan & Karen Shepard - Cards & Casseroles
 Frankie Fiddler & Teddi Wolff - Communications/Flyers
 Robin Banes - Civic & Cultural Events - Halloween Party
 Mary Christensen - Ways & Means - Holiday Bazaar
 Janus Hinson - Kitchen & Hostesses/Hospitality

Drum roll please! And the Women's Club "Woman of the Year" is Louisa Libby. Louisa has served several years on the board and this year she, along with her daughter, Anna Brown, co-chaired the Halloween and Easter Parties. Louisa has also been active in Fourth of July activities among many other Lake projects. Congratulations Louisa! Well-deserved!

Please help out with a couple of Women's Club sponsored Fourth of July activities. Bring your baked goods to the Community Building from 5-7 pm on July 1 or 4-6 pm on July 2. Proceeds from the Bake Sale go toward the 4th of July Fireworks fund. Contact Janus Hinson at (816) 582-7490 if you have questions.

All hands on deck! We need your help at the Pancake Breakfast on July 4th. Contact Kathy (Morelli) Kersey at (816) 665-6362. Please help where you can!

Last but not least I would like to thank my Co-President, Jennifer Croan, for leading our group this year! As a new lake resident, I jumped in where I could but she truly lead the charge along with the Board members. I have had a wonderful experience sharing the "president duties" and meeting new people. We are leaving the leadership in the very capable hands of Robin and Amy! Good luck to the new Board! Please continue to support Women's Club functions and pitch in where you can! We have a wonderful group of ladies who provide a variety of experiences for every age group. I invite you to participate next year!



Clockwise from top left: winners of the Appetizers & Desserts contest; Women's Club Officers & Committee Chairs for 2015-2016; Frankie Fiddler with our 2015 Woman of the Year, Louisa Libby. Congratulations, Louisa!

PATTI CLARK'S CHICKEN/BACON CREAM CHEESE BITES



Ingredients
 Chicken Tenders
 Cream Cheese (room temp)
 Finely Diced Jalapenos
 Partially Cooked Bacon Slices

Lightly salt tenders and sprinkle lightly with garlic powder. Pat on cream cheese and a few bits of jalapenos. Roll up the tenders and wrap bacon around. Secure with tooth pick. Bake at 400° for 20 min.

MARY CHRISTENSEN'S PEACH COBBLER



Ingredients
 1 Yellow Cake Mix
 1 29 oz Can of Peaches
 1 Stick of Butter (cold)
 Cinnamon

Drain peaches, save the juice. Arrange peaches in bottom of 9x12 in. pan. Cover peaches with cake mix. Slice butter and distribute evenly over cake mix. Drizzle peach juice over the top. Sprinkle with cinnamon. Bake at 350° for 30-35 minutes.

SAFE BOATING ON LAKE WAUKOMIS

by Kenneth L. Kieser

I pulled a drowned little boy out of a lake many years ago. I will never forget that horrible moment when I saw his face. This article is to make sure you never have to endure this horrible moment that I still occasionally dream about. Waukomis in the summer means boating. This article is to remind you of the dangers that persist with four boating safety tips from the Boat U.S. Foundation.

Most boating fatalities are close friends or family. The key is being alert, even during this relaxing time on the boat. Always keep an eye on anyone diving, floating or swimming in the lake. This gives you time to react if they go under and don't resurface.

Do you know how to revive a potential drowning victim? Contact your local Red Cross for their free classes. All boat owners should consider taking this class their responsibility. Drinking large quantities of alcohol and operating boats don't mix. Accidents happen when your senses are impaired. The police will arrest you for being intoxicated on the water. Swimming while drunk is equally dangerous and has been the cause of many drowning deaths.

Here are four tips from the BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety & Clean Water that follow the familiar K.I.S.S. principle:

Kee your life jackets handy: This means readily accessible within arm's reach, not still in its plastic bag or behind compartment doors buried under junk. Better yet, wear it. You'd be surprised at how comfortable and slim today's newest inflatable life jackets are.

Instruct your passengers on where to sit and how to move about the boat safely. This applies to all boats, but the smallest ones can have biggest problems: swamping, large wakes and overloading can turn your day into one you'd rather forget.

See that all passengers are briefed on where emergency equipment is kept and how to use it: don't forget to show how to use the VHF radio, and what everyone needs to do in case someone falls overboard (designate a spotter).

Share your float plan with someone ashore to let them know where you're headed and expected to return. The simple act of telling someone has been demonstrated to greatly reduce a rescuer's response time.

For more information on boating safety or to take a free online boating safety course, go to BoatUS.org.

IMPORTANT UPDATE ON BOAT/DOCK STICKERS!

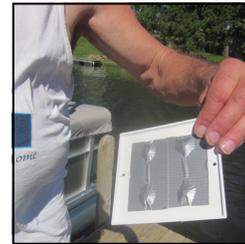
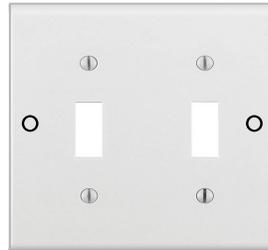
by Cindy Law, Water Quality/Zebra Mussel Committee Chair



Once the weather permits, our Lake Waukomis Police Force will be conducting shore patrols and enforcing the Zebra Mussel Sticker requirement. This means that if you don't have a sticker, you could get a ticket. So spread the word! If you, or your neighbors, have not yet received stickers (and placed them on your boats/docks), then the time to act is NOW! All watercraft - including kayaks, canoes, paddleboards, paddleboats, etc - must display the sticker (on the **back** of the boat, above the waterline).

The purpose of the sticker program is to identify and prevent outside watercraft from entering our lake, since this carries a great risk of transporting zebra mussels from one lake to another. The stickers also help to identify lake residents who have completed the training about zebra mussel risk and prevention. **It is imperative** that every lake resident (adults and kids too) be informed and knowledgeable about zebra mussels and how our lake lifestyle would change if they come here. Only as a community working together can we prevent this. Let's make sure we've all "got the message!"

MY ZEBRA MUSSEL STICKER WON'T STICK TO MY DOCK!



Resourceful Lake Waukomis resident Pete Godfrey came up with a creative idea for affixing our Zebra Mussel stickers to our docks. Buy a 2-gang nylon (flexible, won't crack or break) switch plate from the hardware store and drill a screw hole on each side as shown. Cover the back of the switch plate with duct tape. Remove the backing on the Zebra Mussel sticker and center it on the front of the switch plate. Screw the switch plate to the dock (lakeside). If desired, a resident could purchase a 4-gang switch plate and affix the Zebra Mussel sticker and his/her Block/Lot number (also required to be on our docks) to the switch plate. If you want to power-wash or stain your deck, simply unscrew the switch plate and replace when you're finished. Thanks for the great tip, Pete!



Highlights of Association Meeting

LAKE WAUKOMIS ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors

June 9, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE: In memory of Charlie Shaw

ROLL CALL: Directors Present: Peggy Coriell, Ed Landis, Laura Church, Cindy Law, Carl Croan, Sandi Garrison, Dale Crouch, Beth Hill, Jim Hopper, Les Petersen, Terry Hoog, Bill Ruckman, Teddi Wolff, Herb Steffens, Donna Rhodus, Adm. Coordinator.

Guests President Coriell welcomed Mayor Douglas.

Minutes Mr. Ruckman moved to approve the minutes as printed. Ms. Wolff seconded and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report The current financial reports were reviewed. Two checks were added to the check register. Ms. Church moved to approve the bills for payment as presented. Mr. Crouch seconded and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

Adm. Coordinator Ms. Rhodus reported on the unpaid dock and watercraft fees. A third past due statement was mailed to 10 property owners.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Bids for O'Neal Dock Three bids were received for a dock that was removed from the Lake as follows: Michael Riney - \$51.00, Terry Hoog - \$60.00 and Brian Noble - \$400.00. Mr. Crouch moved to accept the bid from Mr. Noble, Mr. Ruckman seconded and the motion carried by unanimous vote. The funds will be posted to legal expenses.

NEW BUSINESS:

Telephone System Mr. Landis reported on a proposed telephone system for the Lake Waukomis Office, which would allow calls to go to a separate line for the City Office, Association Office, Municipal Court and Operations. The cost for the equipment would be approximately \$35.00 per month plus a line fee of \$60.00. A two year contract with Time Warner would be required. To purchase our own system would cost a one-time fee of \$600.00 plus a set-up fee. A lengthy discussion followed regarding the best system, the need for the system, etc. Several questions were brought forth. President Coriell appointed the following committee to meet regarding this issue: Cindy Law, Ed Landis, Dale Crouch, Terry Hoog and a representative from Time Warner. Office hours were also discussed. It was recommended the Friday hours, for Association business, be posted.

4th of July Margarita Madness A sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteers to work on the Margarita Madness event during the 4th of July celebration.

Strategic Planning Team Mayor Douglas spoke of a Strategic Planning Team to establish a vision for our community both long and short term. The first meeting will be held Monday, June 15, 2015 at 7:00 PM. He invited the following residents to serve on the committee: Ed Landis, Debora Hankinson, Ed Bradley, Dan Garrity, Neil Blair, Les Petersen, Ann Dwyer Sanders, Sandy Massock and Jim Hopper. Dr. Tex Sample will serve as a facilitator.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: President Coriell asked for committee reports. All written reports are on file and available upon request. Many of the reports included committee goals that were meant and some planned for the future.

Liaison LWMC: Mr. Crouch reported the annual boat wash was delayed due to the heavy rains that denied access to the spillway. Plans are being made for the annual Hot Dam Party. This year there will be two sessions. An early session that is family oriented and the second session later in the evening for adults.

City: Mayor Douglas reported that warning tickets will be issued to owners of docks and watercraft without Zebra Mussel stickers, beginning June 9th.

LWWC: Ms. Wolff reported that Louisa Libby was chosen the Lake Waukomis Women's Club "Woman of the Year".

Community Appearance Ms. Wolff & Mr. Steffens submitted a written report.

Community Building Mr. Hoog submitted a written report.

Deed of Restrictions Ms. Church submitted a written report.

Docks Ms. Hill & Mr. Petersen submitted a written report.

Ecology/Environmental Efforts Ms. Garrison submitted a written report.

4th of July President Coriell reported that the 4th of July Store will be operating on the week ends in June.

Newspaper Ms. Wolff reported the newspaper deadline is June 13th.

Parkway Mr. Croan and Mr. Ruckman submitted a written report. In their report they outlined the number of trees that need to be trimmed and/or removed. After discussion, Mr. Croan moved to approve \$6515.00 for this project, Mr. Ruckman seconded and the motion carried by unanimous vote. The funds are in the Parkway budget. Discussion followed regarding the bid process.

Mr. Ruckman said the proposed wall installation at the Green Hills entrance will proceed after Time Warner buries the cable line. Also, he asked the Dock Committee to check on docks that are cabled to trees during dock inspections.

Silt Management/Stormwater Control Mr. Hopper reported that he and President Coriell attended the Platte County Commissioner's meeting and received the Grant Certificate for the stormwater control project. He then reviewed his written report.

Trailer Park Mr. Crouch submitted a written report. He suggested an amendment to Item 5 of the 2015 Trailer Park Rules and Regulations by stating "trailers must be licensed with a Lake Waukomis license". After discussion, Mr. Crouch moved to amend Item 5, Mr. Petersen seconded and the motion carried with Mr. Ruckman voting nay.

800 Block Mailboxes Mr. Crouch asked about the mailboxes that were removed during the last stormwater project. After discussion, Mr. Hopper said he will ask the property owners to re-set the mailboxes.

Water Quality Ms. Law submitted a written report. She displayed a sample of the proposed "No Trespassing" signs to be installed as part of the Zebra Mussel Prevention Program. Discussion followed regarding the location of the signs and the language on the signs. After discussion, Ms. Law moved to approve \$1082.00 for 12 signs, Ms. Church seconded and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Your City Government at Work

CITY OF LAKE WAUKOMIS
Board of Aldermen
June 10, 2015

*****DRAFT*****

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Lake Waukomis, Missouri was called to order by John Douglas, Mayor, at 7:00 PM on June 10, 2015 at the Community Building. Aldermen Hogewood, Massock, Roepe were present and Alderman Todd absent as the roll was called by Cindy Erich, City Clerk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

MOMENT OF SILENCE: In memory of Earl Erich (May 27), Cindy Erich's Father-in-Law, Ernest Kidwell (June 8) Donnie Hachman's Father-in-Law and Scott Sullivan's Father (May 31).

Guests: Mayor Douglas welcomed the following guests: Officer Langley, Marcia Douglas, Paul Barbee, Wayne Lorfing and Les Petersen.

Paul Barbee presented a review of current insurance coverages for the City of Lake Waukomis. Paul stated they specialize in Public Entities and the renewal process will start in September. A discussion was held.

Consent Agenda The following topics were on the consent agenda to be acted upon with one motion:

- Minutes of the Previous Meeting
- Accounts Payable

Alderman Roepe moved to approve the consent agenda with the correction to include the Fireworks Resolution, Alderwoman Massock seconded and the motion carried by the unanimous vote:

Reports The following written reports were submitted and are on file at the City Office: Financial/Collector, Water Department, Building Inspector, Municipal Court and Police Department.

Accounting/Collector: Water bill delinquent notices had been mailed, most have been collected.

Water Department: Written reports were reviewed. The Department of Natural Resources determined our drinking water to be satisfactory May 6, 2015. Ed Landis stated he has been taking water samples since pigging was done, the results have been satisfactory. Ed will continue to monitor the results.

Parks: The shelter work has not started due to rain delays. Alderwoman Massock is working on a proposed ordinance for the parks.

Maintenance: Ed Landis stated he would like to start the repairs on the fire hydrants (as previously approved) the total cost for two would be \$14,600.00. Ed stated we need to start planning patchwork for the roads. A discussion followed and the Aldermen instructed Ed to identify the areas and get contractor quotes. Aldermen gave ok to start on the fire hydrants.

Municipal Court: Reviewed Report.

Department of Public Safety: Reviewed Report.

Building Report: A discussion was held regarding the new construction across from City Hall, there have been delays in completion of construction. The Aldermen requested a report from the building inspector for consideration.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Scope of Audit scheduled to begin July 27, 2015: Our audit with Steve Connelly will begin July 27, 2015.

Logistics for City Ice Cream Boat on July 4th: Aldermen Roepe and Hogewood will help with the ice cream boat on July 4th.

Delinquent City Taxes for 2014: The Mayor will contact Platte County regarding delinquent tax collection.

NEW BUSINESS:

Extension of the Noise Ordinance: Alderman Roepe moved that the noise ordinance be extended to 12:00 a.m. July 2, 2015. Alderwoman Massock seconded and the motion was carried by the unanimous vote.

Waiver on Sign Ordinance: Alderman Roepe imposed a waiver on the ordinance prohibiting signs during 4th of July activities. Alderwoman Massock seconded and the motion was carried by the unanimous vote.

Plans for first meeting of Strategic Planning Work Group: Will be held Monday night June 15, 2015 at 7:00pm. The meeting is open to the public.

Sponsors of Fourth of July Activities: A discussion was held.

Approval for the Hot Dam Party to be held on spillway August 29th: The Aldermen approved the Hot Dam Party.

Proposed Ordinance No. 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, RE: Agreement for Mutual Police Aid and Cooperation

Alderman Roepe sponsored Bill 06102015-01, 06102015-02, 06102015-03, 06102015-04, 06102015-05, 06102015-06, 06102015-07, 06102015-08 and read same by title. Copies of Bill No. 06102015-01, 06102015-02, 06102015-03, 06102015-04, 06102015-05, 06102015-06, 06102015-07, 06102015-08 were available for public review. Bill No. 06102015-01, 06102015-02, 06102015-03, 06102015-04, 06102015-05, 06102015-06, 06102015-07, 06102015-08 being "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAKE WAUKOMIS AND THE CITY OF WEATHERBY LAKE, RIVERSIDE, PLATTE WOODS, PLATTE CITY, PARKVILLE, KANSAS CITY, NORTHMOOR, COUNTY OF PLATTE MISSOURI FOR THE PURPOSES THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR MUTUAL POLICE AID AND COOPERATION"

Bill No. 06102015-01, 06102015-02, 06102015-03, 06102015-04, 06102015-05, 06102015-06, 06102015-07, 06102015-08 were approved by unanimous vote Mayor Douglas declared Bill No. 06102015-01, 06102015-02, 06102015-03, 06102015-04, 06102015-05, 06102015-06, 06102015-07, 06102015-08 a new ordinance and duly adopted as Ordinance No. 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479 and 480 Ordinance No. 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479 and 480 were signed by Mayor Douglas and attested to by the City Clerk. The budget is on file and available for public review.

Proposed Ordinance No. 481 RE: Court Costs to shelters for victims of domestic violence

Alderwoman Massock sponsored Bill 481 and read same by title. Copies of Bill No. 06102015-09 Were available for public review. Bill No. 06102015-09 being "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III SECTION 125.330 (SECTION 4) AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF FOUR DOLLARS (\$4.00) COURT COSTS TO SHELTERS FOR THE VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PURSUANT TO 488.607 RSMo."

Bill No. 06102015-09 was approved by unanimous vote Mayor Douglas declared Bill No. 06102015-09 a new ordinance and duly adopted as Ordinance No. 481. Ordinance No. 481 was signed by Mayor Douglas and attested to by the City Clerk. The budget is on file and available for public review.

Adjournment Alderwoman Massock moved to adjourn the meeting, Alderman Roepe seconded and the motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 PM.



CONSERVATION

by Ed Landis, Conservation Committee Chair

I have been contacted by some of our residents regarding the abandoned Fawn Deer. The Fawn Deer is not abandoned and the doe will return to care for the fawn. Please read the article on this page by our Platte County Conservation Agent, Aaron Post.

All dogs and cats are required to have a license and that it be on the animal. This helps if your pet is lost or injured.

All boats entering the waters of Lake Waukomis need to be inspected. Paddleboats, canoes, anything that floats. Boats are required to have lot and block numbers and the Lake Waukomis watercraft sticker on them. This is one way to know the watercraft belongs here. You will see this being more enforced this year to protect our lake.

Please do not allow your guests to bring a minnow bucket, life jacket, water toys, or anything that has been in any other waters than the waters of Lake Waukomis. Buy one and allow them to use it or tell them to buy one and leave it with you.

Limits are set to help maintain our fish population. Please respect them.

- Trout - 2 per person per day till April 1st - thereafter 4 daily.
- Bass - 6 daily, 12 in possession. You may keep fish over 15 inches in length.
- Channel Catfish- 10 daily - 20 in possession. Not less than 14 inches in length.
- Walleye - 4 daily, 8 in possession. MUST be over 15 inches in length.
- Crappies - 15 daily, 30 in possession.
- Bluegill - no limit, keep fish over 6 inches in length.

Support the Missouri Department of Conservation. Buy a fishing license!

TRAILER PARK UPDATE

by Dale Crouch, Trailer Park Committee Chair

We currently have a few open spaces in the trailer park for rent. They are \$150 per year and run from January to January, no prorating. To be approved for these spaces, you must follow the 2015 guidelines with changes. Please call Dale Crouch at (816) 812-6454 or (816) 587-7540 and leave a message. I will then set up a time to meet you in the trailer park and go over the guidelines and select your space. If the slots fill up, I will put your name on a waiting list for future open spaces.

WHAT TO DO WITH FAWN DEER

by Aaron Post, Platte County Conservation Agent

We are getting to the point in the late spring, early summer when fawn deer are appearing in unusual places. Deer started having their fawns in early May and will continue to do so well into this month. As a result, this is also the time many people will find one of these fawns apparently abandoned. I say apparently because more often than not, the doe has simply left the fawn in a "safe place" while she goes to feed. This is a natural part of a deer's lifecycle. Deer hide their fawns in tall grass or on the edges of timber and leave them for hours at a time. In suburban areas like we live in, it is not uncommon to find fawns in flower beds or landscaping right up next to the house. The fawn cannot keep up with the doe throughout the day. They cannot outrun predators at this point. Fawns are born camouflaged and nearly scentless. Their instinct is to remain still while a predator is around so as not to be detected. Everything, including their breathing and heart rate, slows down. This is why you can walk right up to them. It is not necessary, nor is it helpful, to pick the fawn up and move it. The doe is generally within 200 yards of the fawn and will return to feed and move it when she thinks it is safe for her. This is the case for most young wildlife. Moving a young animal farther away from its mother or nest is detrimental to its survival. It is also illegal to remove an animal from the wild and attempt to raise it, even if it appears abandoned. Rule 3 CSR 10-4.110 of the Missouri Wildlife Code prohibits the possession of any wildlife except during prescribed seasons. If you have any questions regarding this topic or any conservation related topic, feel free to contact me at (816) 244-0702 or Agent Doug Yeager at (816) 835-6086. Remember, as difficult as it is to walk away from a young animal, it is in the animal's best interest to do so. Let nature take its course.

BOATERS

To make an access appointment for the Spillway, please call:

- Larry Marsh – 746-4573**
- Dale Crouch – 587-7540**
- Bill Massock – 536-2754**
- Stan Widau – 507-3638**
- Gary Fiddler – 741-5063**



Neighborhood News

Calling All Chinn Families ...

(information submitted by Carolyn Bidwell)



Chinn staff members are coming to Lake Waukomis South Park this summer to share some reading fun! Join us with new or gently used books to exchange or simply show up to receive one, free of charge. Complimentary refreshments will be provided. *To ensure your child's safety, please provide supervision for your children throughout the event.* Date/time we will be at Lake Waukomis South Park: Tuesday, July 14, 6:30 - 7:20 pm. In case of inclement weather, come to the Chinn cafeteria between 5:30 - 7:30 pm on the scheduled evenings to exchange books and have a treat. We look forward to seeing you this summer.

GARDEN NEWS

by Shelley MacGee



It is hard to write about this month's "Garden News" without using the words rain, flooding and re-planting.

Through all of the moisture, hot summer weather is right around the corner. We will eventually have a bountiful harvest!! During this time, there has been an abundance of grass clippings which will prove useful in weed prevention and adding to the nourishment of the soil. Thank you to all lake residents who provide the liquid gold (grass clippings) !!!

This may be a good time to tell you about new additions to the garden. There have been new bluebird houses and a bee hive installed. Both additions add benefits to the garden, along with subtle entertainment for the human eye. We are also creating a little garden art by re-purposing empty wine bottles (see photo above). If anyone has extra, we will put them to good use! So far, this growing season has produced a bountiful crop of strawberries, asparagus and leafy lettuces. All good for the taste buds! *Until next month, happy growing !*



Twenty-two Lake Waukomians traveled to the Chestnut Fine Arts Center in Olathe to see our very own Judy Simmons (above, center, with black purse) star in 'Church Basement Ladies'. From a review of the show: "Judy Simmons as the kitchen boss scoffs at such items as vegetarian lasagne, catholic/protestant marriages, the pastor's new wife, among other occurrences. But it's her crusty exterior that melts to reveal the kindness and love she has for her fellow cooks. Count on her strong vocal talents to sell some of the funniest songs in the show". Judy, we loved your performance!!

FLOWER POWER HAPPY HOUR / NEW RESIDENT WELCOME

by Teddi Wolff

Approximately 16 new residents (pictured at right) received a warm welcome from 20+ Lake Waukomis officials, Green Team members, and various service group representatives on Sunday, June 14, from 5-7 pm, at Jeff Jans & Mickie Schroeder's house at 141 N. Shore. The event, originally planned to be held at the Community Garden next to 126 N. Shore, was moved indoors due to forecasted rain, which came down in buckets as predicted (we were so glad to be inside!) Green Team members furnished a delicious array of appetizers, desserts and beverages, and Deb Hankinson & Les Petersen made mojitos for everyone. Mickie gave welcome bags to the new residents and the Green Team raffled off a selection of perennials for the group. The take-home message for the evening was a familiar one - Lake Waukomis thrives because of our strong commitment to volunteerism, and we invited the new residents to join the ranks of the many volunteers who make our community such a great place in which to live!

