



Lakeside Outing Club, Inc. Newsletter

What's New at Page Lake

Special points of interest:

- 2014 Shareholders' Meeting Saturday July 5th @ 10:00am
- What's New at Page Lake
 - New Members
 - Rule Reminders
- July 4th Luminaries (Flares)—Saturday July 5, 2014 at 9:00pm

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NEW MEMBERS

We would like to welcome new members that have joined us since last year's meeting: William Specht—Warren Park Road; Jackie Lynch - West Shore Drive; Dick & Penny Lewis—The Pines; Michael & Patricia Decker—West Shore Drive.; Prescott Perkins & Mary Kay McKinney—Warren Park Road

RULE REMINDERS

Floating docks, anchored rafts, plastic islands, inflatable islands, buoys or anything anchored in the lake must be brought into shore every night. They may not be anchored past the end of the owners dock any

night. If they do not have a dock they must be brought to shore.

Written permission must be obtained from the board of directors for the installation or modification of all docks, piers, rafts, jetties and floats to be built on or in the lake, which is club property. Permission is also required when any modification to the shoreline such as bulkheads or seawalls is to be made.

There are many more members renting their cottages. Remember it is the responsibility of the member to inform the renters of all the rules.

ALL boats must be registered and have Decals.

Water Pollution Solutions Septic Systems

People who live in a home served by a sanitary sewer system place their trust in professionals whose jobs are to design, monitor and maintain the sewer systems. But for others who must utilize an on-lot individual sewage system, commonly called a septic system, the proper use and maintenance of the system is the responsibility of each homeowner. Pages 14 thru 18 are an excerpt from a Pennsylvania Lake management Society (PALMS) publication and is intended to help us understand, operate and maintain our septic system.

Message from the President—John Ward

Greetings to all Lakeside Outing Club Members.

Another winter behind us, finally! A very cold, long winter at the lake. Everything is fine at the lake. We are still working with the DEP on possible upgrades needed to the dam. So far, no conclusions yet. Last year was the first year for the new DEP permit for copper sulfate. The permit was 12 pages and \$1000. Each year after is \$500. The permit was \$0.00 and one page in the past. We did apply the copper sulfate in the same way and portion as before with the expensive permit. Last year we did not put in any copper sulfate to control algae blooms.

In March, Russ and I went to the State PALMS Meeting (PA Lake Management Society). We came away with a wealth of information about what affects lake water quality ranging from septic systems to water fowl and lawn fertilizers. The geese are the most common pollution source, septic systems next. They did have some new systems for small lots, but I have not seen them used here. Be careful not to get fertilizers in or near the lake. All of the above items will make the weeds grow better. They do have some items to block the available nutrients. One item is PhosLock. This item takes the phosphorus and locks it away so it can't be used by the plants which causes less algae blooms. It is not a chemical and can be used in place of copper sulfate - no permit needed.

Another issue with all the lakes is the muck at the bottom. Food for plants and not fun to walk in. We spoke with vendors and engineers about biologic products that will eat the muck. They are pellets that contain bacteria, enzymes and nutrients designed to reduce the muck. No chemicals, no permit required. We had mixed reviews depending on who we talked with, but they all agreed it would not harm the lake. Some brands there were: Muckaway and Muck Monster. Treatment is monthly when the water is above 50 degrees. This is something the land owners can do around their own docks. Companies were selling weed cutters, rakes and shade devices, all to manage weeds at your dock.

Another big topic are the invasive plants, mussels and crayfish. Mussels are within an hour of us, the new Rusty Crayfish is in the Philadelphia area and the plants are everywhere. Please check your boat and trailer when coming back from other bodies of water. We have the hose in the back of the clubhouse to wash off your boat and trailer.

We also spoke with a local (Wilkes-Barre) dredging company. He said we could do one acre as maintenance permit without too much red tape. This would consist of pumping out the silt at the bottom of the lake to a dewatering bag on the shore. The bag would be cut open and

emptied after a few weeks. The silt used on site or taken away. Cost would be around 150K for each acre.

The PALMS meeting is held in State College, PA every spring and is open to the public. If you want to attend, we will have a list of helpful websites to get further info on lake information. This was a very well-run seminar with good speakers and an abundance of knowledgeable people in attendance, well worth our time.

For those that store their boats in the clubhouse there are some new Rules:

- BE SURE YOUR TIRES ARE NOT FLAT
- DO NOT CHANGE LOWER UNIT OIL IN CLUBHOUSE
- PUT MOTOR DOWN OUTSIDE & STORE WITH MOTOR DOWN
- ADD TRAILER FRONT WHEEL WHEN POSSIBLE
- BUY FOLD AWAY TONGUE ON NEW TRAILERS
- START IN BACK WITH BOATS
- PLACE YOUR BOAT VERY CLOSE TO OTHER BOATS
- LONG TRAILERS TO THE REAR WHEN YOU CAN TURN MOTOR TO GIVE MOST ROOM IN MIDDLE

SOME IDEAS ON LAKE MANAGEMENT OUR APPROACH NOW

Weed Harvester
Grass Carp
Copper Sulfate
Various Testing

FUTURE

Muck Away
Put settling ponds on all ditches
Identify Ditches
Use PennDot Plans
Get Bids/Do Ponds on Larger Ditches
Capture phosphorus
Do selective dredging
Minimize Permits Required (e.g. 1
Acre - x 2 per Year)
Septic Tank Systems
Textile Media
Aerobic
Control - Yard Fertilizer, Pets, Geese, Leaves
in Lake
Irrigation
Control Watson Hill Rd. - Mud

Lake Management References:

EPA: www.epa.gov
DEP: www.state.pa.us
NRCS: www.nrcs.gov
PALMS: www.palakes.org

Fishing Report by Mike Keller



Mike Keller



Aiden Clark

The Keller's took 1st and 2nd place in the 2013 Annual Lakeside Outing Club adult bass fishing contest. This author's first place fish weighed in at only 3.85 pounds while Michael B (son) fish weighed in at 3.72 lbs. In the junior contest, Aidan Clark was the winner with a 2.31 fish and his brother Colin took second place. And who thinks there is no competition between family members?

All members and their guests are eligible to enter the contest 24 hours prior to weighing in a fish. The entry fee for the adult division (age 16 and older) is \$20 and \$5 for the Junior Division age 15 and under. An angler who is fifteen or under can enter the Adult Division by paying the higher entry fee. An angler can only compete in one Division. There is a first and second place winner for both contests. The first place winner will receive 70% of the entry fees and their name will be placed on a "Bragging Board Plaque" which is eventually held by the winner until the following year. The second place winner will receive 30% of the entry fees. The second place winner of the Junior Division will also be on the plaque.

We will continue to use the scales that were purchased by the Association. I will have one and the other will be available at the Club House. In the event that I'm not available to weigh a fish, participants can weigh in their own fish with the scale at the club house. Just make sure you have another shareholder witness the fish's weight, take a picture of you and the fish, and measure the length of the bass.

This is the 22nd year that the contest will be held. It runs from

June 14th which is Opening day of 2014 bass season until noon on Labor Day. All fish must be weighed in live and caught at Page Lake. Anglers can register with me or John Ward. My e-mail is iluvtfish@hotmail.com cell 732-395-1546. All anglers are encouraged to release their catch.

Last year was one of the most difficult years to catch bass on a consistent basis. There have been numerous complaints by fisherman and questions as to why? I can tell you that I was doing fine catching bass up until the first week in July and then there were times I couldn't get a bite. We had had a very warm June which could have affected the water quality and subsequently the bite. The

Fishing Report by Mike Keller—continued

water eventually became cloudy which lasted into the fall. We did not apply any copper sulfate to combat algae because we did not notice a significant algae bloom. Normally, the bite would return when the water cooled but this did not occur in 2013. The Board is looking into the purchase of water testing equipment that would assess water conditions and the need for treatment rather than guessing by visual observation.

I also noticed an absence of calico bass or crappies. Although a 3.7 lb bass was the highest weighed in for the contest there were two others reported that went about 4 1/2 pounds. Neither of these fishermen was in the contest. I have picture evidence from one fisherman but only the word of our Association secretary as to his catch. You need to be in it to win it guys. I would be happy to weigh your bass even though you're not in the contest.



Michael B Keller (left) and friends with
a 12lb channel catfish



Bob Gaccione with a 10lb cat

In 2007 we stocked 400 channel catfish. It was the only time we stocked these fish. Fishermen have been occasionally catching a catfish but to my surprise some of these bottom feeders are now weighing over ten pounds. They are fat, strong and healthy. I also wonder what they are eating that they are growing so large and my intuition believes that they are past eating insects, snails, crayfish and small life forms but are now feasting on both dead and live fish. I've also seen smaller cats in the 3-4 lb range and wonder if they could actually be breeding in our lake. I don't believe they are of the same stocking because of their size difference.



Bernie Behr, Mike Keller and Jerry Davis
distributed flatheads and bass

Fishing Report by Mike Keller—continued

Last June we continued with our annual stocking and placed one hundred 6-8 inch bass and 50 lbs of flatheads (food fish) in the lake. It is important that we continue an annual stocking in order to maintain a quality bass fishery. It is important to replace those bass that have died from injury or consumption and feed the fish that exist in our lake. My concern is that some of these fish may be actually consumed by the channel cats.

This winter there wasn't safe ice until the later part of January when it was so cold that the February weather kept fisherman inside. Although a few ventured out it wasn't until March when there remained 15 inches of ice with temperatures varying below and above freezing. I only had a chance to fish on two days but I am happy to report that the lake was alive. Numerous perch of varying sizes, pan fish, pickerel and bass were caught. One of the guest fishermen did catch a bass that went over 4 lbs. He returned it to the lake as per Association rules.

The Conservation Officers are routinely visiting our lake. Make sure your fishing and boating activities comply with DEP regulations. This year free fishing days (no license required) are May 26th (Memorial Day) and July 4th.



Grass carp over 42 inches



Beavers love lily pad flowers

When you're on the lake have a camera available. I was lucky to photograph a grass carp with the sun behind my back. Normally they spook and take off. This carp was over 42 inches long. To provide prospective, the lily pads in the background were about 6-8 inches wide. I was also able to capture a picture of a beaver eating the flower that grows from lily pads. In the spring beaver will swim from the east side to the west side of the lake because these flowers bloom earlier on the west side.

If you have a fish tale, catch or picture please let me know. I'm especially looking for pictures of the eagles. I'm always on the water so call me over.

Page Lake Golf Club—Steve Houghtalen

Greetings Page Lake golfers. Last summer was another great year for golf at many of the fine courses in the Endless Mountains. The Page Lake Golf Club meets every Saturday morning at the Lakeside General store at 7:00 am. We car pool to the one of the nearby courses and tee off by 7:30. This gets us back to the lake by 10 am! All are welcome at any skill level and we are always looking for new members.

We also play 3 tournaments a year for lake bragging rights and the winners names are inscribed on the club trophy.

The Dates for this year's tournaments are:

The Memorial Day Classic- Tall Pines Golf Course, Saturday, May 24th

The Independence Day Invitational- Panorama Golf Course, Friday, July 4th

The Labor Day Open- Chenango Valley State Park, Saturday, August 30th

Where else can you have this much fun and at such a low cost...



"Be honest...what did you think of my golf swing?"



Page Lake Social Committee



Hello Everyone! The Social Committee is planning 2 events this year. As always, if anyone is interested in helping out with an event or have questions or suggestions, please let one of us listed below know.

Diane Kemp, dckemp@verizon.net, 908-581-6984 Cell
Paige Sedlacek, psedlacek21@earthlink.net, 607-341-0891 Cell

Below is a list of the events that we have planned.

Saturday, July 5th - Bake Sale at the annual meeting

Saturday, August 2nd – Chili Cook off at the club house—6:00PM Rain or Shine. **Please keep your posters that you bring with your entry to NO LARGER THAN 12" by 18"**. As more people join this event. There is less room to put big posters on the tables. If they are too large they will not be put out.

TEAR THE FLYER OFF ON PAGE 17 AND PUT IT ON YOUR REFRIGERATOR AS A REMINDER

Thank You - The Social Committee

Membership Information

DUES

The fiscal year is Jan. 1 thru Dec 31st. The dues for 2014 are \$150 per share. The dues are payable after the 1st of the year and must be made by June 15, 2013 to The Lakeside Outing Club, Inc. and mailed to RUSSELL PEPE, 227 EAST SHORE DRIVE, SUSQUEHANNA, PA 18847. Also include your e-mail address so we can update you with any LOC news. A special thank you to all who pay their dues on time. It really helps minimize the work we do. We have very few delinquents.

Please note the following: There is a \$15 per share late fee if not paid by June 15th.

Dues and assessments must be paid by June 15th to participate in the annual meeting. There is an additional \$35 per share late fee if not paid by Sept 1st. Lake rights can be permanently lost if dues and/or fees are delinquent.

BOAT STORAGE:

The fee for storage this winter will be \$75.00. There is a waiting list. If your payment is not received by June 15th, you will lose your place. Please send payment with your dues. After June 15 any spots that are open will be offered to those on the waiting list. If you want to be put on the waiting list, send in your request with your dues to

Russell Pepe. All boats must be removed from the clubhouse before Memorial Day weekend and can be put in storage after Labor Day weekend.

BOAT DECALS:

ALL watercraft MUST have decals and only shareholders can put watercraft on the lake. Only 1 motorboat may be over 15 HP. - maximum 60 HP.

Our decals adhere to fiberglass as well as the new boat material (polyethylene) that is being used in paddleboats. Anyone having decals on their boats that are not legible will be required to purchase new ones. The price will be \$15.00 for a set of two. Decals can be purchased from Russell Pepe at.

BOATING:

Motor boating for skiing and pleasure riding will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. or **sunset** whichever comes sooner. Operation



of power craft outside of these hours must be done at no more than idling speed (5mph or less). All watercraft must be operated in a counter-clockwise direction always keeping to the right. After sunset all watercraft shall display a light visible from 100 feet in all directions per state regulations. Remember the maximum horsepower

is 60 hp and maximum speed is 40mph. If anyone is found in violation of this rule they will be given 10 days to get the boat off of the lake. Non-compliance could result in loss of lake rights.

DOCKS & WORK AFFECTING THE LAKE:

All new docks (stationary or floating) or boat lifts may be constructed and put on the lake only after obtaining the written approval of the plans from the Board of Directors.

In addition, any work planned affecting the lake such as removal of vegetation, treating the bottom around your dock with stone or sand, dredging around your dock to change the depth of water or modifying the shoreline or bulkheads in any way also needs written approval of the plans from the Board of Directors.

Annual permission is hereby given to shareholders to have approved docks, floats, boat lifts or modifications to the shoreline. This notice is a renewal of previously granted permission.

CLUB HOUSE RENTAL

The clubhouse is available for rental during the summer for your special parties. Please contact Russell Pepe for open dates. The clubhouse must be left clean after use. No one may take items from the club-

house without the permission of an officer.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS:

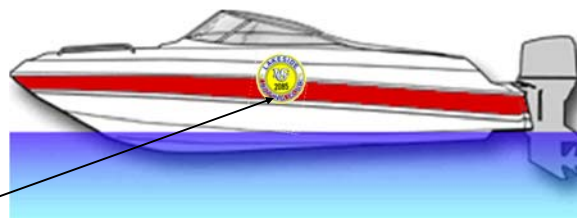
Anyone selling property on and around Page Lake should direct questions with regard to Lake Rights or stock transfers to the Secretary, Russell Pepe for a written reply in order to avoid complications. If you transfer Lake Property to a family member by deed, the certificate associated with that property is retired and an application for a new certificate of stock is required. Remember only shareholders can have boats and other access privileges to the lake.

RENTAL PROPERTIES:

Reminder: It is the deeded owner's responsibility to make sure that their renters know and abide by the rules and regulations of the Lakeside Outing Club, Inc. If your renters break



the rules, your membership and lakes rights can be in jeopardy. Please insure they know of and



Place LOC Boat decal in middle on both sides of boat

Membership Information—Continued

abide by our rules. We appreciate your continued cooperation.

- 1) Renters are NOT allowed to bring in their own boats.
- 2) Renters are NOT allowed to use any motorboat over 15 hp.
- 3) Renters must be aware of the NO swimming, NO floating in excess of 50' from shore.
- 4) Renters must obey our Rules and Regulations.

SAFETY:

It is everyone's responsibility



to keep our lake safe. If you see someone breaking the rules and/or acting in a manner contrary to our regulations you have the right and responsibility

to approach that person. If you would like support, contact your director and/or go with a friend or neighbor.

BOATING AND FISHING RULES:

We are under the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania State even though we are a private lake. The game warden visits occasionally and does issue tickets that carry a hefty fine. Remember if you are approached that he is doing his job and the rules are in place to keep us all safe.

You **MUST** have a fishing license. You must abide by the boating laws of the state. Make sure children are in life jackets and that the life jackets fit them properly. An oversized jacket will NOT save their life if they go over. Make sure that the proper numbers of life jackets are in the boat for the adults.

All rules and regulations of the state must be obeyed. When boating, remember the following:

- There must be a spotter when you are pulling someone behind the boat. Even if it is a tube and they are a good swimmer.
- Make sure the driver is always looking forward and the spotter looking backwards.
- Boating ends at 8pm or when the sun goes down.
- Make sure all passengers in the boat are sitting in the seats. No sitting on the top of seats or the sides of the boat.
- Do not drive the boat in tight circles with the engine in a high throttle position. It is very easy to lose control of the boat.

- Do not drive the boat violently side to side when pulling a tube or skier.
- Maintain a great distance between boats, swimmers, docks, and the shoreline.

In order to protect and maintain our lake for the enjoyment of all the shareholders it is imperative that the Rules and Regulations and the By-Laws are strictly adhered to. Please contact your director or an officer if you see someone in violation and you do not feel comfortable confronting him or her yourself.



2014 Events at The Lake

APRIL

April 1st—Boards go back in.

MAY

By Memorial Day Weekend - all boats must be out of Clubhouse.

May 24th - Page Lake Memorial Day Classic – Tall Pines, Saturday

May 26th - Memorial Day—PA Free Fishing Day—No License Required

JUNE

June 14th - First day of Bass Season; join the Bass Contest; start time 8:00a.m.

June 15th - Last day for membership dues and boat winter storage space rental.

June 28th—Blue Ridge Sportsmen Fishing Derby

JULY

July 4th -PA Free Fishing Day—No License Required

July 4th - Independence Day Invitational, Panorama, Friday

July 5th --- Annual shareholders meeting at the Clubhouse - 10:00 a.m. - Baked Goods on sale with free coffee & tea.

July 5th - Lighting of the luminaries at 9:00 p.m.

AUGUST

August 2nd - Chili Cook-Off, 6:00PM Rain or Shine—Please keep your posters that you bring with your entry to NO LARGER THAN 12" by 18".

August 30th - Labor Day Invitational, Chenango State Park, Saturday

SEPTEMBER

September 1st - Labor Day - Fishing Contest ends at 12:00 noon

OCTOBER

***October 15th* - Lowering of the lake - make sure all boats are out prior to this date.**

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING FOR THE MEMBERS OF LAKESIDE OUTING CLUB, INC.

In accordance with article II, Section 5 of the Bylaws for the Lakeside Outing Club, Inc. you are hereby given notice that the Annual Shareholders Meeting is scheduled for July 5, 2014 at 10:00am at the Clubhouse.

AGENDA FOR ANNUAL SHAREHOLDER’S MEETING

- Meeting will be called to order
- Introduction of New Members
- Introduction of Officers, Directors, Auditors, & Parliamentarian
- Review and Acceptance of minutes of last meeting
- Treasurer’s report
- Auditors’ Report
- Election of Officers, Directors & Appointment of Auditors
- Old Business
 - Fish Report
 - Gas Lease Report
 - Dam Maintenance & Lake Dredging
- New Business

OFFICERS:

John Ward, President

Mike Keller, Vice President

Russell Pepe, Secretary

Maureen Bier, Treasurer

DIRECTORS:

Warren Park Road, Jayne Fitzgerald

Lake Shore Drive, Millicent Freeman

South Shore Drive, Don Burchell

East Shore Drive, Diane Kemp

Officers and Directors positions up for election:

The Bylaws state that in order to hold a meeting and conduct business of the Corporation there must be a quorum present. A quorum is the number of shares entitled to vote represented either in person or by proxy. The quorum required to conduct business is 25%. If a quorum for the annual meeting is not met, the Corporation must recall the meeting until a quorum is established. A proxy is a written statement, signed by the shareholder, which duly appoints the member’s voting rights and attendance. Please take a moment to sign and return the enclosed proxy if you cannot attend the meeting. If you turn in a proxy and you attend the meeting, the proxy becomes null and void.

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John Ward President opened the meeting at approximately 10:00am. A quorum was established by a show of hands and attendance sheet.

President Ward introduced the Board of Directors.

President Ward introduced new Members.

Charles & Linda Bucci & Joseph & Marilyn Verrastro—East Shore Drive;

Karen Neff, Lisa Andrejko & Kira Carr - East Shore Drive;

David Orzel - East Shore Drive;

Jackie Lynch – West Shore Drive

Richard & Penny Lewis – The Pines

Tino & Schanna Penzone – Lake Shore Drive

President Ward asked for a moment of silence in honor of all those who have served to protect the United States of America.

President Ward then asked all veterans to remain standing.

President Ward appointed Dan Swingle as parliamentarian.

President Ward asked if anyone had changes to the minutes of last year's Annual Shareholders' Meeting of July 7, 2012 that were published in the newsletter. Jim Greene made a motion to accept the minutes. Dick Williams seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Auditor's report presented by Gary Sickles. Gary stated that he and Marsha Florance had reviewed both the Treasurer's notes and the Secretary's notes and computer data with Pennstar and investment reports. The auditors stated that everything was in order. President Ward asked for a vote to accept the auditors' report. Bill Furch made a motion to accept the auditors' report. Dave Wentz seconded the motion. The auditors' report was accepted.

Treasurer's Report - Maureen Bier provided highlights of the report which she distributed.

PENNSTAR Checking \$33,636.73

Visions CD \$201,748.68

Visions Membership Account	\$26.00
Vanguard High Dividend Yield (VYM)	\$40,184.99
Vanguard Short Term Index (VBIRX)	\$20,116.75
Vanguard Prime Money Market	\$100,460.07
Total Reserve Fund	\$362,536.49
Total All Funds	\$396,173.22

John Florance asked about the Dam Fund and whether we put money in that fund every year. Russ Pepe reported that the Reserve Fund that Maureen Bier mentioned is part of an Investment Committee chaired by Steve Houghtalen to oversee the club's investments. The Reserve Fund includes what was previously the dam fund. The Reserve fund would be used for any large expense such as dredging or updating the dam. President Ward added that the DEP has required us to put aside \$30,000.00 to pay for any future requirement to breach the dam.

Marsha Florance made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. John Pollak seconded the motion. The report was accepted.

Election of the Board of Directors up for re-election.

West Shore Drive – Tom Westfall nominated Allan Clarke. Jim Greene seconded the nomination. John Florance made a motion to close the nominations. Dick Williams seconded the motion. Nominations were closed. Allan Clarke was elected Director – West Shore Drive.

The Pines – Maureen Bier nominated Michelle Lebiak. John Solomini seconded the nomination. John Florance made a motion to close the nominations. Jim Greene seconded. The nominations were closed. Michelle Lebiak was elected Director – The Pines.

East Shore Drive (North) – Bernie Bier nominated Bill Friedah. Diane Kemp seconded the nomination. John Florance made a motion to close the nominations. Bill Furch seconded. The nominations were closed. Bill Friedah elected Director – East Shore Drive (North).

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Pucker Huddle – Bill Furch nominated Steve Houghtalen. Marsha Florance seconded the nomination. John Florance made a motion to close the nominations. Diane Kemp seconded. The nominations were closed. Steve Houghtalen elected Director – Pucker Huddle Shore Drive.

Election of Officers:

President – John Pollak nominated John Ward. Tom Westfall seconded the nomination. Jim Greene made a motion to close the nominations. John Nugent seconded. Nominations were closed. John Ward elected President.

Vice President – Maureen Bier nominated Mike Keller. Diane Kemp seconded the nomination. Jim Greene made a motion to close the nominations. Bill Furch seconded. The nominations were closed. Mike Keller elected Vice President.

Secretary – Bill Furch nominated Russ Pepe. Dick Williams seconded the nomination. John Nugent made a motion to close the nominations. Jim Greene seconded. The nominations were closed. Russ Pepe elected Secretary.

Treasurer – Dan Swingle nominated Maureen Bier. Mike Keller seconded the nomination. John Florance made a motion to close the nominations. Jim Greene seconded. The nominations were closed. Maureen Bier elected Treasurer.

President Ward appointed Marsha Florance and Gary Sickles auditors for next year

OLD BUSINESS

Mike Keller gave the fish report. Mike reported that we had stocked 100 Bass, 6 to 8 inches and 50 lbs of flathead minnows. Mike urged everyone to join the fishing contest that runs from opening day to Labor Day. It costs \$20.00 to enter for the adult division and \$5.00 for the Junior Division. Mike mentioned that there only a few junior entrants and reminded everyone that the winner has their name on the plaque and would be a great memory. Mike thanked Bernie Bier and Jerry Davis for helping distribute the fish when we stock. Mike also mentioned that the grass carp have grown to be very large. He has seen some that are 42". He also said that they seem to be working in that his fish finder shows that much of the weeds have gone.

John reported on the status of the Gas Lease and well drilling in the area. We believe that we have more property than the original lease states. We have had a survey done to describe the additional area and submitted to Southwestern. We identified about additional 11+ acres. Southwestern has replied that they are doing their own surveys. If there are any discrepancies, they will be resolved once the final surveying is complete. John reported that there is approximately 25 acres at the upper end of the lake included in a pooling unit. John didn't know if the well was in production yet. He reports that there are a number of wells in the vicinity, but none that he knows of is paying royalties yet.

John reported that he had requested from the state that 492 be declared a "no mechanicals brake zone". Trucks can't use their engines to brake the truck. That request has to go through New Milford Township and John thought that it had gone through because he had some feedback (negative) from the township. Hopefully we can get some help to reduce the noise.

John reported that there are many pipelines being constructed throughout the area. All the wells have to be connected to the main pipeline, so the countryside is and will have many areas dug up.

There was question about well testing. John said that about thirty wells should have been tested. He mentioned that Southwestern has stated that home water should be tested within 3000 feet of a gas well.

John described an event that happened over the winter. After heavy rains and before the lake started freezing, it was noted the lake was extremely "muddy." Based on our past experience, this is an extremely unusual situation. We believed the cause was the earth excavation caused by the gas pipeline being installed at the north end of the lake.

We contacted the pipe line company, the Susquehanna County Soil and Water Department and the PA DEP and registered our complaints. Jim Garner from Susquehanna County reported that he had received a response from DEP on the sediment matters in the area including Page Lake. The DEP had done inspections before and after the rain. Price Gregory was found to be in violation of their

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sediment control plan in some locations.

It appeared that everyone, the DEP, Susquehanna County and the pipeline company took this very seriously and quickly improved the erosion control and subsequent rains did not show any mud flowing in the creeks.

John also discussed that the DEP is requiring new and expanded requirements both for the dam and for controlling algae (copper sulfate). As of 2013 we will be charged \$1500.00 per year for the dam. The permit for controlling algae will be for five years at a time and will cost us \$1000.00 for the first year and \$500.00 for the next four years. After five years we will have to reapply.

Steve Houghtalen and Don Burchell have been researching what permits are needed and how to go about dredging the lake. They have developed some questions and requirements and a list of companies that are in the business of dredging and potentially could help us develop the plan and cost for the DEP to approve. John reported that discussions with the DEP person who inspects our dam indicated that we could technically use our dam permit to maintain the dam. This would allow us to dredge one acre per year without any permitting.

What is delaying our progress is the new requirements that the DEP has placed on us for the dam. Examples of the new requirements are: The spillway has been determined to be inadequate for the new rainfall requirements. An estimate by our engineer is that the auxiliary spillway would have to be doubled in size. Also the DEP is requiring that we have the ability to drain the lake if needed. That would require a drain to be built that stretches into the lake and deep enough to drain the lake. Also the DEP is requiring us to inspect the outlet structure to prove that it is adequate and not have to be repaired. We are required that in addition to the annual inspection that the DEP does and the annual inspection that we have done by our engineer that we have to do quarterly inspections (by us) and keep copies that the DEP can review. Since modifications to the dam can be very costly, dredging has been delayed until we know what the dam modifications will cost.

Russ described the work that we are having done by our engineer. We are trying to minimize that changes that will have to be done. He is surveying the upper part of watershed that feeds the lake to better determine the amount of water that the dam has to pass. He is calculating the size of the alternate spillway and developing alternate solutions to try and minimize what has to be done. If any of the solutions require changes to the existing dam structure (not the auxiliary spillway) we will have to get new permits for the dam and would be extremely expensive.

John described a new rule that was passed at the 6/14/2013 board of directors meeting concerning floating docks. The rule was added to ARTICLE IX DOCKS, PIERS, RAFTS and FLOATS.

“Floating docks, anchored rafts, plastic islands, inflatable islands, buoys or anything anchored in the lake must be brought into shore every night. They may not be anchored past the end of the owner’s dock any night. If they do not have a dock they must be brought to shore.”

Diane Kemp described the events the Social Committee has planned which are described in the newsletter. Diane asked for volunteers for the Social Committee since we have lost some members.

The meeting was adjourned about 11:20am

Respectfully Submitted

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ARTICLE ON SEPTIC SYSTEMS FROM Pennsylvania Lake Management Society [PALMS]

People who live in a home served by a sanitary sewer system place their trust in professionals whose jobs are to design, monitor and maintain the sewer systems. But for others who must utilize an on-lot individual sewage system, commonly called a septic system, the proper use and maintenance of the system is the responsibility of each homeowner. This excerpt from a PALMS publication is intended to help you understand, operate and maintain your septic system.

A functioning septic system, one that is of correct design for its site, will remove disease-causing organisms and some nutrients and chemicals from wastewater. However, it is not designed to remove or treat many liquid pollutants such as solvents, automotive and lubricating oils, drain cleaners and other non-cleaning household chemicals. Proper location, design, construction, operation and maintenance of septic systems is critical to protecting water quality throughout a watershed. This is especially true when systems are located close to lakes and streams or in areas having shallow groundwater zones.

Septic systems that are not functioning properly can pose health threats. Bacterial contamination, for example, is a concern if a lake or stream is used as a source of drinking water or for recreational activities involving body contact such as swimming.

In addition to threatening human health, malfunctioning systems can also harm natural systems. Sewage is high in nutrients, nitrogen and phosphorus, which help plants grow. Untreated effluent that makes its way to lakes or tributary streams, either through surface flow or groundwater seepage, can contribute to increases in algae or aquatic plant growth. This over-enriched system, called eutrophic, can significantly impact a water body's health over a period of time.

Algae overgrowth, for instance, create blooms that cover surfaces, cloud water, block sunlight and deplete oxygen supplies needed by aquatic plants and animals. In extreme cases, oxygen depletion associated with untreated

sewage has created massive fish kills. Some nutrients and other pollutants generally are very slow to leave a lake system. Thus, untreated sewage discharges can have lingering effects long after a malfunction has been repaired.

Signs of a problem

- Slow draining toilets, showers, or sinks.
- Sewage backing up in the basement or drains.
- Ponded water or wet areas over the absorption field in your lawn.
- Bright green grass over the absorption field may indicate that effluent is coming to the surface.
- A dense stand of aquatic plants or algae growing only along your shoreline.
- Sewage odors.
- Bacteria or nitrates show up in tests of a nearby drinking water well.

Septic systems are safe and effective if selected, designed, located and constructed correctly. However, homeowners must actively monitor and maintain their systems. Because nutrients and other pollutants are generally very slow to leave a water body, a malfunctioning septic system can have a long term impact on water quality. The most common type of septic system consists of two primary components: 1) a septic tank for collecting waste and settling out solids; and 2) a soil absorption field for filtering the liquid waste. Where soil composition or depth is not suitable for a conventional septic tank/absorption field, other systems, such as elevated sand mounds, may be used.

Older methods of sewage disposal may use drywells instead of an absorption field or use a cesspool. These methods are allowed to be used, by law, if they were installed prior to the initiation of state regulations, but only until they are found to create a malfunction or be the source of a potential or actual health nuisance. These methods do not provide any certainty of adequate treatment and disposal of sewage.

ARTICLE ON SEPTIC SYSTEMS—Continued

The Septic Tank

Even though it has no moving parts, the septic tank requires regular maintenance. Annual inspections of the baffles are recommended to ensure that scum is not leaving the tank and entering the absorption field. Similarly, accumulated sludge must be removed on a regular basis. Otherwise, the tank capacity will be reduced so that solids are not able to settle out before the wastewater effluent leaves the tank.

The minimum frequency of sludge removal ("pumping") varies with the amount of use your system receives and may be regulated, in Pennsylvania, by local sewage management program ordinances. For the average family of four, a septic tank in normal use needs to be pumped out every three years. If you place heavier demands on a system, such as a large family or a garbage disposal, the tank may need to be pumped every year.

The Soil Filter

When the wastewater leaves the septic tank it flows to the absorption field. The absorption field consists of a network of perforated pipes (often plastic) laid out in a bed of trenches lined with gravel. However, the soil cannot remove dissolved solvents, automotive and lubricating oils, drain cleaners, and other household chemicals that can easily percolate into groundwater.

If the absorption field is properly located, designed and installed it will accept septic tank effluent for a very long time. Design life is normally a minimum of 20-25 years. The design presumes that in operation: 1) the field does not become overloaded with liquid, and 2) the septic tank is properly maintained and does not allow sludge or scum to escape and clog the field. Minimizing household water usage and waste output will extend the life of the absorption field and help keep it in good operating condition.

Some homes have septic systems that do not have sufficient capacity for the type of use they receive, are located too close to the water table, and/or are in poor soils. A final determination of their suitability for septic systems will be made by your local sewage enforcement officer.

The absorption field ceases to function when the soils surrounding it become saturated. This can happen when the system is overloaded or when the water table rises to the level of the absorption field. When the absorption field becomes saturated, septic effluent can rise to the field surface, enter groundwater, or travel underground and resurface at another water source—quite possibly a lake or a stream tributary. As you can see, whenever the absorption field becomes saturated, the sewage you flush flows essentially untreated into the surrounding environment.

Septic System Water Pollution Solutions

The following list of tips can help extend the life of your septic system and protect water quality:

- Limit the amount of water entering your septic tank. Give your system time to absorb exceptionally heavy loads. (It would be best not to immediately do five loads of laundry after hosting a party for twenty or so guests.) Use water-saving fixtures. Repair leaking toilets and dripping faucets.
- Do not connect foundation sump pumps or other "clean water" discharges to your septic system.
- Inspect your tank every year. Measure the level of sludge build-up and inspect the baffles for scum. Pump your septic tank at least every 3 years (or sooner as indicated by your annual inspection of the tank). Save money—organize neighborhood tank pumping!
- Get complete design and maintenance records from the previous owner when you buy a house with a septic system. Know the location of the system's components. Make a sketch showing locations and distances and keep the drawing in a safe place.
- Driveways, patios, aboveground pools and other structures should never be built over the absorption field. As much as one third of the water in septic effluent evaporates up through the ground over the absorption field.

ARTICLE ON SEPTIC SYSTEMS—Continued

- Avoid using a garbage disposal. Garbage disposals add tremendously to the amount of solids entering your septic tank.
- Discard grease in the garbage instead of the drain. Grease can clog the septic tank or the soils surrounding the absorption field. Also, use of liquid fabric softeners can contribute to excessive scum in the septic tank.
- Use toilet paper that decomposes easily. Purchase brands labeled "safe" for septic systems.
- Install a lint trap on your washing machine. Lint can clog the pipes in the absorption field.
- Read product labels! Use low phosphorus detergents and cleaning products whenever possible. Phosphorus is the nutrient most likely to cause damage to a waterway after leaving your septic system.
- Perform (at least) annual routine maintenance on any lift or distribution pumps associated with your system. Systems that utilize pumps will quickly back-up if a pump fails.
- Do not pour strong cleaning agents, chemicals, or old medicines down the drain. These can kill beneficial bacteria that break down waste in your septic system.
- Keep all non-biodegradable items such as sanitary napkins, disposable diapers, paper towels, and plastic out of your septic tank. They can block the tank's outlet and necessitate expensive repairs.
- Do not drive or park vehicles on your absorption field. Vehicles can compact soils and break pipes.
- Keep trees and shrubs at least 35 feet away from your field to prevent roots from plugging or breaking pipes.
- Avoid all so-called 'septic tank treatment additives. No additive can alleviate the need to regularly pump your septic tank; some, potentially, may actually promote clogging of your absorption field or contaminate groundwater.
- Route surface water drainage away from your absorption field. Snowmelt, rain and other surface runoff can temporarily inundate your field.
- Do not inhale gas emitted from an open septic tank. The atmosphere produced in your septic tank may suffocate you.
- Locate your absorption field as far away as possible from surface water to reduce its potential of becoming a source of contamination.

For additional information, visit the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's website at www.dep.state.pa.us. Go to: Wastewater (Keyword) where you will find numerous resources.

You may also e-mail your inquiries to: ra-epaskdep@state.pa.us

Organizations to Contact for Further Assistance:

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
Office of Water Management

www.dep.state.pa.us

Pennsylvania Lake Management Society

info@palakes.org

North American Lake Management Society -

www.nalms.org



Chili Cook-Off
Saturday, 8/2 ~ The Clubhouse ~
6:00 pm
Rain or Shine

**The Social Committee is Supplying Hot Dogs,
Cold Drinks & Coffee**

Bring a Chili or a Dish to Share

Chili Should be Hot & Ready to Serve w/Ladle
Bring Any Toppings that Your Chili Needs

**Posters with entries must NOT be LARGER
THAN 12" by 18"**

If you are Not Bringing a Chili:

Families whose last names begin with "A-M" please bring a
dessert to share

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dish** to share

Please Bring a Serving Spoon if Your Dish Requires One

**There will be a 50/50 drawing at the end of
the night**



Have a Safe, Fun, and Happy Summer.

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Areas you would like to see the Board of Directors focus on:

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