Lake Lakengren News

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HOT FUN IN THE SUMMERTIME

Independence Day Celebration



The annual Andrew Gaydosh & Associates-sponsored Fireworks Celebration is Saturday, July 6. Here are the details:

- Dam closes noon
- Pool open noon to 8 pm
- Marina fuel open noon to 8 pm
- No-wake begins 7 pm
- Boat ramp closed 8 to 11 pm
- Fireworks at the dam begin at 10 pm
- Spectator parking available at marina, athletic field & lodge

Gasper Fire & EMS will be onsite to help monitor the fireworks. Don't forget to register your guests by calling the Lakengren front gate at 937-456-2646 or using the Gatehouse application (link found on our website). For more information on using the visitor registration system, see "How Do I...register a visitor" on the Lakengren POA website, www.lakengrenpoa.org. or see page 8 of this newsletter.

Note the A&E summer concert with the Worley Boys will be held Friday, July 5, from 7-10 pm at the marina.



July 5: Summer Concert, Worley Boys, 7 PM, Marina (plus Women's Club Bake Sale)

July 6: Independence Day Celebration, Fireworks at 10 PM, Marina

July 6: Gasper Fire & EMS Annual Boot Drive

July 6, 13, 20, 27: Travel Disc Golf, 9 AM

July 11, 18, 25, 27: Cornhole League, 6 PM, Lodge

July 13: Mermaids at Pool, 2-4 PM, Pool

July 17: Kids Paint Class, 5 PM, Marina

July 19: Summer Concert, Daglio, 7 PM, Marina

July 21: Pickleball Tourney, 3 PM, Tennis Court

July 21, 28: Volleyball League, 6:30 PM, Marina

July 23, 29: Adult Paint Class, 6-8 PM, Marina

July 22: LPOA Open Board Meeting, 7 PM, Lodge

July 26: Euchre Tourney, 7 PM, Lodge

July 28: Summer Open Bass Tournament, 6:30 AM, Marina (practice July 23)

July 29: Family Outdoor Movie Night, 9:30-11 PM, Marina

July 30: Adult Crafts, 6-8 PM, Marina



INDEPENDENCE DAY AROUND THE LAKE



Deputy Dan Stevenson

Personal Fireworks

When can Ohioans discharge consumer grade fireworks (1.4G) to celebrate Independence Day this year?

According to Ohio State law that took effect July 1, 2022: July 3, 4, and 5, and the weekends immediately before and after (**4 pm-11 pm**)

Fireworks Safety

According to Ohio law, the following safety measures apply:

- Ohioans can only discharge 1.4G fireworks the federal designation for consumer-approved fireworks.
- People can set off fireworks on their own property or another person's property with their permission.
- Fireworks are prohibited on public property and private school property.
- Fireworks must be discharged outdoors.
- Person must be age 18 or older to handle or discharge fireworks; persons under the age of 18 must be at least 150 feet away from where fireworks are being discharged.
- No person can use fireworks while in possession or under the influence of any intoxicating liquor, beer, or controlled substance.
- Aerial devices cannot be discharged within 150 ft of spectators (includes roman candles, cakes, bottle rockets and aerial shells)
- Non-aerial devices cannot be discharged within 50 ft of spectators (includes fountains, firecrackers, and ground effect devices)

All Hail To The Red, White and Starry Blue







These pictures, taken around Lake Lakengren by photographer Barbara Rose, bring to mind the music of bandmaster John Philip Sousa, also known as the "March King," one of the most famous composers of military marches. He is likely best known for "The Stars and Stripes Forever," the official national march of the USA.



MANAGER'S CORNER: WATER MANAGEMENT

General Manager Joe Overton shares updates from our lake management provider, Aqua Doc

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As you may have noticed, Aqua Doc Lake and Pond Management have been on the main lake recently. We have done some regular treatments for filamentous algae and submersed vegetation. We applied EPA registered algaecides and herbicides to help the areas of nuisance growth. While out managing the nuisance growth, we started to see planktonic algae. This is the type of algae that turns the water a pea soup green color. Under the right conditions, it can turn to cyanobacteria which will produce toxins. To help remedy this problem, we have done a treatment with a floating copper-based product. This product will allow for more contact time with the planktonic algae which is in the water column.

The main lake is producing more algae and submersed vegetation due to several different factors that could promote growth. Examples would be timing of rain, weather (temperature), fertilizer applications, and zebra mussels. Bodies of water change every year. We can tell that the lake has a higher-than-normal reading of phosphorus based on what is growing. It is in the same situation as many other bodies of water in the area. Primarily, you will see more phosphorus entering the body of water through runoff from agricultural fields and fertilizer.

What we can do right now is treat the lake for algae and submersed vegetation. This will be the most cost-effective way to be sure the lake is usable. The treatment plans can be arranged in different formats. For example, we could do bi-weekly, monthly, just coves, shorelines, spot treatments, etc. We, as fishermen, understand the value of vegetation for habitat. We do not want to wipe everything out, but we want to find the happy median between recreation, fishing, and aesthetics.

We have received questions regarding nutrient mitigation primarily phosphorus. Phosphorus mitigation is costly and a long process. It will take extensive testing and time to come up with the proper dosage of phosphorus reducing agents. With a project of this size, it will be very costly. You could expect to pay half a million dollars or more. It is also important to mention there is no guarantee that it will fix the issue moving forward. There are other factors that will inhibit success, such as new phosphorus entering the body of water from run off or other sources. If those sources are not remedied phosphorus will be right back in the lake.

If anyone has any questions, we will answer them the best we can. As a company we have lots of experience managing bodies of water and aquatic biologists on staff. We look forward to continuing providing solutions for the Lakengren Community.

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Working full time on Lake & Pond Management... So you don't have to.



WHAT'S THE BUZZ...COMMITTEES AND CLUBS

Women's Club Tours Miami Hamilton Conservatory

The Women's Club met at the Conservatory of Miami Hamilton in June to learn about the collection of plants and flowers housed there. The Conservatory is home to many unusual plants from around the world.

The Conservatory is largely managed by faculty and students for educational and research purposes but is open to the public Monday--Saturday. Multiple galleries contain plants acquired from a variety of habitats ranging from tropical to desert to prairie.



Card Club Winners

Looking for people who like to play cards, make friends and have fun! Join us on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM at the Lodge to play cards.

April 9th Pinochle

1st Pat Maynard 594 2nd Cora Hodgins 588 3rd Dave Monebrake 528 **April 23rd Pinochle** 1st Nancy Poffenberger 597

2nd Cora Hodgins 571 3rd Carolyn Seals 567 **April 3oth Bid Euchre** 1st Dot Carter 156 2nd Margaret Jones 153 3rd Pat Maynard 142

May 14th Pinochle

1st Barb Newton 589
2nd Nancy Poffenberger 570
3rd Cora Hodgson 530
May 21st Euchre
1st Barb Newton 158
2nd Dottie Carter 152
3rd Verna Ward 147
May 28th Pinochle
1st Jim Seals 584
2nd Nancy Poffenberger 558
3rd Verna Ward 534



Sunset on beautiful Thor Lake in June Photo by Deb Schafer





MORE BUZZ... A&E's Kids Fishing Derby at Hammer Lake

Good Fishing? You Betcha!

June 8 dawned bright and sunny for hardy young Vikings intent on scoring the longest or the most fish to be caught this day.

According to photographer Nikki Hickman Perrin, who captured this perfect day for fishing in a series of photos posted to the A&E Facebook page, "this was my first time attending this event and it was so much fun to see these kids in action!" Thanks A&E for helping Lakengren families create these special memories.



Photos by Nikki Hickman Perrin

Longest Catch Winners

and Biggest Bass



Mason Starks



Abel Cummings

Ayden Workman







Harper Paxton

Kinzie Erbaugh

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Kiara Thomas

Most Caught Winners



MORE BUZZ... A&E's Kids Fishing Derby at Hammer Lake











Maddox Fiemeyer

Adalyne Fiemeyer

Mylo Paxton

Brantley Doles

Weylen Rogers

Smallest Catch and Additional Winners













SPOTLIGHT ON... Ohio Lake Community Association (OLCA) Spring 2024 Meeting

By Jim Noll and Paul Ellison, LPOA Board Members

What Is OCLA?

The Ohio Lake Community Association (OLCA) is an organization comprised of 23-member lake communities located in Ohio, SE Indiana, and Pennsylvania. The total population of the member lake communities is over 36,000 people. Lakengren has been a part of this organization since its founding. Two meetings are held each year – in the spring and fall – at a chosen lake community site. The Spring 2024 OLCA meeting was held at Cinnamon Lake – a community of 1,237 people with a lake of 135 acres located near Ashland, OH – on May 8 & 9. Lake association managers, directors, and designated representatives attend these meetings / conferences, for the purpose of sharing experiences, problem solving, determining commonalities and shared issues, etc. It is quite enlightening how much in common the member communities share – whether it be activities, problems and concerns, relevant issues, finances and so on. John Jolley, legal counsel for the OL-CA and LPOA, attends these meetings to offer advice and insight. Those in attendance leave these meetings with a sense of shared purpose and camaraderie with the other member communities, along with valuable resources and ideas to bring back to their individual property owners associations.

Why Is It Important to the Community?

Topics of discussion at the Spring 2024 OLCA Meeting included finding & retaining qualified employees; employee handbook issues; HOA / POA legal advice and issues; OLCA Executive Board reports and updates; a discussion on lake regulations and safety – including a discussion on wake boats and wake surfng – led by a representative from the ODNR; lake phosphorous reduction strategies; how to adopt and enforce rules in your community; zebra mussels; weed control and lake sediment solutions. Attendees also discussed the need for lobbying the legislature and other parts of state government to make them aware of the special needs of lake communities. The ODNR representative pledged cooperation with local POA's in working with state government as well as assistance in addressing local problems. The election of OLCA board members was held and Paul Ellison was reelected to another three year term. Additionally, those in attendance had the opportunity to tour the host community's facilities as well as assess the quality of roads, community buildings, types of homes, the lake and related amenities. Attendees departed the meeting with knowledge and insight that should prove beneficial in their own communities.

Lakengren to Host the Conference Here in September

The next OLCA Meeting and Conference will be held in September of 2024 at Lakengren. We last hosted the conference in 2012. All local property owners are eligible to attend sessions in September for no charge. The LPOA BOT, Management Team, committee members, volunteers and staff look forward to the opportunity to host the meeting, present a worth-while agenda of topics for presentation and discussion, as well as welcoming the chance to showcase our community.

Next Open Board Meeting is July 22, 7 pm, at Lodge. Coming Next Month: More Summer Ahead

Guest Registration using the GateHouse application

WEBSITE

- 1. Use any Web browser, go to: https://lakengrenPOA.org.
- 2. Click the GateHouse logo on our Home page.
- 2. Default Username & Password = lot number + last name. Note: lot number must be 4 digits; add a zero in front of 3-digit lots.
- 3. Once logged in, Select Visitors then click Add Visitor.
- 4. Enter visitor info. Required fields are shown with an *.
- 5. Click Save Visitor.

WELCOME TO LAKENGREN!



VISITOR REGISTRATION



GateHouse **MOBILE APP** Business

- 1. From your App Store/Google Play, search "GateHouse Solutions".
- 2. Download, install, & open the app.
- 3. Default Username & Password = lot number + last name.
- 4. Default Client Code = 239239.
- 5. Once logged in, Select Visitors then click Add Visitor.
- 6. Enter visitor info. Required fields are shown with an *.
- 7. Click Save Visitor.

For more in depth instructions, please visit our Website, How Do I section. https://lakengrenpoa.org/how-do-i-1



LPOA BOT APPLICATION POLICY

Date of Adoption: March 27, 2023

Motion #: 23-03-034 SUBJECT: DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY FOR LPOA BOARD OF TRUS-TEES

Reason for Policy: To provide guidelines for declaring candidacy for the Board of Trustees Source of Board Authority: Code of Regulations of Lakengren Property Owners Association, Inc. Article IV, and Article XIII-b.

- 1. To be on the ballot as a candidate for the LPOA Board of Trustees the person must be a Full Voting Member in good standing of the Association and have been a property owner for at least six months immediately preceding the election. If elected, the successful candidate must remain a member in good standing for the remainder of their term. Failure to remain a member in good standing will disqualify the member for continued service on the board. A disqualified member can no longer vote or take part in board meetings as a member of the board. Disqualification must be removed within fifteen days of being notified of the change in status or the disqualified member will be asked to resign.
- 2. All candidates must file a completed Declaration of Candidacy with the Office Manager.
- 3. To be on the annual meeting agenda and address the BOT/audience a Declaration of Candidacy must be submitted to the Office Manager at least four business days prior to the Annual Meeting.
- 4. Any person nominated at the Annual Meeting must file a completed Declaration of Candidacy with the Office Manager within five calendar days following the Annual Meeting in order to officially declare their candidacy and appear on the ballot.
- 5. All Declarations of Candidacy must be submitted no later than the close of business five calendar days after the Annual Meeting



2024 Declaration of Candidacy For Lakengren Property Owners Association Trustee

Name:	_Lot #:
Address:	
Email:	

QUESTIONNAIRE

- 1. What skills, knowledge, abilities and/or talents do you possess that are relevant to the position of LPOA Trustee?
- 2. Why are you a candidate for the position of LPOA Trustee?
- 3. What is your level of involvement in the activities of Lakengren? How long have you lived in Lakengren? Why did you choose to live in Lakengren?
- 4. Have you attended any of the LPOA Board of Trustees meetings? How often?
- 5. Are you able to attend the regular meetings of the LPOA Board of Trustees?
- 6. What are the most important issues facing Lakengren? How would you address these issues?
- 7. Please feel free to address any other issues you feel are important.







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PRACTICE: July 21, 2024 6:30am- 2:30pm TOURNAMENT: July 28, 2024 6:30am- 2:30pm

Biggest bass wins 75% of big bass pot 2nd biggest bass wins 25% of big bass pot

Possible Prizes

1st Place: \$1,000.00 2nd Place: \$600.00 3rd Place: \$420.00 4th Place: \$340.00

Prizes based on full field of 40 boats

Tournament Sponsored By: Lakengren POA



MAKE sure fireworks are legal in your area MORE THAN 14,000 4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS EXPLODE ACROSS THE NATION EACH YEAR