

2020 RDLA Christmas Newsletter

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Neighbors Being Neighborly

(Larry Jolivette suggested adding a new Newsletter column and submitted our first article. What a great idea! Please email me your “good neighbor” stories and I’ll include them here.)

“My nominee for the first issue would be to recognize Steve and Char Miller for their kindness. They are my neighbors. They have a night security light that comes on at dusk and goes off at dawn. The light sits right next to my screened in porch. The light has always been kind of bright when we are sitting out at night on the porch solving all of the world’s problems, however, in recent times it got brighter as the power company improved the fixture with an LED monster light. I asked Steve and Char if they’d ever consider moving the light and I’d be happy to help physically and monetarily. I think it took Steve about 5 minutes to jump on the possibility and he immediately called the power company and made arrangements. He included me in the process and was so accommodating it warms my heart. Steve and Char had every right to just leave the light as it has been for 20-30 years, but they really were helpful and are always great neighbors. Thanks Steve and Char.”



Message from the VEEP

Winter-time greetings my fellow Rock Damians!!! Well, I don't know about ya all, but it just won't be a proper Rock Dam winter without some good 'ol B-I-N-G-O! I may be biased about all that just a little!!

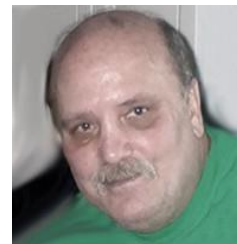
It's with a heavy heart that I announce to the RDLA and members that Cindy, Gage and I will be selling our cabin and moving to Tomah full time. This is where my practice is and where Gage attends school. He will, hopefully, be getting involved in various school activities and we want to be here for that. It's a new chapter in our lives and we are ready to embrace it. Selling the cabin is the fiscally and time-wise thing to do. We will miss our Rock Dam family BUT we will not be gone forever!!!!

I have PROMISED I will return for some bingo fundraisers once we can do all that again!!!! And Rock Dam days and various other fun times!! Rock Dam is in our heart!!!

So everyone stay healthy and remember to keep an eye out for any announcements regarding upcoming BINGO events AND keep Rock Dam as awesome as it always is!!! XOXOX

Not goodbye....until next time!!!

Dr.B



In Memory

Don Lamovec

November 3, 1955 - September 2, 2020

Rock Dam lost another longtime resident this fall. Our condolences and heartfelt sympathies to the Lamovec family.

We will all miss Don and his trademark Chicago accent.

President's Corner

Here we are at the end of another year and it has definitely been a year like no other. Normally I'd be doing a recap of all the fun events that the Lake Association puts on, but this year will be remembered for what didn't happen. The good news is that despite the pandemic, I'm only aware of two members/neighbors that caught the Covid virus and they have recovered. At the end of the day, our member's health and safety are more important than any event.

Even though we were not able to hold our Rock Dam Days Fireworks Extravaganza, Cal's along with local donors provided a very respectable show put on by your previous RDLA President Todd Scheel.

We were able to hold our annual Labor Day Weekend Pancake Breakfast, carryout style. Most of us thought that the turnout would be smaller than usual, but we had more customers than ever before and actually sold out! I guess some members prefer their pancake breakfast in bed as long as they can talk someone else into going and picking it up. It was great to see so much support from the community.

I hope all of you have a many great family memories this year. And, that is what it's really all about! I'm certain this year will make us all appreciate what we have at Rock Dam that much more once things get back to normal. Again, everything we do happens because individuals and businesses that care get involved and donate their time, money and resources. In some cases, all of the above. Rock Dam truly is a special place because of all of you that help make those memories. Thank you so much!

Last but not least, we are losing our Vice President – Bridget Owens-Parris. Dr. B, Cindy and Gage are moving to Tomah full time as they embrace their expanded family responsibilities. I know it is a tough decision but one that is driven by their hearts. Dr. B has brought so much to the lake and the Lake Association is so much better for it. She has promised to come back for Bingo's and we will hold her to that. We wish you and your family the best as you move into this next chapter. Best wishes!

To each of you and your families, Merry Christmas and a Healthy, Happy New Year full of special memories!
Kevin

\$\$\$ Firewise Funding will be available in 2021 \$\$\$

Unfortunately there weren't any DNR activities allowed for Firewise projects in 2020. We don't know if there will be DNR funding in 2021. Since reducing wildfire risk is a focus of the RDLA, the Lake Association Board had decided that some Bingo Fundraising in 2020 would go to provide matching funds, up to \$500 per homeowner, for projects that reduce Homeowner Ignition Zone Risk. The rules for receiving funds will be the same as they were for the State funding and the DNR team will still do the assessments and determine the projects that make the best use of the funding. More details will be shared via mail in the Spring and at the May meeting.

Pancake Breakfast

Who would have ever thought a carryout Pancake Breakfast would work? Dr. B did! She suggested it. It's crazy but it was our biggest breakfast ever!

Thanks again to everyone that made this possible.

We received donations from: AKA Lakeside, Cal's Rock Dam Resort, the Clark County Dairy Promotion Board, Deb & Bill Chwala, Grassland Dairy Products, Kwik Trip, Greg & Linda Pittz, the Rock Dam Rod and Gun Club, Ruth Tiry and Joan & Jim Trierweiler.

Thanks to all of our helpers: Rolf DeRouin, Virginia & Kevin Hendricks, Ed Irish, Steph Marten, Cynthia & Jim McGovern, Steve Miller, Bridget Owens-Parris, Bobby Parris, Gage Parris, Linda & Greg Pittz, Ruth Tiry and Rob Walker.

A special thanks to all of our Customers! Maybe we should offer a carryout option every year.

Boat Launch Project

Great News! Funding for the boat launch repair project has been approved by the Clark County Board in the 2021 budget. There will be more information provided once the project details are finalized and timing has been decided. I'm sure we will have an update for the next Newsletter and meeting.



Carryout Pancake Breakfast

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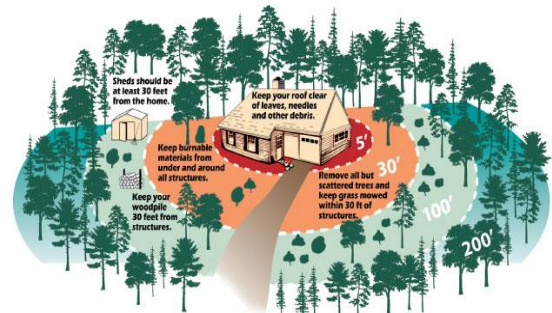
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