



Remembering the Past – Improving the Future ...promoting the care, improvement, and general welfare of the Briggs Lake Chain [Julia, Briggs, Rush and Big Elk] and the adjoining and connecting waters.

Mark your calendar... For these upcoming meetings

■ Healthy

Lakes-

11/7

6:30

p.m.

■ TLID

6:30 p.m. ■ Palmer Twp Board 11/12 7:00 p.m. ■ BLCA Board Mtg 11/9 8:30 a.m. ■ Clear Lake Twp Board 11/19 7:00 p.m. Board of Adjustment 11/7 6:00 p.m.

11/4

November Lake Report - The Presidents letter Brad Kipp email: bradkipp1@gmail.com cell: 612 810 6738

It is the time of year when lake activities are starting to wind down. We remember the good times with family and friends. It doesn't matter if you are a kid getting ready for "Back to School" or a "snowbird" getting ready to go South. We all say, "Where did the summer go"? We had a great summer. Yes, there were four highwater events and hopefully no more.

Ooh aah .. We really have a great July 4th fireworks display for a relatively small association. I think the attendance at Palmer Day parade and activities at the park

are record breaking for a small township like Palmer. These are just a few of the reasons we love the small town feel of our lakes.

As we transition to fall and winter, it is time to drop your flip flop sandals and dig out your "Fargo red plaid hat" with the ear flaps. We can look forward to some winter events. The Lighted Train (four wheelers decorated for Christmas) parade is planned for December 7th. More details to follow on that event. The annual "Ice Day on the Lake" is in planning for February.

Last year we had a game night at the Palmer Town Hall. I think it was in February. A couple people asked me if we would have a winter game night in 2020. I say, "YES, let's do it". Unlike a flotilla on one of the lakes, that can be done spontaneously with a Facebook post, we need to preplan a winter event. We need to reserve a date and book the town hall. If anyone wants to volunteer to "take the lead" and plan a winter event, let me know. Call or email me and I will help you get things going.

A few years ago the LAKE REPORT newsletter used to have a "Remember the Past" section. I think we should renew that column in the newsletter. Recently, I was talking with a long time resident on the lake. We were talking about the high water. He told me that sometime in the 1980's we had a high water level of 6 foot over flood stage. Wow, that is twice the level of any high water this year. I have been on the lake since 2000. I didn't know that.

I know one board member that has a picture of their cabin from 1939. That would be cool to see.

I invite you to send your "Remembering the Past" memories and pictures to Deb Stacey, our newsletter editor (email Deb at Debbie.stacey@comcast.net)

We are looking for some pictures and the story or a few words to go with the pictures. We will publish some each month.

There has been a lot of discussion on removing the carp barrier on Rush Lake. Last week there was an educational meeting at the Palmer Town Hall. This was more then just the carp barrier. A complete review of all the things related to our high water events was presented. A recap of the meeting and a slide show is on the website.

This week a motion and a 2nd was presented to the board of directors. The motion was to remove the carp barrier on Rush Lake. We have 17 board members. There were 15 votes to remove the barrier, 2 members did not vote and there were not any NO votes The motion was passed. We will start the

process of removing the barriers.

The monthly board of director meetings are at the Town Hall, the second Saturday of the month starting 8:30 AM. All lake residents are welcome to attend. If you have questions, concerns or suggestions for the board, please let me know.

Thanks ... Brad

### JUST SOME F.Y.I. INFORMATION

If you have an Amazon Account you can designate on the smile program for the BLCA to receive 5% of each of your purchases. Please consider adding us to add to our account.

The State annual report and the State Annual renewal have been completed and sent in.

Committees are formed on the board with a board member in all lead positions. We are always looking for people who want to get involved. Please contact a board member if you would like to take part in any of the committees. Look on our briggs lake chain website for the committees.

Door Prizes are always appreciated. Contact Adele Munsterman if you have anything you would like to donate. Adele can be reached at munstrushlake@aol.com or by phone at 612-310-7791

If you have updates to our membership list please contact Debbie Stacey at debbie.stacey@comcast.net

BRIGGS LAKE CHAIN FINANCIALS KERRI WELCH Financial Statement for 9/30/2019

Total Income budget 34,595

yr to date actual 39,997 Variance 5,402.45

Total Expenses budget 33,975

Total expenses yr to date 24,698

Variance 9,277.02

Total in savings and checking 96,360.74

Please check the website for minutes from our board meetings. If you have any questions or comments our board members are also featured on the website with contact information.

Again, we encourage ALL lake residents to get involved. It's easy and you meet lots of your neighbors. Lake reps are needed on Briggs, Rush and Julia.

IF YOU LIVE ON ONE OF THE FOUR LAKES and you are not a member of the BLCA please consider joining.

Check the BLCA website for this years membership form.

# **REMINDERS!**

You can find a copy of our handy dandy 'Welcome' booklet on the www.briggslakechainassociation.com website.

## ->Briggs Lake Chain Association Contact Info<-

The Lake Report is published for the benefit of BLCA members and lake residents. Please submit articles and feedback by the 20th of the month for inclusion in the next issue. Email or snail mail copy to the Editor.

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#### **TOWNSHIP MEETINGS**

### **Palmer Township**

The Palmer Township Board meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Township Hall. Let Kelly McCann know of agenda items by email at: palmertwp@gmail.com by noon on Tuesday before the meeting or call her at 743-2100. Our website is: www.palmertownshipmn.org

### **Clear Lake Township**

The Clear Lake Township Board meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Township Hall. Let the Township clerk know of agenda items by Thursday morning before the meeting. To contact Clear Lake Township, please call 320-743-2472 or email the Township Clerk at: clearlaketwp@hotmail.com

Our website is: www.clearlaketownship.org

\_Please attend your respective Township meeting and voice your concerns about matters relating to our lakes.







PLEASE EMAIL DEB ANY PICTURES YOU TAKE OF THE LAKE, THE SCENERY AND THE FUN YOU HAVE IN THE SUMMER TO

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and you may see them published in a newsletter in the future ALSO

if you have any memories, pictures of the past, etc. I would love to add them. We will be adding a section in the newsletter titled Remembering the Past. We would like to include historical things about our four lakes.



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