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February 2020 LAKE REPORT

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

February Lake Report - The Presidents Letter

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Greetings,

By the time you read this winter will be half over. Now that's a positive outlook. 😊

We have kicked off our annual membership and fundraising drive. The 2020 Sponsorship / Membership and donation request form was "snail mailed" the first week of January. If you didn't receive it, email Debbie Stacey, chairperson of our membership committee at debbie.stacey@comcast.net for a copy.

I know some people got their forms because I got a few emails in the first week with questions. One question was, " I donated \$75.00 for fish stocking in Big Elk. How can I be sure the donation is spent on Big Elk?" All donations for AIS (Aquatic Invasive Species) , Fireworks & Big Elk fish stocking have a designated line in the budget. The funds are only spent for the designated category. They are not spent on other things. If anyone wants a detailed copy of the 2020 budget, let me know. I will email it to you.

Your membership sign and confirmation we got your donation will be mailed soon. In recent years we have made the signs with a heavier paper, laminated both sides and punched holes in the top. Now they hold up better and are easier to hang. This spring I hope to see lots of signs on display popping up like little red tulips.

Also in the January mailing were the green sheets. These are the forms to use if you want your individual property sprayed for weeds. They were only sent to lake shore properties on Briggs, Julia and Rush. Big Elk doesn't have the kind of submerged weeds and algae the other three lakes have. If you want your shoreline sprayed and didn't get the form, let me know. I will email you a copy.

Our BLCA sponsored event for February is WINTER GAME NIGHT at Palmer town hall Friday the 28th from 6:30 - 9:30. If you have questions or want more information call or email Leslie McCormick at mcc.les@icloud.com or call her at 651 454 8244 or call Karen Jones at 612 743 7186. It sounds like fun. Sorry I can't be there. I am "working" remotely that week in a warmer climate.

The lake association motto is: 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 adjoining and connecting waterways.

Thank You in advance for renewing your membership and donating to our other activities.

Brad

PS: I just got an email letting me know in the first two weeks of January we already have 70 memberships and 10 of them of are first time new members.

Mark your calendar... For these upcoming meetings

T LID Meeting Monday, 2/3 6:30 (1st Monday)

Healthy Lakes Thursday, 2/6 6:30 (1st Thursday)

Palmer Township Meeting Monday, 2/10 7:00 (2nd Monday)

Clear Lake Township Meeting Tuesday, 2/18 7:00 (3rd Tuesday)

BLCA Board Meeting Saturday, 2/8 8:30 (2nd Saturday)

Board of Adjustments Thursday, 2/13 5:30 (2nd Thursday)



THIS EVENT HAS BECOME VERY POPULAR.....THANKS TO FOREST BROTHEN FOR THE HARD WORK THAT GOES INTO THE PLANNING AND EXECUTION OF THIS EVENT. THERE WAS A GREAT TURNOUT LAST YEAR AND HOPING IT'S EVEN BIGGER THIS YEAR.

Committes 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 12/31/2019

Income to date: \$40,094.75

Expenses to date: \$30,039.05

Net Proceeds: \$10,055.70

Rapid Response Savings Account: \$41,299.27

Operating Funds: \$65,138.17

Checking Total Funds Held: \$1,641.40

Total BLCA Assets \$108,078.84

Questions on the financials, please contact Treasurer Kerri Welch at BLCAtreasurer@yahoo.com



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 or contact Debbie Stacey at Debbie.stacey@comcast.net

REMINDERS!

You can find a copy of our handy dandy 'Welcome' booklet on the www.briggslakechainassociation.com website. In January/February the Welcome booklet will be updated. If you would like a new copy please let the membership chair (Deb Stacey) know and one will be sent to you.

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

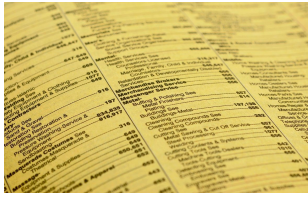
The Palmer Township Board meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Township Hall. Let Kelly McCann know of agenda items by email at: palmertwp@gmail.com by noon on Tuesday before the meeting or call her at 743-2100. Our website is: www.palmertownshipmn.org

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

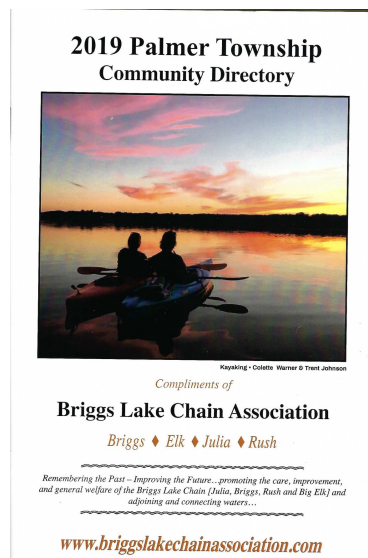
Please attend your respective Township meeting and voice your concerns about matters relating to our lakes.



DIRECTORY

We are in the process of updating the Palmer Directory.

IF you have changes to your phone contact us so we can get the correct number printed in the directory. Thanks in advance.



2020 COVER PHOTO CONTEST The BLCA is seeking photos that reflect our lake community to place on the cover of our 2020 community directory. The winner will get \$25 and the honor of having his/her photo gracing the directory. The contest ends April 1, 2020 so comb through your digital files and/or snap photos. Please make your submissions as soon as possible to make sure the deadline isn't missed. Enter your PDF or JPEG files to our directory editor at mmcabin2019@gmail.com Call 320-249-6614 with questions.



2ND ANNUAL GAME NIGHT
SPONSORED BY THE BLCA

Will be a fun evening at Palmer Town Hall.

Questions, call Leslie McCormick (or Karen Jones. Their numbers are listed above in Brad's Presidents letter.

See you there !!!

There is a gentleman looking for scrap Sheetmetal. If you have any laying around that you want to get rid of, please contact Dave Bokelman at 320-293-4070



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