



Lake Lorraine Restoration & Protection Assoc., Inc. Not so Quarterly News Letter

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2nd Annual Fishing Derby

Despite the frigid temperatures (-25 Wind Chill) and the condition of the ice, the LLR&PA 2nd Annual Fishing Derby was a success.

This year's derby winners were:

- Jeff Kedrowski – Northern Pike 26 1/8" and Blue Gill 6 1/2"
- Al Zomer – Perch 5 3/16" and Blue Gill 7 1/2"
- Chris Dewey – Blue Gill 6"

Congratulations and Thank You for participating in the *LLR&PA Catch and Release program*.

A special thanks to the LLR&PA Board, the Fishing Derby Committee and all of those who contributed their time and effort. **We also would like to extend our gratitude** to all of the local area businesses that contributed food and/or raffle prizes (See page 4 for a list of these businesses).

Without everyone's support, this event would not be the success that it has been the past 2 years. If only Mother Nature would cooperate with us, we would have one heck of an event!!



LLR&PA Annual Meeting

This year's meeting was held on April 1 (the first Saturday of April) at 11:00 AM at the Richmond Town Hall. The agenda for this year's meeting was:

- Presidents Report
- Treasurers Report
 - Annual Dues
 - Fishing Derby Update
 - Status on IRS Not-for-profit status
- Secretaries Report
- Fund Raising
- Officer Elections
- Lake Management Plan
 - Plans for 2006
- New Business
- Adjournment

This year's meeting was very well attended and the board thanks everyone for attending and showing an interest in the health of Lake Lorraine.

This year, the terms of President and Vice President ended. Dorothy Camodeca declined reelection as

President. Robin Johnson was nominated from the floor and was unanimously elected to the post of President. Bill Yoss was unanimously reelected to the post of Vice President. Neil Sawyer was unanimously elected to Director. If you would like to review the meeting minutes, please see the LLR&PA website (<http://llrpa.cjcsq.net>).



Lake Lorraine Weed Harvest a Success

As a result of our lake study, efforts of the LLR&PA Board and our participation in the Walworth County Lakes Association, a plan was developed to mechanically harvest the lake weeds and was presented to the membership at the annual meeting. Dave Fetzer, owner of Aquatic Engineering, a firm that specializes in mechanical weed harvesting, provided to the membership information on who Aquatic Engineering is and what it is that they do, and also answered questions from the membership. As a result, the board was directed to proceed with the plan to mechanically harvest the lake weeds.

The harvesting was carried out in late June by Aquatic Engineering. It took 4 days to clear away 45 truck loads of lake weeds. As a result of this effort, Lake Lorraine residents now enjoy a lake that has an open boating channel and several open fish cruising lanes. In conversations with a number of area residents, the feed back has been very positive. It is also very heart warming to see people enjoying the lake again.

Special thanks goes out to *Tony Novak* who took it upon himself to put together the permit request to the DNR, work with area residents to raise the necessary funds to accomplish the weed harvesting and to contract with and oversee the work done by Aquatic Engineering.

Special thanks also goes out to *Bill Yoss* who donated \$1,000.00 to the weed harvesting effort and the use of a portion of his property for the disposal of the harvested lake weeds. We also want to thank Carole Stanczak and the Lake Lorraine Association for their very generous donations.

If you get a chance, please pass along your thanks and gratitude to all of these individuals for a job well done!

We also want to thank the lake front property owners who stepped up and paid to have the shoreline harvested.



First Annual Block Party

LLR&PA and the Lake Lorraine Association have organized a Lake Lorraine Block Party open to all our lake residents, their families and invited guests to be held on August 26. Hopefully this will be the first of many fun and successful annual block parties. The goal of this year's block party is to get to know our neighbors and to have a lot of fun. A number of activities have been planned for everyone's enjoyment. Hope to see everyone there!!!

Please remember to bring your own lawn chairs/picnic blankets, beverages, bug spray and sun block. For a small donation, there will be Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Brats, Corn-on-the-cob, Brownies and Rice Krispy treats available for your dining pleasure.

We would like to thank the Block Party Planning Committee for their efforts in pulling together this event. So our thanks go out to Dorothy Camodeca, Chris Chmielewski, Helen Person, Linda Schaumburg, Joe Soper, Jeanne Yaunke and everyone that has donated their time. A special thanks goes to the Richmond Town Board for granting us permission to use the park, providing electrical hook ups and helping us with the garbage clean up.



On the Water's Edge Chapter 2

"Clean" Lawns Can Make Dirty Water"

Owners of shoreland property often bring with them the traditional landscaping ideas centered on the conventional suburban yard that strives for the "clean" look of a golf course or a beach. Yet, besides eliminating fish and wildlife habitat, this type of landscaping also creates problems for homeowners such as:

- **Green water:** A mowed lawn sends rain runoff carrying fertilizers, pet waste, and lawn clippings to the water, where they fuel algae blooms that make swimming less enjoyable.
- **More erosion:** Water plants such as bulrushes, cattails, and coontail soften the erosive effects of waves along shores. Removing these plants increases erosion.

- **Nuisance wildlife problems:** Manicured lawns attract geese, which are grazers. In one week, an adult goose can produce 15 pounds of slippery, smelly droppings.

The combined effect of shoreland alterations by many property owners on a lake destroys habitat and causes declines in fish and wildlife populations. It's ironic that many lakeshore property owners buy their lots because they enjoy nature and then unknowingly harm habitat by altering the natural landscape. Most species of fish and wildlife don't thrive along sandy swimming beaches or on mowed lawns. They do best within the tangles of aquatic plants ("weeds") and shoreline understory cover ("brush") that waterfront residents frequently remove.

Stay tuned for the next installment of On the Water's Edge!!



A Fish Tale

I got a new fly rod and reel for my wife ...best trade I ever made." - Thomas Horan

Take The Bait

It was a cold winter day, when an old man walked out onto a frozen lake, cut a hole in the ice, dropped in his fishing line and began waiting for a fish to bite.

He was there for almost an hour without even a nibble when a young boy walked out onto the ice, cut a hole in the ice not too far from the old man and dropped in his fishing line. It only took about a minute and WHAM! a Largemouth Bass hit his hook and the boy pulled in the fish.

The old man couldn't believe it but figured it was just luck. But, the boy dropped in his line and again within just a few minutes pulled in another one.

This went on and on until finally the old man couldn't take it any more since he hadn't caught a thing all this time.

He went to the boy and said, "Son, I've been here for over an hour without even a nibble. You have been here only a few minutes and have caught about half a dozen fish! How do you do it?"

The boy responded, "Roo raf roo reep ra rums rram."

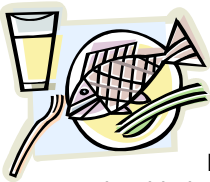
"What was that?" the old man asked.

Again the boy responded, "Roo raf roo reep ra rums rram."

"Look," said the old man, "I can't understand a word you are saying."

So, the boy spit into his hand and said, "You have to keep the worms warm!"





From the Frying Pan

Broiled Fish with Deviled Cheese

2 lb. haddock filets
Melted butter

1 c. shredded cheddar cheese
2 tbsp. chili sauce
1 tbsp. mustard
1 1/2 tsp. horseradish; optional

Place fish on foil covered broiler pan. Brush filets with butter. Broil 8-10 minutes, until lightly browned or until fish flakes easily with fork. Combine remaining ingredients and spread on fish. Return to broil 2-4 minutes or until cheese melts and lightly browns.



Lake Lorraine – People you should know

In putting together this issue of The Not So Quarterly News Letter, I felt it was important to start recognizing the efforts of Lake Lorraine residents who have gone above and beyond the call of duty.

In this issue, I would like to recognize the contributions of Tilio and Dorothy Camodeca. The Camodecas have been residents of the lake for over 30 years, and during this time, have been instrumental in raising the awareness of lake area residents to the plight of Lake Lorraine. They have spearheaded fund raisers and various other activities in an effort to contain and eradicate nuisance weeds, such as Eurasian Milfoil, from our lake. Dorothy was instrumental in the efforts to obtain state grants for the Aquatic Plant and Water Quality studies that were performed in 2004 by the Limnological Institute. Dorothy has served as President of LLR&PA since its inception. She now holds the office as President Pro Temp.

Both Tilio and Dorothy have been actively involved with the planning and running of the annual fishing derby and are still very active in the endeavors of LLR&PA.

Words will never be enough to express our gratefulness for their never ending efforts to help save Lake Lorraine.



The LLR&PA Board

Your 2006 Board Members are:

Robin Johnson – President
Bill Yoss – Vice President
Jim Hendrickson – Treasurer
Christy Chmielewski – Secretary
Ed Johnson – Director
Tony Novak – Director
Neil Sawyer – Director

Lela Sawyer – Director
Jeanne Yaunke – Director
Linda Schaumburg – Legal Counsel



Be a Courteous Boater

Now that Lake Lorraine is once again navigatable, it is important that all boaters and jet skiers be courteous to one another. In an effort to eliminate congestion on the lake, we ask that everyone travel in a circular counter clock wise direction. When passing smaller craft, please slow down to a no-wake speed. Following just a few simple rules can make the lake an enjoyable place for all.



Letters to the Editor

I would love to hear from you. Please email your letters to chris@llrpa.cjcsq.net or mail them to LLR&PA c/o C. Chmielewski, N6753 Lake Dr., Whitewater, WI 53190.



Did you Know?

There is now a **donation box** located at the boat launch. It is hoped that all boaters will contribute to our efforts to keep Lake Lorraine usable. Please draw people's attention to this box, as every dollar helps.

Aquatic invasive species have major impacts on the waters of Wisconsin and our ability to enjoy them.

Ecological impacts - Invasive species have the ability to change aquatic systems and the plants and animals that live in them. Plants like Eurasian water-milfoil form dense mats that shade out the native plant species. Zebra mussels encrust the shells of our native mussels, making it difficult for them to survive. These invasive mussels also consume the tiny plants and animals that young fish rely on for food.

Economic impacts - The costs to control invasives are extremely high. Individual lakes may spend tens of thousands of dollars per year to simply manage (not eradicate) invasive plant populations. Power plants and industries spend millions of dollars combating the zebra mussels that clog their water intakes. The Great Lakes support a more than \$4 billion fishing industry that is also threatened by current and future invasives.

Recreational - Invasive species have the ability to harm native sport fish populations - the decimation of lake trout populations by sea lamprey is a good example. Invasive plants often form dense mats that make boating, fishing, and swimming difficult. Zebra

mussels encrust piers, lift stations, and boats, sometimes leading to costly repairs. Their sharp shells also cut the feet of unsuspecting swimmers.



LLR&PA Calendar

Lake Lorraine Block Party Saturday August 26, 2006 12:00 PM Richmond Community Park

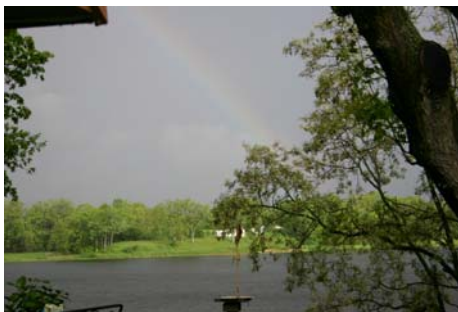
Lake Lorraine 3rd Annual Fishing Derby Date to be determined

Annual Meeting Saturday April 7, 2007 at 11:00AM Richmond Town Hall

Please check the LLR&PA website for updates on Lake Lorraine activities.



Pictures from the Shore



Rainbow after the Storm



We extend our gratitude to all of the local area businesses that contributed food and/or raffle prizes to this year's Annual Fishing Derby. Their support of our efforts is greatly appreciated. When you visit these business establishments, pass along your thanks. Our business supporters are:

- A & W
- Bulldog's Outdoors
- Cordio Liquor Locker (Whitewater)
- Cost Cutters Hair Salon
- Country Inn Suites (East Troy)
- Culver's (Whitewater)
- Duck Inn (Delavan)
- Eastsider Car Wash
- Farm & Fleet
- Fuzzy Pig
- Harley Davidson of Woodstock
- Hawk Bowl (Whitewater)
- Home Lumber (Whitewater)
- Lone Star Inn
- Marine Pro
- McCormick Spice Co.
- McCullough's Prescriptions (Whitewater)
- Menards
- Old Country Buffet (Janesville)
- Pat's Portable Toilets

- Pizza Hut
- Randy's Resturant and Fun Hunters Brewery (Whitewater)
- Real MacCoy's (Delavan)
- Richmond House (Delavan)
- Ricks Eastside Pub & Grill (Whitewater)
- Robins Nest Hair Salon
- Rocky Rocco (Whitewater)
- Sentry Foods (Whitewater)
- Sheraton Milwaukee/Brookfield Hotel
- Sorgs Quality Meats and Sausages (Darien)
- Subway (Whitewater)
- Super Car Wash
- Theaters of Whitewater
- Toppers Pizza (Whitewater)
- Winchester True Value Hardware (Whitewater)
- Tubby's Too Bar & Grill (Delavan)
- Uncle Bucks
- Walmart (Whitewater)
- Wonder Lube



A Fond Farewell

In closing and with a heavy heart, I must inform you that Robin Johnson will be stepping down as the LLR&PA president and Ed Johnson will be resigning from his director position. Robin will be staying on as president until their house is sold, as they are in the process of relocating to Minnesota. Robin and Ed have been very active in the LLR&PA. We will miss them very much and we wish them nothing but success and happiness.

Lake Lorraine Restoration and Protection Association
Membership Application
Annual Dues For Calendar Year 2006

Membership Type: Contributing _____ Basic _____ Lake Supporter _____
Please Check One

Renewal: _____ **New Membership:** _____
Please Check One (If this is a renewal complete section 1 only)

Section 1 (please print clearly)

Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____
Co-Member Last Name: _____ **Co-Member First Name:** _____
Children's Names & Ages: _____
Lake Property Address: _____
Lake Property City: Delevan _____ Whitewater _____ **Lake Phone #:** _____
Please circle one
Lake Property Zip: 53115 _____ 53190 _____ **Email Address** _____
Please circle one

Complete Only If Different From Lake Property Address

Mailing Address: _____
Mailing City: _____ **Mailing State:** _____
Mailing Zip: _____ **Home Phone:** _____
Cell Phone: _____

Section 2 (Please circle all that apply)

Areas of Interest in or Around Lake Lorraine

Ice Fishing	Fishing	Hunting Shotgun	Bow Hunting	Swimming	Canoeing
Kayaking	Jet Ski	Paddle Boat	Hiking	Bird Watching	Naturalist
Water Skiing	Power Boat	Diving			

Other (explain): _____

Would you be willing to help out with any of the following

Fund Raising	News Letter	Lake Monitoring:	Water	Plants	Water Quality
Special Events	Educational Seminars		Other (explain):		

(fishing derby, lake fest, rummage sale, etc. _____)

Annual dues is \$50 for a contributing membership, \$25 basic membership, \$15 lake supporter. Please make checks payable to LLR&PA or visit our website at <http://llrpa.cjscsg.net> to request/renew membership. Mail membership form and check to T. Novak, 2416 S. 7th Ave., North Riverside, IL 60546.

Special concerns/issues you would like to see addressed (use reverse side if necessary)

I would be interested in holding office in LLR&PA (please circle one) YES NO

Signature Date