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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WELCOME everyone to a new season at Lake Hayward. We certainly have started off with some glorious weather in June that bodes well for the remainder of the season.

I want to thank all the volunteers who helped spruce up the beaches and prepare them for the Summer. Our thanks go out to John Jacoby, Dave Edgington and their crew for the new shed at 1st beach.

I urge everyone to attend tomorrow's Association meeting at 10 AM at 1st Beach Pavilion. This is a crucial meeting when we plan many of our activities for the summer. We need volunteers for numerous recreational and social events. We also have some important business to attend to, including discussion of proposed by-laws changes (bring the copy you received in your Spring packet). We need your input. Please join us.

For those parents and grandparents who have not yet signed up your children for swim or tennis lessons, please do so immediately. The lessons begin this coming week! (The form is available at www.lakehaywardct.com.)

I look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

Sincerely,

Jeff Walter
President

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **June 27th**
POALH meeting
10am / the Pavilion
- **June 28th**
Swim lessons start
- **June 29th**
Tennis lessons start
- **July 2nd**
Ice Cream Social 7pm
- **July 3rd**
Live Band 7pm

Don't forget! The June POALH meeting is Sunday at 10am.



NEWSLETTER & WEB

Newsletter Submission: Deadline is on Wednesday at noon. Please email mfboone@cttel.net.

Newsletter Delivery: Remember that our carriers do not get paid. They give up their Saturday mornings to get the newsletters out to you. Please remember them with a tip.

Visit www.lakehaywardct.com for archived newsletters, by-laws, contact numbers and a calendar of events.

SOCIAL

Welcome back to the Lake for the 2010 season. The social calendar is looking good so far. Here are some things that are coming up soon. On Friday July 2nd at 7PM is our Ice Cream Social. \$1 each for a sundae.



On Saturday July 3rd at 7PM, the band Hard Wood will be playing for us again. First beach will be hosting our festivities after dark again this year on the 4th so let's start this year with a BANG.

- Dave

RECREATION

DON'T BE A WRECK--JOIN REC!

Not much of a response to many of our recreation suggestions but there is still time! Sign-ups for tennis and swim can be taken Sunday for the kids. Two or three more teams and we will have a horseshoe league! The walk/run group will be off and running in a week and we will see what happens with pick-up volleyball on Sunday mornings. We will have a golf tournament date set by Sunday with hopefully a new format and 18 holes! Plenty to do just for YOU! Join and have some fun!



- Fred

PARKING AND SECURITY

By this time everyone should have received two permanent parking passes for their vehicles. Please adhere these stickers either on the front windshield or rear window.

I have had several requests for more than two stickers, but the board has made a decision to issue only two. If you have more than two vehicles we are asking you to use the guest passes. The guest passes should be displayed from the rear view mirror. If you need more guest passes please let me know.



The parking lots are to be used for beach parking only. Overnight parking is not permitted. Please be considerate of others.

The permits for the swim lines have been granted by the DEP, and the new swim lines and buoys should be in the water by this weekend. Thanks Tim Pelton for all your help!

I recently contacted the Connecticut Water Company and we are trying to work out a plan to have water installed at the pavilion.

I am working with the Resident State Trooper to address safety and security issues at the Lake and have asked him to attend the Annual Meeting.

Let's all have a safe summer, and remember it is not that hard to follow the rules.

- Sue

BEACH RULES - (PLEASE INFORM GUESTS AND RENTERS OF THESE RULES)

1. Parents or chaperones are responsible for their child's safety and their child's actions at all times.
2. Children cannot be left at the beach unattended.
3. Infants must be in leak-proof ("swimmie") diapers at all times.
4. Fishing within 100 feet of the swimming area is strictly prohibited.
5. Use of boats and watercraft within the swimming area or within 100 feet of rafts is prohibited.
6. When passing a beach area, dogs must be on a leash. Dogs are never allowed on the beach.
7. There is no swimming after 11pm
8. All trash and cigarette butts must be removed from the beach and be properly disposed of.
9. Use of the beach area is limited to Association members and their guests.



BOARD MEMBERS & CONTACTS

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WEED TREATMENT UPDATE

As some of you may know, I recently sold my house and have moved over to the other side of the lake. Therefore I am technically no longer a member of the POALH.

I have requested and received permission from the Board to continue as the liaison to the company that the Association uses to control the weeds. The firm's name is Aquatic Control Technologies. I made the request to the Board because, as we all know, controlling the propagation of harmful weeds is mission critical to preserving the lake we appreciate so much.

I also made one important caveat during my request to the Board. I would be honored to stay on as "The Weed Guy" but only with the clear understanding that I have no fiduciary or fiscal authority to spend POALH money. All quotes, contracts, and invoices must be approved and signed by the Board.

Recap Of Where We Are

In spite of how each of us may feel about the weeds growing in the lake, CT DEP makes it very clear that there are 'good' weeds and 'bad' weeds. The treatment permit only allows us to control *fanwort* which is an invasive weed that spreads rapidly and chokes out other good weeds. There are about 8-10 favorable species of aquatic plants that benefit the lake by providing fish hatchery habitats, photosynthesis, etc.

The best way to describe *fanwort* is that it grows on a long stem and looks a little like a raccoon's tail as it grows. In the event that someone finds *fanwort* growing, hand pulling is a very acceptable practice to remove the weed. That said, it should be pulled out only by the root and removed in total. Pulling it out by the stem will most likely break and any debris created will settle back to the bottom of the lake and simply grow into a new plant.

We treated the entire lake in both 2003 and 2008 and had very favorable results in controlling the spread of *fanwort*. The cost for each treatment in round numbers is \$80,000.00.

Our treatment CT DEP permit also requires that we have the lake inspected in the spring and fall of each year to measure (1) the rebound rate at which *fanwort* is growing back and (2) what impact the treatment program has had on the 'good' weeds.

A copy of the fall 2009 inspection report is available on the POALH website at www.lakehaywardct.com. In summary the findings in the report confirm a favorable (low) grow-back rate of *fanwort* based upon the 2008 treatment, the population of favorable weeds continues to do well, and the population of algae remains low.

Next Step

In 2010 there will be two inspections of the lake again as required by CT DEP. The cost of the inspections will be \$3,150.00 of which 50% has already been paid. The spring 2010 inspection has yet to be scheduled.

Note: As part of the CT DEP permit, Aquatic Control Technologies has been granted an exemption and has permission to use a boat with an outboard motor to do the inspection process. The need for an outboard motor is unique. The inspection process entails using an underwater camera to study 60 specific points at the bottom of the lake. Each of these points is arrived at by using GPS coordinates technology. The step is critically important to assure continuity of the surveys year to year. Time is money and to properly do the inspection of the entire lake using any other mode of transportation would be prohibitively expensive.

The Board is encouraged to continue to budget a portion of weed treatment dollars every year and to maintain that money in a specific account to be used for weed treatment.

In the past, there has been a need for 'spot' weed treatments when the grow back rate of *fanwort* was excessive. EX: Second Beach lagoon. Whether spot treatment will be needed prior to the next major treatment of the lake remains to be seen.

The next time we will need to treat the entire lake remains to be seen as well. It is a direct function of how quickly the *fanwort* rebounds. We got a great run out of the first treatment in 2003 and I am hopeful we will get a similar return on our investment from the 2008 treatment.

Other Things We Can Do

Remember that Lake Hayward sits in a geographical bowl. Chemicals we put on our lawns, spill in our driveways, and put down the plumbing will eventually over time make their way to the lake. A little common sense can go a long way toward preserving the lake. Inquire if there is an organic fertilizer for the lawn, purchase low phosphate soaps when you can, and simply think twice about what you put down the drain.

Lastly, many hands make for light work. I would be interested in working with one or two other Association members to provide them with some of the operational details of how the whole weed treatment program works. I would be more comfortable with a few backup folks. Interested?...great. Give me a call 860-537-5181.

Respectfully,

Tim Pelton
The Weed Guy



THIRD BEACH UPDATE

Hello Fellow 3rd Beachers,

I hope that your Fall, Winter and Spring were good. New England is so very lucky to have distinct seasons for us to enjoy. Here we are at the beginning of this Summer season, and I, like you, am looking forward to a sunny, warm and enjoyable summer.



Since my appointment this past year as your 3rd Beach Representative, I have been working with the other Board of Governor members to make sure that necessary details are addressed in order to make your stay at the lake both pleasant and memorable. My initial involvement has been both interesting and informative. I look forward to continuing to represent you, and to that end, encourage you to contact me (nkaplan@snet.net or 860-537-1457) if you have questions or concerns that I may be able to raise or resolve. Thanks again, and I looking forward to seeing you on the beach.

- Norm Kaplan

SECOND BEACH IMPROVEMENTS

Ten Rhododendron bushes were planted at Second Beach in memory of *Eunice McNeil*. Eunice loved gardening, nature and the view of Second Beach from her home. Thanks to Lee Griffin for picking up the bushes and delivering them to the lake. After clearing much poison ivy and overgrowth, the bushes were planted by Rhoda and John Szymkowicz (Eunice's daughter and her son-in-law), Joan and Jerry Soboleski, and Kevin and Jeff Soboleski. Amazingly, no cases of poison ivy were reported! Thanks to all for their hard work!



And after much planning last summer, the dock in memory of *Rick LaFlamme* finally arrived and was installed by the Second Beach boat launch on Memorial Day weekend. The hope is to make boating and fishing access easier for lake members with physical challenges or limitations. Thank you to all of Rick's friends and family who made the dock installation possible through generous donations. Thank you to Hilltop Marine for their help and generosity. Thank you to all the many volunteers who helped on short notice and on a very hot and humid morning to install the dock and to provide a wonderful picnic lunch afterwards. It was a project that Rick would have been right in the middle of! Please stop, sit on the bench and enjoy the view from the dock.

OUT AND ABOUT

Geocaching is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year! The basic idea of geocaching is to hide containers (caches) and post the locations of the caches on the Internet. Anyone with a Global Positioning System (GPS) receiver can enter the locations' coordinates to find the caches. Most caches give hints, but some can take longer to find depending on trails, rivers and other obstacles. When you find the cache, sign the logbook and leave the cache as you found it (hidden, of course). To find caches near you, go to www.geocaching.com and enter your zipcode. (There are several in this area.) Caches are rated by difficulty—from easy to advanced—so it's fun for everyone!



TRASH & RECYCLING

All-Waste Control will begin collecting trash/recyclables twice a week (Friday and Monday) starting on June 28th and will continue through Labor Day. Trash containers must not exceed thirty five (35) gallons.

The town of East Haddam recently switched to single-stream recycling. This means the trash collectors will accept ALL recyclables on both Friday AND Monday. Large corrugated boxes must be broken down, but they will accept recyclables in a box, bag or whatever you have. We must recycle the following (at home and at the beach too):



- 1.) Metal and glass, food and beverage containers (rinsed)
- 2.) #1 and #2 plastic beverage containers (rinsed); *lids & caps go in the trash*
- 3.) newspaper, tied & placed in paper bags; magazines and books are also accepted
- 4.) cardboard

See the Garbage and Recycling Schedule on www.lakehaywardct.com for a detailed list.

CLASSIFIEDS

Classified ads will be posted for a two-week period after which you may contact us to renew; please include "Lake Hayward" in the subject line of email. Contact mfboone@cttel.net. Deadline is on Wednesday at noon.

For Sale

- ◆ Pedal "Paddle" Boat for Sale - Pelican Monaco DLX in good condition. If purchased brand new it is \$629.99 at Sports Authority - buy it here and I will deliver it to your beach on Lake Hayward!! No heavy lifting, no sales tax, no hassle!!! \$400.00 or best offer!! 203-253-2545

Wanted

- ◆ Lyman Memorial High School is looking for the donation of a kayak that can be used for water craft safety instruction at the school. If you are interested in making such a donation please contact Geoffrey Picard who is an instructor at the school at 860-304-2274 or email him at geoffrey.picard@lebanonct.org
- ◆ Looking for a used kayak to purchase. OR if anyone on 3rd beach is interested in sharing: my kayak is available to you, if your kayak is available to me. I will pay for a new lock and chain to store kayaks together - please call Sue at 203-253-2545

Services

- ◆ CAR DETAILING here at the lake. Excellent attention to detail. References and reasonable rates. Call 860-917-4033
- ◆ HANDY KID: Lawn mowing, raking, cleaning up etc. Call 860-917-1973
- ◆ Power washing: \$250/cottage. Maintenance work, repairs and installations. Lawns cut and small electrical jobs, E-2 licensed. Call 860-537-5996
- ◆ Babysitting: I am a high school junior with Red Cross Certification and have just completed a child development course in which I helped out in Bacon Academy's preschool educational program. I have experience in babysitting here at the lake. Call Briana at: 860-537-2780 (cottage) or 860-908-7830 (cell).
- ◆ Pet Sitting: 15-year-old looking for pet-sitting jobs in the Lake Hayward area; has taken courses in school that pertain to pet care and grooming. If you are interested, please contact Liana at 860-537-1364 or Jennine at 860-539-4480 (Mother)