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NOTES FROM OUR PRESIDENT Mike Albert

Dear RCL Members,

Rain, Rain go away! Happy Spring! I am excited to welcome everyone back to the lake for another summer of sun and fun with friends and family. Winter at the lake has been pretty quiet but extremely wet. I am sure that most members have seen the damage done to our roads over the winter.

Just a reminder, please do not feed the geese, slow down on our roads and remind your guests as well, and please pick up after your animals.

The annual meeting will be held Saturday June 1st at Main Beach at 10:00 AM. The rain date will be Sunday June 2nd at 10:00 AM. The fall meeting will be held on Saturday August 24th on Main Beach at 10:00 AM. The rain date will be Sunday August 25th at 10:00 AM. We will be holding a 50/50 raffle at both spring and fall meetings. Tickets will be \$10.00 each. The proceeds from these raffles will be put back into the community for things such as coffee and doughnuts at our annual meetings or to improve our common interest areas. We are looking for other fund raising ideas that anyone may have. Feel free to email me anytime.

Please remember that all communications from the Association will be by either email or by posting on our website only. We will not be sending any correspondence by U.S. mail. It is the responsibility of all members to make sure the Association has your current email address on file to make sure you do not miss any important information.

Our annual service fee is \$475.00 per property. You have the option of making one payment in full or splitting it in to two installments with the first installment due on April 15th and the 2nd installment due on August 15th. All payments must be postmarked by April and/or August 15th or will be considered late and a late fee will apply.

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Effective **May 31st** the combination to the locks at Main and Little Beach will be changed to **0726**.

The association is still in need of a volunteer to help coordinate the communication of association events. Please reach out to me and I will give you more information. We are also looking for volunteers to help with planning the Spring Meeting Brunch and the Annual Social as well as serving on the Nominating Committee or other events that may come up this season.

We will be sending more information in the coming weeks outlining the summer activities that the Association has planned. Keep an eye out for further emails.

We ask that any member or their family members that use the Association Beaches to please bag their garbage before putting it in the trash cans.

Hope everyone has a great summer.

For anyone that does not have my contact information, I can be reached at 860 817 5698. My email is albertma122@yahoo.com



IN MEMORY



JOHN McSHEA

John McShea who proudly built and owned two homes on Red Cedar Lake passed away on December 8th. He had been a member of the lake association for thirty years and found great joy enjoying the beauty of the lake. John had many friends on the lake who will miss his roadside chats and laughs.

BART MORSE

Bart Morse of 170 Lakeside Drive passed away this past year. For many years Bart enjoyed having his whole family here for the Fourth of July week. They loved sending off fireworks. Many weekends you could hear Bart playing his guitar and singing country and camp songs. He had a beautiful voice.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

ROADS by Kevin Vonderkall

As many may be aware we had very hard winter conditions with our roads (pictures attached) which lead to repairs not foreseen. In January we had very heavy rainfall along with two to four inches of snow on the ground which created washouts like never seen before. This was the first of many heavy rains that continued throughout the season. Emergency repairs had to be made to allow passage of the roads.

Temporary pipes were placed across the road to help stop the erosion issue. These repairs worked and prevented additional issues. As you can imagine we became pothole city on top of this. During the winter and spring there were many conversations between Mike Albert, Bill Starr and myself on addressing the problems.

I also met with our road grader contractor to discuss the potholes and general grading just as we do every year. I still have not set a date for final repairs and material placement. My hope is early June. I will keep you posted.



ADOPT A SIGN

Last year membership overwhelmingly showed interest for some beautification on our lake. One of the ideas was to replace old Road Safety Signage. The board has voted to adopt a way to try and get started with this without an additional cost to the budget. The idea is "ADOPT A SIGN". This is solely on a voluntary basis, Here's how it works:

1. Old signs removed
2. New 4 x 4 pressure treated posts with vinyl sleeves and caps
3. Install concrete at the base
4. Two new 18 x 24 HIGH REFLECTIVE SIGNS (some posts will need additional signage)
5. Stop Signs will be cleaned and reused with the new vinyl posts
6. We will need 12 locations not counting stop signs
7. Your name/names will be on a small plaque at signage

The cost of the above is \$ 250.00. You can split this cost with another family
If you are interested and or would just like to donate to the beautification fund that would be greatly appreciated.

Feel free to call me if you have any questions and to volunteer to help with the installation.

Kevin Vonderkall 860 250 2491





BEACHES — Sandy Bowman

I am very glad to report that our beaches have survived another winter season and are in pretty good shape overall. At our last meeting, the board unanimously voted to get all new matching buoys, and use them to mark the hazards on Red Cedar Lake. At this meeting, Linda Rubin generously volunteered to give the News Boards on Main Beach a much needed face lift, and Keven Vonderkall agreed to work up an estimate on getting the canoe rack on Little Beach back up to snuff. Linda Albert and Leslie Vonderkall also agreed (translation: their husbands volunteered them!) to look into re-vamping the garden planters in front of Main Beach.

The Porta-Potties will be delivered on May 23rd, which is the Thursday before Memorial Day weekend, and will be removed in early October.

All in all I feel confident that our beaches are in good shape for the 2024 season.

LAKE — John Woodmansee

Water Quality Control — Lake water tests will be conducted at the end of June, July and August.

The association will be notified of the results once they are received. Solitude Lake Management has obtained the necessary permits from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and will let us know treatment dates when they are scheduled. We will be installing new marker buoys in locations around the lake to let members know where there are potential underwater hazards.

The dam will continue to be checked periodically. Please let us know if you notice any issues with the dam.

Here are a few other things to remember:

1. New gate combination effective May 31st **0726**
2. No smoking allowed on Main or Little Beach
3. CLOSE and LOCK gates when you leave.
4. Dogs are NOT allowed in the sand areas of Main & Little Beaches.
5. NO CHILD under 14 years of age is allowed in the swimming area at either beach without the supervision of an adult 14 years or older.
6. A sign has been placed at Main Beach to announce upcoming events.
7. SAFE USE OF THE SWIMMING PLATFORM - Excessive rocking and otherwise rough use of the swimming platform at Main Beach can result in its damage. Please take care when using the platform so it remains in good condition for years to come.
8. Please bag your garbage and use the garbage cans that have been placed on Main and Little Beach.



COMING ATTRACTIONS 2024

We have combined Bingo and Movie Nite together Saturday evening July 20th and August 24th. Both dates start at 6 PM This will be a very exciting evening event.

June 1st Annual Spring Meeting at Main Beach 10:00 AM

August 24th RCL Annual Membership Meeting 10:00 AM

August 17th Fishing Derby

Watch you emails for dates and times for additional social events as they are developed and planned.

IMPORTANT

We need volunteers to assist with planning and staffing all recreation activities and social events for the season. Please contact Mike Albert if you wish to volunteer in any capacity. 860 817 5698 or email albertma122@yahoo.com

OTHER REMINDERS

DRIVE CAREFULLY

Speeding is a concern on our narrow roads. Many children and adults walk and ride bikes on our roads. PLEASE drive slowly.

The speed limit is 10 mph. Tell your guests, workers and delivery people to drive slowly when coming to your home.

KEEPING THE LAKE AND ROADS CLEAN

Please remember to close trash cans tightly when you leave your property each week. Trash will be picked up each Wednesday. So any trash barrels left unsecured before that are likely to be ransacked by animals, infested with bugs, blown over in a storm or all of the above. Let's keep our lake properties clean and be good neighbors.

POST YOUR HOUSE NUMBERS CLEARLY SO EMERGENCY VEHICLES CAN EASILY FIND YOUR COTTAGE.

RED CEDAR LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS WEB SITE

<http://www.redcedarlake.org>

Check out the web site for any general information, dates of event, current bylaws, annual membership meeting minutes and announcements. Rules and Regulations are also posted on the website.



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