

*Lake Lucerne is a uniquely special lake
and the Association desires to maintain
and improve its quality.*

Lake Lucerne
Advancement Association
Newsletter
SPRING 2018

2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ACTIVITIES AT CLUBHOUSE UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

MAY 2018

May 19 - Clean Up Day - 9 a.m.
May 19 - LLAA Board Meeting 11:30 a.m.

JUNE 2018

June 23 - Membership Meeting - 3 - 5 p.m.
& Meet Your Neighbor - 5 - 10:30 p.m.

JULY 2018

July 14 - Fun Day Board Meeting - 9 a.m.

AUGUST 2018

Aug. 3 - Fun Day Set Up - 9 a.m.
Aug. 4 - FUN DAY - 10 a.m.
Aug. 5 - Fun Day Clean Up - 9 a.m.

SEPTEMBER 2018

Sept. 1 - LLAA Annual Meeting - 9 a.m.
Sept. 4 - LLAA Golf Outing

OCTOBER 2018

Oct. 27 - Fall Clean Up - 9 a.m.
Oct. 27 - Board Meeting - 11:30 a.m. at Water's Edge

LAKE LUCERNE BOARD

PRESIDENT

Rick Hermus

VICE-PRESIDENT

LexAnn Hitchcock

SECRETARY

Diane Braunreiter

TREASURER

Sally Hickman

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Joe Heilmann

Wayne Daul

Amy Coughlin

Jack Kloss

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The Lake Lucerne Advancement Association 2017 Annual Membership Meeting in September witnessed a record attendance. Spirited discussion on several issues brought about the establishment of an Ad-Hoc Bylaws Committee. This is the second time in my 9-year tenure (the last was 2013-14) that our bylaws are being reviewed at the Committee level. Committee members are: Wayne Daul, Chairman, Steve Bunda, Dennis Landgraf, Bill Hickman, Pete Davison, Marc Blazich and Neil Klemme. Their charge is to have recommendations on proposed amendments by the June 2018 Membership Meeting of the LLAA.

One issue discussed was length of service for Board Members. Looking back at our records, in the last 10 years, there have been a total of 22 members who have served on the LLAA Board. The average length of service is currently 4.5 years, and only one member has served for more than 10 consecutive years. For an organization of our size, that is a tremendous testament to the many individuals who have stepped forward to serve this organization. And that does NOT count the countless members who have volunteered 100's of hours at the boat landing, for Fun Days, for Clean-up Day, maintaining the Clubhouse, at Meet Your Neighbor, fish shocking, fish planting, etc. I hope that interest remains high, and many additional members have the opportunity to get involved and experience the friendships that develop through these collaborations.

Moving forward, I look forward to working with everyone who expresses an interest in our Association to strengthen our efforts, diversify participation, and harnessing the enthusiasm we experienced last year to maintain a healthy lake for everyone to enjoy. After all, that is why we are all here!

Regards, Rick J. Hermus

MEET YOUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Joe Heilmann & Amy Coughlin



Joe Heilmann - My family has been coming to Lake Lucerne since the early 1960's. We stayed on the north shore every summer and even more time during the rest of the year once the family purchased a lot and put up a cottage. I have several relatives that are also on the north end of the lake.

I joined the FAA in 1986 as an air traffic controller. I have moved around to several facilities in Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota. I have been an operations manager at Minneapolis TRACON (radar room) at Minneapolis International Airport for the last 11 years.

Diana Drake, my wife, and I visit the lake as often as I can to see family and friends. We enjoy making maple syrup in the spring with Uncle Neil and cousins, Jim, Andy and Meg. I am a long-time runner, skier (water, downhill, and cross country), cyclist, golfer and jack-of-all-trades. I have barefooted in the Crandon Ski Serpents Water Ski Show on occasion. I am an energetic, self-motivated, reliable, responsible and hardworking person. I am looking forward to working for you as a board member for the lake association.

Amy Coughlin - Lake Lucerne became my favorite get-away nearly 40 years ago. Like many of you, I started as a visitor and loved the lake so much I bought my first cabin property in 1985. After many years as "weekend warriors," my husband, Terry and I built a home here and became "year rounders" in 2013.

In addition to serving on the LLAA Board, I am involved with the Friends of the Crandon Public Library and the Forest County Humane Society Adoption and Training Center Project. I love kayaking and playing pickle ball too!

Prior to retirement I was a Records and Information Management professional for several Milwaukee-based companies including Wisconsin Energy and Northwestern Mutual.



NOTICE REGARDING DUES DEADLINE

Our current bylaws state, "Dues shall be payable by the first meeting of the year." In the past, we have not been strict about this, but, moving forward, we will abide by all bylaws, including this one. So, in order to vote in the September election, **DUES MUST BE PAID BY 3 P.M. ON SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 2018** (the date and time of our first meeting of 2018).

ARE YOU CURRENT ON YOUR DUES?

Check the address label on this newsletter. The top line shows the year you are paid up to. 9999 indicates you are a Lifetime Member. If it is blank, you are not currently a member.

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Why Not Join? Become a member today!

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR ANNUAL DUES

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☐ 2018 - \$20 ☐ 2019 - \$20 ☐ 2020 - \$20 ☐ Lifetime - \$225 + Embroidered Cap

Make checks payable to:
Lake Lucerne Advancement Association

Mail to: Lake Lucerne Advancement Association
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AERIAL VIEWS OF LAKE LUCERNE

Photos courtesy of www.knottlane.com. Photographer: Andy Wienser



JUNE 23rd MEETING AND 10TH ANNUAL MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Submitted by: LexAnn Hitchcock

The spring general meeting will be starting at 3 p.m. Members will have an opportunity to sign up for volunteering for Fun Day. Many volunteers are needed to make our day a success. Please consider volunteering for a couple of hours for a shift at one of the stations for the event.

Come and kick off the summer!! Following the meeting all LLAA members and their friends or guests are invited to attend our 10th Annual Meet Your Neighbor. Main entrée this year will be hot beef sandwiches. Beverages will be provided. Social hour 5-5:30 p.m. If you wish to bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert, it would be appreciated.

ANNUAL CLEAN UP DAY AND AROUND THE LAKE

Submitted by: LexAnn Hitchcock

Clean up day is slated for Saturday, May 19th at 9 a.m. Bring rags, buckets and rakes to help spring clean. We need lots of volunteers to get our building ready for summer!

Please help us out by keeping our roads, beaches and boat landing clean. Pick up garbage around your property, roads and the boat landing. Help maintain the beauty of our lake and surrounding areas. Keep our lake safe, healthy and most of all beautiful. Every little bit helps!! Please leave driftwood and woody structures in the lake. They provide habitats for many animals and fish.

CLEAN BOATS CLEAN WATERS (CBCW)

LLAA received a \$4,000 grant from WI DNR to cover 75% of the cost of boat inspections at Lucerne's public landing on weekends and holidays during the boating season.

Clean Boats Clean Waters is an aquatic invasive species (AIS) prevention program through which volunteer or paid staff conduct boat and trailer inspections and educate boaters on how to prevent the spread of AIS at boat landings.

Data collected from all participating WI lakes is documented in the watercraft inspection data base (SWIMS) available on the DNR website.

MORE PHOTOS OF FALL CISCO STOCKING



FISHERY COMMITTEE NEWS

Submitted by Wayne Daul, LLAA Fishery Committee Chairman

The Wisconsin DNR will be conducting a game fish population estimate and a creel survey on Lake Lucerne this year. The DNR fisheries crew will be setting nets along shorelines to capture, measure, and mark and then safely release the fish back into the lake. This will enable the fishery biologist to assess past stocking success and determine future needs.

After the netting is complete, a DNR Creel Clerk will be stationed on Lake Lucerne throughout the game fish season. The clerk will be interviewing fishermen 40 hours a week, starting May 5 through the close of game fish season next March. The clerk tells me they work nights and weekends, as well as in the day time. The last time our lake was surveyed was in 2006.

Along with this project by the DNR, Mike Preul (biologist from Mole Lake) will also be doing electro-shocking this spring and fall to further assess previous stocking success.

As you can see, our association and the members on the Fishery Committee have been working on several projects to improve the fishing in Lake Lucerne. We have much more work ahead of us - both in fish stocking and habitat improvement, and we are also looking at environment issues (like recycling used fishing line).

CISCO STOCKING IN LAKE LUCERNE

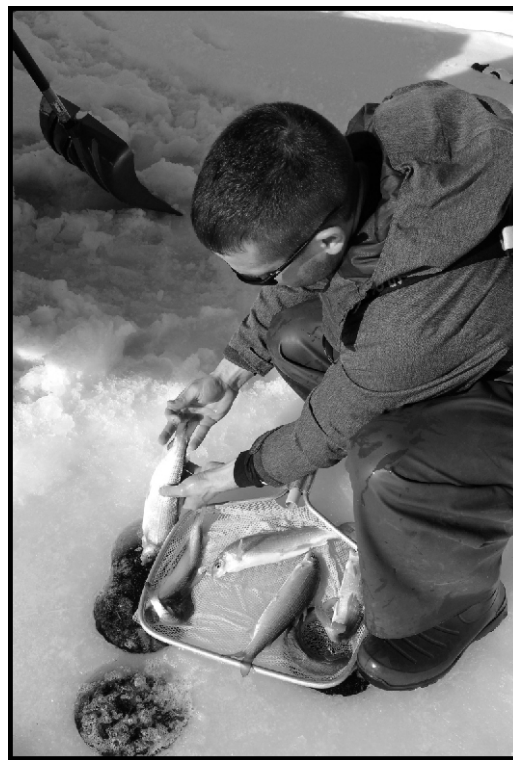
Submitted by Larry Sommer

On Wednesday, February 28, 112 very healthy, 16 inch Cisco were planted into Lake Lucerne. This is the third successful stocking of Cisco, making us well on our way towards our goal.

What is our goal? We plan on re-introducing a sustainable Cisco population into our lake. This is a forage fish that we hope will be the main food source for both the Walleye and Lake Trout population. As you know, the WI DNR has been aggressively stocking both Walleye and Lake Trout every other year and, if funding holds out, will continue in future years. What they weren't doing was addressing the need for forage for all these stocked fish. This is where our association has been taking a pro-active role in stocking Cisco.

So far, our first three stockings have come at no cost to us, thanks to Mike and Greg. However, the free fish are not going to be available in the future. Our next stocking is planned for fall of 2018 and will be a partnership between the DNR, Sokaogon Chippewa (Mile Preul) and the LLAA. Our association will cover 50% of the cost. The good news is we have secured a grant to cover it.

These fish should start spawning either fall of 2018 or 2019. What we net this fall will be a mixture of small to large Cisco from different year classes. Keep your fingers crossed, hope for good weather the next few falls and we may have successful spawning of hundreds or even thousands of baby Ciscos.



PLEASE RELEASE THE CISCOS!!

Between last fall's stocking and this February's stocking of cisco (whitefish), we have about 360 implanted in Lake Lucerne. If any are caught, we encourage anglers to release the fish for the first two years to allow them to reach spawning age and allow them to spawn. Thanks for your help in this endeavor to increase forage for our game fish.

WE'D LIKE TO E-MAIL YOU!

In an effort to better communicate with members by email, we encourage you to provide an email address to be used for official association business only. It will not be published in the LLAA directory unless you indicate those wishes. We are in the process of setting up a system so we can communicate more efficiently with you and eventually have an on-line version of our newsletter if you would like that instead of paper version. We will also be emailing all meeting agendas to members who have supplied us with an email address.

If you would like to share your email with us for, please fill out the form below and check whether you'd like your info for club emails only or if you would also like it published in the directory. **Return it by mail to Lake Lucerne Advancement Association, P.O. Box 517, Crandon, WI 54520, email the information to Shickman2983@gmail.com or just turn it in at the Annual Meeting on September 1st.** If your previously submitted information hasn't changed, there is no need to resubmit this form.

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BYLAWS COMMITTEE

The bylaws committee has been meeting this winter and has come up with a proposed bylaws revision. We are planning on getting a copy of this to all members before our June membership meeting.



Wayne Dahl accepts a \$4000 donation from Sokaogon Chippewa Community.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Submitted by: Jack Kloss

Gutters have been installed on one pavilion and main building during the fall to help with safety and water problems in the building. Snow stops were installed to prevent snow from accumulating near the sliding doors. Plans for this year is to epoxy floors for easier clean up.

Rentals: If interested in renting the building for a party, etc. please contact Jack Kloss at 715-478-3425. Price is \$150.00. Currently we have 3 rentals – June 2nd, June 9th and Aug. 18th.

JOB OPENING

Do you like to entertain kids? Watch them laugh, have fun, and win prizes?

Well, we have the perfect opportunity for you! An opening has come up for Kid's Games Coordinator for Fun Day. Renee Daul will be happy to train you and show you the ropes. If this sounds like a good job for you, please contact a board member as soon as possible. Believe it or not, summer will be here before you know it!