



DALLAS LAKE ASSOCIATION

September 2018

Greetings Dallas Lake residents,

Hopefully everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer. Despite the continued warm weather, the annual tasks of taking boats and piers out of the water has begun signaling the end of summer.

The summer of 2018 got off to a great start on June 16th with the Dallas Lake Association annual meeting. Over 70 residents joined the Board at the Dallas Lake Park Pavilion for a free pancake/sausage breakfast followed by the annual meeting. We received lots of positive feedback so the Board has decided to offer the breakfast again next year prior to the annual meeting -- mark your calendar and join us on Saturday June 8, 2019 – 9:00 a.m. for the free pancake/sausage breakfast with the annual meeting following at 10:00 a.m. Special thanks to Warren McKinley for heading up the breakfast, his pancakes were great! Thanks, also, to the rest of the Board members and spouses for their help with the breakfast as well.

Senator Glick was in attendance and updated residents on several lake related legislative issues. Most pertinent to Dallas Lake was the passing of HB 1089 that now instructs the St. Joe River Basin Commission to **address flooding issues** in addition to their traditional water quality responsibilities. Dallas Lake along with several counties, are located in the St. Joe River basin watershed. According to Senator Glick, in addition to the St. Joe River Basin Commission, the DNR and Army Corp of Engineers will continue to study the flooding issues. In the meantime, Dallas Lake Association will continue to monitor the Little Elkhart River for obstructions and work with the 5-lakes Association and others to clear debris as necessary.

Also discussed were concerns about drivers exceeding the speed limit on the interior lake roads. Speeding on County Road 625 South was specifically pointed out as a problem area. Please be mindful of pedestrians, golf carts, etc. and slow down and drive under the posted speed limits.

On another note, lake residents who are served by the Wolcottville Utility are well aware of the sewer problems we've experienced this past year. Several Dallas Lake residents attended the most recent Wolcottville town council meeting to express their concern about the repeated problem of the sewers not working. The council is aware of the problem and stated "they are putting a plan together" to best address the issues. The residents requested that updates be provided regarding the progress or lack of a long-term solution. Several residents plan on attending future meetings to ensure the issue remains a priority. In the meantime a **reminder**: *the top of your sewer "candy cane" should be above flood level or as a rule of thumb no shorter than 20 inches in height. It was reported that some residents had cut their candy cane down to ground level and that can allow debris to enter the sewer system and add to the problem of the system getting clogged up. Contact the Wolcottville Utility if you have questions or concerns.*

Special thanks and recognition to Warren McKinley and Harold Taggart who decided not include their names on the ballot for another term on the Board. Their efforts and participation over the last many years

will be missed. Replacing Warren and Harold as Board members are Steve Aspy and Deborah Grobaski. Welcome aboard and thanks for serving!

We wish everyone a colorful autumn and a mild winter and look forward to seeing you next year on Dallas Lake and at the pancake breakfast and annual meeting on June 8th!

Dallas Lake Association Board

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YOUR DUES AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE

The Dallas Lake Association maintains four funds – the fireworks fund established two years ago; the legal defense fund to pursue lake issues and/or complete legal documents; the water quality fund to keep our lake water clean and safe, support the annual goose round-up, water testing expenses, and clearing a portion of the little Elkhart River for drainage; and, the general fund used for all other Dallas Lake Association expenses including the annual meeting, newsletters, signage, and other expenses as determined by the Board.

We appreciate everyone who pays their \$15 dues at the beginning of the lake season – you make a difference. We also thank those residents who contribute above the \$15 to ensure that water quality, legal defense and fireworks funds are able to benefit everyone. The Association Board is proactive and wants to ensure Dallas Lake is a safe and fun place to be in the summer and throughout the year. Maintaining all four funds ensures everyone's investment in their Dallas Lake homes and property are protected.

SUMMER FUN AT DALLAS LAKE



THANK YOU! 56% of Dallas Lake residents have paid their 2018 dues.
If you have not had an opportunity to pay your 2018 dues or contribute to any of the funds,
your support is necessary and appreciated.

Dallas Lake Association Form

2018 Dallas Lake Association Dues and Contributions

- Enclosed are my \$15 dues for the 2018 Season \$15.00
- Enclosed is my contribution to the Water Quality Fund
\$10 \$20 \$25 \$50 Other \$_____
- Enclosed is my contribution to the Legal Defense Fund
\$10 \$20 \$25 \$50 Other \$_____
- Enclosed is my contribution to the Fireworks Fund
\$10 \$20 \$25 \$50 Other \$_____
- Total enclosed** \$_____

Please make your check payable to Dallas Lake Association

Please provide your name and update your contact information for our records.

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Number/Street City State Zip

Phone Number (_____) _____ E-mail address _____

Lake Address *if different from mailing address:*

PLEASE RETURN YOUR COMPLETED FORM AND PAYMENT by OCTOBER 19, 2018 to:

Dallas Lake Association / c/o Angie Miller / 0150 W 590 S / Wolcottville, IN 46795

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!