



DALLAS LAKE ASSOCIATION

Spring 2026 NEWSLETTER

ANNUAL MEETING – Saturday, June 13th

The Dallas Lake annual meeting will be held on Saturday, June 13th, at the Backroads Tavern. Breakfast will be served from 9:00 – 9:45 A.M. The annual meeting will begin at 10:00 A.M. Please RSVP on the enclosed Dues Form. We hope to see you on June 13th!

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

The Dallas Lake Association Board is active and works diligently to protect the interests of Dallas Lake residents and homeowners. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please contact Steve Aspy by June 1st. There will be a board election at the annual meeting.

WATER QUALITY TESTING

Once again, we will be participating in the LaGrange voluntary Lake Water Monitoring. Thanks to Maggie Pechin and Kurt Przbyla for making this happen. For results of these tests please refer to the Dallas Lake Association website – www.dallaslakeassociation.org.

KEEP OUR LAKE HEALTHY

Use phosphorus-free fertilizer only to help keep our lake healthy.

WALLEYE FISH FUND

Dallas is a great lake for walleye and we're excited it was stocked last fall with 6" to 8" walleyes from Fawn River Hatchery. The fish should grow to about 12" in one year. *As a reminder – walleye should NOT be kept if caught under the legal size of 16"*. Thank you to everyone who contributed! We would like to restock in the Fall of 2027 and need additional funds to do so. Your contribution may be made using the enclosed Dues Form.

SPEEDING

Water levels and watercraft speeding is monitored by the DNR District 2 in Columbia City. Please contact them with concerns at (260) 244-3720. The roads surrounding the lakes are monitored by LaGrange County Sheriffs. Please notify them with your concerns at (260) 463-7491.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

CHICKEN DINNER WATER QUALITY FUNDRAISER

The 5 Lakes Conservation Club Fundraiser Dinner will be on Saturday May 30th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the LaGrange American Legion Post 215 (100 Industrial Pkwy, LaGrange IN). This fundraiser supports water quality efforts, goose roundups, logjam removal, and testing. There will be a 50/50 raffle, silent auction and drawings. Carry out is available. The cost is \$20/per person.

GARAGE SALE – Friday, June 5th and Saturday, June 6th

The Dallas Lake Association will sponsor a garage sale on Friday, June 5th and Saturday, June 6th from 8:00 a.m.. to 4:00 p.m. The Association will pay for a notice in the local newspaper and post on Facebook. Individual signs are the responsibility of homeowners who opt to place them at corners and/or in yards, etc.

FIREWORKS – Saturday, July 4th on Dallas Lake at Dusk

Please consider contributing towards the cost of the fireworks using your Dues Form. Due to tariffs, there was an increase in the cost for the fireworks show. Your contributions to this year's show are greatly appreciated and will help to keep our spectacular show!

WESTLER LAKE POKER RUN

The annual Westler Lake poker run will be held on Saturday, July 19th. Information about ticket sales will be available later in the spring or early summer.

DALLAS LAKE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Officers: Steve Aspy, **President** (574) 202-4022
Pete Kelly, **Vice President** (260) 438-9232
Jenny Gunkel, **Treasurer** (260) 438-3234
Kurt Przbyla, **Secretary** (260) 350-1191

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Maggie Pechin (260) 463-1766

There is a Dallas Lake Directory available on the website - www.dallaslakeassociation.org

YOUR DUES AND CONTRIBUTIONS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The Dallas Lake Association maintains five funds:

The Fireworks Fund was established to help fund the annual fireworks display.

The Legal Defense Fund is used to pay attorney(s) if needed to pursue lake issues or complete legal documents. While not used frequently, when needed it makes a difference.

The Water Quality Fund is used for anything that pertains to keeping our lake water clean and safe for wildlife and humans such as goose round-up, water testing, drainage, erosion and other related issues.

The Fish Fund, was added in 2023 to stock the lake with Walleye.

The General Fund is used for all other Dallas Lake Association expenses. This includes the annual meeting, newsletters, signage, and other items determined by the board of directors.

We appreciate everyone who pays their \$25 dues at the beginning of the lake season – you make a difference. We also thank those residents who contribute above the \$25 dues to ensure all funds maintain a healthy balance.

On page 4, there is a Dallas Lake Association form for you to use to provide any updated information and also pay dues (general fund) and make contributions to the other four funds (fireworks, water quality, legal defense, and fish). A financial update will be given at the Annual Meeting on June 13th.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE DALLAS LAKE ASSOCIATION!

Dallas Lake Association Form - Below are three items that need your action:

#1 - 2026 Dallas Lake Association Dues and Contributions

- Enclosed are my \$25 dues for the 2026 Season \$25.00
- Enclosed is my contribution to the Fireworks 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 Water Quality Fund
\$10 \$20 \$25 \$50 Other \$_____
- Enclosed is my contribution to the Fish Fund
\$10 \$20 \$25 \$50 Other \$_____
- Total enclosed \$_____

Please make your check payable to Dallas Lake Association

#2 - RSVP for the Dallas Lake Breakfast and Annual Meeting – Saturday, June 13, 2026

- We will be attending the Breakfast and Annual Meeting at Backroads on June 13th
_____ Number of people attending

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

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone Number (_____) _____ Number/Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
E-mail address _____

Lake Address *if different from mailing address:*

PLEASE RETURN YOUR COMPLETED FORM AND PAYMENT by JUNE 1, 2026 to:
Dallas Lake Association / c/o Jenny Gunkel / 180 W 625 S / Wolcottville, IN 46795