

IDA LAKE ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT, ROB AUDEL

- The open water and the birds of summer will soon be here to welcome you back to “your lake”. You may soon start looking forward to seeing the loons, in their renewed black and white pattern, providing us with their beautiful tunes.

The officers and directors will be meeting again starting the 4th Saturday in April. After getting caught up, we will pursue the items deemed our top priorities last fall. We will continue to pursue the mission of the lake association. Overall, the vision is to educate as necessary so all property owners will want to do the right thing to preserve this “Gem of Ida Township”.

Please sign up as members for 2008. The Annual Dues and Fees statement is included with this newsletter.

A general assembly will be held on Saturday, May 24. The various committees can report on their activities and in addition we should receive an update on the fish net testing that was done last fall

MEMBERSHIP DUES:

- Membership dues in the amount of **\$25.00** are payable on an annual basis. **Please check your mailing address label to verify your district number and the last year for which your dues were paid.** If you recently paid your label may not reflect the current year. Included with this newsletter is an insert for Annual Dues Payment. Please complete the form and mail it, with your check, to Ida Lake Association, P. O. Box 175, Garfield, MN 56332-0175. You may also pay your dues during the assembly meeting on Saturday, May 24.

SERIOUS REMINDERS: BURNING and FERTILIZER

- As you begin spring work on your yard **please** remember that Douglas County Ordinance restricts burning within 100 feet of the lake shore or any drainage area. Burning closer than 100 feet requires the use of a fire ring. Ashes are very high in phosphorus content and a major contributor to algae and weed growth.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY PROJECT – SATURDAY MAY 3

- Members of districts 4, 5, 6, and 7 under the leadership of Jim Peterson, have volunteered to participate in the Adopt-A-Road Highway project along a 3 mile segment of County Road 34 that runs from County Road 5 south to Pilgrims Point Camp Road. A two year commitment was made in 2007 with Douglas County. Volunteers are needed to successfully fill the responsibility of this very worth while project. Please respond in the affirmative when contacted for participation

LEAVES AND GRASS (ANOTHER BLUNT REMINDER)

- **PLEASE DO NOT DEPOSIT LEAVES OR GRASS INTO THE LAKE OR DITCHES. THESE ARE POLLUTANTS AND ALSO CONTRIBUTE TO INCREASED LEVELS OF PHOSPHORUS AND TO EXCESS ALGAE AND WEED GROWTH.**

THIRD ANNUAL ASSOCIATION PICNIC

- The third annual Ida Lake Association picnic has been scheduled for Saturday, July 19, 2008 at Pilgrims Point Camp from 1:00 – 5:00 PM. **Mark it on your calendar now!** It is a really fun social event with great food and hospitality.

2008 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

- Your Board of Directors will be meeting on the 4th Saturday during the months of April through September at the Ida Township Hall. A General Assembly meeting will be held on Saturday May 24 and the Annual Meeting with election of directors for the even numbered districts on Saturday August 23.

BUD AND SUE NIELSEN APPRECIATION DINNER

- There will be a social hour and dinner to be held on Saturday August, 23 at the Corral Supper Club in Nelson to honor our immediate past president, Bud Nielsen, and his wife Sue. Bud devoted countless hours representing the Ida Lake Association during his time in office. Further details concerning this event will appear in future news letters. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!**

NEW CO-DIRECTORS

- Jim Kanwischer will be serving as co-director with Jack Petrillo as director in District 7. Bill Sandstrom and Curt Sax will serve as co-directors for District 5. Thank you gentlemen for stepping forward to assume leadership roles.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **Board of Directors meeting, Saturday April 26, 9:00 a.m.**
- **Adopt-A-Highway clean up project, Saturday, May 3, 9:00 a.m.**
- **Board of Directors meeting, Saturday, May 24, 8:00 a.m.**
- **Association General Assembly meeting, Saturday May 24, 9:00 a.m.**
- **Board of Directors meeting, Saturday June 28, 9:00 a.m.**
- **Third Annual Association Picnic, Pilgrims Point Camp Saturday July 19, 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.**
- **Board of Directors meeting, Saturday July 26, 9:00 a.m.**
- **Board of Directors meeting, Saturday August 23, 8:00 a.m.**
- **Association Annual Meeting, Saturday August 23, 9:00 a.m. with election of Directors/Co-Directors for even numbered districts.**
- **Nielsen appreciation social/dinner, Corral Supper Club, in Nelson Saturday August 23**
- **Board of Directors meeting, Saturday September 27, 9:00 a.m.**

Gary Gibbons
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