

# INDIAN LAKE SMOKE SIGNAL

April 1982

Dear Residents of Indian Lake:

It is my pleasure to report on a few of the many activities in which your Board is involved.

The Board is presently considering possible uses of Association land located behind the wooden fence on the west side of the North Beach. This area has been used as storage in the past, but it is presently serving no useful purpose. Any thoughts you may have on how this area may be developed to enhance our North Beach facility would be appreciated. The Board intends to make a final decision on the development of this area in June.

At the request of the Women's Committee, the Board has approved the purchase of materials for the construction of a children's shelter at the school bus stop located at the northwest corner of the lake. Also, materials will be purchased to rehabilitate the shelter located at the southeast corner of the lake. This summer, your help will be needed to complete this project.

I am sure that most Lake residents have become aware of the growing beaver population within our Lake. It has been unique to have beaver in Indian Lake. Unfortunately, the beaver have caused a great amount of destruction to the vegetation surrounding our lake.

Because of the severity of damage to the trees around the lake and the certain prospect of increased damage this summer, the Board has elected to have the beaver removed. The beaver will be trapped this spring by two professional trappers, Mr. Tom Arnold and Mr. Bob McConnell.

Most of the trapping will be done at the east end along Association property. Traps will be set in at least one to two feet of water, so they should present little hazard to people and pets. The actual trapping should require only a few days to complete.

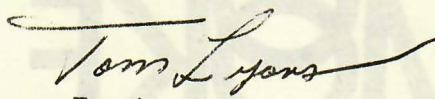
Your Board regrets having to make the decision to remove the beaver. Unfortunately, we can not justify the loss of our Lake's trees to keep the beaver. Many of the large cottonwood and ash trees around the lake have been girdled to the extent that they may eventually die.



I want to again emphasise the need for all lake residents to put your lot number on your boats. Already, we have experienced problems with trespassers.

I hope to see many of you at the North and South Beach clean-up on May 8th.

Sincerely,

  
Tom Lyons

## 'LAKE HAPPENINGS'



Zelda Upton  
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### It's Spring! Clean-up Time!!

On Monday, May 10th and Tuesday, May 11th, there will be a heavy trash pickup made within the Community. This would be an excellent opportunity to discard any unwanted items that regular trash pickup won't take such as old lawn mowers, outside furniture, etc., but please limit the load so that two men can throw it on a truck. No old refrigerators, stoves and the like, please.

This would also be a good time to get the vacant lots of our area cleaned up. If you would like some help in getting these areas in shape for a minimum wage, Paul Butalla would be more than happy to supply helpers for such projects. If you would like more information on this, feel free to give Paul a call.

### North and South Beach Clean-up

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, May 8th at 9:00 a.m. when the annual beach clean-up begins. Please remember to bring your own tools.

Many improvements have been made to our beaches during the past year and several new projects to be undertaken this spring will no doubt make these areas a truly unique asset to our Community. With the installation of gates at both beaches, we have been able to better care for these areas. The gates will continue to be opened at dawn and closed at dusk. If your family would like to use these facilities after dusk, please contact a member of the Board for approval. Dave Upton and Joe Rohrman, North Beach, and Joe Huerkamp, South Beach, handle these areas of responsibility on the Board.

Remember, next Saturday your help is needed. The Women's Committee will serve lunch on the North Beach.



### Women's Committee Activities

Inspite of Mother Nature's surprise on Good Friday, seventeen children turned out for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt held in April. Nearly 100 plastic eggs were hidden, each filled with ballons, money, candy, etc. and all but 2 of these were retrieved. Homebaked cupcakes and punch were served. Our thanks to Sharon Lyons, Carol Sweeney, Zelda Upton and the Minter family for a very enjoyable time.

The next Community affair is being planned for mid-June when an old fashion Sunday Ice Cream Social will be held at Helen Brodie's home. With the ladies on the committee making homemade sauces for your favorite ice cream and toppings galore, this has all the ingredients for an afternoon of fun and food. Look for more details later.

New telephone directories are currently in the planning and ads are now being sold for the cover of our directory. See Delores Serra if you're interested in advertising your business.

The next Women's Committee meeting will be Tuesday, May 18th at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Carol Sweeney. Everyone is welcome to attend.

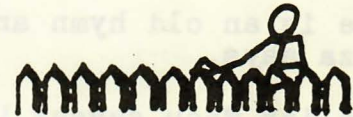
### Sympathy Note

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Katie Tellstrom who passed away last week.

### Smoke Signal Schedule

The Smoke Signal is printed every other month. Any items you would like to see in the June issue should be in by June 1st.

## "ACROSS THE FENCE"



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Well it's that time of year again, when Spring fever catches the kids and families too. If you catch spring fever, you just have to go to Florida for a cure.

It took a week for Jack and Carol Sweeney at Fort Meyer in sunny Florida to feel better. I believe they managed to have a vacation without family responsibilities. Goodness, that sounds like heaven.

The Huerkamp family had a severe case of winteritis. It required two weeks in the balmy breezes and sun of Florida for their cure. We hope both couples enjoyed their well deserved vacations.

One local gentleman is joining the jet set. He will be combining business and pleasure with his new appointment to the Los

Angeles Olympic Committee. Will Peck will be travelling to L.A. California about four times a year. He has a mind-boggling amount of preparation to make the 1984 Olympics a success.

A very warm Hoosier Welcome to a visitor from the beautiful state of Kentucky. Mrs. Anna Burttoy and her devoted companion, Whiskers, a tiny schnauzer, are visiting with her daughter, Jean Schaney, and family on the South Drive. We hope the weather will be perfect, the hospitality as warm as your Southern Hospitality and you will enjoy Indian Lake. Perhaps you will be tempted to stay a long time.

Hear that Susie Powers had to spend some time in the hospital. Mum and Dad, Lou and Loyd, had to spend a few weeks with the grandchildren



in northern Indiana. Our very best to Susie for a speedy recovery.

Some people don't like to work at all, some work a few hours and think that is sufficient. How about 35 years, yes 35 years with the same company. Our very best wishes for a fabulous retirement on April 30th to George Workman from Detroit Diesel Allison. He even returned to the job after a heart attack a few years back. If he puts as much into his retirement years as he did into his job, these next years will be a very special time of life.

The Hair family have a special motto on the gate to their home:

Open to the Sun,  
Friends and  
God.

Is that not a good motto for life.

There is an old hymn and the first stanza says,

The day Thou gavest Lord, is ended  
The darkness falls at Thy behest;  
To Thee our morning hymns ascended,  
Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.

I've had occasion lately to think of these words in another perspective. Has it ever occurred to you that the Lord gives each one of us a day, a day here on earth. For some the day ends in the early morning hours, some reach the noontide of life and others remain until the shadows lengthen or even until the velvet darkness at the end of a long day.

When someone has had a long and useful life, we surely miss them but we can accept their death somewhat easier. When the very young die, we are sad for all the things they might have been.

The sudden deaths that we do not understand leave such sorrow. It is surely then that our Faith is most strongly tested. Such was the untimely death of Fred Patrick. Fred was at work at Naval Avionics, he was speaking with some friends when he fell and died within a matter of minutes. Fred was 38 years of age, he leaves his wife, Wanda, a son, Jonathan, 3½ years and a baby daughter, Sarah. How can we convey our sympathy to Wanda, by words - yes and a call on a lonely day or by a helping hand, after all caring is doing.

Maureen