

INDIAN LAKE SMOKE SIGNAL

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Neighbors:

This has been an active and rewarding spring for your Board of Directors. Many projects have been initiated and several completed around your lake.

The North Beach is in outstanding condition. Many, many improvements have been made to the beach area. If you haven't been to the beach yet this summer, stop by and take a look. You'll be pleasantly surprised. We owe Joe Rohrman and John Taylor our appreciation for what has been accomplished at the beach.

A good turn-out at the Beach Clean-up this spring helped to put the finishing touches on our beaches. We appreciate the hard work of the following volunteers at our beach clean-up: Lois Armstrong, Carl Bordenkechker, Emery, Red and Sherrell Harris, Ray Heinzen, Cathy and Christy Lyons, Flo Peck, Joe and Clay Rohrman, Doloris Serra, Jack Sweeney, John Taylor and Joe Hoone.

Ted Adolay's fish management work has begun to pay big dividends this spring. Fishing has been excellent. A lot of nice catfish and bass have been caught this spring. The bluegill stocked two years ago are beginning to show good size.

Christmas tree habitat was again placed in the lake this spring. This habitat provides newly hatched bass, bluegill and catfish fry a place to hide from large predators. Our thanks to Mike and David Carter, Ted Adolay, John Miller and Jim Stearns for their help in putting out the trees.

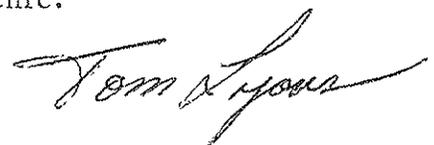
Carp is still a problem. They keep the water murky and weed growth down. However, Ted has plans to deal with them. He has a gill net on order which will be used to seine carp. The net will be 6' by 50'; this will be lowered and left in the water for several hours before lifting it and removing the carp; good fish will be put back in the lake.

The general appearance of our community has improved greatly over the past year. Vacant lots are being mowed; unsightly trash and vehicles have been removed; and the general upkeep of the area has improved. This is a fine trend which will reward us all with a more pleasing environment and increased property values.

There have been a few community appearance problems this spring on which your Board has had to take action. Our thanks to those individuals concerned for their prompt action in correcting the problems.

At the Association's Annual Meeting last January, everyone in attendance voted almost unanimously to donate up to \$5,000 to the Lawrence Township Citizens' Committee to oppose the BFI landfill. The Board agreed to make donations as needed by the LTCC. Early this year a donation of \$1,500 was made, and last month a donation of the remaining \$3,500 was made. We all feel that this is \$5,000 well spent.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Annual Picnic.





ACROSS THE FENCE

..... By Maureen Wagner

Oh, it's so lovely to be thankful. To start on a positive note. I feel that the whole North Side Beach was redesigned and refurbished just to make me happy. Needless to say, I am sure there are lots of other folk who are enjoying the beach just as much as I am. On their behalf and mine, I send a great big thank-you to everyone who moved a railroad tie, shoveled sand, hung floats, fixed the stone work, etc. etc.

Good news for the South Siders - Joe Hoone has already ordered a few improvements for the South Beach.

Russ Koehring was at the beach and a few of us got to reminiscing. Russ brought back a lovely memory of the late evening swims. About a dozen families regularly attended these evening swims. We had special lighting that outlined the swimming area, so it was quite safe.

Please join me in sending a very special wish and congratulations to Bud and Marie Reeves on their 53rd Wedding Anniversary. In this day and age when people fall in and out of so-called "love" in a matter of months, when they forget the vows made to God till death do us part. Two people dedicated to one another for 53 years means commitment, love, loyalty, selflessness, contentment and faith in one another.

Our daughter Trish was married on June 2, and we are still chuckling over some of the antics at the reception at Jonathon Keepe restaurant. Have you ever heard of a wedding cake with fresh raspberries and peaches in the cake and raspberry sherbet fluff icing? We watched with amusement as big men would ask for second and third helpings. The entire cake disappeared except for two slices. No one had the nerve to eat the last two.

"Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world, red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in his sight". Tom and Judy Armstrong have just adopted a new son, Trent Jordan, He is a month-old biracial baby who will be brought up in a loving home, and with a Grandma Lois who already says he's the best baby ever.

Steve Sweeney just returned from Bogata, Columbia, S. A. He was on a Youth for Christ missionary project helping build and repair a youth camp, visiting military establishments, etc. He says he enjoyed the people and the country and would love to return there. Also he found that living with people of a foreign country brings deeper appreciation of the U. S. A.

Until the next Smoke Signal,
God Bless and Keep you all.

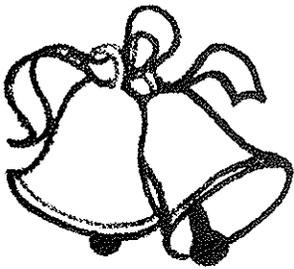
MAUREEN

We were greatly saddened at the death of Sally Heinzen, Sunday, May 13. Sally and Ray have lived in our Indian Lake community since 1959, and were looking forward to celebrating their 50 wedding anniversary. Their two children, Ronald and Kathy, grew up here and now are married and with children of their own. Our deepest sympathy goes to all of the family. Sally will be remembered and missed.

GOOD NEWS FOR SWIMMERS!... Indian Lake continues to be free of heavy coliform. Most recent testing by Joe Ketterman of the Marion County Board of Health showed a count of 36 at the North Beach and below the dam. A slightly higher count was found at Indian Creek, but too low to worry about. Coliform count up to 200 is considered safe for swimming. So, hop in. Ketterman says he will test at intervals and will inform us if there is any problems. We really appreciate his assistance.

THANKS GO, TOO, TO... Gene Arvin of Arvin Asphalt Paving for blacktop patching the North Beach Road. Indian Lake people might remember his generosity when they're in the market for driveway work.

HAVE YOU HEARD... Fritzie and Bob Thomas had an usual but welcome visitor early one morning. Fritzie says she looked out the window to find a beautiful deer browsing on their lawn. She and Bob think it was frightened into the area and that illegal hunting is taking place on Fort property. We hope not! . . . Welcome, belatedly, to Gregg and Alicia Burks and their children. This family purchased the Strough house a year ago but didn't get on our mailing list. Say "hi" to them at the picnic. . . . If you heard sweet music at the North Beach awhile back, you heard the Joy Belles, singing group that brightens the day for people in retirement and nursing homes. Lois Armstrong and Maureen Wagner are members. The songsters held a picnic, and a gospel songfest was enjoyed by those at the beach that day. . . The first grandchild for Sylvia and Carl Bordenkechker is proudly reported by Sylvia. A girl baby was born June 17 in the Dave and Sue Bordenkechker. . . The William J. Testin family has bought the Ferrell's house, but not moved in at this writing. We'll be happy to have them join us. . . . It was a fine, sunny day for the Ice Cream Social put on by the Women's Committee at Helen Brodie's home. About 50 people stopped in to enjoy the visit and luscious sundaes.



WEDDING BELLS WILL RING FOR LAKE PEOPLE. . . Bob and Maureen Wagner's son, Robert, will wed Sarah Maxwell (Maureen says "good Scottish name") at the Morris Street Methodist Church, July 14. . . . The wedding of Astrida Caunę daughter of Margers and Dzintra, to Tom; Trautmanis will take place July 21 at the Latvian Lutheran Church; it will be a traditional ceremony and reception. . . . Jack and Carol Sweeney's daughter, Cindy will wed Dennis Colter, Saturday, August 25, at Oaklandon Christian Church. Reception at Indian Lake Country Club. Dennis' home is on Cherokee Drive, so the couple will be living close to the Sweeneys. . . . And, Suzy Beaupre, Mary Nicholas' niece, will marry Bill McDaniel, October 6, at the Fortville Catholic Church. The newlyweds will live in the Nicholas home on the lake. Our Best Wishes to all of the young couples for many years of happiness!

WHERE, OH WHERE. . . Does anyone know the location of the song booklets used at the Annual Picnic last year? They are needed for the one coming up next Sunday. Will the borrower please give a call to Dolores Serra, 823-4883; or, anyone who stored them for safekeeping please let her know. If they can't be found, only those with good songword memories will be able to sing along.

FOR SALE: Snooker Table, 5'x10', slate bottom, all equip, \$1,200 firm; round pedestal dining table, 6 chairs, \$250; China Closet with extension table base - \$200; barrel bar with 3 stools - \$100; 1886 antique stove, porcelain inlaid tiles each side of door, all pipe, etc., \$300. Call Haymakers - 823 -6768,



TOP DOOR PRIZE AT THE ANNUAL PICNIC, SUNDAY, IS TWO ADMISSIONS TO BEEF & BOARDS DINNER THEATRE. WHO'LL BE THE WINNER?

OLD SMOKE SIGNALS DATING BACK TO 1963 have been found among Jack Armstrong's papers, Lois reports. She'll compile a permanent record for Indian Lake and will appreciate hearing from anyone having copies of back issues (she says she doesn't think she has a complete collection). Call her at 823-4616, or, better yet, bring your copies to the annual picnic.

BEEN WONDERING WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE CORNER OF 79TH AND FALL CREEK? We have, and found out the the two structures are part of the Geist Sales Center for Shorewood Corporation. One of the buildings that look as if built on stilts(they called them "tree houses") will be on land and the other over a pond. It is expected the move into them will be completed in about two weeks. Mr. Patterson, sales manager, has furnished us with some line drawings showing the center, the road now under construction off 79th to Feather Cove, and some of Shorewood properties development plans. We'll bring these to the annual picnic for those who would like to see what's going on near us.

SOME OLD FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS HAVEN'T BEEN SEEN AT THE ANNUAL PICNICS. THEY'VE BEEN MISSED. OUR COMMUNITY IN ONE SENSE IS LIKE A BIG FAMILY, SOME NOT ALWAYS GETTING ALONG BUT SURELY THERE WHEN NEEDED. COME ON OUT EVERYBODY IN GOOD FELLOWSHIP FOR OUR ONCE-A-YEAR GET-TOGETHER !

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