

INDIAN LAKE SMOKE SIGNAL

October 1997 INDIAN LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

1997 Annual Indian Lake Picnic by Suzy McDaniel

It's been more than forty years since that first picnic. Louise Hoskins was there. I spoke with Louise about it at this year's picnic. Chicken has always been the main entree but the crowd began small enough that the side dishes were prepared by the members of the Women's Committee. So was the chicken. For those long time Oaklandon area residents who remember Dr. Joe Miller, I thought it was interesting to find that Doc Miller's mother raised those chickens that were eaten at the first several picnic's. Mrs. Miller dressed them the day before and they were kept iced in big tubs until early the next morning when the ladies showed up to fry them on site. Sounds like they had as much fun preparing the meal as they did sharing it.

Then came the days of good ole Kentucky Fried Chicken and catering services for the sides. Those were some great meals also, but there is something special about cooking chicken up fresh. Thanks to Andy Van Treese and his expertise on Broasted chicken we have the last few years gone back to our roots and really fresh chicken. Not to mention the addition of those great potatoes. Instead of an outside caterer we have also been lucky to have the side dishes and the rest of the picnic planning in the capable hands of yet another Van Treese, our wonderful, Kathy. She has done an excellent job chairing the picnics.

This years picnic took place on a Beautiful day. There were games for the kids and adults. Karaoke was available for those we could entice to sing.

WELCOME

A Big WELCOME to Keith Gantner who purchased Helen Brodie's residence. We hope you are enjoying your new home. Keith has been busy sprucing up the lake side of his yard and it is very nice. We have all been wondering if Keith realizes that he now owns the best spot for ice cream socials?? Many of us have fond memories of his home. If you get the notion Keith, we'll supply all the goodies. Just kidding?

Meet the new neighbors on Shoshone: Julie and Dave Corbin who live in Felix's house with their three daughters, Samantha, 14, a 9th grader, Kayleigh, 12, in 6th grade, and 7yr. old Melissa, a 1st grader. Samantha was born in South Africa, where the Corbins resided for ten years and lived there until she was 2 1/2. Dave and Julie were both born in England. Dave is in Dental equipment sales and service and Julie is a roving dental assistant.

Indian Lake Civic Committee

by Kathy Van Treese

A Big Thank You to Joyce Van Treese, Janet Wilson, Candy Worland and Kristine Thomas for the wonderful job they did on organizing our "Taste of Indian Lake" fund raiser. Not only did we have great food to eat but we also had a chance to purchase some great stuff at the Flea Market they organized too! You ladies did a WONDERFUL JOB!

The Indian Lake Civic Committee members would like to say Thank You!, to all the neighbors who continually get involved with all the activities that we plan and organize so carefully. It is our hope that more of our neighbors, new and old, would take the time and come to these events. We are a community and all these gatherings help us stay in touch with each other and discuss what's been happening around our beautiful community. So with this in mind, here are some upcoming events.

October 24th 1997

Wiener Roast chaired by Kristine Thomas &
Joyce Van Treese (flyer coming
soon) Rain Date Oct. 25

December 6th 1997

Progressive Dinner chaired by Stacy Crays &
Flo Peck

If you are interested in hosting part of this wonderful evening or want more information, please call Stacy or one of the Civic Comm. members. (Flyer coming soon)



December 21st 1997

Luminaries will be distributed to each home. Please place your luminaries out on December 21st. Hey!, maybe you can even take a drive around the lake that evening to see just how nice and festive they look.

February 28th 1997

The Monte Carlo is scheduled for February. Plans are in the works so look for information on this event some time in January.

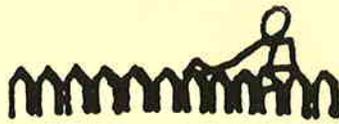
The next Civic Committee meeting will be held on Monday, November 17th at the home of Joyce Van Treese. The address is 10035 Indian Lake Blvd. , N. Dr. and the time is 7:30pm.

We are interested in new ideas for activities and events. Visitors and new members are always welcome. We were delighted last meeting to have Maureen Wagner's sister, Betty, attend. She was here visiting from Ireland. Please call Kathy Van Treese if you have any questions or ideas.



Our little neighborhood has always been known for it's genuine care and concern for each other. In talking to Louise Hoskins, I was recently reminded of how true that still is today. Many of Louise's neighbors not only look out for her but daily see to her needs. It happens all around the lake in efforts big and small. They all speak for our community and prove what a true paradise it really is.

The next Smoke Signal will be in December/January. If you have any news you would like to share, please call Suzy McDaniel 823-3862.



ACROSS THE FENCE

This past summer has not been too great for a few residents. Donna Schroeder has not been feeling too well, and Jim Stearns has been in and out of the hospital. Do your good deed for the day and send them a cheery card. It will make both of them and you feel good. Gary Benjamin had a rough time with major surgery; but he is much better, and has already returned to work. A card of encouragement to Jane Ann Kopitzke, our long time neighbor and co-worker, would brighten her day. Phyllis Roulette could also use some cheery cards and get well wishes.

Met some of the young boys attending William McDaniel's birthday party. A half dozen young boys about 8 years old can sure sing Happy Birthday at the top of their lungs. Maybe singing like that is just to make sure William did indeed have a truly happy birthday.

A special Thank you to Kathy Van Treese for a wonderful picnic. It was special to hear so many great compliments from those attending. A big thanks to Andy Van Treese and his assistant Elise Langenburg. The chicken was cooked (oops I mean Broasted) to perfection.

Some of you have heard this story before, but many of our new residents have not. Back in the dark ages, 1961 to be exact, three ladies had an idea for a community news sheet. They even has a name for it - "The Smoke Signal". They asked if I would care to help, and I did. The first paper was put together in Lois Armstrong's living room over much coffee and lots of laughter. Thereafter, the stencils were cut out and the paper cranked out on an old mimeograph machine in Dottie Norman's kitchen. I was just thinking, how many people remember a mimeograph machine? According to as professor at Butler University community papers usually lasted from 2 editions to 2 years. Guess what! Our little Smoke Signal has survived 36 years. Another lady wrote Across the Fence for the first paper and declined to continue. So being in Dottie's kitchen, and working on the paper I was dragooned into writing the column. The next 36 years **I WROTE VERY WILLINGLY**. Many of the young families who are back on the lake were

just little boys when we started the paper. I have to admit I am enjoying their company of these young men, their spouses and their children very much.

I wish to say a very special Thank You to the younger residents who make up the volleyball group, their families and friends. I thank you all so much for cheering me up this summer when I felt anything but cheerful. A special thanks to Matt Zainey. Matt's corn on the cob is as good as anything at the State Fair.

This past six years has been a joy to work with Suzy McDaniel as the editor. Suzy and her very supportive husband, Bill, have brought as lot of sunshine into my life. Thank you dear friends. The Lord will return the sunshine in full measure to you both.

The Lord has laid it on my heart that it is time to bid farewell to this little column. It has been a pleasure to pass on the news. I would still appreciate your prayers that my health will continue to improve.

The Lord Bless thee and keep thee
The Lord make His face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you
and give you **HIS PEACE**.

Cheerio, Farewell, Goodbye,
With much Love,
Maureen



**Reaching out
to those in need**

7th Annual Bob Nicholas Memorial Bass Tournament by Fred Zainey

It's hard to believe that it has been seven years since the first Tournament. Each year the crowd keeps growing . This year we had a total of 26 entries and a total prize of \$315.00.

T. J. Heck, son-in-law of Dan Wiggins, took home the First Place Plaque and \$97.50 for his efforts. T. J. was last year's winner, marking the first back to back winner in seven years. His total weight for the tournament was three fish totaling 5.1 pounds.

Jerry Robinson, fishing with Kevin Zainey, took second place with three fish totaling 5.0 pounds even. He took home the second place plaque and \$58.50. Jerry is also a past winner, having won the 2nd Tournament in 1992.

Bud Nelson, this years third place finisher, had two fish weighing 4.5 pounds. His efforts paid him \$37.50 for third and \$120.00 for the 2.6 pound Big Bass he managed to get in the boat. Bud is also a former winner having won the 4th tournament in 1994.

The day turned out to be perfect except for the fishing. Indian Lake did not show it's true potential, having only yielded 18 fish for the day, for a total of 30.8 pounds, an average of 1.7 pounds per fish.

Top producing bait for this year were plastic worms and jigs, compared to years gone by when spinner baits and crack bait were top producers.

Thanks to everyone that entered this year, hope to see you and a few new faces next year. A special thanks to Hattie McDaniel for helping her mom make her great uncle Bob's (Bob Nicholas) favorite Oatmeal cookies and delivering them to all those hungry fisherman.



"The Winner's"

T.J. Heck-1st, Fred Zainey-Judge, Jerry Robinson-2nd, Bud Nelson-3rd & Big Fish