

# Lake Summerset News

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK....

Alan Andersen, President, Lake Summerset Association, Inc.

I'm pleased to share that the 2024 audit of Lake Summerset Association, conducted by Wipfli LLP, received an unqualified opinion. This confirms our financial statements are accurate and fully compliant.

In accounting and auditing, unqualified opinion is the most favorable type of conclusion an independent auditor can provide on an organization's financial statements.

**Unqualified:** The auditor has no reservations or exceptions about the financial statements. They are presented "fairly, in all material respects," meaning there are no significant errors, omissions, misstatements or misrepresentations that could mislead users.

This achievement reflects our unwavering commitment to fiscal responsibility, and the well-being of our community.

Special thanks to our Treasurer, Mark Metzler, and Business Manager, Kristine Fotinakes, for their tireless efforts in preparing the necessary documentation for our auditors. For the full audit report or any questions, please contact our General Manager, Mike Schmeider, via email or at the LSA office.

I also want to extend a "Thank You" to The Fish Club and its members, who once again impressed with their annual car show and The Beautification Club and their members who delivered another "Beautiful Concert" evening, over the Labor Day weekend. The Veteran's Club launched a successful spaghetti dinner, set to become a monthly fundraiser. I hope the entire community will engage in the fund-raising efforts for our veterans by supporting their upcoming dinners.

I applaud all our hardworking committees and clubs for their dedicated volunteer spirit that enriches Lake Summerset.

A big thank you to our office staff, gate staff, safety patrol, operations team, Operations Manager, Activities Director, and General Manager for their steadfast dedication to LSA's success.

As fall arrives, I hope you enjoy the cooler weather and beautiful colors.

For any questions or concerns, reach me at lsadir.andersen@gmail.com (I'll respond within 24 hours) or call 630-989-2526. Leave a brief voicemail, and I'll get back to you promptly.

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## 2025 LSA FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS SCHEDULE & AGENDAS FOR THE 2026 BUDGET

### 2025 FINANCE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

**OCT 13** - LSA BOARD VOTES ON BUDGET RECOMMENDATION TO MEMBERSHIP

- LSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

**NOV** - LSA TENTATIVE BUDGET PUBLISHED IN THE LSA NEWS

**DEC 14** - LSA BUDGET VOTED ON AT LSA ANNUAL MEETING BY MEMBERSHIP

- LOCATION: LSA OFFICE – 2:00 PM

## CALL FOR CANDIDATES FOR VACANT LSA BOARD SEAT

Due to a Member of the LSA Board moving, there is a vacancy on the LSA Board of Directors. As per the LSA By-Laws, the remaining members of the Board may appoint a Principal Member to fill the unexpired term of the vacancy. Term expires December 13, 2026.

The LSA Board is the governing body of the Lake Summerset Association. They meet the second Monday of every month for approximately 2.5 hours and there may be other non-meeting assignments that would require a time commitment.

If you are interested in filling the vacancy, please submit a Letter of Intent and Resume to General Manager Mike Schmieder at gm@lake-summerset.com. The Board plans on interviewing the top candidates this Fall/Winter.

## CRC Meet The Candidates November 1

By Kelly Giovanine

LSA's Community Relations Committee (CRC) will host a Meet the Candidates forum on November 1 at 10 am in the Lodge. Members will have the opportunity to hear from candidates who are seeking election to the LSA Board of Directors. If members have specific questions they'd like addressed, please email them to KellyGiovanine@gmail.com prior to October 20. A casual meet and greet time will follow the forum to allow members to visit with current and prospective board

members. Light refreshments will be served.



## LSA Announces Addition To Red Book Rules Section 12 Miscellaneous Regulations Add 12.21 Trespassing

Administrative staff asked for the trespassing rule to be returned to the Redbook. This statement was originally part of Section G (now Section 7) Fishing Regulations. It was removed when the Fishing Rules and Regulations pamphlet was created. Currently there is no other Redbook rule regarding trespassing on private lots.

### 12.21 Members and their guests may not trespass on private lots owned by others.

The LSA Policy is to publish any Red Book rule addition or change for 60 days (2 LSA News Cycles) to give the membership a chance to comment on the proposed change. The Red Book rule noted above will be formally voted on by the LSA Board at their November 2025 meeting.

If you have any comments, please submit them to LSA, 1202 Lake Summerset Road, Davis, IL 61019.

## Durand Area Food Pantry

The LSA Board of Director's approved the placement of a donation box in the Lake Summerset Office Foyer for members to leave off their donations for the food pantry.



## Flu Shot Clinic 10/29/2025, 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. Lake Summerset Office



Adult-only clinic is \$50 (trivalent for adults under age 65) or \$100 (high-dose for 65+) cash, credit card, or check payable to FHN. No out-of-pocket expense if you are over 65 and covered by Medicare Part B (please present Medicare card) or a Medicare HMO accepted by FHN (list available at each location – covered persons MUST present the Medicare HMO card instead of the Medicare card for billing process). No other insurances will be billed. Present Photo ID to receive an immunization. Please make sure your upper arm is accessible.

Blood Pressure Screening is also available at no additional cost.

For more information, visit [www.fhn.org/flushots.asp](http://www.fhn.org/flushots.asp) or call 815-599-7437.

Please Note

You can submit articles and Letter To Editor by emailing [lakesummersetnewspaper@gmail.com](mailto:lakesummersetnewspaper@gmail.com)

You can submit business and classified ads by emailing [lakesummersetads@gmail.com](mailto:lakesummersetads@gmail.com)

Building, Remodeling, and Repairing on LSA Lots

The Environmental Control Committee (ECC) requires building plans to be at the LSA Office ten (10) days before the Saturday meetings when plans are reviewed. Project plans must include elevations, framing layouts, dimensions, cross sections, and material lists as per building packets. Location of the project layout must be shown on the plot plan and lot pins must be located. Building packets are available at the LSA Office and office staff is available to help with the submittal of your project plans.

Revised 2/1/20

Lake Summerset Directory

Lake Summerset Association  
1202 Lake Summerset Road Davis, IL 61019  
Office Phone: 815-248-2194  
Website: [www.lake-summerset.com](http://www.lake-summerset.com) Email: [generalstaff@lake-summerset.com](mailto:generalstaff@lake-summerset.com)  
Email Passes: [epass@lake-summerset.com](mailto:epass@lake-summerset.com)

Office Hours: Tuesday–Friday 8 a.m.–4 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m.–noon

NOTE: When the office is closed, waste stickers can be purchased at the guardhouse. Access to the office drop box for submittals is available from the parking lot.

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|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 24-Hour Guardhouse: 815-248-2778                         | Winnebago County Sheriff: 815-282-2600                                                                  |
| Call-in Passes: 815-248-9186                             | Stephenson County Sheriff: 815-235-8252                                                                 |
| Guardhouse Fax Line: 815-248-4236                        |                                                                                                         |
| Otter Creek Lake Utility District (OCLUD): 815-248-2843  | LSA Board of Directors                                                                                  |
| LS News Editor (Mary Walsh): 815-248-2194 x226           | Alan Andersen • 630-989-2526 • <a href="mailto:Isadir.andersen@gmail.com">Isadir.andersen@gmail.com</a> |
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| Frontier: 1-800-921-8101                                 | Mark Metzler • 815-248-4026 • <a href="mailto:mwmetzler@mchsi.com">mwmetzler@mchsi.com</a>              |
| Mediacom Cable: 1-855-633-4226                           | Drew Tennant • 815-908-9245 • <a href="mailto:Isadir.tennant@gmail.com">Isadir.tennant@gmail.com</a>    |
| Gill's Freeport Disposal: 815-233-5644                   | Dennis Vizenor • 815-248-8021 • <a href="mailto:Isadir.vizenor@gmail.com">Isadir.vizenor@gmail.com</a>  |
| Davis Fire (Stephenson County): 815-865-5616             | Curt Zawiski • 630-921-1418 • <a href="mailto:Isadir.zawiski@gmail.com">Isadir.zawiski@gmail.com</a>    |
| Durand Fire (Winnebago County): 815-248-2100             | GM • Mike Schmieder • <a href="mailto:gm@lake-summerset.com">gm@lake-summerset.com</a>                  |
| Tri-District Ambulance (Stephenson County): 815-235-8252 |                                                                                                         |
| Rock Energy Cooperative: 866-752-4550                    |                                                                                                         |

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| Board of Directors – Alan Andersen, President<br>2nd Monday, 7 p.m., LS Office                                                                                               | Dog Club - Denise Torrey<br>Wednesday, October 1, 6:30 p.m. LS Office                                                                          |
| Campground Committee – Dale Tunak, Chairman<br>Jim Ostapa, Co-Chairman<br>During Summer, Saturdays – 9 a.m., Campground                                                      | Fish Club - Jeff Giedd<br>1st Thursday, 7 p.m., LS Office                                                                                      |
| Community Relations Committee – John Kochanski, Chairman<br>1st Saturday, 9:30 a.m. Coffee<br>10 a.m. Business Meeting, LS Office                                            | Hand & Foot Club - Joanne Leith<br>1st & 4th Monday, 1 p.m., Lodge                                                                             |
| CRC Outreach – Dora Tippens, Chairman                                                                                                                                        | Ladies of the Lake - Cindy Metz, President<br>2nd Monday, 2 p.m., Lodge                                                                        |
| Environmental Control Committee – Jon Shrum, Chairman<br>1st & 3rd Saturdays, 9 a.m., LS Office                                                                              | Mah Jongg - Dianna Kile<br>Wednesday & Friday, 1 p.m., LS Office                                                                               |
| Finance Committee – Mark Metzler, Treasurer<br>August, September, TBA                                                                                                        | Makers Circle - Laura Maguire<br>2nd Sunday, 2 p.m., Lodge<br><a href="mailto:ismakerscircle@gmail.com">ismakerscircle@gmail.com</a>           |
| Fish Conservation Committee - Curt Zawiski, Chairman<br>3rd Thursday, 7 p.m., LS Office                                                                                      | New Life Women's Bible Study – Carol Gattolin<br>Tuesday, 9:30 a.m., Lodge                                                                     |
| Lake Planning Committee – Steve Harting, Chairman<br>Last Saturday of the Month, 8 a.m., LS Office                                                                           | Photography Club - Jeff Folkerts & Kathy Webster<br><a href="mailto:lakesummersetphotography@gmail.com">lakesummersetphotography@gmail.com</a> |
| Long Range & Facility Planning – Jim Ostapa, Chairman<br>4th Thursday, 6:30 p.m., LS Office                                                                                  | Wednesday, October 8, 6 p.m., LS Office<br>Saturday, November 8, 9 a.m., LS Office                                                             |
| Safety Committee – Jeff Walsh, Chairman<br>3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., LS Office<br><a href="mailto:Isapublicsafetycommittee@gmail.com">Isapublicsafetycommittee@gmail.com</a> | Pickleball - Mike Langley, President<br>Sunday, 3 p.m., Pickleball Courts<br>Wednesday, 5:30 p.m., Pickleball Courts                           |
| Social Clubs:                                                                                                                                                                | Pinochle Club - Joanne Leith<br>1st & 3rd Tuesday, 1 p.m., Lodge                                                                               |
| Archery Club - Britton Kauffman<br>4th Wednesday, 6 p.m., Quarry Park                                                                                                        | Red Hat Society – Shirlee Jasien<br>1st Wednesday, Location Varies                                                                             |
| Beautification Club – Jill Muschong, President<br>2nd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., LS Office                                                                                          | Scrapbag Quilt Club – Brenda Kinney<br>3rd Thursday, 10 a.m., Lodge                                                                            |
| Bocce Ball – Randall Myers, President<br>Every Thursday, 10 a.m., Bocce Courts                                                                                               | Veteran's Club - Paul Gibson<br>2nd Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Office                                                                                |
| Children's Playgroup – Kathryn Miller<br>Thursday, 1:30 p.m., Lodge                                                                                                          | Writing Gals - Sharon Boehlefeld<br>1st & 3rd Monday, 7 p.m., Lodge                                                                            |
| Dominoes (Mexican Train) - Mercedes Meyers<br>3rd Monday 1 p.m., Lodge                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                |

ECC Committee Reminder

It is the obligation of the Association Property owner to ensure they and/or their contractor(s) comply with the Redbook Requirements. Any construction started before posting of a building permit will result in a fine of \$250.00, plus the cost of permit fees, and a stop on construction.

Snowplow Notice

Please mark your driveway two feet from the road to assist with winter snow removal. Also mark any obstructions in the right-of-way.

Thank you —LSA Operations

Snow Fences

If you would like to place a snow fence on your property for the winter months, you must receive permission from the LSA General Manager.

Please provide placement and length information.

LSA Email Blasts

Do you want to get the latest information from Lake Summerset? Here is how to sign up.

Step 1: Go to [www.lake-summerset.com](http://www.lake-summerset.com)

Step 2: Click on LOGIN - Type Member1! to Sign-In

Step 3: Click on For Members in the upper right

Step 4: The link to Email Blasts can be found at the bottom of the page

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DEADLINE IS THE 15TH OF EACH MONTH FOR THE FOLLOWING MONTH’S PAPER



# Message from LSA General Manager

By Michael Schmieder

The following is the Manager's Report to the Board of Directors.

### BOD Agenda Action Items

Presentation and acknowledgement of receipt of the 2024 Audit

Preliminary approval of Redbook rules changes regarding LSA clubs

Preliminary approval of Redbook rules changes and additions regarding E-bikes and scooters

Preliminary approval of Redbook rules addition regarding trespassing on private property

Appointment of two Board Members to serve as Proxies for the 2025 Annual Meeting

Approval of Bid Proposal for the replacement of the network server

Approval of Bid Proposal for shoulder grading and drainage ditch reshaping on Lake Summerset Road

Approval to waive the Contractor working hours for the shoulder grading and ditch work project

### Lake Elevation

The lake elevation as of 10am on September 5th was 825'. The current lake elevation is normal pool elevation.

### Traffic Control Sign

The speed control sign has remained on Lake Summerset Road near the swimming pool as the speed limit in that area is reduced to 25 miles per hour during the swimming and bocce season. The data generated by the sign is reviewed by the Public Safety Supervisor and me, and it is also shared with the Public Safety Committee. These reports show that speeding in this area is consistent with previous speeding reports from other areas. The reports reveal that in this area, speeding is minimal and not disproportional to any other areas. These reports will be made available for review upon request.

### Lot Sales/Property Transfers

12 LSA properties were transferred (sold) during the month of August vs. 12 in August of 2024. 65 LSA properties have been transferred year to date vs. 93 during the same period a year ago.

### Road Improvements

The Board of Directors appointed a Roads Subcommittee to study the current road conditions and make recommendations for repairs. The Subcommittee has hired IMEG Engineering to provide us with a road & drainage study which will help to determine what repairs need to be made, how they will be made and when they'll be made. The results of the study have

been received and Eric Moe of IMEG made a presentation to the Board at the 9/9/24 Board Meeting. In preparation of the repairs to be made in 2025 and the installation of Chipseal in 2026 or 2027. Phase two of the driveway culvert cleaning was completed on Friday, June 13th. Our Roads Engineer, Eric Moe has created the bid specifications for the reshaping of the drainage ditches and the shoulder grading which was discussed at length during a meeting between the Roads Subcommittee and the engineer. The bid specifications were sent to seven qualified contractors on August 11, 2025 and the bid opening was conducted on September 5, 2025. Work is scheduled to begin on September 15th and will be completed prior to November 1, 2025. All work will be performed on Lake Summerset Road on the north side of the lake from the guardhouse to Otter Creek. After the ditches are reshaped and the shoulders are regraded, all areas will be topped with topsoil and reseeded.

### Temporary Mailboxes

During the regrading and reseeded of the road shoulders, it will be necessary for all mailboxes on Lake Summerset Rd. on the north side of the lake to be removed during construction. While work is being performed, temporary mailbox stands will be placed near the affected areas for residents to retrieve their mail. All members who will be affected by the construction have received letters with detailed instructions by mid-August.

### 2024 Audit

The accounting firm, Wipfli of Rockford was here on April 22, 2025, to conduct the field work associated with the Audit. The Auditors have provided a draft of the audit for Board review, and they will present the 2024 audit at the September 8th Board meeting.

### Weed Harvester Registration

I was asked by the Board of Directors to register our weed harvester with the State of Illinois DNR. Our weed harvester was purchased in 1989 and while we have a Bill of Sale, no hull number was issued by the manufacturer. We've found that registering a watercraft with the State is very difficult without a hull number. Joe Rush has been working with the State to create a hull number so the harvester can be registered. We're making progress and anticipate completing this process soon. I will advise the Board as soon as the harvester is registered.

### Redbook Rules Amendments

Three Redbook rule amendments will

be presented to the Board at the September Board meeting. The three amendments include updating the Clubs which appear in the Redbook, the addition of trespassing on private property and amending rules regarding motorized scooters and E-bikes. The proposed changes will be published in the LSA newspaper during the months of October and November. During this time, Members are invited to offer comments and feedback regarding the proposed changes. The proposed amendments will ultimately be approved by the Board at the December meeting and will take effect on January 1, 2026.

### Cardinal Park

Work has started on a project recommended by our Lake Planning Committee at the East entrance to Cardinal Park. It was difficult to see/find the east entrance due to overgrowth of trees and brush. A contractor started the removal of the brush this past week and gaining access to the park will be much easier now that the brush has been removed.

### Tractor Ride/Parade

The Winnebago County Farm Bureau will conduct a tractor ride through the Lake Summerset Community on Saturday, September 13, 2025. While this is an annual event for the Farm Bureau, this is the first time it will be held here. Dozens of tractors of different sizes and ages will enter the property from Rock Grove Road onto Southgate Road at approximately 11:00am. The parade will proceed east on Lake Summerset Rd. to Dresden and finally end up at the Lodge. The tractors will be on display on the Lodge lawn from approximately 11:30am to 1:00pm. All LSA members are invited to come to the lodge and view the tractors.

### Beautiful Concert

The Lake Summerset Beautification Club held their concert at the Mitchell Shelter, near the lodge on Sunday, August 31st. All Members were invited to attend and large crowd enjoyed an evening of music and fun. Thanks to the Beautification Club for holding this event!

### Fish Club Car Show

The Lake Summerset Fish Club held a Car Show on Lodge lawn on Saturday, August 30th. Several car owners participated in the show, and this too was a well-attended event. Thank you to the Fish Club for holding this fun event.

### Operations

### Other Tasks And Projects Recently Completed Include

Cleaned underbrush and dead trees at Robin Park and Oriole Park

We had a bad storm that caused damage to the main property and the campground. We cut trees and cleaned up brush and damage on the main lake and at the campground.

We assisted the Beautification Club with the concert setup. Providing garbage pickup, porta-jon rentals, and moved 50 picnic tables to Mitchel Park.

Performed needed camera maintenance, but we are in dire need of the fiber optic lines to come available. One recorder has failed.

Tree removal / cleanup across Lake Summerset Road. Two trees fell across Lake Summerset Road, and one removed from Fir Park.

Repaired water leak at the lodge from storm damage.

Repaired plumbing issues at the Beach 1 and Beach 2 restrooms.

Installed the temporary mailboxes for shoulder grading project.

Performed hypolimnetic withdrawal for a short time. The lack of mixing water caused us to shut it down quicker than desired.

Laid out the patio and grade at the lodge. Excavated and installed base stone for the patio pavers. Patio blocks were installed and we anticipate finishing the patio in the next couple weeks.

The harvester had a couple of short breakdowns and repairs were made. We replaced the hydraulic selector valve and rebuilt one of the cutter head motors.

We have been consistently working on aquatic plant harvesting on the lake.

Water samples every 2 weeks for e. coli. We did have a short beach closure at beach 2 due to elevated E. coli.

Repaired barb wire fence on perimeter of the property.

Cut trees and brush from auxiliary spillway at the dam.

Picked up roadside seaweed twice per week as needed.

Repaired sunshade damaged at splash park. (New units ordered, these will be back up units in the future since there is an 8-month lead time for replacements.

Started cleanup of east side entrance to Cardinal Park.

Installed another 40,000 pounds (20 tons) of UPM cold patch on roadway shoulders and potholes.

Removed poison ivy in areas of the campground.

Repaired campground zero turn mower.

Installed latch on inside of the campground storage doors per site host.

Repaired gate arms on gate entrances around the property several times due to people driving through the gate arms.

Removed rope hazard that was in the lake.



## Public Safety Committee Looking For Volunteers

The Public Safety Committee is tasked with evaluating the Public Safety Operation and making recommendations to the Board on ways to enhance safety here at Lake Summerset.

We are currently seeking volunteers who'd be willing to share their time and expertise to help set goals and standards for the department. Some law enforcement and/or First responder experience would be helpful but not absolutely necessary.

If you have interest in participating on this Committee or would like further information please contact Mike Schmieder at 815-248-2194 or by email at [generalmanager@lake-summerset.com](mailto:generalmanager@lake-summerset.com).

## Opening on Lake Planning Committee (LPC)

One of the missions of the LPC is to maintain a committee membership of knowledgeable, experienced, and competent individuals familiar with all facets of our lake and its related amenities.

An individual with a strong background and experience in engineering or related field is preferred.

LPC activities include meetings (usually at 8 a.m. on the 4th Saturday of every month), field studies (silt measurements through the ice, shoreline surveys, etc.), and interfacing with consulting engineering firms.

Interested candidates should send their resumes to the Lake Summerset Office - Attention: LPC

# Welcome to Lake Summerset

| Lot  | House | Members’ Names                     |
|------|-------|------------------------------------|
| 1310 |       | Eaton, John & Ann                  |
| 771  |       | Huddleston, Rodney & Olivia        |
| 2015 |       | Johnson, Christopher Bell          |
| 927  |       | Taddeucci, Aaron & Erin            |
|      | 875   | Bedard, Mark & Jane                |
|      | 1375  | Krepfle, Joseph & Brittany         |
|      | 22    | Smith, Michael & Madonna           |
|      | 223   | Szulc-Ceiplicki, Szczepan & Simone |

# Phone Book Changes & Updates

| Name                               | Address                                | Phone                                 | Comments                              |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Asciutto, Jerie                    |                                        |                                       | Delete                                |
| Bedard, Mark & Jane                | 875 Breckenboro Rd.                    | 570-878-7164 His<br>623-824-3346      | Add                                   |
| Huddleston, Rodney & Olivia 771    | 208 S. Union Street<br>Byron, IL 61010 | 815-222-8690                          | Add                                   |
| Krepfle, Joseph & Brittany         | 1375 Coven Circle                      | 815-516-9747 His<br>815-516-9831 Hers | Add                                   |
| McCoy, Jeffory & Deborah 2015      |                                        |                                       | Delete                                |
| Palda, John                        |                                        |                                       | Delete                                |
| Schwarzbauer, Sharon & Andy        | 1922 Dawn Point                        | 630-301-9148 Hers<br>630-728-8323 His | Address Change<br>Add His Cell Number |
| Szulc-Ceiplicki, Szczepan & Simone | 223 Lake Summerset Rd.                 | 847-322-5442                          | Add                                   |
| Zehner, Donald & Susan             |                                        |                                       | Delete                                |

Additional 2025 phone directories are available at LSA Office - \$3

## Attention

The deadline for having dead trees removed from member’s properties is October 31, 2025. Please notify the Lake Summerset Office when dead trees have been removed.

## The CRC Corner Community Relations Committee Upcoming Topics

October 4, 2025

We will have the GM, Mike Schmieder present to explain and go over the voting procedure for the LSA election coming up this fall. He will explain the way the proxy works and how to cast a ballot.

Firewood is available at the campground  
\$5 per bundle

## Crime Stoppers

Call to report any information you have regarding a crime or vandalism. The caller does not have to give his or her name and a reward is offered for information leading to the arrest of suspects.

815-963-7867  
1-888-769-STOP  
Winnebago County

815-235-7867  
Stephenson County

## Bulletin Board News & Updates

### Attention Members with Boat and Camper Storage

Per the rental agreement, all units in LSA storage must display the member’s lot number clearly for identification purposes. Both the boat and the trailer must have the member’s lot number displayed. Citations can be issued for non-compliance and Public Safety will be checking the storage areas regularly.

### Lost and Found Items

Lost and found items are kept at the LSA Office. Be sure to stop in and check out our lost and found if you have any items missing.

### Special Holiday/Event Passes Thanksgiving

These special passes are available for members to give to their invited guests for these specific holiday/events. The forms and passes will be available at the guardhouse or LSA Office. The member must fill out a form for the specific holiday or event, and then the member will be issued passes to give to their guests. Only one pass per vehicle is given. Most of the passes will be available for members up to three weeks before the holiday or event. This should be adequate time for the member to get the window pass to their guests. It is the member’s responsibility to get the window pass to their guests. It is the responsibility for the guest to have the pass taped to their windshield for quicker access into LSA. If the guests forget their pass they will have to wait in line and be reissued a duplicate pass by the gate guard.

### Remember

Tampering with mail and mailboxes is a federal crime.

### Waste Stickers

When the office is closed, waste stickers can be purchased at the guardhouse. LSA and Otter Creek payments should only be placed in the drop box located in the office parking lot.

The LSA Redbook and Bluebook  
are available on the Lake’s website  
www.lake-summerset.com

### CRC Outreach

Does a bug have ahold of someone you know?  
Hospitalization • Recovery • Death in the Family  
Please call Dora Tippens at 815-248-2712  
They will send a word of encouragement.  
Neighbors reaching neighbors



SPRING VALLEY  
  
BUGGY SHOP &  
RESTAURANT SEATING  
REUPHOLSTERY

16348 Gempler Rd.  
Brodhead, WI 53520  
**608-897-8368**  
Ben Yoder  
  
CLOSED  
SUNDAYS

**Durand United Methodist Church**

Barbecue Luncheon and Craft Fair  
November 1, 2025  
9:00am - 2:00pm  
Looking for crafters.  
If interested, call Beth Spielman at 815-238-2282.

**Jack Walsh LSA Volunteer of the Year Award**

Nomination forms for the Jack Walsh LSA Volunteer of the Year Award are now available at the Lake Summerset Office. In 2019, the LSA Board of Director’s established the Jack Walsh Volunteer of the Year Award. Criteria requirements for the award are below.

Nominee must have served the LSA in a volunteer capacity for more than 5 years.  
The volunteer must have made significant contributions to the Lake Summerset Association.  
Must be a member in good standing.  
The nomination must include details on how the volunteer has served the community.

Nominations will be reviewed by a three person panel appointed by the Board of Directors. At the November BOD meeting, the Board will meet in Executive Session to review and select the recipient. The award will be presented at the Lake Summerset Association Annual Meeting in December.

**LSA’s Long Range Facility Planning Committee (LRFPC) Looking for Expertise Can We Count on You?**

LSA’s Long Range Facility Planning Committee is tasked with implementing improvements to our community. Projects are often in the planning stages for years and in some cases a decade or more while necessary funds are accumulated. The Committee does its due diligence to keep project costs down and looks to engage community members’ expertise when possible during the planning process. From time to time, the committee needs items such as drafting a scope of work for potential projects, including project cost estimates, and drafting work. If you have any of these skills, and are willing to share your expertise with our Long Range Facility Planning Committee for the betterment of our community, please reach out to LSA General Manager Mike Schmieder (generalmanager@lake-summerset.com).

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- Non Motor Boat Registration
- Off-Leash Dog Park Registration & Rules
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- Shelter House Reservation Form
- Lake Summerset Change of Address Form
- LRF Project Form
- Tree Authorization Form
- Request Guest Pass
- Holiday Pass List
- Red Card Pass Request
- Guest Pass Removal Form
- Request Security Check

The above forms can be found on our website. Click on LOGIN - Type Member1! to sign in. Click on Forms and select the form needed and fill out all the required information and hit submit. The form will be electronically sent to the LSA Office.

**Information Available on LSA Website**

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- Lake Street Map
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**Notice: When You Sell Your Lot**

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# Letter To The Editor



## Election Endorsement

There are two candidates for whom I am recommending you vote for. #1 is Roger Allen. Roger has done an excellent job handling the current roadwork project as a member of the ad hoc road committee. He is an active member of the Long Range and Facilities Planning committee and serves as an Otter Creek Lake Utility District trustee. Roger's career experience as an operating engineer, and his pledge to uphold fairness, transparency, and fiscal responsibility solidify my recommendation of a vote for Roger. My 2nd recommendation is for the election of Karen Franzen, who has been a board member in the past. During her 15 year tenure on the board, she headed projects like the Dog Park, Spray Park, and providing accessible fishing docks. Karen has a good background in governance, financial responsibility, and community needs. She is also a member of the Long Range and Facilities Planning committee. These two candidates have earned my trust and my vote. Please join me in electing Roger Allen and Karen Franzen to the Lake Summerset Board of Directors. Jack Walsh  
Lot 2086

## Friends of LSA

### Building a United Community with Truth, Trust, and Teamwork

Friends of LSA is a dedicated group of Lake Summerset Association members committed to recommending and supporting board candidates who embody our shared values of Truth, Trust and Teamwork. We champion leadership that prioritizes LSA first, represents all members equally, and fosters a strong, united community.

Social media communication can be a useful tool when used thoughtfully and respectfully, but it also risks spreading misinformation, misrepresentation that creates division, and can expose our community to legal challenges and reputational harm. To keep our community informed and united during this election, we're focusing on reliable communication channels to share updates and connect with you.

Visit us at [www.friendsofLSA.com](http://www.friendsofLSA.com), to explore our recommended candidates. Learn about their backgrounds, values, and visions for Lake Summerset's future. Have questions or want to connect? Reach out directly to the candidates at [friendsoflsa07@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoflsa07@gmail.com).

Please Support Our Candidates:

X Roger Allen

X Karen Franzen

Thank You!  
Patricia Putra #1592, Nancy Pool #1427,  
Joann Walker #1717, Matthew Walker  
#1520 and many more Friends of LSA



## Reminder

For those 12-16 years of age, a Lake Summerset Photo ID must be with them at all times while operating a golf cart on our roads. Photo IDs can be taken at the Lake Summerset Office.



## Walking Your Dog?

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## Thinking about renting your home?

Just a reminder that the Lake Summerset Association has sub-regulations in place for the renting of homes. These regulations include LSA approving application for renters, which means all paperwork for rentals needs to be submitted 30 days before the renter's move-in date. Please contact the LSA Office before you rent to receive copies of the sub-regulations.

# Durand Area Food Pantry Seeking Funding For Holiday Meal Boxes

By Sarah Loofbourrow

The Durand Area Food Pantry is asking for help funding our upcoming holiday meal boxes. We are planning to distribute 200 Thanksgiving boxes and 200 Christmas boxes. A \$25 donation will help to provide a turkey in November and a ham in December, along with several sides to feed a family of 4 to 6. These distributions are the largest of the year. We hope to receive local donations to help us meet this need. If you are able to assist us, please mail your donation to DAFP, PO Box 564, Durand IL 61024.

Thanks for helping us help our neighbors. Our November pantry distributions will be held on Saturday, November 22nd from 8:30-10:30am and Monday, November 24th from 3-5pm. Turkey or turkey breast meal boxes will be given to all guests until gone. The pantry is located in the alley near the Durand Fire Department. Please remember your Link2Feed card. If you are new to our pantry, someone will be available to help with registration. For additional information, please contact us at 815-985-1805.



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LSA Fish Club 2025 Annual Car Show

**By Curt Zawiski**  
The LSA Fish Club held its annual Car Show on August 30th. The show was originally planned to occur with the Pancake Breakfast, but had to be re-scheduled due to weather. Nevertheless, our re-scheduled event had great spectator/voter turnout, beautiful weather and fantastic cars! Thanks to all that attended and entered cars, as well as our event sponsors. Community support for the club is greatly appreciated. All proceeds go back to the community as part of supporting fishery management,

fish habitat development and education. There were four awards presented based on spectator and owner voting. The winners were:  
**1st Place Modified**  
Guy Reffet - 1965 Chevy Nova  
**1st Place Classic**  
Sybil Wagner - 1956 Ford Thunderbird  
**1st Place Contemporary**  
Ron Wallace - 2007 Ford Mustang  
**Best in Show**  
Larry Judd - 1936 Chevy Standard



1st Place Modified



1st Place Classic



1st Place Contemporary



Best In Show

LSA Fish Conservation Committee (FCC) 2025 Fish Stocking Program Completed

**By Curt Zawiski**  
The LSA FCC recently completed their 2025 fish stocking program with the addition of 2,800 Walleye and 100 pure (spotted) Muskies in September. These fish were in addition to the 1,100 Black Crappie that were added in the spring. Stocking species and quan-

ties are determined based on data analysis from our annual fall electro-shocking survey, dialog with our lake biologist and research from publications produced by the IDNR and WDNR. Thanks to all volunteers within the community that helped with this activity throughout the year.



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LSA FCC and Fish Club Members Recover Trapped Fish from the Spillway Stilling Basin

**By Curt Zawiski**  
With the absence of rain in September, LSA FCC and Fish Club members jumped on the opportunity to pump the spillway stilling basin and recover the fish that were trapped in it. This activity can only be done when lake levels are down and no water is traversing the spillway lip. When water is flowing over the spillway lip the currents generated act as a natural attractant that draw fish to it. Unfortunately, they sometimes can overcome the strengths of the currents and end up going over the spillway lip (ending up in the stilling basin), especially when larger fish are chasing smaller fish. We were successful in netting over 112

fish across many different species and sizes. This included a couple of Northern Pike that were 17 & 24 inches and numerous Large Mouth Bass between 7-18 inches. Many Bluegill were also recovered ranging in sizes from fingerlings up to 7.5 inches. We attempt to do this exercise each year as part of the FCC's pro-active fish conservation and fishery management initiatives. All fish recovered were returned back to the lake with the exception of one common carp and half a dozen black bullheads. This is an IDNR permit issued activity with fish recovery numbers reported back to the IDNR. Thanks to everyone that volunteered and participated in this activity.







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|    | CRAPPIE      | 10" or larger     | 5                  | 2                                       |
|   | WALLEYE      | 16" to 20"        | 2                  | 1                                       |
|                                                                                       | WALLEYE      | Over 20" to 28"   | Catch/ Release     |                                         |
|                                                                                       | WALLEYE      | Over 28"          | 1                  | 1                                       |
|  | MUSKIE *     | 51" or larger     | 1                  | 1                                       |
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|                                                                                       | LARGE M BASS | Under 13"         | 2                  | Catch/ Release                          |
|  | SMALL M BASS | 21" or larger     | 1                  | Catch/ Release                          |
|                                                                                       | CARP         | NONE              | NO LIMIT           | NO LIMIT                                |
|                                                                                       | BULLHEADS    | NONE              | NO LIMIT           | NO LIMIT                                |

\*Targeting Muskies or Northern Pike from June 15th through September 15th is prohibited. Targeting these fish is defined as fishing for the primary purpose of catching these species (during this period) using specifically designed baits, equipment and techniques developed and used with the intent of attracting these particular fish.

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# Board of Director Meeting Minutes

**Unapproved Lake Summerset Association Special Board of Directors Meeting**  
**August 29, 2025 8:00am**  
**Location: LSA Office**  
**Board Members Present**  
Alan Andersen, Mark Metzler, Dennis Vizenor, Curt Zawiski, Roger Allen, Drew Tennant (ZOOM), GM Mike Schmieders, OM Joe Rush

**Members Present**  
Karen Franzen (1329), Jon & Shelley Shrum (49), Rosalynn Keirn (1959), George Pillion (794), Jim Schnieders (852), Denise Torrey (506), Norine Palm (1955), Tom Bernardi (17), Ron Richards (133), Chuck Webster (83), Fred Kile (1957), Dan VanKirk (1221), Deb Turner (567), Susan Chamberlain (1719), Don Palm (1955)

**Call To Order**  
President Andersen called the meeting to order at 8:00am.

**Consent Agenda**  
**Director Allen made a motion to approve the agenda. Director Vizenor seconded the motion.** Director Zawiski made a motion to amend the motion to add a brief discussion of the IMEG Road Study to the agenda. There was no second and the motion died. **The motion to approve the agenda passed with a voice vote. Director Zawiski voted “no.”**

**Unfinished Business**  
**Approval Of Construction Proposal For Lodge Bathroom Renovation**  
**The previous Board meeting left a motion on the floor to approve the construction and plumbing proposals for the Lodge Bathroom Renovation not to exceed \$80,000. Construction to be performed by Oak Leaf Construction of McConnell, IL. at a cost of \$69,443.92. Plumbing work to be performed by Dakota Plumbing of Dakota, IL. at a proposed cost of \$4,950.00. Not to exceed cost of \$80,000 includes \$5,606 for contingency.** Director Zawiski asked for a diagram which is included in today's packet. There was no further discussion. **The motion passed with a roll call vote.**

**New Business**  
**Approval Of Bid Proposal For The Removal And Reinstallation Of Mailboxes On Lake Summerset Road**  
The bid proposals were due to the LSA office this morning at 8:00am. Two bids were received; Fritzel's Landscaping and Wishop Tile and Drainage. Both are qualified and received the same specifications. Fritzel's Landscaping bid is \$24,605.00. Wishop Tile and Drainage bid is \$15,428.00 **Director Metzler made a motion to approve the Time and Materials Bid Proposal for the Removal and Reinstallation of Mailboxes on Lake Summerset Road of \$15,428.00 from Wishop Tile and Drainage. Director Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote.** **Acceptance Of Jim Herman's Resignation From The Lsa Board Of Directors**

**Director Metzler made a motion to accept the resignation of Jim Herman from the LSA Board of Directors as of August 12, 2025. Director Allen seconded the motion.** President Andersen thanked Jim Herman for eleven years of service to the Board and Long Range and Facilities Planning Committee, wishing him and his wife, Carol well in their new home in the suburbs. **The motion passed with a voice vote.**  
**Member Comments/Member Matters**  
President Andersen thanked the members in attendance.

Denise Torrey (506) Wished Alan Andersen the best as the new Board President. Please explain, how the process works and the requirements for filling Jim's now vacant position. GM Schmieders responded

the process is spelled out in the By-Laws. There are two things happening at once in this case, there will be an election for two positions in November as Roger Allen's and Curt Zawiski's positions are up for election. There are three candidates currently running for those positions; Roger Allen, Curt Zawiski and Karen Franzen. The board will accept resumes or applications for the empty Board seat and will appoint a member to fill the position for the duration of the term to end in December 2026.  
Tom Bernardi (17) Thanks to Maintenance for the weed harvester working in the West End.

**Adjourn To Executive Session**  
There is no agenda for Executive Session and it was the consensus of the Board to forgo an Executive Session.  
**Adjournment**

**Director Metzler made a motion to adjourn the August 29, 2025 Special Board Meeting. Director Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote.**

President Andersen adjourned the meeting at 8:13am.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Shelley Shrum  
Recording Secretary  
LSA Board of Directors

**Next Regular Board Meeting**  
September 8, 2025, 7:00pm, LSA Office

**Unapproved Lake Summerset Association Board of Directors Meeting September 8, 2025 7:00pm**  
**Location: LSA Office**  
**Board Members Present**  
Drew Tennant, Alan Andersen, Mark Metzler, Dennis Vizenor, Curt Zawiski, Roger Allen, GM Mike Schmieders, OM Joe Rush, BM Kristine Fotinakes

**Members Present**  
Kelli Metzler (50), Jon & Shelley Shrum (49), Susan Chamberlain (1719), Doug Deschepper (1673), John P. Gorman (2031), Jeff & Kari Giedd (2140), Susan Hukle (2315), George Pillion (794), Jim Schnieders (852), Bruce & Rosalynn Keirn (1959), Fred Kile (1957), Dom & Dorien Bruno (212), Deb & JT Turner (567), Chuck Webster (83), Tom Bernardi (17), Kevin Shirly (763)

**Call To Order**  
President Andersen called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. President Andersen congratulated the Fish Club on the success of the Car Show and the Beautification Club on the success of the Beautiful Concert.

**Consent Agenda**  
GM Schmieders requested a change to the agenda; under new business, items G and H have to do with the road shoulder reshaping. Bids were received on Friday. There are questions on the 2 bids received, and bid amounts are not ready to be disclosed. He asked to move those items to Executive Session. **Director Vizenor made a motion to approve the agenda with the requested changes. Director Allen seconded the motion.** Director Zawiski added the ECC had three items for the Redbook that were not submitted in time for the agenda and would like to amend the motion to add those items. There was no second to amend the motion and the amended motion died. **The motion passed with a voice vote.**

Director Metzler made a correction to the August 11, 2025 Minutes; under approval of construction for the lodge bathroom, the last sentence - Director Metzler did not second the motion. Director Zawiski seconded the motion. Director Metzler voted no. **Director Metzler made a motion to approve the August 11, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes as corrected. Director Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote. Director Vizenor made a motion to approve the August 29, 2025 Special Board Meeting Minutes.**

**Director Tennant seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote.**

**Manager's Report**  
GM Schmieders reported a very successful beach and pool season with no accidents reported. The pool was closed for the season Labor Day weekend. The beaches remain open, however, with no lifeguards, it is "swim at your own risk."  
**Unfinished Business**  
None

**New Business**  
**Presentation Of The 2024 Audit By Jerry Funk Of Wipfli**

The audit received a clean opinion which is the best rating possible. The audit is presented in draft form and any questions can be funneled through GM Schmieders to Jerry Funk of Wipfli. **Director Allen made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the audit. Director Metzler seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Preliminary Approval of Redbook Rules Changes Regarding Clubs**  
**Preliminary Approval of Redbook Rules Changes and Additions Regarding E-Bikes and Scooters**  
**Preliminary Approval of Redbook Addition Regarding Trespassing**

GM Schmieders reminded the Board that the rule changes are subject to a 60-day review. The proposed changes are printed in the newspaper which allows members to express concerns before a final approval by the board at the December meeting. **Director Metzler made a motion to table action on the Redbook rules changes but open the items for discussion. Director Zawiski seconded the motion.** Discussion included all three proposed Redbook changes (Clubs, E-Bikes, and Trespassing). Primary discussion on clubs focused on whether the list should be moved to the Standing Rules where it can be easily updated. E-Bike discussion focused on the Security and Special Services Committee recommendations, as well as; IL changes to e-bike definition, e-bike rules placement in Redbook, speed classifications (1, 2, 3), motor driven cycles are not clearly defined per IL traffic code, max speeds, age limits, rule wording, IL law for municipalities not HOAs, liability, helmet and/or light requirements, LSA registration requirements, stickers, flags, more discussion to follow at a Security and Special Services Committee Meeting October 1, 2025.

Administrative staff asked for the trespassing rule to be returned to the Redbook. It is in the Fishing Rules and Regulations Pamphlet which is an extension of the Redbook. Discussion focused on placement of trespassing rules in fish pamphlet but not in Redbook. **Director Allen made a motion to approve the Redbook rule addition regarding trespassing on private property as recommended by the administrative staff. Rule change to take effect January 1, 2026. Director Vizenor seconded the motion.** Director Tennant verified that this is subject to the 60-day review and asked what is the fine for trespassing. GM Schmieders responded \$50. **The motion passed with a voice vote.**  
**Appointment Of Two (2) Board Members To Serve As Proxies For The 2025 Annual Meeting**

**Director Allen made a motion to appoint Director Tennant and Director Andersen to serve as Proxies for the 2025 Annual Meeting. Director Metzler seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote.**  
**Approval Of Bid Proposal For The Replacement Of The Network Server**  
Director Tennant presented the proposal from Entre. The current network server is past the recommended life cycle. The company will provide network support and the maintenance agreement is built into the operations budget. The cameras are on a separate server which was replaced two years

ago. Director Vizenor made a motion to approve the bid proposal from Entre for the replacement of the network server at a cost of \$26,293.32. Network server, related programming, and labor to be provided by Entre of Machesney Park, IL. **Director Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Approval Of Bid Proposal For Shoulder Grading And Drainage Ditch Reshaping On Lake Summerset Road**  
Moved to Executive Session.

**Approval To Waive The Contractor Working Hours For The Shoulder Grading And Ditch Reshaping Project**  
Moved to Executive Session.

**Member Comments/Member Matters:**  
Susan Hukle (2315) – If the bids for grading are higher than budgeted, will you go ahead to get it done this season? President Andersen replied that this will be discussed in Executive Session. Will the new server system work if struck by lightning? There is a battery backup and the power runs through an uninterrupted power source (UPS).

**Adjourn To Executive Session**  
Director Tennant thanked Joe Rush for the work done at the pool picnic area. **Director Allen made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session. Director Tennant seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote.** President Andersen adjourned the meeting at 7:56pm. Respectfully submitted,  
Shelley Shrum  
Recording Secretary  
LSA Board of Directors

**Executive Session**  
**Director Tennant made a motion to open the Executive Session at 8:03pm. Director Vizenor seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.**

The Board discussed the Porter Brothers settlement regarding the 2021 chipseal project. The next hearing has not yet been scheduled but should be within the next 30 days. The Board was updated on a home which has and will continue to be fined for having numerous unregistered, inoperable vehicles stored on the property. The Board was then updated on the deteriorating condition of a home and their refusal to take corrective measures. Multiple citations for rules violations have been and will continue to be issued. The Board was informed that the General Manager will be out of the office on September 12th and 13th to attend a family wedding.

A staff compensation review was conducted as part of the 2026 budget development. **Director Allen made a motion to return to open session. Director Vizenor seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.**

**Director Allen made a motion to accept the resignation of Jim Herman from the Long Range and Facility Planning Committee. Director Vizenor seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.** **Director Metzler made a motion to accept the resignation of Jim Herman as President of the LSA Board of Directors. Director Andersen seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.** **Director Tennant made a motion to adjourn the September 8, 2025 meeting at 8:50pm. Director Allen seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.**

**Unapproved Lake Summerset Association Special Board of Directors Meeting**  
**September 13, 2025 8:30am**  
**Location: LSA Office**  
**Board Members Present**  
Drew Tennant, Alan Andersen, Mark Metzler, Dennis Vizenor, Curt Zawiski, Roger Allen, BM Kristine Fotinakes

**Members Present**  
Jeff Wishop (2125), Shelley Shrum



(49), Jim Schnieders (852), Bill Mount (2000), Susan Hukle (2315)

Call To Order

President Andersen called the meeting to order at 8:30am.

Consent Agenda

Director Allen made a motion to approve the September 13, 2025 Special Meeting Agenda. Director Vizenor seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Approval Of Bid Proposal For Shoulder Grading For Road Shoulder Grading And Drainage Ditch Reshaping On Lake Summerset Road

Director Allen made a motion to approve the shoulder grading and drainage ditch reshaping on Lake Summerset Road at a cost of \$196,140. Work to be done by Grade Solutions of Rock City, IL. Director Metzler seconded the motion. Director Allen met with the engineer and lowest bid contractor to reduce cost through the reuse of soil on-site instead of bringing in top soil. This significantly reduced the bid cost. Discussion included; engineer estimate, 7 contractors solicited, 2 bids received, hydroseeding vs. straw mat, budget and funding, Director Zawiski made a motion to amend the motion to include the funding to come from the capital reserve. Director Vizenor seconded the motion. The amended motion passed with a voice vote. Director Metzler and Director Andersen voted “no.” Further discussion included; excavation to 4 inches, use of top soil in rocky areas, water source from fire hydrant. The amended motion passed with a roll call vote.

Approval To Waive Contractor Working Hours For The Shoulder Grading And Ditch Reshaping Project

Director Allen made a motion to waive

the contractor working hours for the shoulder grading and ditch reshaping project. Director Zawiski seconded the motion. Discussion included; current working hours 7:00am-7:00pm weekdays and 8:00am-4:00pm on Sundays and holidays, work to be completed by October 31 weather permitting, specific hours of work, Saturday work hours. The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Member Comments/Member Matters

Susan Hukle (2315) – Concerns with where the shoulder grading will start, removal and reinstallation of mailboxes, how much time the project will take. Discussion included; culvert clean out, elevation needed for shoulder grading, machine rental delays, working with contractors, bid specs, soliciting bids, roads plan is a 20-year plan.

Bill Mount (2000) – The work recently done in Robin and Oriole Parks looks great, thank you to everyone involved as it has greatly improved the quality of the scenery along Baintree Road.

Jim Schnieders (852) – Will the Board budget session follow this meeting? Yes.

Jeff Wishop (2125) – Follow up on mailbox replacement. Discussion included; more work to replace than to remove mailboxes, replacement by member, damaged mailboxes, damaged posts, USPS delivery to replacement boxes to continue until notified by LSA, USPS mailbox location specifications, letter mailed to affected members, member notification.

Adjourn To Executive Session

Director Tennant made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed with a voice vote. President Andersen adjourned the meeting at 8:55am. Respectfully submitted, Shelley Shrum Recording Secretary LSA Board of Directors

ber 2 - December 2 to complete restrooms renovations. Oak Leaf Construction will perform this work.

Board Liaison Report

Roger Allen spoke more about the upcoming roadwork grading that is being worked on from the guard house to the Otter Creek area. 2 Miles of LS Road for drainage repair in 2025. Mainly to get standing water off of the roadways. Survey work is done. Culvert cleanout is done. The resident group mailboxes off of Lake Summerset Road are in place for temporary pick up for the Lake Summerset road section that is being worked on. Davis post office is involved in this delivery. The process will be: mail box removal (done); grading; seeding; and mailbox replacement on common property area of lots. Approximately 60 days from September 8. The complete presentation with graphics is on our Lake Summerset webpage. He also said that Bid documents are considered to be confidential, until the bidding process is complete. No portion of the documents should be displayed on social media. Although no laws are broken, to do so is considered to be disrespectful to the contractors bidding on the project and is unethical. The bidding process is considered complete once the bids have been opened and the project has been awarded.

Special Guest

Dr. Tom Vant and Dr. Alex Vant, doctors of Physical Therapy and owners of Midwest Performance Rehab which is located at Anytime Fitness in Durand. They gave a thorough talk about their services, physical therapy and health in general. Many in attendance have or will be using their services in the next coming months. Everyone agreed that this is a fantastic help and service for our area and some members expressed interest in changing their providers to this group of therapists. The doctors stated that this can be done. Therapy can be doctor ordered or voluntarily elected if needed. Physical therapy at this facility can also provide some or most occupational therapy orders from an MD as well. Questions were asked by members in attendance and the doctors expressed that there are exercises and also touched on the insurance part of therapy. So far there are 2 physical therapists with additional professional help on the way. They also mentioned about 2 ‘tests’ or assessments that can be checked by them or yourself (at home). Balance test (sit to stand) and functional reach test. Information was left and they stayed after the meeting to help answer more private questions and provide information as to scheduling, insurance and therapy provided at this facility. (815) 275-4263 <https://www.midwestperformancerehab.com>.

The Welcome Committee

Coffee and Conversation – Saturday, October 11, 2025, in the LSA office from 10:00 a.m. -noon. This is for newcomers who have joined the lake in the past year.

50/50

\$4.00 won by Diane Piquette-she donated it back to the pot, treasury @350.00 plus \$4.00 share of 50/50 Balance \$354.00.

October 4, 2025 – Saturday, 10:00 a.m. Next CRC Meeting. We will have the GM, Mike Schmieder present to explain and go over the voting procedure for the LSA election coming up this fall.He will explain the way the proxy works and how to cast a ballot. Guest Speaker next month: Lake Summerset Safety Committee. They will be speaking of general

work and safety at the lake that they perform and also go over the use of Ebikes and Escooters. They will also field questions and suggestions from our members.

New Business

Next Veterans dinner will be Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at the Lodge. \$8.00 for a pasta dinner. Bring your own adult beverage. Desserts for a small fee. There will be 50/50 raffle and silent auctions.

Adjournment

Motion – 2 members in attendance motioned for adjournment at 11:15 a.m. All attending stated aye. Respectively submitted, Diane Piquette Temporarily Acting Recording Secretary

Unapproved ECC Meeting Minutes Tuesday, 08-19-2025

Meeting called to order at 1:34PM.

Members Present

Dave Dini, Paul Gibson, George Pillion, Chuck Webster, Jon Shrum, Dennis Vizenor (Board Liaison)

Absent

All were present.

Minutes of the 08-02-2025 meeting were read and approved. Motion: Chuck Webster, 2nd: Dave Dini

Number Of Houses Posted To Date In 2025

Six

Appointments

None

Plans And/Or Prints With No Appointment:

1602 Larchmont – Culvert & Driveway – Self – Approved as applied. The upstream culvert and the under the road culvert were all the same size.

1550 Pier Dr. – Addition & Garage – Centerline Carpentry – Approved pending that they verify that the NEC2014 Electrical code is followed. Missing items were outlets with an independent circuit, a disconnect means and EV ready system.

1540 Pier Dr. – Retaining Wall – Fritzel’s – Approved as applied

1402 Pier Dr. – Sidewalk – DB Concrete – No permit required if there are no changes.

1507 Dresden – Deck and Stairs – Hatfield Construction – Approved as applied

68 Delburne – Deck, Stair, Railings – Boan Exterior – Approved as applied, the stair handout will be sent.

900 Breckenboro – Garage – Tru Angle - Builder inquiring about location and size of the new garage. We will provide feedback to him.

New Business

Discuss expected completion dates for letters that will be sent this Summer/Fall. The committee has a goal for the end of November.

Confirm the next ECC meeting for Saturday September 6, 2025. The date and time is confirmed.

Old Business

Will someone volunteer to add “base requirements” to the shed builders pack? Also, do we want to convert this to an “outbuilding” builder pack so that it includes sheds and detached garages? Dave Dini has volunteered to work on this.

DarkSky presentation/recommendations were provided to the LSA Board at their 05-12-2025 meeting. The board agrees with the approach of providing educational materials to the membership and suggests we continue with the LS News articles. They also gave the “OK” to distribute the

LSA Committees Meeting Minutes

Unapproved Campground Committee Meeting Minutes August 16, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 by Chairman Dale Tunak.

Members Present

No Board Liaison Present

Dale & Wendy Tunak-749, Jennifer & Jason Mesko-380, Laura Peppers - 96, Carl & Jennifer Schorsch - 1891, Kari and Jeff Giedd- 2140, Jason Rewerts - 2151, Laura Esposito 969

Approval Of Previous Meeting Minutes

The July Campground Committee meeting minutes were read by Jennifer Mesko and approved as read by Dale Tunak.

Agenda

Camp Hosts: Jeff & Kari Giedd

Recent storms have caused damage to the campgrounds: 1 camper has damage and trees have fallen. Maintenance have quickly taken care of the debris.

Jeff reported that they have turned away interested campers for electrical sites. He proposed an expansion plan to create 7-9 electrical sites where there are primitive sites.

The ½ court basketball court will be in place of the former volleyball court in the back of the campground.

Chairman: Dale Tunak

Campground committee will need to add an additional meeting to the calendar to have a total of 6 committee meetings.

The new Campground Rules will be turned in before March to start the new camping year in May.

New Business

The campground committee is still looking for anyone interested in joining the subcommittee for the Campground Bathroom Renovation Project - can you

assist in developing a scope of work to plan.

Jason Mesko brought in plans to build a Gaga ball court. Campground volunteers will build and assemble in spring. This will be placed by the volleyball court.

Next meeting will be on Saturday, September 20th at 9am at the Pavillion CCC - Campground Chili Cookout - Come to the Pavillion with a bowl to try the different chili recipes! Bring your famous chili and any fixings to share with the group! See you there!

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:42am

Unapproved Community Relations Committee Minutes September 6, 2025

The CRC meeting attended by 25 people, was called to order by John Kochanski, CRC Chairman at 10:03 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Outreach Committee Report

Cards were sent to Donna Weston.

Review Minutes August 2, 2025

Corrections-None. Motion to approve – Suzie Gelato 1053 Second- Susan Hukle 2315 Approved.

Citation Appeals Committee

Next hearing Nov 1, 2025.

Update From GM Manager Mike Schmieder (Presented By Roger Allen - Board Director)

Pool is now closed. New patio being constructed outside of splashpad at the pool. Maintenance is performing work. This will be ready next year. This will be a picnic area.

Bingo tonight – September 6, 2025, 6:30 a.m. at the lodge. Football theme. Wear your favorite football team jerseys and colors.

Lodge will be closed from Novem-

Attend LSA Board of Director Meetings  
Second Monday of every month  
7:00 p.m. at the LSA Office



The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm at the LSA Pool. The committee members present were Jim Ostapa, Alan Andersen, Kelly Giovinine, and Karen Franzen. General

| <u><b>ECC – Requirements for Property Improvements</b></u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |  |
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Saturday Mornings At The Library

By Barbara Flores  
Two Challenging Programs In October

Please mark your calendar for October 4 and October 14 for two very interesting programs at the Durand Library one of which will challenge our thoughts on Christopher Columbus and the other asks us to reflect on how the media portrayal of Native Americans has influenced our perspective.

Saturday October 4 Ernest M. Whiteman III, a Northern Arapaho filmmaker, artist, writer, and media educator will present a multimedia exploration of how Native Americans are depicted in media and entertainment. The talk is Entitled “No One Ever Sees Indians: Native Americans in Media” and followed by the telling question “Are you watching closely?” This presentation is loosely structured as a three-part magic act. Ernest discusses the many representations of Native Americans in media, how far back these depictions go, and how these representations inform audience perceptions of Native peoples and issues.

An experienced and dynamic presenter for diverse audiences in a wide range of venues, he teaches an upper-level communications course, “Native Americans in Media” at the University of Wisconsin Parkside. This presentation is supported by the Illinois Humanities Council.

Tuesday evening October 14 David Dini offers a program on Christopher Columbus and adds this clear eyed statement, “Myself being Italian, I like to point out the great things that Columbus did, but I know that in all seriousness there may be many aspects of his life that some may now find offensive.” He adds that there are a lot of facts about Columbus which are not certain and that his talk combines history, with some storytelling, and some dry humor.

The talk is entitled The Story of Christopher Columbus and His Famous Ships and Dave will bring a beautiful model of the Santa Maria, Columbus’ flag ship which Dave carefully assembled. We’ll get a look at the challenges of sailing in the late 15th century especially when neither the captain nor the crew knew when or whether they would reach land. We will also learn how the 1828 fictional biography of Columbus

by Washington Irving (Rip Van Winkle and Sleepy Hollow fame) has painted a portrait of Columbus which has colored our understanding of Columbus ever since.

Mr. Whiteman’s talk on Native Americans in the Media takes place Saturday, October 4 at 10:00 am. Mr. Dini will speak Tuesday evening October 14 at 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to these free programs.

The Durand Library is located in the school building at 200 W. South Street. Entrance is at the east end of the building. For more information, please email village-library@cusd322.org or call 815-289-8602.

Illinois Humanities is supported in part by the National Endowment for the Humanities: Democracy Demands Wisdom and the Illinois General Assembly [through the Illinois Arts Council Agency], as well as by contributions from individuals, foundations, and corporations.

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The August 1, 2025 Force Mowing inspection found the following lots to be in violation of Blue Book section 2, page 8, paragraph G. Each lot is fined \$150.

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# Beautification Club: Another Successful Beautiful Concert At Mitchell Park

By Jill Muschong  
LSA Beautification Club

What a way to close out the summer! Our Beautiful Concert at Mitchell Park on August 31 was a full house. The warm up music and the band both were terrific and brought good energy to the party. The weather was picture perfect! This has become a safe, fun, family event and we have seen zero incidents of any kind of trouble. The tablescapes this year were unreal as you can see from the photos.

This event takes over 35 volunteers from soliciting sponsorships, creation of marketing materials, coordination of email blasts, social media posts and concert signage. Contracts for the entertainment, the bucket crew that mingles with the crowd asking for donations. Stage skirting and takedown. Arranging picnic tables, garbage detail and creation of 3 beautiful prize baskets. You know who you are and THANK YOU. As I

have said before you always show up!!!

We also want to thank Joe Rush & his team for setting up the area with 55 picnic tables, facility for the garbage, the Spring work to bring in fill from the parking lot project fix a recessed spot so that is more level for a stage.

Thank you to Harrison and his crew for marking off parking, for golf carts, handicapped and concert attendees and security.

A big Thank You to all involved. We also want to thank the attendees for their generosity. We ask for a \$15.00 donation and the number of people that exceeded that amount was incredible. We received many \$20.00 donations, \$40.00 donations, \$100.00 donations and even a \$250.00 Venmo! Your generosity will pay dividends because we will invest 100% of the funds right back into our community as we have in the past! The Beautification Club is proud of the investments we have made in our community.



Americana Theme Table



Bucket Crew



Toddlers Enjoyed Too



The Band



Tablescape First Place



Tablescape Second Place



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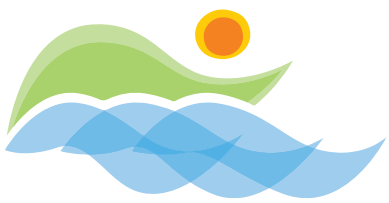
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## Halloween Candy Donations

Lake Summerset is asking for Halloween candy donations for the Halloween Party/Trunk N Treat on Saturday, October 25. Donations can be dropped off at the Lake Summerset Office and at the Guard House.





# Section Two

September 2025

## Karen's Kolumn

As summer winds down (it goes too fast!), we start planning for fall fun! It starts with Football-theme Bingo on Saturday, September 6th at 6:30pm. Get in the spirit by wearing your fav team jersey for a chance to win a prize. There will be other football-style raffles, even some trivia and other game surprises. We will even be serving ice cream floats! Two cards for \$5. Mark your calendars for the return of our incredible Trunk 'n' Treat and Halloween Party on Saturday, October 25th from 2-4pm. Magician Marshall Brodien, son of Bozo Circus's Wizzo returns! Also

coming back are Ms. Twisty Pants (balloon twisting) and Ms. Marlene (caricature artist). The Haunted House will delight and very slightly fright you. It's all that and more for Halloween 2025! Sponsored by Best Realty and the State Bank of Davis. Also be sure to note our Christmas Tree Lighting and Party will be on Saturday, December 6th from 4-6pm. Sponsored by Morgan Realty and the State Bank of Davis. Watch our Facebook page, website and LS News for Bingo dates and party updates. Hope to see you at everything as all are welcome to join!

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Save The Date

Halloween Party Trunk N Treat

Saturday, October 25, 2025

### Dates to Remember

|                                      |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| A Beautiful Concert                  | 08/31/2025       |
| Bingo Night                          | 09/06/2025       |
| Budget Workshop                      | 09/13/2025       |
| Ladies of the Lake Wine/Beer Tasting | 09/19/2025       |
| Fish Club 4th Annual Wally Raduns    | 10/04-10/05/2025 |
| Muskie Classic                       |                  |
| Newcomer Coffee & Conversation       | 10/11/2025       |
| Halloween Party                      | 10/25/2025       |
| Flu Shot Clinic                      | 10/29/2025       |
| Quarterly Otter Creek Payment Due    | 10/29/2025       |
| Writing Gals Workshop                | 11/01/2025       |
| Christmas Party/Tree Lighting        | 12/06/2025       |
| Annual Board of Director's Meeting   | 12/14/2025       |

\*Dates subject to change - Look for more information in the LS News, on our Facebook Page, and Website

### Pictures From Ice Cream Party Held On August 2



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# Public Safety Citations and Warnings

| LOT    | VIOLATOR     | VIOLATION                                                                                                | FINE    | TICKET NUMBER | CITATION DATE |
|--------|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------------|---------------|
| * 1855 | Same         | Vehicle pulling trailer used east gate exit                                                              | 50.00   | 13142         | 4/16/2025     |
| * 137  | Same         | Making wake before 10:00am                                                                               | 50.00   | 12240         | 5/31/2025     |
| * 1010 | Same         | Making wake before wake hours                                                                            | 50.00   | 13240         | 6/22/2025     |
| 2114R  | Guest        | Speeding on radar 41 mph in a 30 mph zone                                                                | 150.00  | 13252         | 6/11/2025     |
| 2028   | Same         | Expired decal displayed on boat                                                                          | 50.00   | 13234         | 6/19/2025     |
| 715    | Same         | Making wake passed wake hours                                                                            | 50.00   | 13235         | 6/21/2025     |
| 1484   | Father       | 2 of 7 violation at campground                                                                           | 25.00   | 12920         | 6/22/2025     |
| 1782   | Same         | Speeding on radar 38 mph in a 30 mph zone                                                                | 100.00  | 11893         | 6/23/2025     |
| 2177R  | Delivery     | Speeding on radar 38 mph in a 30 mph zone                                                                | 100.00  | 12938         | 6/26/2025     |
| 1692   | Guest        | Red pass violation vehicle parked at Southgate Marina                                                    | 50.00   | 12939         | 6/26/2025     |
| 1352   | Same         | Speeding on radar 33 mph in a 25 mph zone                                                                | 100.00  | 12940         | 6/26/2025     |
| 19     | Same         | Making wake passed wake hours                                                                            | 50.00   | 13256         | 6/29/2025     |
| 1484   | Father       | 2 of 7 violation at campground - 2nd violation in 12 month period                                        | 50.00   | 12921         | 6/30/2025     |
| 1423   | Same         | Vehicle pulling boat through inbound west gate                                                           | 50.00   | 13277         | 6/30/2025     |
| 1018   | Guest        | Vehicle with expired annual pass parked at pool                                                          | 50.00   | 12950         | 7/1/2025      |
| 1983   | Same         | Golf cart with expired decal parked at main marina                                                       | 50.00   | 12949         | 7/1/2025      |
| 666    | Same         | Speeding on radar 32 mph in a 25 mph zone                                                                | 100.00  | 13279         | 7/1/2025      |
| 788    | Annual Guest | Speeding on radar 37 mph in a 30 mph zone                                                                | 100.00  | 13278         | 7/1/2025      |
| 2057   | Same         | Unightly condition; unmowable lot due to downed trees & limbs                                            | 100.00  | 13289         | 7/7/2025      |
| 2056   | Same         | Unmowable lot due to downed trees & limbs                                                                | 100.00  | 13290         | 7/7/2025      |
| 125    | Same         | Unightly debris, abandoned boats, burn barrel, improper storage of mowers and tractors                   | 100.00  | 13291         | 7/8/2025      |
| 429    | Same         | Unightly; numerous ECC violations                                                                        | 100.00  | 13292         | 7/8/2025      |
| 808    | Same         | Speeding on radar 39 mph in a 30 mph zone                                                                | 100.00  | 13286         | 7/3/2025      |
| 2026   | Guest        | Speeding on radar 44 mph in a 30 mph zone                                                                | 150.00  | 13288         | 7/6/2025      |
| 358    | Same         | Vehicle with no decal or guest pass parked along the road                                                | 50.00   | 12955         | 7/8/2025      |
| 1081   | Annual Guest | Vehicle with expired Annual decal parked at the pool                                                     | 50.00   | 12958         | 7/9/2025      |
| 59     | Annual Guest | Vehicle with expired Annual decal parked at the Beach II                                                 | 50.00   | 12956         | 7/9/2025      |
| 109    | Same         | Speeding on radar 38 mph in a 30 mph zone                                                                | 100.00  | 13293         | 7/10/2025     |
| 1266   | Same         | Making wake before 10:00am                                                                               | 50.00   | 13295         | 7/13/2025     |
| 451    | Same         | Making wake after 6:00pm on weekend                                                                      | 50.00   | 13301         | 7/13/2025     |
| 1762   | Same         | Making wake after 6:00pm on weekend                                                                      | 50.00   | 13302         | 7/13/2025     |
| 714    | Annual Guest | Vehicle with expired Annual decal parked at Beach I                                                      | 50.00   | 13300         | 6/29/2025     |
| 232    | Same         | Speeding on radar 39 mph in a 30 mph zone                                                                | 100.00  | 12976         | 7/20/2025     |
| 2183   | Same         | Unightly debris, trash, & dead wood stored in yard                                                       | 50.00   | 13026         | 7/24/2025     |
| 2183   | Same         | Unightly desbris: garbage receptacles & clutter on west side of house                                    | 50.00   | 13027         | 7/24/2025     |
| 2183   | Same         | Inoperable & unregistered golf cart stored on lot                                                        | 50.00   | 13028         | 7/24/2025     |
| 2183   | Same         | Abandoned riding mower stored in front yard over 30 days                                                 | 50.00   | 13029         | 7/24/2025     |
| 2183   | Same         | Unightly debris                                                                                          | 50.00   | 13030         | 7/24/2025     |
| 2183   | Same         | Trash receptacles must be stored so they are not visible from street                                     | 50.00   | 13031         | 7/24/2025     |
| 1702   | Same         | Multiple inoperable unregistered vehicles parked for storage purposes - 6th violation in 12 month period | 1600.00 | 13032         | 7/24/2025     |
| 1702   | Same         | Operating a commercial business from home/lot                                                            | 300.00  | 13033         | 7/24/2025     |
| 1484   | Same         | Failure to stay 2 nights on a holiday weeked at campground                                               | 25.00   | 13003         | 7/22/2025     |
| 969    | Same         | Failure to stay 2 nights on a holiday weeked at campground                                               | 25.00   | 13006         | 7/22/2025     |
| 1072   | Same         | Failure to stay 2 of 7 at campground 7-6-25 thru 7-12-25                                                 | 25.00   | 12925         | 7/22/2025     |
| 1803   | Same         | Failure to stay 2 nights on a holiday weeked at campground                                               | 25.00   | 13001         | 7/22/2025     |
| 644    | Same         | Failure to stay 2 nights on a holiday weeked at campground                                               | 25.00   | 13004         | 7/22/2025     |
| 1907   | Same         | Making wake before 10:00am                                                                               | 50.00   | 13304         | 7/20/2025     |
| 5      | Same         | Making wake before 10:00am                                                                               | 50.00   | 13303         | 7/20/2025     |
| 859    | Guest        | Red pass violation vehicle parked at Southgate Marina                                                    | 50.00   | 12980         | 7/24/2025     |
| 1055   | Same         | Driving golf cart through main gate holding RFID in hand                                                 | 50.00   | 13261         | 7/19/2025     |
| 1451   | Guest        | Red pass violation vehicle parked at Main Marina                                                         | 50.00   | 12981         | 7/27/2025     |
| 1980   | Same         | Making wake after wake hours                                                                             | 50.00   | 13308         | 7/27/2025     |
| 2239   | Same         | Expired decal displayed on boat                                                                          | 50.00   | 13314         | 7/27/2025     |
| 2252   | Same         | Failure to display current Illinois watercraft decal                                                     | 50.00   | 13313         | 7/27/2025     |
| 131    | Annual Guest | Expired decal displayed on vehicle at Beach II                                                           | 50.00   | 13333         | 7/28/2025     |
| 391    | Same         | Speeding on radar 40 mph in a 30 mph zone                                                                | 100.00  | 12983         | 7/29/2025     |
| 1087   | Same         | Speeding on radar 37 mph in a 30 mph zone                                                                | 100.00  | 12982         | 7/29/2025     |
| 1087   | Same         | Speeding on radar 39 mph in a 30 mph zone                                                                | 100.00  | 12984         | 7/29/2025     |
| 2373   | Guest        | Red pass violation vehicle parked at Beach I                                                             | 50.00   | 12985         | 7/29/2025     |

\* Upheld by Citation Review



## Warnings

- 9 - Failure to stay 2 of 7 nights at campground
- 2 - No Illinois registration numbers displayed on boat/state sticker in wrong location
- 2 - Lot number stickers peeling off/faded on boat
- 2 - Illinois registration sticker and lot numbers in wrong location
- 1 - Swimming in wake zone during wake hours
- 1 - No LS number on port side of pontoon
- 1 - No decal on paddle board
- 1 - Making wake in a no wake zone
- 1 - Making wake after no wake hours
- 1 - LS numbers on boat not in contrasting colors
- 1 - Junior member fishing without Illinois fishing license
- 1 - Golf cart went around north automatic gate at the main entrance
- 1 - Golf cart parked in no parking ara at Beach I
- 1 - Failure to stay 2 nights on a holiday weekend at campground
- 1 - Expired decal displayed on golf cart parked at Beach II

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The Public Safety Department needs to be notified right away when suspicious activity and/or violations are being committed. Waiting to report slows the process of catching individual(s) doing wrong. Posting on social media (Nextdoor) is not accepted as a means of reporting information to the PS Department. The Public Safety department must be contacted by phone or in person. Anonymous letters will not be investigated due to additional information may be required.

The Public Safety Department cannot give out any information pertaining to names of complainants or violators. You as members are urged to notify Winnebago or Stephenson County Police for all vandalism, thefts, mailbox damage, domestics, accidents, or animal bites.

The Lake Sunnerset Association desires to make quite clear to the members and to all

persons who are properly allowed to use its amenities, that it is NOT a law enforcement agency and it does not exercise any arrest or criminal law enforcement powers.

### Stop Signs

All posted stop signs and yield signs must be obeyed. This may result in a citation if failure to comply.

### Annual Pass

The annual pass is restricted to (6) families per household regardless of number of lots owned. There is a \$35 fee per annual pass this includes the RFID tag for windshield. The RFID tag must be affixed to the windshield. If you had guests or family on the annual pass and did not pay the \$35 fee, these guests & family have been deleted from your pass list or if requested by you transferred to the Red Card pass which allows them only to the house.

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Bocce Ball Club: It's A Good Year

**By Randy Myers**  
Rain Rain stay away on Thursdays. Wow after sixteen weeks of play and only one cancelled due to rain we have no undefeated team. One team with only two losses, two teams with three losses and no team without two wins. The competition is tough and any team could win it all this year with six more weeks to go. This is what we call normalcy in LS Bocce, twenty

four teams with fun and fellowship galore. The Bocce Club is open to all Lake Summerset adult residents and lot owners. We have the courts reserved on Thursdays, May through September, and play regularly scheduled games starting at 10 A.M. each week. Come join us at the bocce courts this summer. More news on our bigger and better Website. LSBocce.club

Pinochle Card Club

**By JoAnn Leith**  
This game is not quite as popular as Hand & Foot, but we still had ten LSA members come out for the challenge of playing and winning on August 15th. We played two tables, three handed with a three-card kitty and one table of four with partners passing three cards. Roger Johnson won first for \$5, Phil Brannon won \$3, and I took third for \$2. On August 5th, only eight players showed

up, so we played two tables of four, passing three cards between the winning bidder and his partner. Always a challenge to pass just the right cards as players often over bid their hand counting on getting a run. Bill Erickson took first winning \$5, I again took second for \$3 and Phil Brannon won \$2. Next play dates for Pinochle are August 19th, September 2nd and 16th. Hope to see many more card players joining us.

Mexican Train Dominoes

**By Merce Meyers**  
On Monday, August 18, as Mexican Train players were about to head for the Lodge for their monthly game, Lake Summerset went from sunshine to a downpour. The wind and rainfall were enough to discourage some from venturing out. We still had six players though for the fun, fellowship and challenge that the game provides. While we could have played with two tables of three, we chose to play together at one table. Debbie Braun won the game while newcomers to

the game, Jeanne Bemi and Judy Lane, took second and third place respectively. Special thanks to Kurt Braun for keeping score! We meet on the third Mondays of the month at the Lodge at 1:00. Next play dates are September 15 and October 20 and so on. As one of the newer groups, you may not have heard of us yet. We encourage beginners and experienced players to come out and give Mexican Train a try. For more info, text or call Merce Meyers at 815-520-5420.

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Hand & Foot News

**By JoAnn Leith**  
Only eleven LSA members showed up for cards on July 28th, so we played two tables of four and one table of three with one gal playing two card hands. We welcomed Carol Gattolin and a newie, Jeannie Beim. Nice to see old friends and new members. Remember we will teach you how to play and it only costs a dollar for usually three hours of fun. Our winners on this day were myself winning \$5. Sharon Dennen won \$3, and Kurt Braun won back his dollar. **WOW**, what a turnout on August 4th as **twenty** members showed up to play Hand

& Foot at the Lodge. Therefore, we had five tables competing for high scores and play moved along quite smoothly. One new member joined us, Sandy Bakkelund, after two hands with help she was on her own. All together there were five men and fifteen ladies. The winners were Jan Gorman winning \$6, Judy Hoeksema won \$5, Kurt Braun won \$4, I won \$3 and Jean Wendt won \$2. Five tables gives us five winners. Thanks to all who came. Next play dates are August 25th and September 22nd. We will not be playing on September 1st as it is Labor Day.

Lake Summerset Fish Club

**Joe Villella**  
The Fish Club met on August 7th, 2025. The meeting began at 7:05 at the office. 10 people signed in. **This Month**  
Lake conditions, temps were measured between 82-88 degrees. Weeds are really growing, and it was reported that LSA will not use the weed harvester west of lots 4 and 213 in fear of damaging the machine. It was reported that Joe Rush has concerns about disturbing the algae could cause more problems than if left alone to naturally dissipate. He sees a different weed and algae growth than seen in other years and wants to avoid the closing of the lake, like that at Lake Carroll. Fishing report, Bass are active with some nice healthy 18" inchers caught.

Dinner Thursday November 6th. Dave R moved to dedicate a budget not to exceed \$1,000.00 for the event, Dominick seconded it and the motion passed. Muskie Tournament is rescheduled for October 4 & 5 for various reasons. Veterans on the Fly went great. Kids Fishing clinic had a low turnout possibly due to other conflicting kids fishing events in the area. Pancake Breakfast Recap 1) parking was confusing, 2) Coffee should be made in the lodge and moved to Mitchell Pavilion via large containers, 3) Sternos should be used instead of Nescos or roasters because of electrical supply issues. Fish Club mission evaluation regarding donations to other clubs. After rereading the mission statement, a long thoughtful discussion was had, it was confirmed that as responsible stewards of the Fish Club money we are to assure that the Fish Club money is used within the parameters of the Fish Club mission statement which can be found on the sign in sheet.

**Social Media**  
Facebook is up 14 followers.  
**Old Business**  
**Fiscal Report**  
Terri gave a detailed report on the Clubs bank account as well as the income and expenses of the recent events. The events included the Bass Tournament, Kids Fishing Clinic, Vets on the Fly, Lake Clean up, Memory Fishing Contest board and Pancake Breakfast. It was noted that 2 tents were destroyed during the rain at the pancake breakfast, It was moved by Steve Vassar and seconded by Mark Rose to purchase 3 pop up tents at Costco. Motion passed unanimously, Steve volunteered to make the purchase. Catching Fish and Making memories board is going strong with more pictures than can fit on the board. **Fish Club Activities-Sub Committee Report**  
Car Show rescheduled to August 30th (9-Noon). J's place may serve food. Sponsor and Volunteer appreciation

**New Business**  
Fish Club trailer interior remodel/ Mark Rose volunteered to lead this endeavor. Next meeting scheduled for September 4th ideas, President Giedd will contact Big Guy Baits to see if he will be a guest speaker. Events Committee chair is open, no volunteers. Trustees meeting, they need to schedule a meeting with the treasurer. Guest speakers' ideas for future meetings, no ideas were given. **Additional Note**  
The Fish Club will be attending the LSA Veterans Club Pasta dinner August 20th to help them raise money towards a memorial they plan to build. Next meeting is September 4th. Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

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# The Fishing Corner

By Curt Zawiski

As we enter the fall season, Muskie fishing enters the mind of a lot of fishermen, with most experienced Muskie fishermen agreeing that late September and October are peak months. Water temperatures drop and muskies start putting on fat for the upcoming winter. As the amount of daylight shortens each day, Muskie (along with other fish) senses the approach of winter and begin to feed anxiously. Muskie is apt to be in shallower, weed occupied water as temperatures hold above the 50-degree range and will move to classic breaks and hard bottom structure when temperatures dip below 50 degrees. As such, I thought it would be appropriate to re-issue the article I originally wrote awhile back regarding angler education on Muskie fishing with updates based on recent research.

Muskie are considered ambush predators based on their body characteristics (long and thin) with a mouth full of vicious teeth. Female Muskie will grow much larger than male Muskie. On average a Muskie is typically 11” after its first year, 34” in year 7, 40” in year 9, 50” by age 17, with 56” being its ultimate biological potential. A 33” Muskie is usually 10 pounds, 41” is typically 20 pounds, 47” is typically 30 pounds and a 52” Muskie is usually around 40 pounds. In Lake Summerset we stock both Tiger Muskie (which are a hybrid between a Northern Pike and a pure Muskie), as well as pure Muskie. Tiger Muskie can grow 1.5 times faster than pure Muskie and are sterile fish. Dietary studies have found that Muskie foraging preferences are round-bodied, soft-rayed’ fish. Muskie are going to eat a little bit of everything when they’re small, but they target the long, cylindrical, soft-rayed fish as they get larger, as opposed to spiny fish like bass, bluegill or walleye. They will feed primarily on “rough fish” (suckers and small carp) as available in our environment here at Lake Summerset with yellow perch being secondary on their menu. Wide-bodied fish are not as preferred as the shape of a Muskie’s gullet is better suited for narrower fish. But they are opportunistic feeders and will go after anything during peak feeding periods. In addition, unlike other fish Muskie seem to feed when the weather and atmospheric pressure stay consistent, rain or shine. Full grown, Muskie have no other predators to worry about and can take prey up to 30% of their own length.

Muskie are considered trophy fish and are

sometimes referred to as the fish of 10,000 casts. As such, most serious Muskie fisherman teach themselves to make sure they understand proper handling techniques, fishing strategies and water temperature specifics necessary to minimize mortality rates. Most biologists classify Muskie as a “cool water” fish. They are most comfortable in water that’s 63-67 degrees. In that temperature range there’s enough oxygen in the water that a Muskie can exert itself without lasting effects. As water temperatures increase, it holds less oxygen. Muskie are not considered endurance fighters when hooked like some other species (bass as an example). They are ambush predators and put up an aggressive fight initially, usually wearing down afterwards. When they fight and exert themselves like that in warmer water (above 80 degrees), it triggers a whole cascade of physiological events. Initially, glucose gets released to give it more energy to fight. As the fish exerts itself more, lactic acid builds up in its muscle. Plasma and potassium levels rise. When water contains enough oxygen, the Muskie’s blood chemistry levels can return to normal much more quickly. When water temperatures are higher, the chemicals triggered by overexertion stay around longer, sometimes too long. Studies have shown that those chemical levels don’t peak until an hour after the Muskie’s fight is finished. The effect of that phenomenon is that a Muskie caught in warm water might seem OK and swim away strongly after being released, but there’s a good chance it might die later when its blood chemistry gets further out of whack. For every degree from 80 and up, there are magnitudes of difference in those blood chemical levels, increasing the mortality rate significantly. Tiger Muskie can withstand higher water temperatures than pure Muskie.

There’s no question that catching and landing one of these fish can be one of the most exhilarating moments in any anglers’ lifetime, regardless of whether it was a targeted fish or was an accidental catch. Following some simple steps will reduce the possibility of the fish dying once it is hooked and netted:

1. Never fish specifically for (target) Muskie in water temperatures above 80 degrees.
2. Have ready an easily accessible large net. Use a coated net to protect the fish’s slime coat.
3. Have hook cutters and pliers in a handy spot where you know you can get to them easily after netting the fish

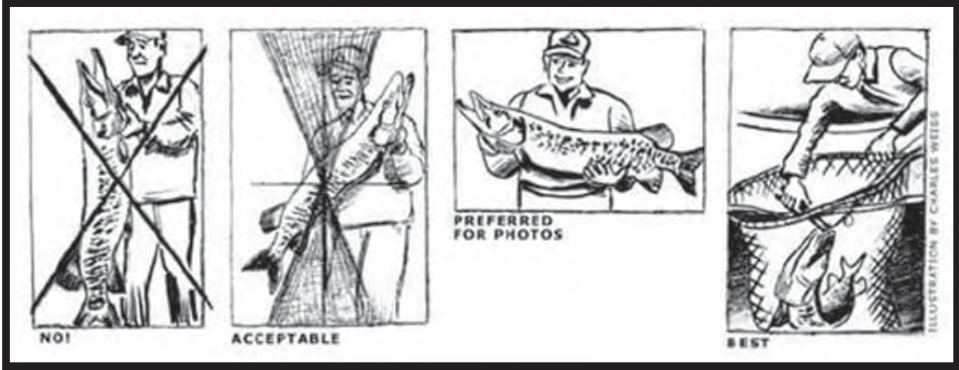
for a quick release. Always cut a hook instead of trying to pull it out of the fish’s mouth if it is embedded deeply.

4. Keep the fish in the water when unhooking it. Don’t bring the fish in the boat and lay it on the floor. A lot of damage happens to a fish as it flops around on the floor of your boat while trying to get the hooks out. A bump board measuring device is a good tool to have for sizing your Muskie once it’s unhooked.
5. Muskie are trophies, you’re going to want pictures. This is why you’re fishing for them! Again, the key here is to minimize the length of time the fish is out of the water. Follow the 10 second rule... the fish can’t be out of the water any longer than 10 seconds. Count as you’re taking your picture. When removing the fish out of the net, carefully lift the fish by the gill plate with one hand while supporting the fish in the mid-section with the other. Keep the fish held horizontally while taking pictures. Never hold any large fish in a straight-line vertical position suspended by its gill plate alone. Doing this can cause internal organ damage to a large fish and increase the probability of death for the fish.
6. Always practice catch and release with Muskie. A good taxidermist will be able to create a replica of your tro-

phy through pictures and measurements.

As fall approaches and water temperatures drop, Muskie fishing is something that all fishermen truly look forward to. Following these simple steps and educating yourself on some of the basics associated with this species will guarantee a productive Muskie fishery for years to come.

Lake Summerset continues to be a great fishery for all members along with their families and friends to enjoy. We achieve this through responsible lake management, conservation, respect for the environment and proactive initiatives to help keep our lakes ecosystems in balance. Support from the Association Membership is critical regarding fishing rules and regulations adherence, ensuring these goals are indeed achievable. Members of the Fish Conservation Committee (FCC) and Fish Patrol Team dedicate their time and energy towards ensuring the membership continues to experience a best-in-class fishery here at Lake Summerset. When on the water, make sure you follow all local LSA and state fishing regulations and please be aware of the Best Practices to be used towards prevention of non-native invasive aquatic species introduction into our lake. Have a great day fishing at Lake Summerset!



## Fishing Notice

It is ILLEGAL to use or possess ANY “Live Bait” other than worms or spikes (larvae). “Live bait” includes minnows, live fish from LSA used as bait, crayfish and leeches. “Cut bait” from bluegills and sunfish caught in LSA is allowed. Cut-bait Bluegills count against creel and head must be kept. It is illegal to cut up, dress or be in possession of cut up or dressed fish (on any body of water in Illinois) where there is a size limit for that species of fish. Dead VHS-free packaged minnows (with the packaging available for inspection) is allowed. The fine for possessing/using restricted bait is published in the current LSA Fine Schedule which is available on the LSA website. These fines can be significant, especially for repeat offenders. LSA fishing rights of guests in violation will be rescinded permanently.

## 2025 Fish Club Events

Annual Wally Raduns Muskie Classic  
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## Water Skiing Regulations

Please refer to Redbook Section 6  
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## Attention Members

Please notify the LSA Office as soon as possible whenever you or your annual guest holder changes vehicles.

## Ladies of the Lake: Looking Forward to Bocce Day and Beer/Wine Tasting Night

By Debra Morge-Erickson

It's September Already!  
Hi Everyone

At our August meeting we met Roger and Chris Stranc. They are local brokers who have a wealth of information on Medicare. Rodger and Chris work with the many different companies that supply the difference choices for coverage. Roger and Chris live here in Lake Summerset and are available to help you. Give them a call.

So, September crept up on us. Ladies of the Lake will host our second day of Bocce fun on Monday Sept 8th at 10am. All ladies here at the lake are welcome to join us for a morning of friendship and fun. We are calling it our White Elephant Bocce Day. You are welcome to bring a wrapped white elephant prize or just come yourself for the fun. No need to know how to play. Many of us are Bocce players and can help you. It is a Pot Luck kind of day so members please think of something you

can contribute for snacking or munching.

Our second September event will be our annual Wine and Beer night. Friday, September 19th 6pm in the LSA Lodge. All are welcome to join us. Please bring wine or beer or beverage of your choice to share and an appetizer to place on our tasting table. Also, please bring your own wine glass. We only have mini tasting cups.

In October we hope to have a master gardener presentation. November 10th we will have our business meeting. Sunday, November 30th we are headed into Pecatonica to see “Uh Oh It’s Christmas”, a play performed by the Pecatonica Playhouse Theatre. Then on to December YIKES December.

Well, that’s it for now. Ladies, we hope you will join us for a day of fun on Monday Sept 8th and the rest of you for an evening of fun on Friday Sept. 19th.

We hope you all enjoy the rest of the summer. God Bless all of you and your families.



## Red Hats Cruise Lake Summerset

By Jacque French

In August, the Red Hats cruised Lake Summerset, on pontoons. We had great weather, great food and great company! A salute to our boat captains, Dale and Jon. In September, we will travel to Rock-

ford, to see the Dinosaur Display, at the Nicholas Conservatory. After, we will have lunch at the Anchor English Pub. If you would like to join us, please call Shirley at (630)740-4259.



## A Voice For The Veterans



By Paul Gibson

August 12th was our first Birthday/Anniversary for the LSA Veterans Club! We have accomplished a lot within 1 year and are still going strong. Thank you all for your support and backing to keep us alive.

The American Legion of Pecatonica just celebrated their 100th Birthday on July 17th. Our very own woodworking master, Jodie Murray, created another one of his beautiful wooden Cross' for their anniversary and we presented it to Marty, the commander, at their celebration (pictured below). Thank you Jodie for your hard work and dedication to our club. Needless to say, the Legion was extremely happy with it and had it hanging before we left.

The club is having our first major fundraiser on August 20th with a pasta dinner. This is for funding the future Veterans Park on the hill at Harting Park. This will be a beauty. The meal will be complete by this reading and I hope it was a huge success for all. If it was, we plan to do it again on the third Wednesday of each month. There may be some variations in the menu, but for now we would like to keep it simple.

We are taking donations to fund our memorial and we were fortunate enough to have an anonymous donor offer to match anybody's donation 100% up to \$10,000. That's incredible! The match will decrease as it is used, so get your donation in before it's gone! It's for a great cause!

We had a mishap on our road cleanup project along Best Road today. We did the cleanup on Monday the 11th and we placed the trash bags (bright yellow) at the VETS CLUB sign near Goodrich Road like we were required to do. Today is Thursday the 14th and the bags were still there. Unfortunately, the county grass mower came by this morning and mowed right over the bright yellow bags and shot garbage all over the grass and road. So we gathered the available Vets and did a cleanup again. Meanwhile, we called the county and filled them in on what happened and let it be known that we were not happy. They sent someone out quickly. By the time they got there we were done and had the new bags filled again. Needless to say we were not happy to have that happen and do not expect it to happen again, but it was really frustrating to do all that cleanup and have

that happen. We are responsible for the section of road and could not leave it like that. We took a few photos shown below.



## LSA Scrapbag Quilt Club

By Mary White

Durand resident Thomas Walsh was presented with a Quilt of Valor at the July 17 meeting of the Scrapbag Quilt Club held in the Lodge at Lake Summerset. This is the second year the club has made a quilt to honor one of our local veterans and to thank them for their service.

Tom was drafted in 1970 at the age of 21. After training at Fort Benning and Fort Lewis, he was deployed to South Korea to serve in the 2nd Infantry Division. While in Korea his primary duty was to lead night patrols in the DMZ (demilitarized zone) between North and South Korea. One of the most vivid memories Tom related was about an infiltrator from North Korea trying to cross the Imjin River near the DMZ. The river contained numerous ice floes since the winters in Korea are very cold. The infiltrator covered himself with grease containing Novocain so he wouldn't feel the pain as he crossed the ice-filled waters of the river, which is about as wide as Lake Summerset by the Lodge. Tom said the night shift duty was tough because of the brutal winter weather.

Tom's separation from the Army took place on April 25, 1972, at the Presidio near San Francisco. They were right across the bay from San Francisco but couldn't leave the base because of safety issues. The anti-war sentiment of the 1970's made it too dangerous to venture out. This is part of the reason he wants to honor the former military members for their service and sacrifice.

Tom is a member of the Durand American Legion post and has served on the scholarship committee of the Second Infantry Division Association for five years. He is also involved in two other veterans' projects. The Grateful Nation Project has collected the stories of 262 veterans who lost their life while defending our coun-

try and produced cards called Hero Cards (similar to baseball trading cards) which tell the veteran's stories. The local Durand High School is the first school in Illinois to have students write about a war hero using Hero Cards. In 2024 the five top essays were read at a Memorial Day Event at the Durand American Legion Hall. This year all four of the Hero presentations were about Hometown Heroes from Durand. Polo High School used Hero Cards in their History Classes for the first time this year.

The second project honors the sacrifice of Gold Star veterans by designating a city block in honor of that veteran and placing signs showing the designation on the block where they lived in Durand before serving in the military and making the supreme sacrifice in defense of our country. The Durand American Legion and Legion Auxiliary are working to have Hero Cards and Gold Star Memorial Block signs created for all 16 of the Gold Star veterans from the Durand area.

Tom is a life-long resident of Durand and was the youngest of five boys in a family of 14 children. Tom was six and just starting first grade when the polio epidemic hit. Eleven of his siblings contracted polio and his brothers Dave and Ed succumbed to the disease.

The Scrapbag Quilt Club meets on the third Thursday of the month at 10:00 am at the Lake Summerset Lodge and we work on a variety of projects to serve our community. New members are always welcome.



## Writing Gals Day Camp

By Sharon Boehlefeld

Lake Summerset Writing Gals hosted their first Writing Day Camp for Big Kids (high school and older) on July 26. The Gals and their guests talked about, and practiced, different aspects of writing both fiction and nonfiction. Regular meetings are scheduled the first and third Mondays of the month at 7 p.m. in the lodge. To learn more, send a note to lswritinggals@gmail.com.



## Aquatic Nuisance Species Alert

Effective January 1, 2013, the Illinois Boat Registration and Safety Act was amended to prevent the spread of invasive aquatic plants and animals by boats, trailers and vehicles. It is illegal to enter or leave a waterbody with aquatic plants or animals attached to your boat or trailer. Traveling on Illinois highways with aquatic plants or animals attached is also prohibited. Always Remove, Drain and Dry to comply with the updated law. Many aquatic nuisance species such as Zebra Mussels and Asian Carp have invaded the lakes and rivers of Illinois. These non-native species can negatively impact fishing and other types of water recreation.





LSA Photography Club



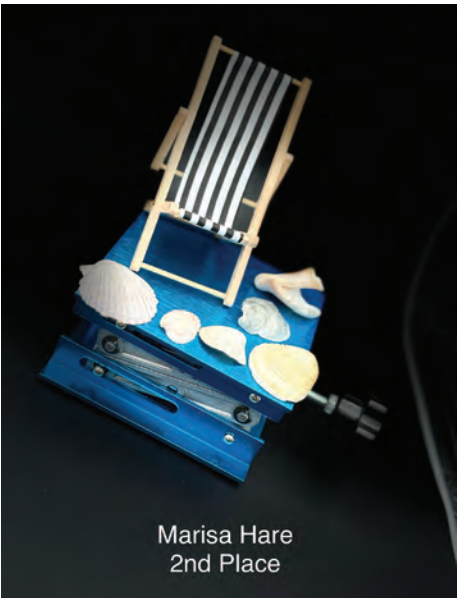
By Kathy Webster

Our club participated in the Meet and Greet at Family Fun Day. What a great opportunity to present what our club is about and our accomplishments! We held a light box challenge for the community. A Light-box in photography, is a portable structure designed to diffuse light and create an even, soft illumination for photographing small objects. It's particularly useful for product photography and still life photography where minimizing shadows and glare is crucial. Community members were encouraged to create unique still life's using various objects. Our winners were 1st place Jacob Bradt and 2nd place Marisa Hare. We enjoyed meeting the many people that stopped by the Meet and Greet, thank you! Our next quarterly challenge will be Summer related with an emphasis on our Social Clubs! Winners of the August Action Challenge were 1st Place Sybil Wagner, and 2nd Place Bret Waddington. Congratulations to all our winners, it is a great club, and we all learn from each other! For our August meeting we presented on photo editing apps called Snapseed and

Lightroom, also available as software for your PC. Jeff Folkerts demonstrated Lightroom, Kathy Webster presented Snapseed. The pros/cons of shooting RAW images were discussed. Optional formats on the iPhone were reviewed. Participants were then encouraged to follow along and master Snapseed/Lightroom. Lightroom does have fees. Some of the editing tools discussed, available on both Snapseed/Lightroom we're adjusting brightness, contrast, saturation, shadows, sharpening, healing/remove, selective manipulation, vignette, white balance, exposure, and much more. We also shared ways to store photos with a 'cool tool' tip – a card reader and SDM cards. Come join us at a meeting, through email or on Facebook! Our Facebook group name is Lake Summerset Photography-For LSA Members Only, it is a private page, there is a few questions to answer, and we will happily add members. Meetings are optional, although we do love participation! We're proud to say our active members have all blossomed in our photographic journey! Our email address is lakesummersetphotography@gmail.com



Jacob Bradt  
1st Place



Marisa Hare  
2nd Place



Sybil Wagner  
1st Place



Bret Waddington  
2nd Place



Newcomer Coffee & Conversation

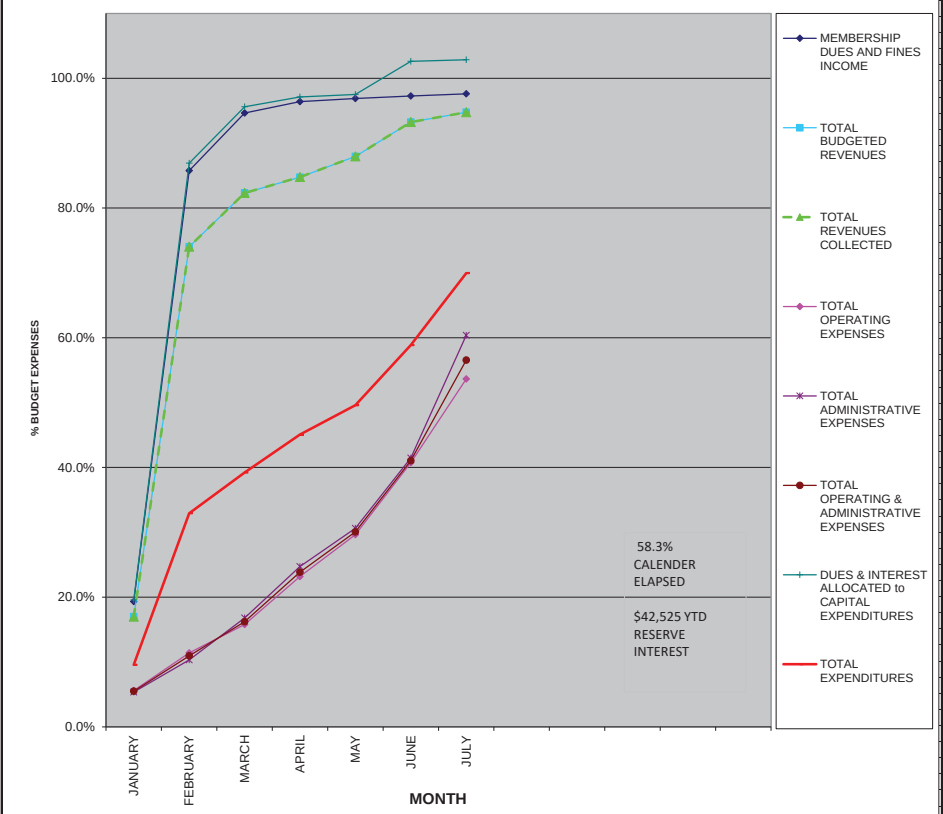
Saturday, October 11  
10:00 am - Noon  
LSA Office Meeting Room



LSA BUDGET INCOME and EXPENSE PROGRESS SUMMARY

| 2025     | MEMBERSHIP DUES AND FINES INCOME | TOTAL BUDGETED REVENUES | TOTAL REVENUES COLLECTED | TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES | TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES | TOTAL OPERATING & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES | DUES & INTEREST ALLOCATED to CAPITAL EXPENDITURES | TOTAL EXPENDITURES |
|----------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| JANUARY  | 19.3%                            | 17.0%                   | 17.0%                    | 5.6%                     | 5.4%                          | 5.5%                                      | 19.6%                                             | 9.8%               |
| FEBRUARY | 85.8%                            | 74.0%                   | 74.0%                    | 11.4%                    | 10.3%                         | 10.9%                                     | 86.9%                                             | 32.9%              |
| MARCH    | 94.6%                            | 82.3%                   | 82.3%                    | 15.8%                    | 16.2%                         | 16.2%                                     | 95.6%                                             | 39.2%              |
| APRIL    | 96.4%                            | 84.7%                   | 84.8%                    | 23.2%                    | 24.7%                         | 23.8%                                     | 97.1%                                             | 45.1%              |
| MAY      | 96.9%                            | 88.0%                   | 88.0%                    | 29.6%                    | 30.6%                         | 30.1%                                     | 97.5%                                             | 49.6%              |
| JUNE     | 97.3%                            | 93.3%                   | 93.3%                    | 40.7%                    | 41.4%                         | 41.0%                                     | 102.6%                                            | 58.9%              |
| JULY     | 97.6%                            | 94.8%                   | 94.8%                    | 53.6%                    | 60.4%                         | 56.5%                                     | 102.9%                                            | 70.0%              |
| BUDGET   | \$2,429,510                      | \$2,961,380             | \$2,961,380              | \$1,195,005              | \$909,039                     | \$2,104,044                               | \$857,336                                         | \$2,961,380        |

LSA INCOME & EXPENSE PROGRESSION



| 2024      | MEMBERSHIP DUES AND FINES INCOME | TOTAL BUDGETED REVENUES | TOTAL REVENUES COLLECTED | TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES | TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES | TOTAL OPERATING & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES | DUES & INTEREST ALLOCATED to CAPITAL EXPENDITURES | TOTAL EXPENDITURES |
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| JANUARY   | 15.2%                            | 13.6%                   | 13.6%                    | 5.3%                     | 5.0%                          | 5.2%                                      | 15.0%                                             | 7.7%               |
| FEBRUARY  | 83.5%                            | 72.6%                   | 72.6%                    | 10.1%                    | 10.3%                         | 10.1%                                     | 82.3%                                             | 29.0%              |
| MARCH     | 94.6%                            | 83.7%                   | 83.7%                    | 15.5%                    | 15.9%                         | 15.7%                                     | 95.4%                                             | 36.5%              |
| APRIL     | 96.8%                            | 86.4%                   | 86.4%                    | 22.3%                    | 22.4%                         | 22.4%                                     | 97.3%                                             | 41.9%              |
| MAY       | 97.2%                            | 90.1%                   | 90.1%                    | 32.6%                    | 28.5%                         | 30.8%                                     | 97.6%                                             | 48.3%              |
| JUNE      | 97.8%                            | 92.4%                   | 92.4%                    | 42.6%                    | 38.8%                         | 40.9%                                     | 98.1%                                             | 55.9%              |
| JULY      | 98.0%                            | 94.2%                   | 94.2%                    | 52.2%                    | 56.2%                         | 53.9%                                     | 98.1%                                             | 65.9%              |
| AUGUST    | 98.3%                            | 97.8%                   | 97.8%                    | 62.1%                    | 62.8%                         | 62.4%                                     | 106.4%                                            | 73.9%              |
| SEPTEMBER | 98.4%                            | 98.7%                   | 98.7%                    | 69.5%                    | 68.6%                         | 69.1%                                     | 106.4%                                            | 78.8%              |
| OCTOBER   | 98.6%                            | 100.8%                  | 100.8%                   | 74.6%                    | 76.3%                         | 75.4%                                     | 109.8%                                            | 84.4%              |
| NOVEMBER  | 98.7%                            | 102.2%                  | 102.2%                   | 79.8%                    | 81.5%                         | 80.5%                                     | 109.8%                                            | 88.2%              |
| DECEMBER  | 98.8%                            | 104.6%                  | 104.6%                   | 86.5%                    | 87.7%                         | 87.0%                                     | 113.6%                                            | 93.9%              |
| BUDGET    | \$2,247,365                      | \$2,721,891             | \$2,721,891              | \$1,137,550              | \$873,372                     | \$2,010,922                               | \$710,969                                         | \$2,721,891        |

New to the Lake?

Check out the many clubs and activities.  
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# The Tree Guy



Lake Summerset, as a whole, is learning about invasive species. Invasive species are plants and animal species brought from other countries or environments that take over when introduced here. Groups of Lake Summersetters have gathered in Cardinal Park to cut out and remove Honeysuckle and recently my neighbors have discovered the atrocities of the Common Buckthorn. They gave me the task of giving everyone the straight story on this botanical interloper.

Buckthorn, Rhamnus cathartica is a flowering shrub originating from an area encompassing north Africa, eastern Europe, and western Asia. It came to us in the early 1800s as a fast growing flowering landscape shrub. It has smooth bark reminiscent of apple and cherry trees, white flowers, and purple berries. Sounds sort of nice on paper but that's where the fun ends. The plant competes aggressively with undergrowth in forests and woodlands crowding out other plants eliminating biodiversity and adding to erosion as it overcomes the grasses that keep the soil from moving. Birds eat the berries and 'spread' the seeds far and wide. The berries fall on paved surfaces making a giant purple mess. Oh yeah, don't eat the berries because they cause nausea, vomiting, and all the rest.

So now we talk about how we can get rid of this monster. Eradication of this beast

when you first see it is key to its demise. Learn to identify this plant and periodically check around in gardens and undergrowth forests to find it. These aggressive trees will grow right in the middle of an existing tree or shrub. Spotting the smooth bark is a dead giveaway. The plant has round to oval leaves with tiny teeth around the edge. The twigs often end with sharp thorn-like projections and of course there is the dark purple to black berries. Cut the plant down and paint the exposed stumps with Glyphosate. That will keep the plant from coming back. Fall and colder weather is coming and is an excellent time to hunt down these nasty trees and put an end to them, remember to use the characteristics to positively ID them. With a big area, it might take a group like we have used here at the lake to comb through the underbrush. A professional brush removal company might also be necessary for homeowners.

So far Lake Summerset homeowners are pretty savvy when it comes to weedy or invasive trees. I have marked more than a few of these 'undesirables' which says we are paying attention to what is good and what needs to go. Let's keep a watchful eye out for these invasive trees/plants/animals in order to keep Lake Summerset safe from invasion. See you in the forest undergrowth. JT The Tree Guy.



## Durand Library

The Durand Library is a collaboration between the school and the Friends of the Durand Library. This cooperation enables public use of the school library with checkout privileges to residents of the school district and other services available to everyone.

Hours are Saturday Mornings - 9:00 am to Noon  
Tuesday Evenings - 6:00 to 8:00 pm

**Library Services Include:**

- \*Three week checkout, renewal by email, book drop
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- \*Summer Reading Program
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- \*Programs on a variety of topics
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**Enter the library at the east or playground end of the school, follow signs along the wide paved walkway.**

Email: [villagelibrary@cusd322.org](mailto:villagelibrary@cusd322.org) or call 815-289-8602, and visit [FB.com/DurandVillageLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/DurandVillageLibrary)

## Durand United Methodist Church

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## Durand Area Food Pantry Distribution

**By Sarah Loofbourrow**

The Durand Area Food Pantry will be open on the following days in September: Saturday, September 27, 8:30-10:30am and Monday, September 29, 3-5pm. Distribution dates for October include: Saturday, Oct 25, 8:30-10:30am and Monday, October 27, 3-5pm. The most needed items for September and October include boxed cereal, canned pasta meals, Hamburger Helper, and boxed potatoes. Items may be left at the Lake Summerset Office, the drop box inside the Durand Pacemaker, the Lions Club box near the pantry door or inside the Methodist Church in a basket in front of the office. The Plant-A-Row program continues in downtown Durand. Please consider donating any extra garden produce that you may

have on Mondays between 9-10am. All produce will be offered to Durand and area seniors in need of fresh veggies and fruits. This program saves the pantry hundreds of dollars and provides nutritious, fresh produce to our pantry guests. If you are unable to donate on Monday mornings, the produce stand in the alley near the Durand Fire Department is open 24/7. Produce on the pantry stand is for any individual needing locally grown fruits and vegetables. Coming soon, the pantry will be looking for individuals or businesses willing to help fund our upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday Boxes. This is a wonderful opportunity to help your neighbors in need. Need more information: 815-985-1805

## SSM Health at Home Offering Grief Support Group in Monroe

The journey through grief can be difficult. Many people find it comforting to face grief with others experiencing similar challenges. Join SSM Health at Home for “Walking Through Grief,” an education and support group providing resources and encouragement for people grieving the death of a loved one. Walking Through Grief is a six-week grief support group open to those ages 18+ who have experienced the death of someone special. Sessions will be held on

Wednesdays from 10:00-11:30 am from September 10 to October 15 at Monroe Engraving, 1005 30th Street in Monroe. Seating is limited, and registration is requested. Attendance at all sessions is highly recommended. There is no charge to attend. Those interested can register for the group online at [ssmhealth.com/classes](http://ssmhealth.com/classes). For more information or to register over the phone, please call SSM Health at Home at 608-324-1143.



### Gill's Disposal Guidelines

**Pick-Up** - Gill's Disposal starts its route at Lake Summerset every Monday at 6:00 a.m. Please note that this doesn't mean your garbage will be picked up that early, only that the trucks come into the Lake at that time. Garbage cans/bags may be set out on driveways on Sunday evening after 6:00 p.m.

**Refuse** - Each resident is allowed one 95-gallon container provided by Gills for household refuse per week with any additional bags requiring a pre-paid attached sticker. Residents can purchase the stickers at the Lake Summerset Association Office for \$1.50 each. When the office is closed, stickers can also be purchased at the guardhouse.

**Recyclable Containers** - One 65-gallon recyclable container will be provided by Gills. Pick up for recyclables is every Monday.

**Yard Waste** - Gill's yard waste pick-up begins in April and ends in November. Yard waste stickers are required and can be purchased at the Lake Summerset Association Office for \$1.50 each. When the office is closed, stickers can also be purchased at the guardhouse. The stickers are to be attached to the yard waste bags or to garbage cans marked with an "X". There is no limit to the number of yard waste bags a resident can leave. Each resident is also allowed to set out one bulk item per week. Examples of a bulk item include a chair, couch, table, etc. Gill's will not be required to collect rocks, concrete, hot ashes, hazardous materials, liquid wastes, biomedical wastes, or materials resulting from construction and remodeling. If you have any questions, contact Gill's Disposal at 815-233-5644.



### Guidelines for Letters to the Editor

- All letters must be signed and include the lot number.
- No obscene or derogatory remarks will be published.
- Constructive criticism is accepted but must include alternate solution to concerns.
- Issues must be of interest to a large portion of Lake Summerset and will not express personal grievances or conflicts.
- Limit letters to 450 words. Longer letters will be edited to fit this criterion.
- One letter, per member, per month.
- Editor's comments will be limited to a clarification, update, or concluding report on the issue. No point of view will be expressed.
- The editor reserves the right to refuse publication of letters or to edit letters in the interest of space or objectionable content. If a letter is refused publication, the editor will write an explanation to the individual submitting the letter.
- Letters will be published only if received by the published LS News deadline, which is the 15th of the month preceding the next issue, and as space permits.
- Submit letters to [lakesummersetnewspaper@gmail.com](mailto:lakesummersetnewspaper@gmail.com).

## Guest Admittance Procedures from LSA Public Safety and Standards

Please fill out guest passes for your guests. Guest Authorization Cards are available at the LSA Office or the Guardhouse. The cards are to be at the Guardhouse BEFORE YOUR GUESTS ARRIVE. Cards can be dropped off at the guardhouse by the member, faxed to the guardhouse at 815-248-4236 or mailed to: Lake Summerset Association, Attn: Guard House, 1202 Lake Summerset Rd. Davis, IL 61019. The maximum time permitted on one guest card is four consecutive days. Therefore, when having a guest for more than one day, please specify all the days that the guest will be with you. Cards with only one date are good for only that specific day.

Be sure to specify the name of every person in the car. Our policy is that a guest may not bring in a guest. Therefore, we can let in only the person whose name is specified by the member. When having more than one guest for the same day, you may write “over” on the guest pass and list the names on the back of the card. If more than ten guests are expected (for example, a large party or lodge reservation), guest lists must be made out. They must be in alphabetical order by last name with date, lot number and member's name. The list is to be turned in to the guardhouse 24 hours before the event. Due to new technology installed, Lake Summerset will now accept Call-in passes on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday in addition to the ability to call in passes Monday through Thursday. The Call-in Pass option is available for one day or up to four consecutive days. The Call-in number is 815-248-9186. A properly completed guest pass request identifies the guest by the full name, arrival date, number of days for entry and includes the hosting member's name, phone number, and lot number. Holiday restrictions will still apply. Passes cannot be called in on Holidays or Holiday weekends, please use email, fax, or drop off methods.

Faxed passes are accepted at any time at 815-248-4236. E-mailed passes can also be accepted at any time using [epass@lake-summerset.com](mailto:epass@lake-summerset.com). Please make sure you include all information. Member's name, lot number, phone number, date(s) of arrival, and all guest(s) names. A member when entering the main gate with a guest behind in another vehicle, you are required to fill out a guest pass for those guest(s). You must pull to the side parking area, fill out the guest pass and return it to the guard. For members who wish to have their guest on a Red Card Pass or an Annual/RFID Pass, forms are available at the Association office, online at [www.lake-summerset.com](http://www.lake-summerset.com), or at the guardhouse. Annual passes must be renewed on or before March 1st or they will expire. The Red Card Pass permits your guest(s) to enter and go to and from the house only. They are not permitted to drive around the lake or use parks, beaches or any of the facilities with this type of pass. This pass is unlimited as to the number of guest(s) a member wants to list. The Annual/RFID pass, available at the office, must be filled out by the member. The information needed on this form includes pass holder names and their vehicle information (year, make, model, color, and license plate number) and will authorize your Annual/RFID pass holder to receive an annual decal and RFID tag at a cost of \$35 renewed annually. Only one vehicle per annual pass holder is allowed. It is up to the member to decide who will receive the annual decal and RFID tag. All decals and RFID tags must be permanently affixed to the registered vehicle's windshield. If an annual pass holder enters the LSA in a different vehicle without the annual decal and RFID tag, he or she will be issued a color of the day pass one day at a time. Your cooperation will make the entrance of guest(s) quicker and smoother.

## Vehicle Registrations

**Have you recently renewed your vehicle registration with the state?**

**Submitting a copy of your new registration to the Lake Summerset Office now can save time during Dues season.**

**Every renewed registration on file now is one less to find in November.**

**Please submit your 2026 vehicle registration by emailing it to [generalstaff@lake-summerset.com](mailto:generalstaff@lake-summerset.com) or dropping it off at the Lake Summerset Office at your earliest convenience.**

### Attention

**The Illinois Department of Natural Resources does not send out reminders for expiring boat registrations. If your boat registration expires this year, please start the renewal process now to ensure that you receive your new registration before the Spring of 2026.**

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| Assassin Tree Service             | Alexander Bazarek, Lake Summerset | 815-291-3606                 |
| Backwoods Tree Removal            | Gacob Lenox                       | 815-239-2360                 |
| Bloom's Tree Service, Pecatonica  | Emergency Service                 | 815-239-2603<br>815-985-8756 |
| Greensmith Services, Inc.         | Kristopher Smith, Rockton         | 815-494-3383                 |
| Lender Tree Service, Freeport     |                                   | 815-233-1986                 |
| Randy Smith                       |                                   | 815-248-4479                 |
| Stumpbuster, Lena (Stump Removal) |                                   | 815-369-2169                 |
| TS Tree Service                   | Troy Kelsey                       | 815-238-6093                 |
| Top To Bottom Tree Service        |                                   | 815-449-2578                 |
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**Tree Removal Procedures as Requested by ECC Committee**

Tree removal forms are available in the office or on the LSA Website. Fill out the tree removal form completely and bring it to the office or submit it electronically.

Please give the tree inspector at least one week for approval. Exceptions are made for emergency storm damaged or dangerous trees; then please call the office.

Please make sure the trees to be removed have been marked prior to tree cutter cutting it down. There should be a number in orange spray paint on the tree if it has been approved for removal.

The tree inspector goes out at least once a week to do approvals.

The annual tree survey will start after the trees have leafed out (about June 1st) and will be completed well before the leaves have fallen; this is to ensure the tree is dead. Exceptions to this would be for storm-damaged trees and then call the office.



# Lake Summerset Classified Ads

## Services/Business

**Buying your unwanted** golf carts, boats and/or motors, lawn mowers, and four-wheelers. Call Dave 815-541-4363. (03/26)

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Payment must be received before the ad will run.  
Please print clearly, especially numbers.  
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Cash or check to LSA Office 1202 Lake Summerset Rd. Davis, IL 61019

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# LSA Community Calendar

## September 2025

| Sunday                                     | Monday                                                                         | Tuesday                                                                                | Wednesday                                                                                | Thursday                                                                                                                                                                                         | Friday                                                                                        | Saturday                                                                                                                                                               |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                            | <b>September 1</b><br>Labor Day<br>7:00pm Writing Gals (Lodge)                 | <b>2</b><br>1:00pm Pinochle (Lodge)                                                    | <b>3</b><br>12:00pm Red Hats - Outing - No Lodge<br>1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)            | <b>4</b><br>10:00am Bocce Ball (Bocce Courts by Pool)<br>1:30pm Lake Summerset Children's Play Group (Lodge)<br>7:00pm Fish Club (Office)                                                        | <b>5</b><br>1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)                                                         | <b>6</b><br>9:00am ECC (Office)<br>10:00am CRC Mtg. - Coffee at 9:30am (Office)<br>6:00pm Bingo Night (Lodge)                                                          |
| <b>7</b>                                   | <b>8</b><br>2:00pm Ladies of the Lake (Lodge)<br>7:00pm Board Meeting (Office) | <b>9</b><br>9:30am Bible Study (Lodge)                                                 | <b>10</b><br>1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)                                                   | <b>11</b><br>10:00am Bocce Ball (Bocce Courts by Pool)<br>1:30pm Lake Summerset Children's Play Group (Lodge)<br>6:30pm Veteran's Club (Office)                                                  | <b>12</b><br>1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)                                                        | <b>13</b><br>8:30am Board Budget Workshop (Office)                                                                                                                     |
| <b>14</b><br>2:00pm Maker's Circle (Lodge) | <b>15</b><br>1:00pm Domino Club (Lodge)<br>7:00pm Writing Gals (Lodge)         | <b>16</b><br>9:30am Bible Study (Lodge)<br>1:00pm Pinochle (Lodge)                     | <b>17</b><br>1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)<br>4:00pm Veterans Club Fundraiser Dinner (Lodge) | <b>18</b><br>10:00am Quilt Club (Lodge)<br>10:00am Bocce Ball (Bocce Courts by Pool)<br>1:30pm Lake Summerset Children's Play Group (Lodge)<br>7:00pm Fish Conservation Committee (FCC) (Office) | <b>19</b><br>1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)<br>2:00pm Ladies of the Lake Wine/Beer Tasting (Lodge) | <b>20</b><br>9:00am ECC (Office)<br>9:00am Campground Committee Meeting (Campground)<br>9:00am Photography Club (Off Site)<br>11:00am Campground Cook Out (Campground) |
| <b>21</b>                                  | <b>22</b><br>1:00pm Hand & Foot (Lodge)                                        | <b>23</b><br>9:30am Bible Study (Lodge)<br>6:30pm Otter Creek Trustee Meeting (Office) | <b>24</b><br>1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)<br>6:00pm Archery Club (Quarry Park)              | <b>25</b><br>10:00am Bocce Ball (Bocce Courts by Pool)<br>1:30pm Lake Summerset Children's Play Group (Off Site)                                                                                 | <b>26</b><br>1:00pm Mah Jongg (Office)                                                        | <b>27</b><br>8:00am Lake Planning (Office)                                                                                                                             |
| <b>28</b>                                  | <b>29</b>                                                                      | <b>30</b><br>9:30am Bible Study (Lodge)                                                |                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                        |

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| 2274 DREXEL RD, really pretty spot! SOLD! ..... | \$4,700  | 170 LAKE SUMMERSET RD., SOLD! .....            | \$3,000  | 818 LAKE SUMMERSET RD. ....                      | \$13,500 | 602 Knollwood, wooded .....                       | \$5,000  |
| 1689 EDGEWOOD, flat grass! SOLD! .....          | \$3,750  | 579 LAKE SUMMERSET RD. Wooded SOLD! .....      | \$2,500  | 2350 BUTTERNUT BEND, Walk to Marina.....         | \$5,000  | 2188 & 2189 Gainsboro, wooded, twins \$3,000 each |          |
| 1305 CHADBOURNE DR. Wooded .....                | \$4,300  | 2383 SOUTHGATE DR, Lakeviews! SOLD! .....      | \$9,900  | 976 WINBORNE Hilltop lot.....                    | \$3,750  | or \$5,000 for the pair. SOLD! .....              |          |
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| 574 BAINTREE RD, Lakeviews! .....               | \$7,500  | 986 WINBORNE, Lake Views! SOLD! .....          | \$3,250  |                                                  |          |                                                   |          |