

PRESIDENTS CORNER

It looks like summer has finally arrived and I am looking forward to spending some lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer at lakewood.

When the past board of directors originally amended the by-laws to have elections every year for board members, it was the intention to have new members on the board every year for three year terms. The idea was to keep fresh new ideas coming into the board on a yearly basis, without changing the entire complexion of the board at one time. I know there is a wide diversity of talent amongst the homeowners at lakewood. Hopefully there will be more interest in positions on the board in the future.

Projects we hope to accomplish this summer include a legal survey of the lakefront area, removal of construction trailers form lot # 326, removal of abandoned vehicles (truck on Cypress ave & car on W. 19th ave cul de sac) along with normal upkeep of the lakefront area. We did not have time or funds for the boat launch dredging project this yea, however we did get the ramp replaced with a wider and less hazardous to your tires one.

We have other ideas for the lakefront that will be implemented in time. This year our funds were somewhat limited by the acquisition of the north half of lakefront. Hopefully, next year we will be able to see more progress.

The value and natural beauty of lakewood depend a large part on the individual effort of each owner in keeping their property neat, clean and free of debris. A little effort by each of us can help maintain the value of each of our properties. HAVE A NICE SUMMER!!

MIKE TEMPLETON

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Will the gentleman who stood up and offered to help build the wall along boat ramp drive please let us know who you are if you are still willing to help. We apologize for not getting your name and phone number there at the meeting so that we could stay in touch. We do appreciate the offer and still need to do some thing. Either call or drop a note to the address on back page. AGAIN, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFER.

## MEETING DATE CHANGE ?

We had a few members at the May meeting who expressed a strong desire to see the date of annual meeting changed. Since this would be the type change which would require a vote by a majority of the owners, we would like your views on it. If enough of you express a desire for a change, we will explore the possibility.

### **ADVERTISEMENTS**

The final 4 Lakewood lots are available 2 closeout price of \$1,595.00 each W/\$95.00 down & the balance over 36 mos or a special cash price of \$1,395.00 each. Call Gary Karshen 2 (708) 654-2282.

FOR SALE: Portable P.A. system with Mike, Speaker & Carrying Case. Operates on battery or A.C. \$100.00 Call M. Ryan 1753 W 19th Ct. (608) 339-7476

TOM'S TREE SERVICE - Trees, shrubs & hedges trimmed or removed. Decks built or repaired. Call TOM WALSH (608) 339-9152.

#### REVIEW OF 92 MAY 2 MEETING

The annual meeting of Lakewood Property Owners Assn was held on the lower level of Carlson's Rustic Ridge Restaurant on Castle Rock Lake. Meeting was called to order at 1:10 P.M. by Vice Pres George Robinson. Pres Mike Templeton was unable to attend because of work commitments. He sent a letter to be read to members which authorized V P Robinson to vote proxies in his place.

Jane Young of landscape committee reported that some trees planted in W 19th ave cul de sac had been damaged by unauthorized burning. Jim Tamburino of Tax Committee reported that he was trying to contact county appraiser and that he is still looking for property owners to assist on the Tax Committee.

Secretary/treasurer Danute Krebs highlighted board action of the past year, read financial statement and reviewed 91-92 expenditures. George Robinson reviewed the owner survey which many members had responded to by mail. The responses represented between 30 an 35 per cent of the properties which would seem to indicate a silent majority who do not care what we do or do not try to accomplish.

Of those who did respond, a strong consensus favored conservative caution on spending money. Such ambitious projects as buildings, major landscaping and black topping of road were voted down by a wide margin. There also was a strong sentiment against allowing mobile homes. There was mixed reaction to access control of beach area. Even members who were in favor had concerns about how it could be economically done. Some owners suggested we should not need to pay for clean up because each owner should take care of their own mess, but most seemed to concede this would not always happen and that lack of control of others using area would mean clean up and maintenance was needed.

There were suggestions to limit board from spending over \$200 without member approval and expansion of board. It was pointed out that the former would make it impossible for board to conduct the ordinary business required and the latter would require a by-laws change needing

majority approval. We only have about 35 to 40 % of properties represented by proxy and in person attendance at the annual meeting, so until more owners see fit to participate, prospects for by-law or constitutional changes appear remote.

Election was held for the one open board position: George Robinson was named on proxies mailed out as running for another term. Mac Ryan and Stan Sroka were nominated from the floor. Of the 89 proxies received, 77 had marked yes to reelect G. Robinson. The other 12 expressed no preference. There were no write in votes. A pole by hands was taken with the results counted by Attorney Skin Results indicated 96 votes for Wefel. Robinson, 27 for Ryan and 12 for Sroka. Members wanting to serve were advised to submit their names before March 1 in the future so they can appear on proxies when they go out with annual meeting announcement.

Other items discussed were fences, signs and the definition of mobile homes and/or trailers. It was agreed that we have no desire to prevent campers in owners drive or utility trailers used for maintaining property. What most owner do strongly want to avoid are mobile homes or shanties on lots in place of the single family home and one out building such as garage or storage building which is what our current constitution permits.

A suggestion was also made to rope off a designated swimming area with buoys to keep boats away from beach. It was pointed out that no such buoys may be placed in lake without specific approval from DNR. This will be explored since there have been boats maneuvering too near swimmers as well as beaching where they block a substantial portion of the swimming area.

We have just enough religion to make us hate but not enough to make us love one another.

JONATHON SWIFT

# Something To Consider This Year

# **Ticks**

Protect yourself from Lyme disease by being fore-armed.

Ticks are parasitic on all sizes of large animals, and people. They require blood for their development and reproduction. The American dog ticks, attach their hosts and feed continuously for several days. When full, the female drops off, lays her eggs, and dies. The larvae then attach themselves to another host, fill themselves with blood, drop off, and grow into adults. Adult ticks can go without food for a year.

Most hard ticks live in fields and woods. Hard ticks damage the host by drawing large amounts of blood, secreting nerve poisons that sometimes produce paralysis or death, and by transmitting diseases such as Texas cattle fever, tularemia (rabbit fever), and Rocky Mountain spotted fever.

Soft ticks are carriers of spirochetal relapsing fever and other diseases. They live in the home or nest of the host; like the white footed mouse, chipmunk, squirrel, and birds.

#### **A Surprise**

My son, Cameron, and were planting trees one weekend in Lakewood. We walked in the woods while we planned our project.

it was Monday when I noticed what I thought was a

small piece of wood stuck in my skin. I took a magnify glass from my desk drawer and examined it.

"What the ... I ", I said in wonder and shock.". A tick had it's head under my skin. I slowly removed it with tweezers in one piece. It's now in an empty pill bottle. This led me to researching the Lyme Disease.

I have a book titled,"

Protect Yourself from Lyme
Disease", by Diane Benzaia.

The publisher is Dell Publishing
div. of Bantam Doubleday in
New York; It 's 118 pages.

Symptoms, diagnosis, and
treatment are covered in the
book. Buy it and keep it in your
home in Wisconsin.

# Lyme\_Disease

Causes problems from a rash to cardiac and arthritic complications. It will sap your energy, tighten up the back of your neck, make your body sore, joints in the knees and arms swell. The problems may be from a tick that bit you and had their beginnings when you, your child or pet began enjoying the woods and grounds around your home. Perhaps it was while camping. You may have mis-diagnosed your problems and symptoms.

This major health problem is a tick-borne disease, but, seemed to be recognized first in Connecticut in the 1970's. By 1985, Lyme Disease was being

identified across the nation. Lyme disease is epidemic.

#### One woman we can thank

Polly Murray of Lyme, Connecticut, questioned her symptoms and those of other families in this small New England town .Through her efforts the connection between the tick and the disease became apparent.

Mrs. Murray and her four children moved to Lyme, Connecticut in 1959.

She contributed to the proper diagnosis of many suffering people. Today, there is a hot-line (914-285-1700). Callers are sent a brochure with basic information.

Become informed. I have my copy of "Protect Yourself from Lyme Disease", by Diane Benzaia, and I feel forearmed with information that will protect me and the ones I will share my summer home with.

A supply of the books can be purchased at a discount from the publisher.

# Taxes

State and local taxes paid by Family of four in 1988.

Wages Wages \$25,000 \$50,000

City. Taxes Paid
Chicago 2,o31 3,913
Milwaukee 3,425 7,299
Somethings wrong, eh?

#### ROAD INFORMATION

NOTICE: For any of you who prefer to exit I 90-94 at Lyndon Station and take Cty HH up to 82, then east to Cty Z, the bridge across the Wisconsin River has now been reopened. The repairs and resurfacing are complete and it opened during the 3rd week of May. This of course also lets us take a more direct route from Lakewood in case we have occasion to visit Mauston.

## PROGRESS REPORT FOR 91-92 FISCAL YEAR

We got clear title to the other 2 parcels of lakefront, paid all real estate taxes up to date and cleared liens so that our association now owns the 7+ acres of lakefront (including road) free of encumbrances. We stored our new pier for the winter and got it reinstalled in good time this spring. We also had the beach cleared of debris and the boat launch ramp replaced.

With Tom Walsh keeping the grass cut and trash cleared and with the portable toilet in place, progress has been made toward making lake front area more pleasant. More was proposed, but the survey conducted back in March indicated that most owners are not yet ready to spend any extra money developing our lakefront park. Now that the expenses involved in acquiring the lakefront are in the past, we should have a little more flexibility for the coming year within the limits of current income from association dues.

We owe thanks to Pres Mike Templeton for his work in getting the lakefront property problem cleared up as well as persistent efforts to get the construction trailers and abandoned vehicles removed. We should also thank Danute for keeping dues and membership records and for timely filing of liens on those properties where dues to association have not been paid.

All members are asked to help up to keep our mailing list current by notifying us at once if you have a change of address. We would also like phone numbers for members as we may on occasion need to contact an owner on short notice.

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