

Mt Kemble Lake Newsletter June 2011

Coming Events

- June 17...Country Club Annual Meeting & TGIF
- June 18...Campout at MKL
- July 3...Fourth of July Family Party
- Happy Summer to All!
- Sept 4..Labor Day Party
- Sept 16...Golf Event TGIF

MKL Association Board Members

President Austin Godfrey* Tannya Kabnick* Secretary Bobbi Coulter* Treasurer Beaches & Docks Ruth Chaney Joyce Murray Clubhouse Community Affairs Barbara Coe Diane Bonar Grounds House Maintenance Bruce Scolnick Roads Tim Lukacs Water Rick Barrett

* Lakeshore Co. Board Members

Association Board Meetings: Aug. 29, 7:30 Sept 26, 7:30 Nov. 1, 7:30

Country Club Board Members

President Carl Bonar
Secretary Colleen Roberts
Treasurer David Dietz
Bar Chair Mick Merenda
Social Chair Karen Sabol



Beach Cleanup a Family Affair!

A great turnout of the younger beach set provided extra man/woman power for our spring Beach Cleanup, held May 14, before the rains came.

Ruth Chaney, Chair of Beaches and Docks, organized the annual removal of leaf and debris buildup from the beach inlet and provided a great picnic spread luncheon as reward for the effort expended. Coffee and doughnuts kept energy levels high and the cloudy weather held for the morning's activity. Volunteers hauled truckloads of gunk raked out of the water, weeds were whacked and pulled, the patio was scrubbed, and all things made ready for beach season 2011. Now if it would only stop raining

Ruth thanks the energetic beach cleanup crew as well as the additional helpers who attacked the poison ivy problem in the tree above the picnic area. Ongoing work will address the erosion problem, which again would be alleviated if it would just stop raining Nevertheless, the beach is ready for use so Come On Down! Be sure to wear your badges and observe beach regulations.

Note that you should be present when guests are using your badges—they are not for general distribution.

VSA Dinner honors volunteers

The annual "thank you" dinner for water reader volunteers (our Vital Statistics Analyzers) was held Saturday evening, May 14. Again Bobbie Coulter and Carl Bonar outdid themselves in providing a sumptuous feast for volunteers and their spouses/ significant others.

Harding Happenings added to Web site

Webmaster Terry Dwyer has set up a place on the Mount Kemble Lake web site for postings about events in the larger Harding community area that involve residents and may be of interest to residents at large. Check it out!

A new dogwood tree

The community welcomes a new dogwood tree, planted near the tennis courts. The tree was donated to the community in memory of Carl Bonar's mom, who passed away recently. Our condolences to Carl and Diane, and thanks for this gift to the community!

Please see the News section of the MKL Web site.

MKL Web Site

Check the Web site for photos of recent parties, such as the Memorial Day Petting Zoo event, plus other updated Lake information. Log on using the following link and passwords:

www.mountkemblelake.org

Login: mklresident Password: 425

Dues Schedule Reminders

Note that dates for the issuance of dues reminders and due dates for submission have been added to the MKL Social Calendar on the Web site. Next dues reminder (Lakeshore) will be out on July 1st; the Association dues posting is September 1. Please be prompt with your dues payments—the job of treasurer is stressful enough without having to track down those who are late with their payments!

Email <u>mkltreasurer@gmail.com</u> to receive your dues notices by email.

Proposals approved at April 27th Special Meeting

The community approved proposals to provide for the ongoing fiscal health of our community. One is the implementation of a Membership Fee to be paid by new residents joining the community. Another is a guarantee that dues collection will be paid upon the sale of a property.

A third proposal to place community owned properties in conservation easement was also approved. For more details, see the minutes of the Association and of Lakeshore for this special meeting on the Web site.

Environmental Stewardship Committee

An "Invasives Walk Around" was held between rain showers on May 16th. A representative from Friends of the Great Swamp pointed out the most common of our invasives—the multiflora rose and barberry. She suggested that removal of these from such areas as below the dam and along the lagoon by the clubhouse and replanting with native species would benefit the native and migrating bird populations that depend on the native species.



Summer is here! Slow down!!

Bettina Bierly reported a distressing incident of a box turtle (pregnant, no less!) that was killed by a careless driver coming around the bend—too fast—on Trails End near her mailbox.

Please be careful of your speed—and that of your vendors— for the sake of our children— **and** our wildlife!

Community e-mail policy discussed

Web master Terry Dwyer met with Community Affairs Chair Barbara Coe and Country Club Social Chair Karen Sabol to discuss developing a policy for allcommunity messaging. We agreed that the use of allcommunity emails should be kept to a minimum. Generally we agreed that items of a personal/family nature should be directed to the Community Affairs chair for distribution, and reminders of MKL events and activities should be directed to the Social Chair. We will be working to develop guidelines to post on the Web site in the future.

Other topics for discussion include implementing an emergency email list to supplement/replace our emergency phone

Contact Barbara Coe if you have an item to contribute to the Newsletter: 425 4088 or e-mail: waffcoe@aol.com