



# *Mt Kemble Lake*

## *Newsletter*

### **Storm Report!**

The Association Board wanted to update everyone about what we can do while we are without power and awaiting cleanup efforts.

First, please refrain from piling leaves in the roads, as Road Cleanup is not to take place before November 17<sup>th</sup> as previously scheduled. Leaves should not be on roadside until the week before cleanup. Tim Lukacs, Roads Chair, plans to have an earlier cleanup effort for chipping branches, but that date has not yet been set.

Second, please continue to conserve water, as we are running the generator with diesel fuel and hope to keep costs minimal. Thanks to Ken Heiden for keeping the generator filled so it can keep water levels stable in our tanks. The Board will consider purchasing a generator (a big-ticket item, possibly \$30,000 to \$35,000) in light of our recently frequent need for renting one. (The cost is so high because a three-phase commercial generator would be required, and due to the power necessary to start the pump when it is stopped.)

Third, the issue of tree removal is thus: No trees should be touched that have wires near or attached to them. Those are the sole responsibility of the Power Company.

Any trees that have fallen on your property are your responsibility for removal. (Check with your homeowners' insurance to see what reimbursement is possible under your policy.)

Lakeshore/the Association is responsible for removal of trees that have fallen on Lakeshore property, including those across roads, except as mentioned if downed wires are involved.

Please check on your neighbors to be sure they are staying warm and/or fed. Not everyone has generators keeping their appliances running. Remember that most phones are not operational so it may be best to knock on their door.

As a last measure, Chris Allyn suggests that if power hasn't been restored by Saturday as "promised" we can register complaints by calling 800-624-0241. Also, the police department announces that if we plan to submit FEMA claims we must register at 800-631-3362 or [www.fema.gov/disaster-survivor-assistance](http://www.fema.gov/disaster-survivor-assistance).

The Harding Twp police department has also announced that the Madison WMCA is inviting all Harding residents to use it for showers and for children's playtime. They are open weekdays 5:15-am-10:30 pm and weekends 6:00 am-9:00 pm.

We hope we don't have to endure our powerless conditions much longer.....