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# Lake Winola News

Winter Issue

" All the news that fits we print."

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# **Letter from the President**

Greetings Association members,

I hope everyone is enjoying a safe and healthy winter. As the new and incoming Association President, I would like to introduce myself and invite everyone in our special community to help make 2010 a memorable year. The Association has enjoyed a distinguished list of Presidents over the years, including my own father Dr. Thomas Zukoski, and I am proud and excited to follow in their footsteps. I am also fortunate to succeed Heather Clancy, who should be congratulated on a wonderful year in 2009.

Several members of our community have already begun working to make 2010 a success. Please help me welcome my fellow 2010 Association Officers including Vice President Jimmy Clancy, Secretary Nicole Millett, and Treasurer Andy Weinman. Ellen Wengen will be our Fish & Game Commission liaison, a role which helps ensure a safe and enjoyable lake and water carnival weekend. Judi Mensinger and Mary Rose Powell work tirelessly to keep things running smoothly with pavilion rentals and membership. Mary Stoko and Tom Wolff will continue to focus on the quality of our precious water (a report from Princeton Hydro of the latest findings is now available on web site). Pat Walsh and Heather Clancy will be co-editors of the 2010 Winola News. And as always, our entire Board of Directors has been working hard behind the scenes to help us hit the ground running this summer.

For the past 27 years, I have enjoyed spending time at Lake Winola, and long admired the volunteer work performed by members of our community. While I already know many of you, I look forward to meeting many more this summer. I will strive to consider everyone's views and comments, and always remain open-minded in my best efforts for the community.

Very truly yours,

Megan Azar

# **Neighborhood Crime Watch Program**

Unfortunately, break-ins around the lake have sharply increased over the past several months. Property has been removed from vacant homes, and in some cases even while residents are sleeping inside their homes. Both full-time residents and summer residents have reported incidents, and all residents are encouraged to regularly check their homes and report any crimes to the Overfield Township Police. The police have been working hard to combat the burglaries with an increased officer presence and a nighttime officer. Many concerned residents are now cooperating with the police as members of a *Neighborhood Crime Watch Unit*. By actively working to observe suspicious activities and reporting incidents to the local police, residents can prevent crimes and help protect our community's residents and property. If you are interested in becoming a member of the crime watch unit, please contact me at <a href="mailto:meganzazar@yahoo.com">meganzazar@yahoo.com</a>.

#### **Dinner Dance**

The dinner dance this year will be hosted by Jimmy Clancy and new director Beth Wilson. The theme this year will be "Summer Wind". Food and entertainment details to come in our first summer issue. The dance will return to Saturday Night, July 19th. Walk -ins will be welcome this year. Stay tuned to future announcements in upcoming issues.

### Youth Group

The youth group will be up and running again this year headed by directors Kirsten Lewis and Alisha Tench. They had a great time last year and look forward to making more friends this summer. If you have children or relatives ages 3 to 12 please bring them to upcoming Youth Group events. They really have a blast!!

# **Lake Safety Awareness Group**

The board has decided to elicit the help of members to communicate our issues with the Fish Commission. As you know, last year at the Water Carnival many properties were damaged. It is imperative that the Fish Commission is aware of our concerns so that similar situations can be avoided. In this years Winola News there will be a section to voice your concerns or complaints. Hopefully, through opening the lines of communication to the Fish Commission our Lake will become a safer place. Currently, please email your concerns or comments to clancy04@verizon.net.

## **Membership**

This year you will notice a five dollar increase on our membership prices. In order to keep the pavilion maintained properly, our water quality testing, and our events so spectacular the increase is needed. Thank you for your understanding.

### **Delivery Person Needed!!**

The Winola News is in need of a delivery person. If you know of a responsible teen who is willing to deliver the News please contact Heather at clancy04@verizon.net. Also, if you repeatedly missed News deliveries last year please email clancy04@verizon.net. With the growing number of members and houses it becomes difficult. We will be creating a new mapping system to ensure that every member gets a paper. Thank You!

# Garbage Pickup

The first garbage pick up will be as usual the first Monday before Memorial Day.

#### See you in two months!!