Reminder: All forms, lake rules & regulations, meeting minutes & other important information is available on our website at www.littleswanlake.net.



### **New Boat Ramp & Docks**

The new boat ramp was completed last fall and is ready to use. Our thanks to the contractor, *Lavadiere Construction* of Macomb. The parking area was enlarged for easier maneuvering of vehicles & trailers. Landscaping will be completed as soon as weather permits. Volunteers from the lake board will put in the docks near the boat ramp as well as docks by some of the outlots sometime in early April. Help is always welcome, so if you see them out there, please join in.



### Welcome to the Lake

You may see some new faces around the lake this year! There has been an influx of new homes being built plus some older homes are getting additions or a facelift. This is a great thing for Little Swan Lake and for all of us. Please say "Hi" to your new neighbors and welcome them to the lake!



### **Newly Elected Board Members**

Votes are in! Thanks to all who were on the ballot & congratulations to 3 new board members:

Russ Morgan (Mowing)
Danny Mahr (Boating)
Dwayne Tafflinger (Building)

All LSL club members are welcome to attend the monthly meetings. First Monday of the month, 7:00 pm. We appreciate your support.

# Keep our Lake Area Clean

Please watch out for loose items or trash on the road. As we all know, the wind can be fierce out here! Garbage cans that tip over or get pushed into the road or ditch can attract unwanted animals. Help retrieve neighbor's trash can if it blows over. If you see pieces of trash, empty bottles, cans etc. when you are on your walk or bike ride, please pick it up & dispose of it or recycle it. Thanks for keeping Little Swan Lake areas clean.



### Water News

Well #7 continues to be our primary source of water. During the past month it furnished 90% of our requirement. Production continues at 11+ gallons/minute.



## Renting the LSL Clubhouse

Cost is \$50. Only LSL Club members can reserve the clubhouse for an event. The reservation form as well as a list of rules for using the clubhouse is available online. See www.littleswanlake.net and Rules of Use for LSL Clubhouse. Contact Chrisa Anderson at 309-696-7148.



# Sale of Swan Lake Golf Course

LSL members may be interested in the recent auction of the golf course. It was parceled out and auctioned off on March 23, 2018. Many locals attended the auction in Roseville, II.

## \$\$ Membership Fees

All LSL Membership Fees, including \$150 Membership Fee plus \$35 per lot Maintenance Fee were due by March 1, 2018. If fees are delinquent, late fees will be charged starting May 1, 2018, at \$25 PLUS a 2% per month charge on the current past due amount PLUS any collection fees that may occur on top of these. The late fee amount increases each month you are late. Questions? Email LSLCLerk@hotmail.com.



### **a** Building Permit Reminder

LSL has rules concerning any new or improved construction on your property. Be aware. Any building project such as a house, boathouse or storage shed, dock, boat lift, deck, garage, home addition, etc. requires a permit and approval by the LSL Building Committee. Building forms can be downloaded from our website at www.littleswanlake.net. Questions? Contact Dwayne Tafflinger at 309-368-2325.



# Removal of Old Car Tires from the Lake

Lots of old car tires have already been removed from around the lake - mostly from Outlots. We ask that lot owners please look around their property and report any car tires that may have been missed! The EPA regulation states that car tires must be removed from lakes as soon as possible. See www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/waste-management/waste-disposal/used-tires/. Questions? Call Alan Jonckheere at 630-263-0283.

## **Boating & Fishing News**



# Seeking a Patrol Person

We need a lake patrol person or persons for the 2018 fishing/boating season. Hours are negotiable & this is a paid position. If you or anyone else you know would like a job being a lake patrol person, please email LSLCLerk@hotmail.com. Special thanks to Gary Miller for giving his time to this position for so many years!



NO-WAKE ZONE - Watch Out for the Buoys! SLOW DOWN!

Please be careful when boating. The no-wake buoys are in place for a reason – they warn boaters to lower their boat speed so there is no wake behind their boat when traveling past the marker buoys. Its very SHALLOW at that end of the lake. PLUS, lots of waves from boats will erode the shoreline over time.



# NO-WAKE ZONE - Swimming Safety

The following lake rules apply when swimming off your boat in the no-wake zone past the no-wake buoys. These rules will be strictly enforced with a minimum fine of \$25 for the first offense. Repeated offenses could lead to the loss of your lake privileges.

- 1) Your boat must be anchored with the motor turned off.
- 2) Boats must anchor in the center of the no wake zone, not in the traffic lanes.
- 3) Hours: Swimming is allowed from 30 minutes before sunrise until 30 minutes after sunset.
- 4) Swimmers must stay within 30 ft. of their boat.
- 5) One adult (18 years or older) must stay in the boat.
- 6) No diving allowed.



### **Carp Removal**

The person we hired last year for carp removal is no longer available. We do not know of anyone else who has the required license from the State to do this job, however, we are still looking into it. If you know of a qualified person, please contact Bob Andersen at 309-775-9008.



### **Boat Registration News**

Boat stickers are required before boats go in the water. If you operate a boat without a sticker, you will be subject to a \$25 fine. To get a boat sticker, first PRINT OUT a Boat Registration Form located on our website at www.littleswanlake.net.

- 1. COMPLETE THE BOAT FORM.
- 2. MAKE A COPY OF YOUR ILLINOIS BOAT REGISTRATION (required for all motorized boats).
- 3. ENCLOSE A CHECK FOR THE BOAT FEES.
- 4. SEND to the LSL Clerk, Barb Dunlap.

### Ladies of the Lake Club News



### **Garden Volunteers Needed**

We will invite lake members to join us once a month to weed & prune the garden to keep it looking nice. Thanks to the guidance of Tom & Mary Ingrasias, we get'er done right! If you want to help, email LSLClerk@hotmail.com.



We have Little Swan Lake logo t-shirts & sweatshirts in a variety of sizes for adults and children. Please call Barb Jonckheere at 630-263-0283 or Patty Andersen at 309-775-9008.

## Ladies of the Lake

Ladies of the Lake is a group of women who get together the first Wednesday of every month. All LSL women are invited – bring a friend! We usually meet at noon at the LSL Clubhouse for lunch-sometimes there's a short program. Twice a year we go out to lunch. Call Jane Stevens for more information at 309-465-3466.

# Ladies of the Lake Luncheon Dates First Wednesday of the month 12:00 noon.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

April 4, 2018 - Outing to Wyoming, Illinois

Hostesses: Jane Stevens, Mariana Schrader

Lunch at One Eleven restaurant (111 N. 7<sup>th</sup> St) then shopping. If you need a ride call Jane Stevens (309-465-3466).

May 2, 2018 - at clubhouse

Hostesses: Nancy Hoppes, Patty Andersen

June 6, 2018 – at clubhouse

Hostesses: Barb Dunlap, Kay McKinley

July 2018 - Canceller!

No luncheon due to the date falling on July 4.

August 1, 2018 – at clubhouse

Hostesses: Barb Potter, Elizabeth Hiel

September 5, 2018 – Catered at the LSL Clubhouse

**Hostess: Jane Stevens** 

October 3, 2018-

Hostesses: Lonnie Woodring, Pam Gaskill

November 7, 2018

Hostesses: Darlyne Ackers, Barb Galvin

December 5, 2018 at Lake Bracken Clubhouse

Hostesses: Kay McKinley, Elizabeth Hiel & Lonnie Woodring.

## Send in Your Photos for the LSL Website

Please share your photos with us. Send photos to Bob Andersen at <u>r-andersen@wiu.edu</u>.

## 2018 Area Info – Things to Do

### **MAY 2018**

### **Bushnell Jeep Blitz** May

24-27

www.steinjager.com 309-772-3153

### **Macomb Airport Fly-In Pancake Breakfast**

Sunday June 24

7 am - 12:00 noon

16190 E. 1300<sup>th</sup> Street – Macomb Municipal

Airport

309-833-3324

### **Avon Memorial Day Parade**

Sunday May 27

Downtown Avon, Illinois

11 am

### **Lake Argyle State Park**

Variety of family programs throughout the year 640 Argyle Park Road

Colchester IL 62326

309-776-3422

### **JUNE 2018**

### **Galesburg Railroad Days**

Usually in late June 309-343-2485 www.galesburg.railroaddays.org

### **JULY 2018**

### 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks

Enjoy fireworks displays around the lake.



### Of Local Interest ....

### **Alley Oops Diner**

409 S. Western Ave., Abingdon, IL 309-703-1936 @AlleyOopsDiner on FaceBook

### **Storm Shelter Pub**

102 N Main St., Avon, IL 309-975-1013 @stormshelterpub on FaceBook

### **Candy Lane Floral and Gifts**

121 S. Candy Lane, Macomb, IL 309-833-4718 www.candylanefloralandgift.com

### **Hollister Home Center**

New furniture line – Ashley Home furnishings! 4007 West Jackson St., Macomb, IL 309-833-1000

### **Roseville Floral**

130 Arbitary St., Roseville, IL 309-426-2261

### **Garden Gate Floral & Greenhouse**

207 W Martin St., Abingdon, IL 800-398-3836

# <u>Good Hope Gardens</u> – a sustainable farmers market

Monday thru Saturday 445 East Main Street, Good Hope, IL 309-456-3400