

Dunlap Lake Property Owners Association
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Dunlap Days

Winter 2009

Catch basin to be constructed at south end of Dunlap Lake

Since a portion of East Lake Dr. was washed into the lake in September, the DLPOA Silt Committee has been meeting with city officials to help bring about the reconstruction of the street and the removal of the debris from the lake as soon as possible. In order to get the required state permits, it was necessary for the city to expand the opening under East Lake for Willow Creek from 15 linear feet to 72 linear feet. When Gerber Road is rebuilt, that opening will be expanded, too. To accommodate this increased flow and to reduce the amount of silt and debris coming into the lake, it was decided to construct a catch basin on the south end of the lake near the intersection of East Lake and Gerber. The Silt Committee drew plans based upon past recommendations of both the Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources and the DLPOA engineering firm, HDR, that would widen and deepen the channel, removing approximately 17,000 cubic yards. Bids were solicited and the bid selected was \$133,000. The committee also negotiated an agreement with the city under which the city will pay for the excavation. The City Council authorized this agreement on January 6 and the DLPOA Board did the same on January 7.

Under the agreement, the DLPOA will take responsibility for the future maintenance of the catch basin. Further study will be done to determine additional enhancements that may include expanding the basin, installing dykes, silt curtains, etc.

To assist the city with the reconstruction of East Lake and to allow for the repair of the gate shaft on the drain silo, the lake was lowered to approximately 7 feet below normal pool. It has been kept at that level in contemplation of
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this south end excavation project. As soon as the agreement is finalized with the city and the necessary permit is received, construction will begin. The contractor has been given two months to complete the work but we believe that it can be done in 30 days if the weather cooperates. The Board is mindful of the summer boating season and the gate will be shut as soon as possible to get the lake back up to normal pool.

East Lake Dr. has been opened but won't be paved until warm weather arrives in the spring.

Annual Meeting Date Set

The annual meeting of the DLPOA will be held on Thursday, February 12, at the Moose Lodge on Marine Road. The terms of five Board members are coming to an end. Those members are Larry Ahrens, Sandy Fultz, Faye Nelson, Toni Siler and Roy Wehling. Sandy, Faye and Toni are retiring. Larry and Roy will be running for re-election. The Nominating Committee is seeking nominations prior to the meeting and nominations will be taken from the floor that night as well. If there are more than five nominations, ballots will be mailed to the membership with the top five vote getters being elected. If there are just five nominations, those nominees will be elected by acclamation at the meeting. The terms are for 3 years. If you are interested, please contact Mike Watts (656-9394, micheal.d.watts@charter.net) or Rob Weimers (692-0510, robweimers@jpwellness.com). Postcards will be mailed later this month giving all the details.

Referendum Results

In the fall, a referendum of the membership was held on two questions. One, should the Dunlap Lake Restrictions be amended to allow the Board of Directors to increase the regular assessment by one-tenth of a cent per year up to a maximum of 1.5 cents per square foot? The question required a simple majority of those voting to pass. The vote was 243 yes; 168 no. So, this question passed.

The second question: Should Article 35 of the restrictions regarding special assessment votes be changed from requiring the approval of a majority of property owners to a 2/3 majority of those voting. This amendment also required a simple majority of those casting ballots. It received 254 yes votes and 153 no votes. So, this question passed as well.

Fish fine despite low water level

There has been some concern of fish dying this winter because of the low lake level. Even with the lake being down we still have depths of sixteen feet in the lake. Sixteen feet is sufficient for survival in any lake. Most fish kills in lakes are caused by a combination of shallow water, thick ice, and a heavy blanket of snow for extended periods of time. This combination stops the sunlight from producing oxygen in the water. This is not a concern for Dunlap Lake in this climate zone.

Some residents are placing Christmas trees in the lake to create crappie beds. These should be properly anchored so they don't float away and become a problem at the drain silo or spillway.

Web page committee seeking member input

This month marks the 1st anniversary of the first webpage to be posted on the new Dunlap Lake website. Happy birthday www.dunlaplake.org! When it began, the committee members knew nothing about programming a webpage but believed the organization needed this site to become more active and help share information about our community. We have learned a lot along the way. Until now it has been left to the committee to decide what was going to be on the site and how it would look. Now it is time for you to tell us what you want on your site, what you would like to see added and deleted, suggestions and complaints about the layout of the information, etc. Just drop the committee an e-mail at webmaster@dunlaplake.org with your wants, suggestions, comments, criticisms, or even praises. Every e-mail will be taken seriously and if possible implemented. At the very least you will get an answer from someone on the committee. When making your request, please remember two things: one, glitz is not our thing, communication and information is the site's objective; two, the committee is still a novice at this programming thing and will not compete with professional sites. The committee thanks everyone for their suggestions and comments. Even if you do not want to provide your opinion, please visit your site regularly to see what is new. The next new thing to look for is the addition of a suggestions/complaint form to provide feedback to your Board of Directors and Officers. This is being added to the Forms & Procedures section. Give the committee a few weeks and then come check it out.

Financial Report
(FY - Mar. 1 to Feb. 28)

BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 2008

Assets

Monetary Assets	
Cash	(\$39.85)
Checking Account - Bank of Edwardsville	1,015.20
Savings Account - Bank of Edwardsville	30,314.73
Certificates of Deposit - Bank of Edwardsville	100,000.00
City & Village Account (Operating account)	39,682.25
Total Monetary Assets.....	\$170,972.33
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Liabilities & Reserves

Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$413.80
Total Liabilities.....	\$413.80
Reserves	
General Reserve	\$47,789.91
Lake Maintenance Reserve (Silt)	100,000.00
Net Revenue Year-to-Date	22,768.62
Total Reserves	\$170,558.53
Total Liabilities and Reserves	\$170,972.33

STATEMENT OF REVENUE & EXPENSE
March 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008

	<u>BUDGET</u>
	<u>2008/2009</u>
Revenue	
2008 Property Assessments	\$67,610.14
2008 Parkway Leases	199.00
Boat Stickers	265.00
Interest	3555.27
Recovered Old Property Assessments	391.02
Recovered Old Parkway Leases.....	1.00
Recovered Legal Cost.....	523.00
Misc. Revenues.....	1,241.72
Total Revenue	\$73,786.15
Expenses	
Administrative Expenses.....	\$11,760.65
Building Committee Expenses.....	0.00
Commons Committee Expenses	12,348.80
Contract Compliance Committee Expenses.....	0.00
Dam & Maintenance Committee Expenses.....	3,518.84
Financial Committee Expenses	97.19
Fish & Wildlife Committee Expenses.....	2,368.73
Legal Committee Expenses	7,863.05
Meeting, Elections & Social Committee	6,399.38 ¹
Restrictions Committee Expenses.....	617.08
Safety Committee Expenses.....	0.00
Silt & Erosion Expense	6,043.81
Website Committee Expenses	0.00
Other Expenses	0.00
Total Revenue	\$51,017.53
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Net Revenue (Expenses)	\$22,768.62

Note 1. This number needs to be reduced by \$922.08 to reflect the revenue received from the Holiday Social and included in "Misc. Revenue" when comparing it to the budgeted amount.

Fireworks set for July 3

The fireworks display last year was a big hit so it will be held again this year. The date will be Friday, July 3. Mark your calendars. Details will be forthcoming later.

Boat Stickers

It is important that all boats on Dunlap Lake have current stickers so that trespassers can be identified and to help in tracking down owners when boats get loose. Please be sure all of your watercraft have Dunlap Lake Stickers. Registration forms are available online at www.dunlaplake.org/forms/forms.html. If you have questions or need to locate a boat owner, call Carolyn Green at 659-0257.

The boat ramp is kept locked in an effort to prevent trespassing. If you will be launching your boat this spring and need the combination to the lock, call Carolyn or one of the board members.

Overflow silo shaft repaired

Lowering the lake allowed access to repair the shaft on the overflow silo. Two brackets were broken causing the shaft to bend. The two brackets have been replaced and the overflow silo is once again in good working order.

Lake Debris to be removed

With the lake down, it's become apparent that there is a substantial amount of debris in the lake. Everything from limbs to stumps to old tires litters the lake bottom. The Board has hired a contractor to clean out all of this debris to make the lake cleaner and safer.

Damaged and dilapidated docks need to be repaired or removed

The fall flood added to the list of damaged or dilapidated docks. All property owners must keep their docks in good condition or fines can be levied by the association. Also, it is the responsibility of on-lake owners to maintain their shorelines and to remove trees and limbs that fall into the lake. Owners are encouraged to take advantage of the lowered water level and make the necessary repairs and remove the fallen trees and limbs.

Dunlap Lake Property Owners Association Board of Directors 2008-09

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