

E-NEWS September 2013 INDIAN LAKE BOROUGH

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E-News is simply a brief report on current Indian Lake Borough issues. E-News is posted on the Indian Lake Borough Web site as well as distributed by Boroughs distribution list and by Gay Reed.

September is a month to remember 911 and the terrifying experiences that united us, the sadness that engulfed us and the heroism that motivated us. Ground was broken on 9/11/13 at Flight 93 for the next phase of the memorial.

The lake drawn down brings a quiet serenity and tranquility to the lake - that is until you hear the geese.

DAM REPORT Paul Cornez

The contractor (Maust Excavating) has started work. Soil and erosion protection have been put in place. The top soil has been stripped and set aside. Equipment has been moved on to the site. Excavation of the spillway, from the top, has been started. The excavated material is being processed through a crusher with the idea that this material may be suitable for use as fill to raise the breast of the dam. The main valve was opened Monday morning as planned without any problems. The drawdown has begun.

FINANCE Patti Dewar

The Liquid Fuel's Audit was reviewed and no problems existed. Council is preparing for the 2014 budget and getting facts and figures together.

LAKE/ENVIRONMENT Lynn Shimer

In cost partnering with the service Corporation and the Angler's Club, Borough Council will stock fish this year according to the recommendations of Lynn and Bill Kirkpatrick. This will probably occur in October.

ROADS AND MAINTENANCE: Terry St. Clair

The paving is done and we thank Terry and our maintenance crew for doing a great job. Our crew has been busy flushing the water lines, finishing mowing the berm of the roads, mowing around the office, grading out ditches on North Shore and Peninsula Drive, fixing the broom tractor mower deck, cutting up and hauling away the culvert pipe to the scrap yard, fixing the drain pipe in Comanchee, working with the paving crew, berming East Fairway and Comanchee, and Osage, lining ditch on North Shore Trail with stone.

GARBAGE/TRASH (repeat and current)

Remember Fall clean up means more garbage

Residents have two options – either contract for garbage service or take your garbage “home” with you.

Reminder – Do not use private dumpsters or your neighbor’s garbage cans, or vacant property, or borough property to dump your garbage.

It is a theft of service and you will receive a citation.

ZONING: Dean Snyder

Encroachment permits for docks and seawalls - procedure

- 1. Residents must get DEP permits (GP2 / GP3) from DEP
The DEP contact person is Chuck Colbert (412-442-4213)**
- 2. After receiving the DEP permit, residents must show documentation to the Indian Lake zoning officer and apply for their Indian Lake permit.**
- 3. Note that this is a lengthy process**
- 4. Forms are on line.**

WATER/SEWER Bob Hanson

POLICE

The current edition of the Mayor’s News Letter by Mike Miscoe is posted on our web site. Please read and post in your home.

We have four part time police officers - Mark Custer, Richard Brant, Chad Howell and Michael Jacobs who give us police coverage.

Your police at work for you:

August – 9 warnings, 1 traffic citation, 4 incidents

September (1st-13th) - 5 warnings, 3 traffic citations

REMINDER: There have been numerous break-ins in Somerset County. As a way to deter crimes of convenience at Indian Lake, remember to keep your vehicles locked and your house and garage locked. If you see something suspicious, report it to the IL Police.

Please be alert to those pedestrians and bicyclist sharing the road and be mindful of your speed. If we all drive responsibly, we all will feel safer walking and biking in our borough.

REMINDER TO RESIDENTS WITH ANIMALS

There is a leash law for animals and barking dogs - nuisance ordinance #5. Violations could result in fines up to \$300.00. Please be considerate of your neighbors.

PERSONNEL Charlie McCauley_– No report

SHANKSVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The Shanksville Fire Department is a volunteer fire department. A major part of their revenue comes from the two boroughs and one township that they service. Their annual fund drive is a big part of SVFD budget income and sadly only 46% of the residents of Indian Lake supported this fund drive last year. Please give your support to this fire department when they have their annual fund drive and when they solicit or fundraise at other times in the year.

The following procedure will help you give information to the fire department in case of an emergency

Have a card posted in your home that has:

- 1) Your phone number and your address
- 2) Your neighbors' phone numbers and addresses
- 3) Be familiar with the lake map and have it posted or in a convenient place for reference. Maps of the lake are for sale in the borough office.

SKI SLALOM COURSE

Robert Oates is President of the Ski Club

Planning Commission

SWIFTREACH:

Indian Lake is a member of the SwiftReach Networks. We use this service to quickly communicate important information to our residents. So the phone calls you get about the quality of our water, the flushing of our lines etc...is not sent out from our borough office but is recorded by Dean Snyder and sent out by SwiftReach. Please do not call the office in response to these notifications. These are typically sent out after the office is closed. Instead go to the borough's web site where you will see the notification also listed. If you are a new resident or if you need to change your phone number information, you can do it on our web site by clicking on the SwiftReach 911 notification link and follow the instructions.

In your service, Patricia Dewar