



Indian Lake Borough

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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Mayor's Newsletter

A few reminders are in order as we begin our summer season so that all can have a safe and enjoyable summer season.

BOATER SAFETY COURSE

The Indian Lake Police Department will once again provide FREE boater safety training, which is required for young operators and ALL operators of personal watercraft. All can benefit by attending. You can attend by sending an e-mail to POLICE@IndianLakePa.us with the names/ages of attendees. Here are the details:

DATE: Saturday May 28 and Sunday May 29, 2011.
TIME: 8:00am to 12:00 noon (each day)
LOCATION: Wigwam Pub (Downstairs at the Indian Lake Lodge).

Refreshments will be provided. Thanks to Terry and Pat St. Clair for once again donating the space for this event.

DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER YOUR BOAT!

To legally operate a boat on the waters of Indian Lake, all boats must have and display a Indian Lake Boat registration sticker as well as a current PA registration sticker. The fine for failure to obtain and display your registration sticker is substantial. All those who registered a boat on Indian Lake last year were mailed their registration renewal in March to give you plenty of time to get your registration accomplished prior to boating season. Get your application, registration fee, proof of insurance and proof of current PA registration into the Borough office. Expect a turnaround time of 3-5 days to get your stickers. Those needing stickers for this weekend can drop off applications at the Borough Office but there are no guarantees that Theresa can get to all of them in time.

For those purchasing a new boat, the same materials are required plus you must have a member of the Police Department measure your boat for compliance with our length restrictions.

FYI - The Police will be patrolling the lake and will strictly enforce the registration requirement.

LET'S ALL WORK TOGETHER TO KEEP OUR ROADS SAFE

It is not uncommon to forget yourself when driving through the Borough. We truly live in a beautiful environment and taking in the scenery can be distracting. Unfortunately, while distracted by the scenery, some may tend to travel faster than our speed limits permit. With our narrow roads and blind hills and corners, driving in excess of the posted speeds can create a dangerous situation. In the summer months especially, cars are not the only form of traffic you might encounter. Motorcycles, bicyclers and walkers/joggers are found in abundance. Keeping your speed at or below the speed limit will help to ensure that we avoid an unfortunate accident on our roads.

For those that enjoy bicycling and walking, you are encouraged to use the Borough's hiking and biking trail. Not only will you be able to enjoy what is truly a scenic environment, but it will relieve congestion on our roadways and diminish the potential for an accident. While I don't want to discourage use of the roads by bicyclist and walkers/hikers, I do hope to encourage more use of the McIntyre hiking and biking trail that was dedicated last year. There is plenty of parking at the trail heads and since motorized vehicles are banned from the trail, serenity is guaranteed. Use of the hiking/biking trail will also reduce congestion on the roads and help keep everyone safe.

THANKS TO REPRESENTATIVE CARL METZGAR

Recently DEP required the Borough to issue a "Boil Water" Notice to the residents served by Well #2. The reason was alleged failure to submit a required Application pertaining to chlorination. The only problem was, our Water System operator (Dean Snyder) sent it to DEP several times. With the help of Dean, I was able to provide Mr. Metzgar the details surrounding this issue and he obtained a resolution on our behalf within an hour. If you have the opportunity to do so, send Mr. Metzgar a note of thanks for his swift and timely assistance on behalf of the residents of Indian Lake.

CONGRATULATIONS TO PRIMARY CANDIDATES FOR BOROUGH COUNCIL

Congratulations to all primary candidates in the recent primary election. For the three seats up for election, there were 5 ballot candidates and 1 individual seeking election as a write-in candidate. Unofficial results indicate that Patty Dewar, Lynn Shimer and Terry St. Clair were the winners on both the Democratic and Republican ballots.

Thanks for reading and enjoy the rest of your summer!

Michael Miscoe
Mayor
Indian Lake Borough