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The purpose for which Lake County Fish and Game Protective Assn. was formed is as follows: "To protect and encourage all measures designed to conserve fish, game, forest and all natural resources in the State of Indiana. And to foster, among its members, a spirit of true sportsmanship."

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COMING EVENTS

August 3 - General Membership Meeting

August 5 - 14 - Lake County Fair

August 9 - Lakes Committee Meeting

August 16 - Board of Directors' Meeting

August 20 - Catfish Derby @ the Club

August 27 - Household Hazardous Waste Collection - Highland Public Works*

More information may be found at <http://www.lcswmd.com/householdhazardouswaste.htm>

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AUGUST GUEST SPEAKER

Ms. Jillian Stasiak, of Cabela's Hammond, will be our guest speaker this month. With the upcoming hunting seasons upon us she'll be discussing coming events and the latest and greatest of equipment and sales.

TRASH AND URINATING ON GROUNDS

We have recently received complaints about trash left and guys urinating in public. Some are offended by the latter and both are rules violations. Use the washrooms in the clubhouse and take out what you bring in. We have zero tolerance for violators. If caught you could be brought up on charges and your membership revoked. Our grounds (including parking lot) are meant to be family oriented. Please respect that, or get out.

LCF&G's WEBSITE

For those of you who are new to LCF&G, there are some things you should know about our website.

For one there are downloadable forms for our members only yearly contests (Big Bird (Pheasant, Turkey & Goose), Big Fish and Whitetail (Big Deer and Most Impressive Rack)).

There are also helpful links to INDNR, ILDNR and an all state listing of DNRs.

The calendar will tell all that's currently going on in the way of contests, events and the like.

If you haven't already, visit www.lakecountyfishandgame.org to see what's new.

You can simply click on the banner at the top of this newsletter to go to our website.

PROPERTY RULE #4 HAS CHANGED

Property rule #4, pertaining to littering, has been amended to include feeding of wildlife on our property. It seems some people don't get it when it comes to feeding wildlife. It attracts gulls, which, in turn, will attract cormorants. Both of which are unwanted water birds. The new rule reads like this (the new portion is in bold type):

4) There are no garbage cans. We have neither a groundskeeper, nor garbage service. Take out what you bring in! Field strip cigarette butts and put the filters in your pocket. Keep our grounds litter free! **This is expanded to include no feeding of wildlife. No food products (bread, seeds etc.) are to be scattered on the ground.**

PARK IN DESIGNATED AREAS ONLY

Remember to park only in designated areas. Ruts in the grass, off the road, cause damage to our mowers.

LCF&G SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The first two recipients of the Lake County Fish and Game Scholarship Fund were recognized at July's meeting, They are Lindsey Forbes and Paige Kruk. Both girls will each receive a \$1,000 scholarship. On hand for the presentation were President Don Jones, Lindsey, Paige, Jodi Katevia of The Legacy Foundation and John Hansen; LCF&G Scholarship Fund Chair.

The Legacy Foundation

administered the selection process, recommended the recipients and the LCF&G Board of Directors ratified their selection.

Congratulations to both girls for becoming the first ever recipients this scholarship!



L to R: President Don Jones, recipient Lindsey Forbes, recipient Paige Kruk, Jodi Katevia of The Legacy Foundation and John Hansen LCF&G Scholarship Fund Chair.

"LIKE" US ON FACEBOOK

Lake County Fish and Game now has our own Facebook page. search "Lake County Fish and Game" on Facebook and like our page. You can check out current goings on and post your "bragging photos". All posts are subject to approval of the administrators of the page.

Thanks to Tim Stevenson for putting this together.

It's also a place where you can find "After only a couple days of approved ice for icefishing we are already finding garbage and cigarette butts left on the ice. We as a private club take pride in having clean grounds. Please help us keep our grounds clean. This is unacceptable as members to Lake County fishing game thank you.



Lakes committee

WHAT PART OF "TAKE OUT WHAT YOU BRING IN" DON'T YOU PEOPLE UNDERSTAND?!

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE RECYCLING

The Lake County Solid Waste Management District has a number of Household Hazardous Waste disposal sites, and dates, planned throughout the county for Lake County residents. This month it is the Highland Public Works at 8001 Kennedy Av. on August 27 from 9 AM - 2 PM.

Other sites include:

All hours are 9 AM - 2 PM

September 10 - Lake County Highway Department in Lowell

October 15 - Griffith Public Works

Go to www.lcswmd.com for more information on what is accepted and from whom. Also available is electronics recycling and leaf/yard waste collection sites information.

THE FLOOR DRAIN IN THE BOARDROOM HAS BEEN PLUGGED. DON'T POUR ANYTHING IN IT!

DU BIG LAKE CHAPTER ANNUAL WATERFOWL HUNTERS' PARTY

September 15th at Wicker Park. Tickets are \$40 each and available online @ www.ducks.org/indiana/events.

LAKE COUNTY FAIR

The Lake County Fair is scheduled for August 5 - August 14 this year. As usual, we can use some help manning the booth during the week and especially the first weekend (8/6 & 8/7) to man the fish pond. Give Don your name and date/times you can help and he'll arrange a free pass for you.

CATFISH DERBY

The Lakes Committee has scheduled a Catfish Derby for August 20th. 5 PM - 11 PM. Cost is \$10 for members and \$20 for guests which will include nonalcoholic drinks and food. Guests must be accompanied by a member. 17 and younger are free. Questions? inbox on Facebook. Side bets will be available.

BACK LAKE GATE UPDATE

We have, in the past, experienced an intermittent problem with the back gate. That is the circuit breaker for the control box trips leaving the gate inoperable. This usually happens mid travel. So you can walk out, or in, but likely won't have enough room to drive through. To remedy this problem we had to lift the cover off the gate operator (heavy) to reset the breaker which pops up. We tried changing the circuit breaker to a heavier value. That hasn't cured the problem. We have now moved that circuit breaker to the floor of the operator so it can be reset without having to lift the cover off the operator. The circuit breaker is located in the left/front corner of the cabinet facing down (out). If the gate suddenly stops mid-travel you can now feel under the cabinet and find a little button sticking out. Push that button up (in) and gate will resume operation. There is absolutely no danger in resetting this breaker. **HOWEVER** the gate will move once the breaker is reset so if someone is with you make certain they're clear of the gate and its mechanism before resetting the breaker.

Also, all the card readers are equipped with a reset button on the underneath side of box on which they're mounted. Sometimes (not often) the reader will go "brain dead" and do nothing when a valid card is introduced. To remedy this just reach underneath and press the button in. This will interrupt power to the reader and reset it. The button is a momentary switch meaning you only need to press and release it for it to work.

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