



(Photo taken by Susan Fye)

View from the Lake

<http://slloa.com>

Schaefer Lake Newsletter

July 2016

Upcoming Events

July 19th: **Full Moon Float-** All boats and pontoons wishing to participate will meet in the area of the dam at sundown to connect and form a floating party. Bring your snacks and beverages and “howl” at the moon together!

Sept. 10th: **Fall Picnic**

(If you have any questions regarding any upcoming events please contact Carrie Trotter)



We missed one!! Last month we failed to mention that Alex Washburn graduated from Indiana University. Way to go Alex!! Good luck in your future endeavors.



A Big thank you to Carrie Trotter and Chrysty Wiedersatz for organizing the Schaefer Lake Garage Sale. Hope everyone got rid of all their “junk” so we have room for more!!



THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

Please keep the following members of our community in your thoughts and prayers. If possible, give them a call or drop them a card to let them know their neighbors care.

Charlene Lewis = recuperating from surgery

Dawn Deiwert- recuperating from knee replacement surgery

The Elsie Herron Family – passing of a great lady

Janet Lee – In the passing of Dennis, a kind, long-time neighbor

Debbie Cox – In the passing of her father, Louis Bense



Would you like to grow flowers like this?

This is one of Jerrilou Cole's beautiful flowers and she is interested in forming a Garden Club here at Schaefer Lake. If you're interested, they would meet once a month and educate each other on vegetable and flower gardening, sharing starts of plants and possibly beautifying the common areas around the lake. In the future this could possibly develop into having our own Garden Tour. Lots of Possibilities!! Give Jerrilou a call or text if you would like to be a part of this group.



Meet Your Neighbors

This is a new column this month that is being written by Dawn Deiwert. Each month we hope to showcase a different family that we all can get to know better so be ready for that call from Dawn asking to “interview” you for her “Meet your Neighbor” article!

“I thought since I would be writing “Meet Your Neighbor”; I would start with Dick and me. We moved to the lake 13 years ago on Valentine’s Day. My husband Dick and I moved to the lake when our children, Rick and Kristal were still in high school. We wanted to enjoy lake life before they went to college. Both are now married and have wonderful spouses and children. Rick and his wife Jerrica have three children; Treyton 11, Tyler 8 and Riley 5. Kristal and her husband Derek have two children; Sophia 4 and Emilee 1. A lot has happened in 13 years, so many happy memories from our kids growing up, meeting our neighbors, retirement and grandchildren. Dick retired from Fed-Ex after 27 years but anyone who knows Dick knows that he can’t sit still. He now works part-time as a contractor hauling mail from the Columbus Post Office to other Post Offices.

We enjoy fishing, fish fry’s with family and friends, gathering vegetables and flowers, spending time with our family, traveling, and attending our grandchildren’s sporting events. We are members of the St. Paul Lutheran Church on State Road 7.”

If you would like to be “interviewed” before I call on you please don’t hesitate to call me at 812-371356.

FYI:Per a phone conversation with the superintendent on June 20th Eastern Bartholomew Water is still planning to begin installing pipe in the month of July. If you have questions you can contact them directly at 812-536-9777.



Winner of the 2016 4th of July Boat Parade

The Bill Lewis Family

**Runner up : Wiedersatz/Herron Family for the USS Elsie...a great boat
for a great lady!!!**

The winner will receive a boat flag and pole plus bragging rights until next year's parade.



Neighborhood Watch – There have been reports of suspicious looking vehicles and sales people recently. If you see something that doesn't make sense please post on Facebook or email a board member at Schaefer.lake@yahoo.com. A safe neighborhood will benefit us all. You know the saying...."If you see something – say something".

We are looking for historical looking pictures and watercraft activity pictures for the webpage. If you have something fun to share please send it to Schaefer.lake@yahoo.com or post it on the Facebook page. Parental permission is necessary for all pictures of children.

Last Call to provide updated directory information. We have received updated email and cell phone information from most people. Please send any changes to Schaefer.lake@yahoo.com ASAP so we can update the directory. There are many positive reasons a neighbor might want to contact you. We hope to complete the new directory and distribute it to you this summer so please help by providing the needed information. Thanks!



Safety Corner by Jamie Champlin and Scott Towsley.

A few brief safety reminders for July:

SLLOA follows the Indiana Boating [Laws](#); the link for your reference is located on the SLLOA website as well. Below are a few notable items for this month's safety corner:

- Please note that page 39 of the Indiana Boating Laws Handbook states that any child under the age of 13 must wear a personal floatation device (PFD). Again, anyone being towed must also have the correct type of PFD.
- Traffic Rules are outlined on page 8 of the Indiana Handbook.
- If two boats are approaching head to head, each boat should bear right.
- If two motorized boats are approaching at angles, the boat on the right has the right of way.
- Passing may be done on either side but the overtaken boat has the right of way. A boat leaving a dock has the right of way.
- Non-motorized boats or boats pulling skiers always have the right of way. It is always best to be considerate and look out for our neighbor's on a lake this size. Anticipate inexperienced boaters may make mistakes.
- According to Indiana Boating Law. It takes three to water ski, the boat driver, the observer and the skier. Also, safety first as Indiana requires the skier to wear a personal floatation device while skiing. Check out the skier hand signals on page 78.

Additional tips from our resident expert skier Scott Towsley:

We all like that perfect glassy water to rip through while skiing. Consider if you are the only one out skiing, then another boat joins taking turns so you both get that perfect ski on smooth water. If you are not skiing, be aware while out on the water while someone else is skiing. Be courteous as your wake could cause the skier to crash. Idling will produce a smaller wake manageable for the skiers (advanced and beginner alike). Be aware of skier's that have fallen. It may be difficult to see them. If you are a fallen skier or tuber try to make yourself visible to boat traffic.

