

Late Winter/ Early Spring 2008 Newsletter

Lake Lemon Conservancy District

March 2008

Special points of interest:

- If you have recently purchased or sold property at Lake Lemon, please contact the LLCDC Office so we can update our database.
- The LLCDC strongly encourages all freeholders to subscribe to the LLCDC list serve. The district uses this technology to keep freeholders informed of current events and happenings on the lake. To subscribe, please send your name and email address to the office at llcdoffice@aol.com.

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>District</u>
Bruce Cassal	2009	I
Barb Ritter	2010	II
Marty Mann Chairman	2012	III
Tom Kelly	2009	IV
Dennis Friesel Treasurer	2012	V
Rex Taylor	2010	VI
Dave Hobson Vice Chair	2011	VII
Rachel Atz Ex-Officio (CBU)		
Bob Madden Manager		
Scott McWhorter Biologist		

The LLCDC Board Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Benton Township Senior Citizens Building on Highway 45 in Unionville.



2008 LLCDC Annual Meeting Summary

The LLCDC Annual Meeting took place on February 6, 2008 at the Benton Township Senior Citizens Building. Marty Mann, District III and Dennis Friesel, District V were re-elected as Board Directors. They will serve a four (4) year term. The Board of Directors elected officers for 2008. They are: Marty Mann, Chairman; Dave Hobson, Vice-Chairman; and Dennis Friesel, Treasurer.

A copy of the District's 2007 Annual Report is enclosed.

Sublease Renewal Time

2008 Sublease Agreements were mailed to participating freeholders in January. The final date for Sublease renewal is May 31, 2008.

If you have any questions about the Sublease program please contact the LLCDC office.

Winter Drawdown Summary

The Sluice Gate served us well this winter. The gate was opened in November and closed for the winter season in January. During the initial opening of the sluice gate, the water level was dropping approximately 3 inches a day. The gate was closed once a four-foot drawdown was achieved, and re-opened after a few large rain events. Many lake residence took advantage of the drawdown by performing shoreline maintenance improvements, collecting trash and cleanup. During the drawdown we did have a few freezing days, but whether those cold days had any effect on the weeds will not be known until this summer. **As a reminder, all shoreline maintenance projects must have approval from the LLCDC prior to activity.** To receive a shoreline permit request form, please call the LLCDC office or download one online at lakelemon.org. **For a copy of the Municipal Codes in effect at Lake Lemon please go to www.bloomington.in.gov.**

2008 Boating Permits

LLCDC Boat Permits will go on sale March 15th. Daily and season permits may be purchased at the LLCDC office and/or gatehouse at Riddle Point Park. All boats on Lake Lemon are required to have a valid LLCDC permit. Please remember to purchase your permit before you launch your boat or personal watercraft for the 2008 season.

Annual Permits:	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Non-Res.</u>
< 10 hp.	\$38.00	\$63.00
> 10 hp.	\$63.00	\$89.00
PWC	\$115.00	\$140.00
Launch Ramp	\$31.00	\$31.00
Daily Permits:		
< 10 hp.	\$7.00	\$7.00
> 10 hp.	\$10.00	\$10.00
PWC	\$16.00	\$16.00
Launch Ramp	\$5.00	\$5.00

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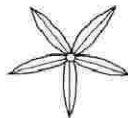
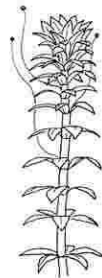
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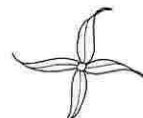
Watch For Aquatic Invasive Species

Aquatic Invasive Species are costly to control. According to IDNR, Indiana Lake residents spend over \$800,000 per year to control Eurasian watermilfoil. Lake Lemon alone, spent \$22,000 to control Eurasian watermilfoil in 2007. There are two new species that have been sighted in Indiana lakes, 1) Hydrilla (see image below) was found in Lake Manitou and 2) Brazilian elodea (see image below) was found in Lake Griffy. Hydrilla and Brazilian elodea, both non-native to the U.S., were originally brought here as aquarium plants. However, hydrilla is now illegal to possess in Indiana. Hydrilla was first sighted growing in Florida waters in the 1960s and has since spread as far west as California. Currently, there have been no sightings of either hydrilla or Brazilian elodea at Lake Lemon. IDNR has asked that if you discover hydrilla or Brazilian elodea to report it immediately to the Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator at (317) 234-3883. For more information please contact the LLCDC office.

- Indiana Conservation Officers will be patrolling Lake Lemon on a regular basis during this boating season. A copy of the Indiana Boating Laws may be obtained at the LLCDC office/gatehouse or at <http://www.boat-ed.com/in/handbook/>
- Please contact the LLCDC office if you find a buoy marker that has been displaced during the winter



Hydrilla (*Hydrilla verticillata*)



Brazilian Elodea (*Egeria densa*)

Lake Biologist Recognized

Lake Biologist, Scott McWhorter, will attend the Indiana Lakes Management Society (ILMS) Conference on March 28th-29th, where he will represent the District. Scott will be honored by ILMS and receive a \$500 scholarship to help continue his education. The scholarship is awarded to selected individuals pursuing an education in managing water resources. Scott will also be recognized as a participant in the Indiana Clean Lakes program, a statewide public lakes management program. He is a candidate for a joint Masters Degree in Water Resources and Public Administration at Indiana University-Bloomington. Congratulations!



2008 Fireworks Show Scheduled for Friday, July 4th

The Lake Lemon Fireworks Show is tentatively scheduled for Friday, July 4th with a rain date of Saturday, July 5th. The LLCDC Board will finalize arrangements at the March Board meeting. As in previous years, the LLCDC will be taking donations to help defray the cost of this popular event. **Please be on the lookout for an upcoming mailing.** The District will also place a donation box at Riddle Point Park with the hope of generating additional contributions during the boating season.