#### Fall 2014 Newsletter

# Lake Lemon Conservancy District

# Points of Interest

If you have recently purchased or sold property at Lake Lemon, please contact the LLCD Office at 812-334-0233, so we can update our database.

The LLCD strongly encourages all freeholders to subscribe to the LLCD 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.

Board of Directors	<u>Term</u>	Sub-Area
Lance Eberle Treasurer	2017	I
Sue Miller	2018	II
Kim Mayer	2015	III
John Schell Chairman	2017	IV
Dennis Friesel	2016	V
Pam Dugan Vice-Chair	2018	VI
Tina Thrasher	2015	VII
Bob Madden  District Manager		
James Van Tassel Lake Biologist		

For more information on the LLCD Board of Directors Meeting please visit our website www.lakelemon.org

### Winter Drawdown

The Board of Directors at the October 15, 2014 Board Meeting will make a decision on drawing down the lake this winter. There are advantages and disadvantages to drawing and not drawing down the lake. Please inform your district director of your preferences so he/she can make an informed decision. If the board does decide to draw down the lake, the sluice gate will probably be opened around Thanksgiving. The LLCD always recommends removing your docks/lifts for the winter months, even if the lake is drawn down. It is not guaranteed the lake will stay down all winter.

## **Board Election**

Two directorships are up for election in 2015. Kim Mayer, Director, was appointed by the Board at the February 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Board Meeting to fill a vacancy in Sub-Area III for one (1) year. Sub-Area III's directorship term will be for the one (1) year remaining on the original term. Tina Thrasher's, Director in Sub-Area VII, term is also expiring. The Sub-Area VII directorship term will be for four (4) years. Any nominations for District Director in Sub-Area III and VII must be submitted before December 1, 2014. The nomination letter must be signed by five (5) freeholders from the appropriate Sub-Area. The election will be held at the Annual Board of Directors Meeting in February 2015.

## **District Manager Job Announcement**

The Board of Directors of the Lake Lemon Conservancy District (LLCD) is seeking a career minded professional to fill the position of District Manager.

The LLCD is a local government entity (Special Taxing District) formed under the Indiana Conservancy Act (IC 14-33) for the purposes of managing and maintaining the Lake Lemon Reservoir and Riddle Point Park as a natural and recreational resource.

A complete job description may be found at www.lakelemon.org.

## Did You Know?

## Kirtland Snake – Clonophis kirtlandii

The Kirtland is a rare nonpoisonous snake that resides solely in the Midwest. Lake Lemon is one of the few areas where the Kirtland has been documented. The Kirtland is currently endangered in the state of Indiana, if you see one please do not disturb.

Description: A small reddish brown snake with four rows of black (often indistinct) blotches down its back, and a black head. The belly is pink or red with a row of black dots along each side. Adult length: 12 to 18 inches.



Please contact the LLCD Office if you find a buoy marker that has been displaced.

# **IU Women's Rowing**

Indiana University Women's Rowing has called Lake Lemon home for the last fifteen years. This year IU finished 11<sup>th</sup> in the Nation and 4<sup>th</sup> in the Big Ten. Steve Peterson, Head Coach, was named 2014 NCAA Division I National Coach of the year, and the entire coaching staff was named national staff of the year. Congratulations to the rowers, Steve, and the entire coaching staff. **Special Note**: The IU rowing course will be up for one week for maintenance over the weekend of October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

#### The ROMP

The ROMP is returning to Riddle Point Park for the second year on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014. This year's Halloween themed ROMP is a 2.5 mile obstacle course mud race that supports the Boys & Girls Club of Bloomington, IN. Please come out and enjoy the fun and help support the B&G Club, for more information and registration details please visit <a href="www.bgcbloomington.org">www.bgcbloomington.org</a> or contact <a href="events@bgcbloomington.org">events@bgcbloomington.org</a>.

# **Final Vegetation Report**

Lake Lemon experienced an unusually cold and wet winter/spring. Ice covered most of the lake until early March. The delay in warm weather caused nuisance vegetation to appear a few weeks later than normal. The LLCD's approach in vegetation control is to keep Freeholder access and main boating areas free of nuisance vegetation. Areas close to the shoreline away from homes/docks are not treated to benefit lake ecology. Throughout the season, milfoil and other submersed vegetation were treated. Once the emergent species (spatterdock and lotus) reached maturity they were treated in two part applications.

Overall nuisance vegetation was well managed throughout the 2014 season. Aquatic Control, Inc treated on four occasions totaling \$38,311.50. Taking into account the \$5,000.00 grant to be received from DNR-LARE expenditures totaled \$33,311.50 (\$50,000.00 Budgeted).

# Lake Enhancement Program

The LLCD started the year with extensive debris removal throughout the lake especially on the North shoreline. Once the debris removal was completed several private rip rap jobs were done which helped to stabilize 700 feet of shoreline. The barge operation then created a channel on the North East shoreline of Reed Point and reformed the access channel at the Southern tip of Point Idalawn.