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The Committee is excited to bring back a favorite, *Threads*, located in DeMotte, IN, who will, once again, be providing the fashions for this year's event. Not only will this year's event highlight fabulous fashions, but, as always, it will feature the Committee's fabulous basket extravaganza, silent auction, local vendors, games and prizes, delicious luncheon, entertainment, the ever-so-fabulous grand prize to one lucky winner, valued at over \$500, and much, much more. Tickets are \$35 per

person and went on sale on March 1.

Updated information will be forthcoming via our Facebook page **LoFs Fundraisers** or local newspapers or, for additional information and ticket sales, contact Wendy VanDenburgh direct at 219-309-9530.

So, save the date, Sunday, April 29, at the Seasons Lakehouse (doors open at 12:30) for an afternoon of fun and fashion. Seating is limited for this always **SOLD OUT EVENT**, so be sure to get your tickets early. Support your community; we are a not-for-profit organization and all profits are put back into the LOFS community!

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When 'queueing' for dock slips or shelters, Seasonites could teach British a lesson



By Sally Lugo

The word 'queue' implies a purpose, an order and a system. The Brits say they know how to best "queue in line" respecting "the order in which they arrive." However, Lake of the Four Seasons residents may just have a leg up on the Brits by going beyond respecting "the order of arriving" adding just the right amount of brother-and-sisterhood comradely and a bit of party atmosphere.

March 1 is always a busy day at the LOFS POA office with residents paying their annual dues and desired amenities. But it's the "Early Bird" who gets the worm when renting a POA dock slip or reserving certain beach or park shelters for a holiday weekend.

That's why on Tuesday, February 27, resident Tim McKay arrived at 9 p.m. in front of the closed POA office claiming first place in

line. Tim spent his first night all alone outside under the building's canopy occasionally getting a friendly visit from one of our public safety officers and his wife, Sharon.

By the next morning Eric Rios joined him at 9:15 a.m. and around noon Dave Hall showed up, then Dave Collins at 2:05 p.m. Justin Brown arrived at 2:50 p.m., then Kelly Tillger with son Brennan at 3 p.m., and Shawn Stephens at 3:30 p.m. Bill Batesole queued into the eighth spot and Jason Bodinet in ninth both arriving nearly at the same 4 p.m. mark. Don Wozny and Jacob Lenson joined the "queue" at 4:30 and 5:05 p.m.

All shelters and pavilions are available for rent on March 1 but POA dock space only becomes available when residents

"opt out" or do not wish to secure again for the new year. By day's end the hopeful group (See *Queueing* on Pg. 10)

LOFS employees honored at the annual Staff Appreciation Dinner



By Lori DuPratt

On Sunday, March 4, 2018, the POA Board of Directors along with volunteers from Holy Spirit's kitchen crew of Tony Qualizza, Jerry Grabelle, John McNamara, and Bob Marchina once again served a wonderful dinner consisting of prime rib, roasted potatoes, asparagus, and salad.

Longtime resident and volunteer, Kim Brownlee, with her "always willing to help" attitude served beverages for the evening. Throwing in a little fun for the employees a few "Minute to Win it" games were played, with the Seasons Lakehouse and Golf Departments taking the

win! Lastly, your POA Board of Directors and their spouses did the joyous task of clearing, cleaning, and washing dishes.

All employees enjoyed delicious cake and an "Appreciation for All You Do" gift.

Since LOFS runs 24-hours a day, there's always employees who can't attend the dinner such as the 19th Hole employees, Public Safety, and front gate em-

ployees; but they were delivered a meal, dessert, and gift. As always, your LOFS employees and volunteers are what make us who we are. Without them we would be just another subdivision. Thank you again LOFS employees "More than Words Can Say You're Appreciated in Every Way"!

Photographs are courtesy of Cindy "Cupcake" Bean Photography.

The POA office will be open Saturday, April 28, from 8:00 a.m. until noon for dues collections.



POA Community Manager

Spring is here. At least I hope so by the time you're reading this! I hope we can now put away our winter clothes and start enjoying warmer weather along with all the advantages of *summer life in Lakes of the Four Seasons.*

Residents of all ages will soon be out walking, jogging, biking, roller blading and skate boarding. For your safety and the safety of your children we suggest utilizing the half-mile long walking path at Lion's Park, just off Kingsway Drive near the 117th Avenue gate. Some residents will begin taking their dogs for walks along the streets as well. If you would rather take your dog to an enclosed area away from all the traffic, you can do so by enjoying the LOFS Dog Park. You may purchase an annual Dog Park pass at your POA office.

Elsewhere in your community the POA maintenance staff will be out cleaning up trash and debris, mowing and trimming and providing all the other services for you throughout the spring and summer months. Please be careful when driving by the maintenance vehicles and our personnel who may be

walking along the road sides picking up debris and other litter. (You can help cut the time doing this by not being a litter bug. Thanks!)

The POA office staff is in its busy season. They are currently in the midst of the annual dues collection. Many residents still come in person to pay their dues while others take advantage of doing so by mail. You can even get a decal for a new car by mail as it is not a requirement to visit the POA office in person. As in the past, the staff is always willing to make a special appointment for those in need. **New Website to "Go Live" Soon**

We will soon launch the new Lakes of the Four Seasons website.

We have been working with consultants, designers, and web developers to redevelop the website during the past few months. Our goal is to best reflect the excellence of the Lakes of the Four Seasons to viewers and to provide you a useful tool to get the most out of your community. We believe the design and functionality of our new site makes it state of the art among community web sites.

You are encouraged to



Rick Cleveland

visit the new website. There is a "Public" side and a "Member's" side only available to Property Owners after login. The Public side tells our story to the world, while the Member's side will provide a robust calendar, online reservations for events, dining and tee times, and various up-to-date information. You will also be able to view your monthly statement and pay your POA bills online. There will be a free app available on the site to gain access quickly and easily from your mobile phone.

Our web team points out that a website is not and should not be a fixed thing, but rather it should continue to evolve over time to best serve the needs of our Property Owners. In particular, we expect the "Member's" side to change over the coming months with input from you. We invite your comments regarding the site.

The POA will send out a mailer to each Property Owner. The letter will explain the name of the website with your user name and password which you will be asked to change once logged in. Please keep a lookout for this mailer.

It's also a time for a few more reminders:

- Please store your garbage and recycling receptacles where they cannot be seen from the street, the lake, parks or the golf course.
- Take down your Christmas decorations and pack them

away until next season.

• Please adhere to the speed limits throughout the community. The speed limit for all of the roads inside LOFS is 20 miles per hour unless otherwise posted, with the exception for the following roads: North, East and West Lake Shore Drives, Sunnyslope Drive, Kingsway Drive, and Four Seasons Parkway as they are major traffic arteries. These roads have a speed limit of 25 miles per hour unless otherwise posted.

- Clear all debris from each

end of your culverts and in your swales to allow storm water to flow freely.

• When you're doing your spring cleaning of picking up the branches that fell over the winter and the remaining leaves in your yard; *do not burn them.* We are not allowed to burn yard waste in Lake and Porter Counties. The POA provides branch and leaf collections and those dates are provided in this issue of the "Seasonal" and on the website www.lofs.org. Thank you. See you out and about!

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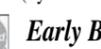
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Public Safety Department

By Craig Philp,
Public Safety Director

Golf Cart Rules

April is bringing on nicer weather, which means more golf carts being found on the roadway. We all need to remember that they too have the right to be on the road. However, those of you that are using your golf carts to ride around on the roads please remember you also need to abide by the rules of the road. This means using proper hand signals when turning or coming to a stop, and having proper headlights and taillights when riding at dusk or nighttime hours.

In addition, golf cart drivers, please use common sense when on the roadway. Since you are in some cases

the slower vehicle on the road, pull off to the right side when you see the traffic backing up behind you. If you find that, a golf cart is driving too slowly and you decide to pass, please do so in a safe area. We have watched vehicles pass carts on curves not knowing that another vehicle is coming in the opposite direction. This not only puts the two vehicles in harm's way, but also the person(s) on the golf cart.

Over the past years we have seen people attempting to drive at night while holding flashlights or having them taped on for headlights and taillights; this is not allowed. All lights must be properly affixed to the cart if you have plans on driving during night hours. The Lakes of the Four

Seasons policy states that front lights must be white and rear lights must be red.

There is of course NO standing, kneeling, or sitting on laps when riding on any golf cart while it is in motion. This would of course include carrying children of any age. Too often, we see people driving down the roadways while holding on to infants. This is a danger to not only you but also your child; and you will be stopped if found.

There is such a thing as too many! You are only allowed three passengers on the front seat of any cart. Those that have a rear-facing seat are allowed to carry up to three additional passengers. These passengers must have working seat belts.

It seems every year we are towing people home because their cart batteries went bad. Take the time to inspect your batteries and replace them if needed. This way you're not

stranded on the side of the road calling for help or find yourself pushing it home.

A person must be at least sixteen (16) years of age to operate any motorized vehicle, including a golf cart, within the Lakes of the Four Seasons. The operator of a golf cart must possess and be able to produce a current, valid driver's license for age verification and identification purposes.

Open Burns

We have noticed some residents have been out cleaning up their yards of all the winter debris left behind. In some cases, we have found these same people burning this collected debris. I want to remind our residents that open burns are not allowed in the community and would include but not be limited to burning of any trash, garbage, leaves, tree stumps, or any other form of construction, household, or yard waste.

The allowed recreational or ceremonial fires shall be

no larger than three feet (3') diameter and two feet (2') high in size. Fires must be attended at all times and until completely extinguished. If at any time, the fire creates a pollution problem, threat to public health, nuisance, or hazard it shall be extinguished. Permitted burns

shall not be conducted during unfavorable meteorological conditions such as high winds, temperature inversions, ozone action days, or air stagnation days. All burning must comply with other federal, state, and local, rules, and ordinances.

LOFS Fire Auxiliary

Crazy Bunco - April 20th

The Lakes of the Four Seasons Fire Auxiliary are planning their Spring Bunco "Batter Up" on Friday, April 20, at Station #3500 located at 745 West 275 South. The doors open at 6 p.m. for food and gift baskets and raffles; and games will start at 7:30.

You must be 18 to play and tickets at the door are \$13

or you can contact Cathy at 219-746-6827 or cwaitk@aol.com to reserve you ticket and receive a Bunco Buck back to play with. It's a fun evening so reach out to your family members and friends and neighbors to come and join us. You're are also welcome to wear your favorite sport jersey hoping for a good season.

LOFS Volunteer Fire Force to host inaugural Bucket Brigade 5k

The race will start behind the LOFS Fire Station #3500, 745 W. 275 S., Hebron, located behind LOFS. On race day packet pick up will be at 8 a.m.; race day start will be at 9 a.m. Early race day packet pick-up will be Friday, May 18, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at LOFS fire station #3500.

Early registration entry fees are Pre-Registration: Ages 13 and over \$25 for t-shirt, \$20 no t-shirt; ages 6 to 12, \$15 for t-shirt, \$10 no t-shirt. Race

date registration ages 13 and over \$30 with t-shirt, \$25 no t-shirt; ages 6 to 12 with t-shirt \$20, \$15 no t-shirt. Ages 5 and under are free. Parental supervision is required. T-shirt will not be provided. Walkers are welcome to join in as well.

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Unexpected overnight guests take up residence in LOFS

By Emma Vandenburg Jr. Reporter



On February 28, Dad was tinkering with his boat since we have been having a few nice days and he has been antsy to go fishing. Our neighbors Dave and Susie politely said, "Jason you have a bald eagle in your tree," and pointed to our side lot.

Dad and I looked up and there it was! The majestic bird with its full colors having a white head and tail with a dark brown body and wings, its legs and bill were bright yellow about 2' tall sitting there in our tree. Inside LOFS! About fifteen minutes later – are you kidding me? – another eagle landed in the same tree. This bird did not have its full colors meaning it was a juvenile having a mostly dark head and tail and mottled wings and body.

By looking at the Indiana DNR webpage this bird seems to be about 4 to 5 years old. The white-headed eagle just sat in the tree eating a fish while the other eagle perched nearby just watched

its mate destroy a shad.

About an hour later Mom came home. She has been fascinated with eagles for about two years now and has even been addicted to watching the Hanover, PA, eagle cam. (You can view on Facebook.) Mom quickly knew the white-head eagle was a female by the larger size body, talons, beak, and the characteristic of the head. The tree was the tallest on top of an incline one block from Lake Holiday; a perfect tree by eagle requirements. The pair roosted for fourteen hours and took flight at sunrise. The pair has made a few more appearances in our tree since their overnight stay. The pair, however, can be spotted fishing on Lake Holiday.

Per the Indiana DNR, facts include that an eagle can live up to 38 years in the wild, males weigh 8 to 9 pounds while females weigh 10 to 14 pounds; wingspans of 6.5 to 7 feet; bald eagles can fly up to 40 mph during normal flight but can reach speeds of 100 mph when diving for prey.

In 1985 the Indiana non-

game/endangered wildlife program reintroduced 73 eaglets to Lake Monroe. Since then, the eagle population has continued to expand. In 2016, there were an estimated 300 nesting territories in Indiana. Eagles nest in forested areas near water; for perching, they prefer tall, mature trees that give a wide view of the area.

Nest building may begin 1 to 3 months prior to mating and is considered part of the breeding process. Breeding season varies, beginning in November and December in southern states and typically begin in January and February for our area. Eagles will return to the same nest year after year and mate for life. If a nest has been unproductive for the pair, the eagles will build a new nest.

Typically, the female will choose a younger mate due to the males dying at a younger age from protecting the territory. The average clutch (group of eggs) is 1 to 3 and takes 35 days to hatch. The eagles fledge at 10 to 14 weeks, at which time they are full grown. In the first five years of life an eagles age can be determined by it

plumage. Juvenile eagles go through five distinct annual color morphs.

On August 9, 2007, the bald eagle was removed from the federal list of threatened and endangered species. After nearly disappearing from most of the U.S. decades ago, the bald eagle is flourishing across the nation and no longer needs the protection of the endangered species act. However, the bald eagle is still a federal protected bird resulting in a maximum felony fine of \$250,000 and/or two years imprisonment for messing with a nesting site, killing, possession, sale, transport, and harboring a dead or live eagle.

Per the Native Indians, when an eagle appears, you should be courageous and stretch your limits, reach higher, and become more than you believe you are capable. Look at things from



a new, higher perspective. Be patient with the present, know that the future holds possibilities that you may not yet be able to see. So, reach higher and enjoy the beauty of all that Lakes of The Four Seasons has to offer.

LOFS Pool

By Brad Nieman, LOFS Pool Manager

The LOFS Pool is looking for responsible teens and young adults (must be at least 15 years old) to work as

lifeguards this summer. All lifeguards must be lifeguard, CPR, and basic first-aid certified.

Certification classes are offered at several high

schools and YMCAs in the area. Additional certification classes can be found by contacting the local American Red Cross.

Anyone interested in applying for a pool job should stop by the POA office and fill out an application. Direct any questions to Brad, the pool manager, at lofspool@gmail.com.

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POA Election Committee

2018 POA Board Election Schedule

Three of the five seats on the LOFS POA Board of Directors are up for election this year. Here are the key dates:

- Thursday, June 1 – Friday, June 22 - Candidacy petitions will be available at the POA office for all residents wishing to be listed on the ballot.
- Monday, June 25 – Friday, July 6 – Completed petitions may be turned in at the POA office. The order the ballots are printed, listing the candidates' names, will be determined by a blind draw only

if there are more than one person turning in their petitions on the same day to the POA office, and documentation verified as complete and valid. If more validated signatures are required; the prospective candidates have until July 13 to turn in the Candidacy Petitions.

- Monday, August 6 – Candidates Night issues forum at 7:30 p.m. in the LOFS Seasons Lakehouse ballroom.
- Friday, August 10 – Ballots will be mailed to all property owners of record.
- Wednesday, September 12 – Polls closed; ballots must be

received by 9:00 a.m. at the Crown Point Post Office box. Ballots will be counted beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the LOFS West Lounge.

• Property Owners have the option to mail in their election ballots or drop them inside a locked ballot box that will be located inside the LOFS Seasons Lakehouse. Ballots may be dropped inside the ballot box anytime the Seasons Lakehouse is open. The last day to drop them inside the box will be Wednesday, September 12 by noon. The election chairperson will be the only person that can unlock the box to retrieve ballots the day of verification and counting on September 12.

POA office hours are Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Keenagers

The Keen-Agers will have their April meeting on the 19th at the Seasons Lakehouse. The bar will open at noon with a delicious luncheon being served at 1 p.m. Entertainment is scheduled for 2 p.m.; after a short meeting adjournment will be around 3 p.m.

The club is open to anyone 50 and older, regardless of residency. Yearly membership fee is \$25 and the monthly luncheon cost is \$15, which includes a tip.

Besides the third Thursday of the month meeting, ex-

cept for January, the club goes to the casino, an April outing is booked; they take a September Diamond Tour bus trip, this year it is Nashville and some seats are still available. Daytrips such as a show in Munster or Valpo are being planned, plus a Chicago boat ride luncheon, also a favorite.

With the success of 12 fundraisers they get help in financing all their fun activities. An Annual August Auction is being worked on now, this is their biggest and best fundraiser; this year there will be

some surprises in store.

Please contact Renate at 219-689-3408 or e-mail her at willrenate@yahoo.com for more info or to book a future reservation. Read the Seasonal for all their latest info and updates, check out their ad in the LOFS phone book. Thanks to all the Keen-Agers and the Lakehouse staff for 'Keeping Up With The Keen-Agers'!

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By Sally Lugo

April 1997: We Serve!

The April 1997 "Seasonal" featured an article on our LOFS Lions Club and the \$500 raised and presented to LOFS Fire Department EMT Captain Dale Waters.

"This is primarily a service club," reporter Elaine Sabau wrote, continuing "but the friendships developed and the fun involved is probably the grease that makes it successful."

Elaine went on to report the various work the Lions perform along with their amazing and fun activities, such as; the Annual Pork Chop Dinner, Easter Egg

Hunt, Candy Day, and organizing the LOFS 4th of July Parade just to name a few. The Lions are primarily known for their work for the blind, but they also help those with hearing and speech impairments, donating to the needy, diabetes and cancer research, and more. They are now in their 42nd year of service to our community and their motto remains "WE SERVE," with the hope that you support their endeavors.

Last fall, Lion Tom Magurany, Manager of our local Winfield Walgreens, was honored with the Lions first "Lion of the Year" award. Tom has resided in

LOFS for twenty-two years with his family and recently celebrated thirty-three years with Walgreens. Tom joined the Lions in 2014 when he transferred as store manager to the Winfield Walgreens.

Tom's goal was to ensure Walgreens was committed and active in their community. His first mission was to introduce himself, and that he did! Tom has made sure Walgreens continues to support many LOFS and Winfield events, such as; the Winfield Community Foundation/LOFS Lions Annual Health Fairs (known as WCF/LOFS Lions) and other various events.

Recently, Tom and some of his staff formed a team

to take the Lions' "Polar Plunge" as well as being a business sponsor donating candy, hot dog buns, and more for the event. Tom makes sure his store annually supports both the Lions and Fire Department golf events, Easter Egg Hunt, various Christmas parties, donations to Holy Spirits' work for the needy, and sponsoring local events, such as our LOFS Employee Appreciation Day and our 50th Anniversary celebrations. "The Lions and Walgreens are a good fit," Tom said, continuing "At Walgreens, 'We Also Serve' the health and wellness of every community in America."

Both LOFS and Winfield are lucky to have Tom

Magurany, along with his staff, as our Walgreens Champion to community. If you would like to learn more about the LOFS Lions, please visit

www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/lakesfourseasonsin where you can learn more about the Lions, their current projects, and how 'They Serve'.

CLUB NEWS



Lioness President Judi Hansen presents EMT Captain Dale Waters with a check for \$500 raised by the group.

Lions: We serve

By Elaine Sabau

The Lions Club of LOFS is made up of 50 men and women who work to better this community and support projects of Lions International worldwide. This is primarily a service club but the friendships developed and the fun involved is probably the grease that makes is

on Kingsway Drive. They installed the play equipment there on safe surfaces and made the park an asset to the community. They buy glasses for needy children and have expanded this to working for the hearing and speech impaired. Eye glasses are recycled for the needy and



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It was a pleasure to have David Taylor as my agent. He was very friendly and knowledgeable about the community and he answered any question we had. I will definitely recommend him to everyone looking to buy a home in our area or the entire NWI!

Valente Robles, Lakes of the Four Seasons, IN

David Taylor took the time to understand my business. David was quick to recommend what was needed to make the home attractive to potential customers and to provide fair market assessments. David Taylor's professionalism and courtesy made him great to work with from the buyer and seller's perspective. A job well done!

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House & Garden

In the Irish language, Shamrock means simply "little plant or young plant." Forty-nine years young, the Four Seasons House & Garden Club is refreshing its roots, and looking at its committee structure, goals, and purpose. Wishing to stay current and offer its members timely, up to date programming, the Club's Board reviewed a member survey and reported the results to the membership at its Tuesday, February 27, meeting. The conversation was lively, and the Club's future is bright.

A delicious Potluck Lunch was served. Rick Cleveland, Lakes of the Four Seasons

Community Manager, offered a POA Update and Vice President Mary Grveles told the group all about "Shamrocks and How to Grow Them".

JoEllen Simoni made Pot-of-Gold table decorations, and the Dollar Table, where members sell their treasures to one another, was a big hit. Sandy Hofstetter won the 50-50 Raffle, and other lucky members took home shamrock plants and centerpieces.

March's meeting, on Tuesday, the 27th, will include lunch from Seasons Lakehouse restaurant starting at 12 p.m., and as much as everyone en-



House & Garden Club President Nancy Beck and Treasurer Beverly Bashia

joys potluck lunches, being served and arriving at the meeting empty-handed is much anticipated.

Please join us. You won't be disappointed. For more information, call President Nancy Beck at 219-789-5974 or Treasurer Beverly Bashia at 219-988-2773.



House & Garden Club Vice President Mary Grveles

April 2018 POA Calendar

- Sunday, April 1 - Happy Easter
- Wednesday, April 4 - Lions Meeting 5 pm @ Seasons Lakehouse
- Saturday, April 7 - Bass Lake Fishing Tournament Sign In 8:30 am, Start Time 9 am
- Tuesday, April 10 - Technology Club Meeting 6:30 pm @ Seasons Lakehouse
- Tuesday, April 10 - Fishing Club Meeting 7 pm downstairs @ 19th Hole
- Wednesday, April 11 - Lions Meeting 5 pm @ Seasons Lakehouse
- Thursday, April 12 - Historical Society Meeting 4:30 pm @ Seasons Lakehouse
- Sunday, April 15 - Bass Lake Fishing Tournament Sign In 8:30 am, Start Time 9 am
- Thursday, April 19 - Keen- Agers Noon @ Seasons Lakehouse
- Monday, April 23 - POA Public Meeting 7:30 pm @ Seasons Lakehouse
- Tuesday, April 24 - House & Garden Club Luncheon 11:30 am @ Seasons Lakehouse
- Wednesday, April 19 - Lions Meeting 5 pm @ Seasons Lakehouse
- Saturday, April 28 - WGA Breakfast 8 am @ Seasons Lakehouse
- Saturday, April 28 - POA Office Open 8 am—Noon

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Golf Maintenance

By Doug Weiss, Golf Course Superintendent

The 2018 golf season is off to a cold start. The up and down temperatures from the winter months have carried over to the early spring. The dry conditions in mid-March have made it possible for us to get a head start on our growing and changing project list.

First on the list is to remove the dead trees throughout the golf course. Unfortunately, the weather the past few years have taken a toll on the

older trees on the golf course and in the Midwest. Several oak trees around the practice green had to be removed along with the large Oak tree on the hillside of number 11. An arborist was consulted to make sure there wasn't any way of saving the trees. There were a few smaller dead trees that also had to be removed. The stumps have been ground down, and soil and seed will be placed in the area.

While the tree work is being completed, the bunkers

on the left side of number 6 have been filled in. The root systems from the trees in the area have grown into the bunker creating a dangerous situation while hitting the bunker shot. Therefore, rolling hills will be installed in their place. The hills will be fairly low to the ground, giving the golfer a unique stance while trying to hit the chip shot towards the hole. The area will be seeded and netted as soon as the weather gets warm enough for the seed to germinate.

The back side of the 13 green has been getting some much needed drainage work. Soil has been added to the entire area that holds water after it rains. This has created a wet spot by the cart path

that would kill the turf. Drains will be added to the existing bunker. The drain tile from the bunker will go under the cart path connecting to the existing tile that leads out to the drainage swale on Cherry Hills Drive. Drain tile will be also added to the resident side of the path to catch any water that runs over the path so it won't enter their property.

The last project I want to discuss is the tarping of the bunkers. Every year I go to several seminars to keep up with industry changes and the latest research. I went to the Purdue pest conference in the hopes to find a solution to the sand wasp in the bunkers. Little did I know there is no research done on sand wasps

in bunkers. I talked to several people in the pest removal industry. They recommended either tarp the entire area in the early spring or cover the area with Dawn dish soap.

My first thought was of dish soap and a heavy rain creating suds everywhere. So that left tarping the bunkers. The reason for using tarps in the early Spring is that it will disturb the egg laying process in the spring. When the wasps lay their eggs they leave a piece of pollen behind to feed the larvae. The tarp will not allow the wasp to penetrate the sand and therefore not being able to lay their eggs. I discussed this with the head of turf anthropology at Purdue and he thought that

was the best course of action.

The tarps will be removed before the start of leagues. The thought is that we would rather lose the bunkers for a month in early spring instead of several months in late summer. The bunkers will be played as ground under repair.

Just a reminder, aerification is April 2; greens, tees, fairways, and some rough will be aerified. This is the only time this year we aerify so please bear with us. Lastly, I am ready for some warm weather, sunshine, flowers, and playing some golf. This has been a long winter and I am ready for Spring. I hope to see all of you soon on the course.

Operations Department

By Roy Green, Director of Operations

Hello Spring! It looks like we made it through another winter.

The Operations Department had to work many hours this year keeping the roads salted and clear of snow. We would like to thank all the residents that made us snacks and food to keep us going. Especially Norma Clinton for her delicious "Sloppy Joe" and mac-and-cheese, and Kim Brownlee

for the homemade snacks. We appreciate all that you did for us.

Now into Spring. We will start off with leaf pick up April 9 through April 23 for the entire community. You can start putting your leaves out April 2 and they must be out to the street no later than April 22 to ensure pick up. Please DO NOT put branches or any other objects in with the leaves. If there is anything other than leaves in the pile we will not pick

it up. Once we have completed your street after April 22 there will be no more leaf collections until fall. If you missed the pick-up date you can bring your leaves to the maintenance facility and drop them in the leaf pile.

Branch Collection will follow starting in Lake County on April 30 and continue until the final pick-up date of May 7. All branches must be street side no later than May 6.

Porter County will begin on May 14 and continue until May 21. If you would like to dispose of your branches before or after the collection dates, you can bring them to the maintenance facility and place them in the pile located at the far south end of the

property.

We must keep on these schedules to assure that every lot has been completed so we can continue on to other projects that we have planned for this Spring and Summer months.

The Maintenance Facility is located at 3861 Kingsway Drive. Hours of operation are Monday to Friday from 6 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday hours will begin April 14 from 7 a.m. until noon.

We also have the "White Goods" dumpster for any kind of metal items such as stoves, refrigerators, water heaters, washers, and dryers. The "electronics dumpster" is for the collection of TV's, computers, radios, and any

other electrical items. These items can also be dropped off during our regular business hours.

We look forward to serving the community throughout the Spring and Summer. If you have any questions or concerns, please give me a call at 219-988-4461.

We hope all of our residents have a safe and happy Spring.



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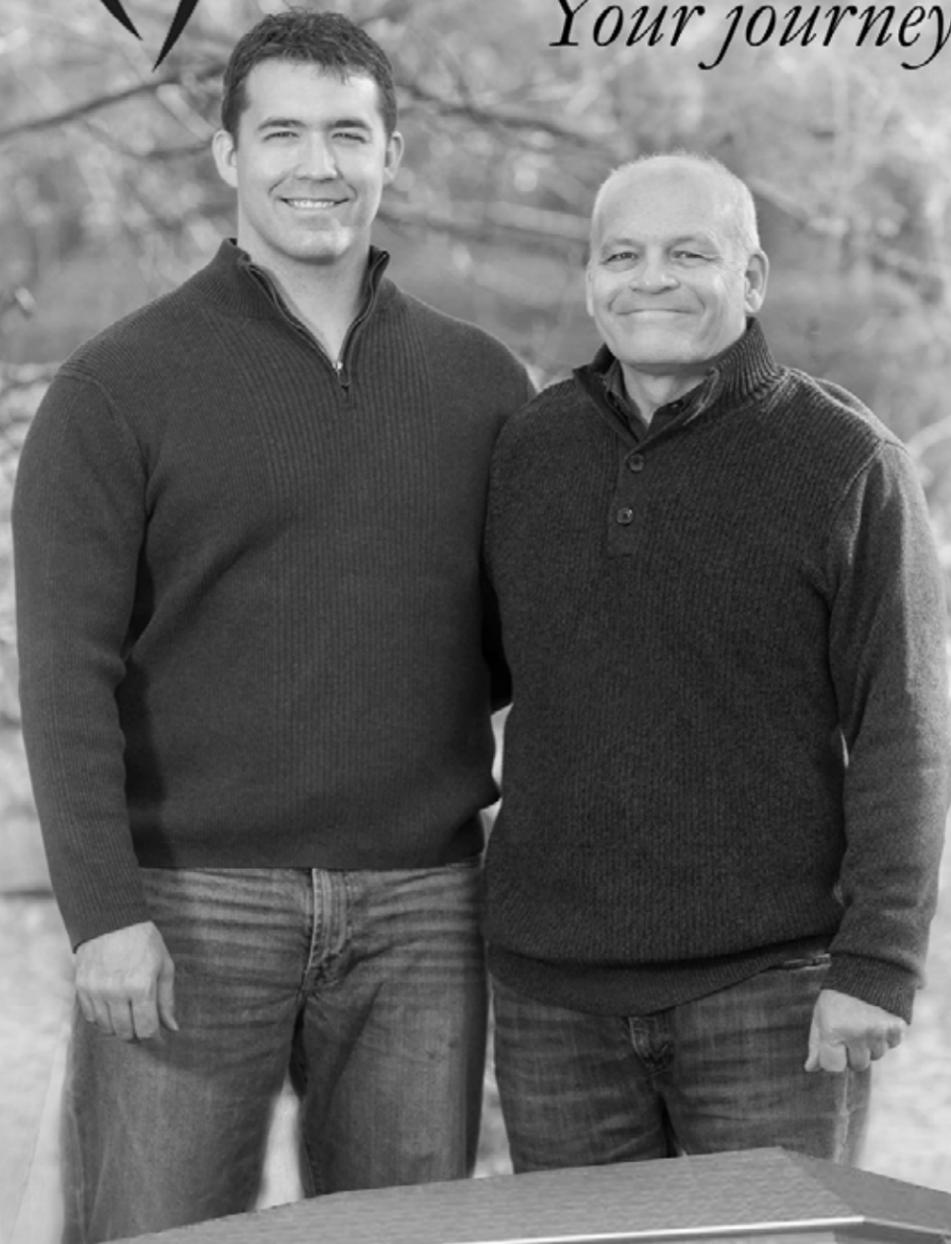
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Lakes Department

By Mike Talley,
MS4 Coordinator

Giant Canadian Geese

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The problem is further exacerbated when well-intentioned people purposefully feed geese. Artificial feeding of geese tends to concentrate larger numbers of geese in areas that under normal conditions would only support a few geese. Artificial feeding can also disrupt normal migration patterns and hold geese in areas longer than what would be normal. With an abundant source of artificial food available, geese can devote more time to locating nesting sites and mating. Artificial feeding can also concentrate geese on adjacent properties where their presence may not be welcomed.

Update from the Lakes Department

By Ryan Grady,
Lakes Director

Over the winter, weather has had an impact on most of the shorelines and docks throughout the community. Please be aware and stay off any public access docks with caution tape that are currently under repair.

If you see geese nesting on your property, please contact the Lakes Department so we can take care of them. Please refer to the MS4 article in this issue of the Seasonal for more information on the Canadian Geese. You can reach us at 219-988-4722 with any questions or concerns you may have.

Notice to POA Dock Renters

Due to the extensive damage our rental docks took from the weather, we are asking that you give us until

Congregating geese can cause a number of problems. Damage to landscaping can be significant and expensive to repair or replace, while large amounts of excrement can render swimming areas, parks, golf courses, lawns, docks, and patios unfit for human use. Since they are active grazers, they are particularly attracted to lawns and ponds located near apartment complexes, houses, office areas and golf courses. Geese can rapidly denude lawns, turning them into barren, dirt areas.

An adult goose can produce between 1 and 2 pounds of feces per day. Multiply that by the 50 geese and that's a lot of, well you know what I'm talking about.

Phosphorus and Nitrates are some of the primary nutrients entering our lakes which cause excessive plant growth. Those plants include various types of algae, including Blue Green Algae, which not only looks and smells bad it can be a health hazard. Geese are responsible for about 20 percent of these nutrients entering our lakes.

When the geese do their business on the beaches this produces a whole different problem. For the same reason dogs are not allowed on the beaches, animal feces on the sand contributes to the growth of E-coli and other health hazards. Every morning the Lakes Department uses a tractor to turn over and level out the sand on

April 15 to make the necessary repairs.

POA dock spaces may only be used by the property owner who has rented a specific dock space and may not be used for temporary parking. Only the current dock decal is to be displayed and it must be located on the stern of the boat next to current boat decal.

All speed and fishing boats must have a working automatic bilge pump at all times. This will keep boats from sinking during storm events and causing damage to docks and other watercraft. All watercraft must be properly tied to the dock. Please tie up boats to the cleats (not around the poles). If your dock does not have two cleats to tie up to, please call the Lakes office and we will take care of it. Lake Patrol will be check-

our beaches. This practice not only makes the beaches look nice, but also exposes the underlining sand to the ultra-violet rays of the sun which kills bacteria including E-coli. To further help protect the residents our three beaches are tested weekly for traces of E-coli.

Geese are particularly aggressive during breeding and nesting season. Their behavior can cause problems around homes and playgrounds when geese attack and nip at residences.

Urban areas are usually attractive places for geese because they prefer nicely groomed lawns adjacent to water. This preference; reduced predator rates; limited hunting in most situations; and feeding by residents result in nuisance waterfowl concerns in urban areas

Feeding ducks and geese is a popular practice for many people, but it is also a major reason why geese are attracted to certain areas and remain there for long periods of time. Feeding geese only leads to human/goose conflicts. Feeding also increases the susceptibility to avian diseases, which have the potential to kill large numbers of geese and other waterfowl.

You can help make geese feel unwelcome and move on by,

- 1) Plant a 20" high vegetative strip or goose fence along the lake shore.
- 2) DO NOT feed the geese.
- 3) Geese do not like doge or swans, placing decoys near the lake will help keep geese from feeling welcome.

For more information see The Lakes/MS4 website at www.lofslakes.com

ing all of this throughout the year.

Property Owners Who Live on the Lakes

Make sure that your docks and shorelines are in good condition. Please contact the Lakes Department to give us the status of any repairs that need to be made. If you have any damage or over growth to your shoreline or seawalls and don't know what route to take for repairs, also contact us so that we may point you in the right direction.

Remember to make sure that your lot numbers are visible from the lake, either on your dock, or on your shoreline. The Lakes Department will be out checking resident docks and shorelines for damage and informing anyone of necessary repairs throughout the month of April.

closing.

The next morning Tim responded, "Around 8 a.m. another dock slip renter arrived," adding, "and it was a cold, wet and long night!"

the POA office to re-open the next morning.

Jeremy Tillger joined wife Kelly after taking son Brennan to Aunt Allison's house. The group enjoyed the warmth and food at the Seasons Lakehouse until its

(Queueing from Pg. 1)

pavilion renter were notified by the POA office that eleven docks would be available for them. Big smiles came over the party of eleven. Now the only thing left for the group to do was stay "queued" in line and wait outdoors for

Obituary ~ Marilyn Ann Holmes

Marilyn Ann Holmes (nee Hanus), age 83, of Lakes of the Four Seasons, passed away February 18, 2018. She was born on September 23, 1934 in Chicago, Illinois to the late Francis and Matilda Hanus. On September 18, 1954, she married the love of her life, Harold W. Holmes. In 1977, they moved to Lakes of the Four Seasons. She cherished the sense of community she helped to form there along with her husband as one of the first residents. Marilyn was employed as

a legal secretary for Lake County before she retired to care for her first grandson. In her free time, she enjoyed gardening and spending time on the lake with her dogs. She will always be remembered as a dedicated mother, grandmother, sister and friend. She is survived by her son, Brian (Deanne) Holmes of Dyer; grandchildren, Joshua, Zachary and Abigail Holmes; sisters, Arlene Sirovatka, Carole Korinko and Lois Hickey; several other loving fam-

ily members and friends. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Harold W. Holmes in 2008. A memorial service will take place at a later date. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Rees Funeral Home, Winfield Chapel, 10909 Randolph St., Winfield/ Crown Point, IN 46307. For more information, please call (219) 661-2600. Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.reesfuneralhomes.com.

Obituary ~ Jeffrey Vassallo

Jeffrey Vassallo, age 65 of St. John, formerly of Munster and Lakes of The Four Seasons, passed away March 17, 2018. He was a 1970 graduate of Lew Wallace High School. Jeff worked at Prudential Insurance for many years. He helped coach both of his son's baseball, soccer, and basketball teams. Jeff loved all kinds of music, especially the Beatles, Chicago, and Motown. Jeff loved sports and enjoyed watching all Chicago sports, except the White Sox. Family

always came first in Jeff's life. He was a loving husband, great dad, wonderful brother, uncle, and friend. Jeff was always willing to go out of his way to help others. He always had a ready smile and a wonderful sense of humor. Jeff will be deeply missed by everyone that knew and loved him. He was preceded in death by his parents- Olga and Bennie Vassallo; brother-in-law - Terry Leisch; nephew- Benjamin Leisch. Jeff is survived by his loving wife of 35 years- Terri; sons- Bennie

and Michael (Kelsie); sisters- Marla Leisch and Dorie (Dennis) Czubik; uncle to Beth, Jenna, and Bryan; and his favorite puppy- Makenzie. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 23, 2018 directly at St. Maria Goretti Church, 500 Northgate Dr., Dyer, IN, 46311. Visitation was Thursday, March 22, 2018 from 4-8 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point. Cremation to precede the service. www.burnsfuneral.com

Obituary ~ Philip J. Demetrakis

Philip J. Demetrakis, age 43 of Crown Point (LOFS), passed away March 18, 2018. He attended Crown Point HS and was a member of SS Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Cathedral. He is survived by his devoted wife-Nichole (nee Daniels) Demetrakis; parents-James F. and Stamatia Demetrakis

of Crown Point; sister- Amy (Mark) See of St. John; nephew-Aiden See; step-niece-Emma See; nieces-Hailey and Hannah Brown.; Funeral Service on Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 10 a.m. at SS Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 8000 Madison St. Merrillville, IN. Friends

met with Philip's family on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 from 2-8 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. Trisagion service at 4:30 p.m. Rev. Ted Poteres and Rev. George Pappas concelebrating. Interment Calumet Park Cemetery. www.burnsfuneral.com

Origins of the names of local communities (Part 1)

By Walt

Pluchinsky,

LOFS

Historical Society



Most of us who now reside in Lakes of the Four Seasons moved here from other cities and towns, including the Chicagoland area. Some of us may not be familiar with the local towns in this area or their origins and backgrounds. With that in mind, we will try to describe the origins of the names of the cities and towns and other entities around the Seasons. You will also learn about other pertinent little-known facts and oddities.

It is well known that Indiana was named for the native Americans who lived in the area when it became occupied by early settlers. However, just think what our state would have been called if Christopher Columbus had not given the name "Indians" to the people who inhabited the land he mistakenly thought was India. Food for thought?

Lake County was organized in 1837 and was obviously named for the body of water on its northern border. Similarly, Porter County, formed in 1836, was named for David Porter, United States naval captain who fought in

several wars, including the War Of 1812. Both counties were formed from parts of LaPorte County.

In the Lakes of the Four Seasons, the names of the four lakes include Big Bass Lake, Lake On The Green, Lake Holiday, and Trouthaven Lake. Why weren't they named Lakes Spring, Summer, Fall, and Winter? Most likely, the name of our community was meant to depict an all-seasons community, rather than for the four lakes.

As mentioned in a previous article, the nearby village of Palmer was settled in 1881 and named after Dennis Palmer, a prosperous farmer in the area. Winfield Township, formed from Center Township in 1843, as well as the original village of Winfield, was named for Winfield Scott, a hero in several early wars.

The origin of the name for the small village of Leroy, halfway between Crown Point and Hebron, remains elusive and a mystery. Thomas McClarn, a farmer, laid out the town of Leroy, sometimes spelled as LeRoy. In December 1875, the plat of the town, first named Cassville for landowner Dr. Levi Cass, was recorded and described as one of Lake County's first Irish settlements. A search of early census records did not

disclose any first or last name of Leroy. For some reason, the census of 1880 had Leroy, with a population of 46, as a separate entity, such as Crown Point, Hobart, and Hammond. Being a railroad town, we surmise the town is named for an unknown railroad official.

The site of present day Valparaiso was part of a purchase of land in 1832 by the U.S. government from the Potawatomi Indians. First established as Portersville in 1836, it was renamed in 1837 after Valparaiso, Chile, where the county's namesake fought a sea battle against the British in the War of 1812.

In 1834, Solon Robinson and family were the first settlers to the area that later became Crown Point. First named Lake Court House, no doubt in anticipation of future considerations, the town was later renamed after Crown Point, New York; whether it is named in honor of it is not too certain. The courthouse was moved from Liverpool, near Hobart, in 1840, to Crown Point, which was incorporated as a city in 1868.

In a future edition, we'll describe how other local cities and towns got their names, including Gary, Hebron, Hobart, Dyer, Boone Grove, and others. Stay tuned.

Golf Services

By Paul Boris,
Director of Golf

Wow ...where do we begin!?

It's been a very VERY busy winter for the professional staff this off-season, I was excited to lift the veil on what we've been working on all winter long and the plans don't stop there. The Golf Shop has undergone a complete facelift from floor to ceiling and wall-to-wall. It's my hope that this is just the first of many upgrades in the coming years to help improve our services, ability and focus on all aspects of the business to better serve and showcase Lakes of the Four Seasons. We didn't just stop with a facelift however.

Upcoming, in the near future, are many upgrades that open up new doors of opportunity: online tee-time reservations, online food orders on your phone from home

and the course, the much-anticipated indoor golf simulator, as well as club launch monitor to better serve the public from club fitting, teaching and entertainment year-round!

I am eager to bring some fresh ideas to the table on many different fronts from golf course design, food & entertainment services, and teaching the game as I work with our team this year on establishing a plan to bring out the very best we can provide from our establishment for you, your family and friends.
Ladies Warm-Up Golf Clinics

Thursday's in the month of April, Assistant Golf Professional Tyler Nicol will be holding warm-up clinics for ladies of the community and surrounding area at the club on April 5, 12, 19, and 26 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Get

a fresh start to your season so you can hit the ground running! Brush up on your full swing, putting and short game. An organized, simple plan for constant improvement. Practice plans for busy people. Cost per lady is \$80 for the series (\$60 for golf members). Bring a friend and enjoy getting a fresh start to the season. New to the game of golf or interested in trying it out? Check out our Get Golf Ready classes coming soon in May!

Titleist "Loyalty Rewarded" Golf Ball Special!

What happens when you match the #1 ball in golf with the #1 promotion in golf? You get a deal that's too good to pass up! This promotion window will end on April 22nd, 2017, have your forms submitted by the 21st to allow time to process before the deadline.

Back for a limited time and while supplies last Four Seasons Country Club is holding a golf ball personalization promotion on the #1 selling ball in golf, the Pro

V1 and Pro V1X for \$47.99/ doz. All balls must be personalized with the same imprint. Orders must be placed in person at the golf shop; cut out the form below and submit with payment, online forms can be emailed by request to administration@lofsc.org (Subject: Loyalty Order Form Request). Orders are for (3) personalized dozens of balls. You will receive 1 free personalized dozen free in addition for your order. Don't miss your chance to stock up for this season, get gift for the golfing mother or father out there for Mother's and Father's days coming up or a terrific way to impress your business clients for a great product at a great price to make a statement!

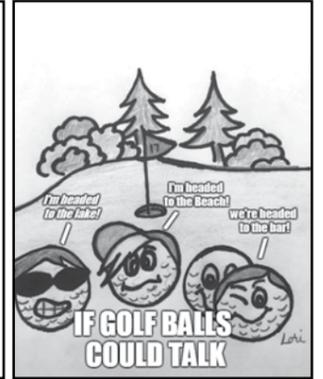
GOLF SHOP HOURS

(Tuesday – Sunday)

April 1 – 15:
8:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.

April 16 – 30:
7:30 a.m. – 6 p.m.

(Weekend Hours open earlier depending on temperatures)



APRIL GOLF DATES

- April 2 and 3 – Golf Course Aeration and Top Dressing (Course Closed)
- April 5, 12, 19, & 26 – Ladies Warm Up Clinics
 - Saturday, April 14 – Opening Day 3 Club Scramble
- Saturday, April 28 – WGA Opening Breakfast and Get Acquainted Scramble

Men's Golf Association Junior Golf Scholarships

The LOFS Men's Golf Association is pleased to announce the 8th annual Golf Scholarship awards for current and previous LOFS junior golf members.

A \$1,000 award will be issued to the college or university of their choice for 1 male and 1 female who have graduated high school this spring and will be attending said col-

lege or university in the fall.

Among the requirements to be met, parents or legal guardians of the applicants must be a current MGA member or LOFS resident in good standing at the time of the application, a minimum of 1 year of LOFS junior golf participation, a completed application to verify eligibility with a 500 word essay explaining how

the game of golf and its lessons has impacted their life and what it holds for them in the future.

For further information, and to pick up and return the scholarship applications, please visit the LOFS Pro Shop. Entries must be received by June 15, 2018; winners will be notified on July 7, 2018.

TITLEIST PROV1 LOYALTY REWARDS ORDER FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Ball Type: ProV1 OR ProV1x

Standard #'s: (#1 – 4) / (#5 – 8) OR

Custom # (00-99) _____

(Maximum 17 characters per line including spaces)

Line 1: _____

Line 2: _____

Line 3: _____

Imprint Color: Pink / Blue / Green / Red / Black

All orders must be placed during by the order deadline at the golf shop:

April 22nd, 2017 (5-week lead time from order placement)

WGA

WGA registration continues in April

The LOFS Women's Golf Association 2018 membership registration is continuing. All ladies of the community are invited to join us regardless of your age or skill level to participate in WGA handicapped weekend events plus our Thursday morning weekly leagues for 18 or 9 hole activities.

Our Annual Opening Breakfast is set for Saturday, April 28, with registration at 8 a.m. followed by an 8:30 a.m. breakfast at the Seasons Lakehouse Banquet Room. Breakfast is complimentary with paid membership received by our Treasurer, Kim Brownlee, by Friday, April 20. As a reminder, if you make a Breakfast Reservation and you are not present, you will be billed \$13 for the breakfast. A registration form is included in this issue.

After the breakfast, weather permitting, we will host our "Get Acquainted Scramble". Be sure to get your registration in early to enjoy the fun and friendship the membership shares throughout the season. A registration form is available in this issue.

At the present time, we are finalizing plans for our fun WGA weekend events, Annual Guest Day in June, weekly league play, plus other activities. All members do have the option of joining the Thursday morning eighteen or nine hole leagues. WGA League Play starts on Thursday, May 3.

Our eighteen hole league tees off at 8:30 a.m. the months of May and September; and at 8 a.m. the months of June, July, and August. The nine-hole league tee time is 9:30 a.m. the months of May and September, and 9 a.m. June, July and August.

Also, we host monthly WGA membership meetings the first Thursday of May, June, July, August, and September prior to league play to keep members updated on events, announce weekly and monthly winners plus more.

Our goal is to promote the game of golf among women, enjoy fellowship, friendly competition, and have fun. For more information on registration and the WGA, please feel free to contact our Treasurer, Kim Brownlee, at 219-741-3622.

WGA 2018 REGISTRATION FORM

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

BIRTH DATE _____ LEAGUE: 18 HOLE _____ 9 HOLE _____

(Month/Day)

\$ _____ WGA \$25.00

\$ _____ Thursday League \$30.00

\$ _____ Ringers (Thursday League Only) \$3.00

Place \$
amount by
all that apply
and total
below

\$ _____ Match Play (18 Hole): Partner's Name _____ \$3.00

\$ _____ Match Play (9 Hole): Partner's Name _____ \$3.00

\$ _____ Match Play Single (18 Hole) \$3.00

\$ _____ Match Play Single (9 Hole) \$3.00

\$ _____ Sunshine Fund (Optional)

TOTAL: \$ _____ MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO LOFS-WGA

PAID REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES OPENING BREAKFAST COST **

OPENING BREAKFAST & GET ACQUAINTED SCRAMBLE

SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2018

SEASONS LAKEHOUSE BANQUET ROOM

CHECK-IN: 8:00 A.M. BREAKFAST: 8:30 A.M.

PLEASE INDICATE WITH "X" Yes, I will attend ___ No, I will not be attending ___

(**Breakfast Reservation Deadline April 20th — If you RSVP to attend and are not present, you will be charged \$13.00)

GET ACQUAINTED SCRAMBLE WILL BE PLAYED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BREAKFAST MEETING (WEATHER PERMITTING)

Foursomes will be made at the Breakfast.

MAIL YOUR REGISTRATION FORM ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK TO:

Kim Brownlee, 3263 Trailside Place, Crown Point, IN 46307

Questions: Call Kim at (219) 741-3622

Virtual train ride to be held at Seasons Lakehouse on April 12

By Sally Lugo, LOFS Historical Society

Guest speaker Ted Fitzgerald, LOFS Attorney

since 1972 and a Certified Locomotive Engineer for Whitewater Valley Tourism Railroad, will take his audience on a "virtual train ride" this April. You need not be a Historical Society member to attend this very special event.

All are "welcome aboard" at the Seasons Lakehouse ballroom on Thursday, April 12, at 4:30 p.m. to hear Ted share his knowledge of railroad and train history. The event is free. Light refreshments will be served.

A "Ride on the Hoosier Valley Railroad in North Judson, Indiana" event is being planned with Ted as our tour guide this coming May. Ted will provide attendees brochures and information about Hoosier Valley

Railroad during his presentation. Please let us know if you have interest as you need not be a member of our Historical Society of LOFS to enjoy our events. However, please know all are always welcome at our regular monthly meetings, usually held the second Thursday at 4:30 p.m.

Future events being planned include a trip to the LaPorte County Historical Society Museum in early June and the Studebaker National Museum this fall.

Historical Society member Larry Carson has agreed to be our November guest speaker. Larry has an extensive collection of Civil War and other antique firearms as well as a large collection of antique car photography. You can learn more about Hoosier Valley Railroad at www.hoosiervalley.org. Or for more information about the Historical Society of LOFS; email Sally Lugo @ Sally2614@aol.com.

2018 Lions Club Polar Plunge makes their biggest splash yet raising over \$2,100



Always looking for ways to support great causes, the Lions Club held its Fourth Annual Polar/Lions Plunge on Saturday, February 24, at LOFS' Clubhouse Beach using the Teen/Pool House as a warming center. The event benefited our Fire Department and ongoing Lions causes.

Volunteer Lori DuPratt "jumped in early" when told the event was being scrapped! Instead, she helped advertise, obtain business sponsors who donated monies, goods, and sent "teams" to take the Plunge; as well as organize her own "Team TUTU". With the help of Lions member Tom Magurany and volunteers Sally Lugo and Kelly Ryan the Lions Polar Plunge was back in business.

This year 17 jumpers, sporting "sponsor shirts," ran in Lake Holiday with LOFS EMT'S on hand. The jumpers got a break from Mother Nature as temperatures climbed to the low 40° range under partly sunny skies.

The Lions reported, "This was our biggest and best Polar Plunge yet with nearly 100 spectators, team sponsors, supporters, and volunteers raising over \$2,100.

Girl Scout Troop 35135 cooked and sold hot-dogs and all proceeds went back into the cause.

Save the date of Saturday February 23, 2019, for the 5th Annual Polar/Lions Plunge and throw-down challenge for the biggest costumed team of jumpers and cheerleaders. All Polar Plunge photographs are by Jim Rettker, LOFS Historical Committee.



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Become an LOFS Dog Park member

If you are a dog owner and haven't considered becoming a member of the LOFS Dog Park, please stop by or call the POA office at 219-988-2581 and inquire. LOFS Dog Park fees are \$65 per lot.

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PENDING

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Presents

Las Vegas Night

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Seasons Lakehouse

Residents And Non-Residents 21 Years Of Age And Over Are Welcome!

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