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This newsletter is for members of the Woodland Pond Lakefront Association and our neighbors in the Woodland Pond community.

Woodland Pond Lakefront Association Newsletter

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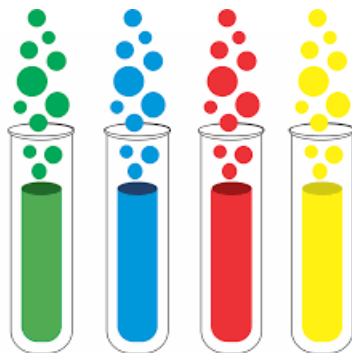
WPLA Board and Member Meeting: April 10

A joint meeting of the WPLA Board of Directors and all members will be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 6:30 pm at the Woodland Pond Swim and Racquet Club.

Results of the geese management survey will be discussed along with additional updates of Woodland Pond Lake initiatives. All members are invited to attend.



Good News! Water Quality Test Results



Joe Lewis, Chair of the Conservation and Silt Removal Committees, reported on a water analysis of Woodland Pond Lake on 2/27/18 when the E. Coli level was tested.

The report revealed **very low E. Coli concentration in all eight areas of the lake which were sampled.** This is a significant change since the water was last tested in August, 2017. He notes that water quality is affected by a number of factors including depth of sample, time of year, water temperature and water levels.

The Board is committed to regular testing of the lake water and has committed funds to test the water every 90 days during 2018 to create a trendline and that a full panel test be done in August (when the water tends to be the lowest and warmest). We will keep you posted with the results of each test and if you would like more information about the testing process and results, contact [Joe Lewis](#).

A Note from the WPLA President

Dear Neighbor:

The WPLA Board is making progress towards the 2018 goals presented at the annual meeting in January. This is the most challenging agenda for the association in many years and we need more help to accomplish the work. Most of the help needed is administrative, such as researching regulations, reviewing documents, maintaining the website, communicating with members and neighbors, project planning and management, and more. There will be some opportunities for hands-on field work later this year.

Please be part of the effort to improve our community and preserve our lake. There is something for everyone to do and to contribute. Contact me or another board member for details. We really need more help to maximize the benefits and safety of our lake!

The Canada Goose Management Survey (see next article and link below) is important for the WPLA Board to determine member desires for geese population management. Please take a few minutes to respond. Results will be discussed at the WPLA Board/Member meeting on April 10th at 6:30 pm at the Swim Clubhouse.

Substantial progress is being made to rewrite WPLA governing instruments (Articles, Covenants and Bylaws). As many of you know, the existing documents present many problems such as defining membership, funding, conflicting conditions and outdated restrictions, etc.

The Board is trying hard to monitor compliance with the existing rules and wants all members to be aware of them and report violations to us. More information will be provided in the future as progress on this important initiative occurs.

Lakefront members pay a significant premium to live on the lake and should be vigilant in observing boats and activities on the water. Trespassing on the dam has been an issue and the police will continue to be called. Please remember to display 2018 decals as you set out on your watercraft. Thank you for your support. Let's hope for spring weather soon so we can enjoy the lake!

Best regards,
Owen Waltman

WPLA Canada Goose Management Survey

We would appreciate each A and B property owner to complete a survey regarding the management of the Canada goose population on Woodland Pond Lake. Your input is vital as the Board develops strategies that reflect the best interests and concerns of our membership. This is an automated survey and you can access the survey by clicking on the link below. Only one survey per member property may be submitted and once your answers are submitted, they cannot be changed. [The deadline for completing the survey is April 1, 2018.](#)

Please contact Jane Abbate at 412-953-9806 or abbatejane@gmail.com if you have any questions or are experiencing any difficulty accessing or completing the survey. We sincerely appreciate your input!

[CLICK HERE TO RESPOND TO THE GEESE MANAGEMENT SURVEY](#)

Update: Fishing Derby April 14

WHEN IS IT?

Fishing Tournament: 07:00 am - 12:00 noon
Free Angler's Breakfast: 6:30 am
Picnic and Weigh-in: 12:00 noon until we are done!

WHERE IS IT?

Fishing Tournament: On Woodland Pond
Picnic and Weigh-in: The Boat Launch

WHAT TO BRING?

Fishing Tournament: Your own fishing gear and bait
Picnic: Each family is asked to bring a dish to serve eight (salads, chips, baked beans, dessert etc.).
The WPLA Association will provide the main course and drinks.

Keep an eye out in your mailbox for the flyer & registration materials!

If you have questions, email [Jennifer Harless](mailto:Jennifer.Harless).

Are you likely to attend the WPLA Fishing Derby on April 14?

Yes

Select

No

Select

More Wonders of Woodland Pond



Red-bellied Woodpecker

Photos courtesy of Sofi Lewis



Spring Cardinal



"Herron at Dusk" courtesy of Jim Morris

Remember Your Boat Decals!

Please ensure that your current, yellow 2018 Woodland Pond decals are on all watercraft(s). Each watercraft(s) requires two decals which are to be placed near the front of the watercraft - one on each side. Without decals you are in violation of the WPLA Rules and Regulations. If you have further questions or need decals please contact [Eileen Sundstrom](mailto:Eileen.Sundstrom).



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