

#### Monthly Newsletter of the Lake Delhi Taxing District and Community—July, 2013

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### Message From the Lake District Trustees

Dear Lake Delhi Property Owners and Supporters:

Since the last Lake Delhi *Voice* update, the Trustee's continue to be focused on a few key areas among many other items/tasks:

The Trustees are focused on getting permits and the work required to get the permits:

As we shared with you previously, FEMA has taken over as the lead federal entity as it relates to our permitting process. In addition, we are now recently faced with FEMA changing the FEMA designated project manager that was assigned to Lake Delhi. We are now in the process of bringing a new project manager up to speed on all of the work that has been completed thus far. Many meetings continue to take place with our FEMA Trustee team, Lobbyists, Homeland Security team, Stanley Consultants, and our FEMA authorized representative to keep us moving forward. In the meantime, we continue to work simultaneously in other key areas such as options for the Phase 2 design work.

Lake Bed Tree/Weed Removal: Many property owners have done an excellent job in controlling the growth of weeds and Tree's. The Trustees have posted information on our website as it relates to lake bed tree and weed removal idea's on our website at <a href="https://www.lakedelhi.org">www.lakedelhi.org</a> In addition, we are continuing to explore other options for removal of tree's/weeds and we will be forming a committee of volunteers very soon and will post notices of the meetings. We would appreciate you and your road association leaders participation for this very important issue.

<u>Water Quality:</u> A final notice will be sent to all property owners in the next couple of days who have not returned the Letters/Surveys from Delaware County Sanitation

Department. If you're one of those folks who didn't get the letter/survey or put it off for whatever reason, please don't delay! Please contact Dennis Lyons at the County Sanitation Department at Ph: 563-927-5925 Property Transfer from LDRA to the Lake Dis-

trict: The District Trustee's continue to work with the LDRA to work through the details of the transfer of property. We will be having a public work session with the LDRA board in early August to meet to hopefully come to a final agreement. We will keep you posted on the final date, time, and place and invite you to come.

The movie "We Will Be Back, The Lake Delhi Story" will be screening in Dubuque on Friday July 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:45pm at the Mindframe Theatres for those who may have missed it our who wishes to see it again on the big screen. We understand that tickets can be purchased at the theatre for \$10.00. Thank you again Charlie and Mary Cunliffe for making and sharing your work and efforts with all of us.

Trustee Election Results: We want to thank all of you who took the time to vote. The Trustee's welcome Lamont Davidson back to the board and we also wel-

come Todd Gifford to the Board in August. A special thank you to Larry Peter who has served on the board for the last two years and who decided not to run again. Larry brought with him multiple skills to assist the board and look forward to him continuing to volunteer on other committee's to assist with the restoration. Thanks again Larry!



Larry Peter

### The Combined Lake Delhi Recreational Facility and Water Quality District Trustee's:

Steve Leonard: President, Trustee

Larry Burger: VP, Trustee
Mary Kray: Secretary, Trustee
Laurie Kramer: Treasurer, Trustee

Bruce Schneider: Trustee Lamont Davidson: Trustee

Larry Peter: Trustee

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Rendering Image of the future dam at Lake Delhi—view is from down river looking at back side of dam

**Lake Delhi Feature Family Story** "The Larson Family" by Patti Larson

Dave and I built a permanent residence on the lake in 2007 and now live full time at Hartwick Point. We love the feeling of a small community.

We have had a relationship with the lake for over 40 years. Turtle Creek was the weekend place for Dave and his family as he was growing up. They would camp in primitive conditions on the East side, swam and fished. When Dave and I got married we would primitive camp with our family and friends as well. Oh how dirty our kids would get playing during the day but after a nice bath and the open air they all slept well. We would sit around the campfire after they went to bed and Dave would tell me about his dream of owning the yellow cabin across the lake at Linden Acres and how he would make it his. Also since Lake Delhi is a public lake, a fish club Dave belonged to the "Wapsi Valley Bass Maters" held many catch and release fishing tournaments here for many years.

Although the dream of owning the yellow cabin was not meant to be, we still held on to the dream of owning a place on the lake. In December of 2003 that dream materialized when we bought a small cabin in Hartwick Point. No matter the season you could plan on us being at the cabin. Oh how beautiful the lake area is in the spring with the green beginning to appear, in the summer with the sound of boats and people laughing. In the winter with the snow falling so peacefully and in the fall the trees are so spectacular

they can take your breath away.

Dave's dream is just putting the boat in the lake whenever he wants to fish, go for a boat ride or to pull the kids on the tube. I am from Wisconsin and grew up on a lake, so Lake Delhi took me back to the peacefulness of sitting on the dock with your feet in the water listening to the sounds you can only find on a lake. We realize no matter what we do on the lake from fishing, swimming, tubing or jumping off the rock we are building memories for our next generation. Now one of our daughters and her family started to build their own memories by purchasing a cabin on lake Delhi as well.



The Larson's on Lake Delhi

We like many others we have actively participated in the rebuilding and fundraisers to bring back Lake Delhi. We are proud to say Hartwick Point residents raised \$10,000 towards bringing Lake Delhi back.

We firmly believe Lake Delhi will be back and are thankful for the leaders getting us there. One of our granddaughters at the age of 7 asked me, "Nana do you remember the good old days when we were able to go to the beach and swim in the lake?" We feel she defiantly nailed it - those were the "good old days."

So here's to the "Good Old Days" and the many "Good New Days" to come,

Dave and Patti Larson

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#### Lake Delhi Water Quality Team Update

The Water Quality Team has been active in two mini Grant programs this year and for the past several years. The \$500 Grants are for erosion control and shoreline stabilization for projects that qualify on lake front property. The other grant program is for \$50 to help those that pump out their septic tanks. Other activities include the IOWATER testing program which monitored water quality in the lake and in the streams that enter the Lake. All of this has been done by volunteers. A training session for those interested in helping with the Lake Delhi water quality testing program is scheduled for August, with the exact date to be known soon. If interested in attending, please contact Bob Galiher at 563-922-2683 or e-mail at rlgriver@iowatelecom.net.

### Wow, That Is Impressive! Nominations

We are seeking nominations for people around Lake Delhi you think deserve to be recognized for their personal accomplishments (accomplishments do not have to be related to Lake Delhi), or simply because of something amazing or impressive they have done that you think others should know about or would enjoy learning about. If you have a person in mind, young or old, you would like to nominate, just send an email to the LakeDelhiTrustees@LakeDelhi.org email address, use a Subject of "Wow, That's Impressive Nomination", and provide the person's name you are nominating, a little bit why you are impressed by what they have done, and provide your contact information as well. We will feature these people in upcoming editions of the Lake Delhi VOICE. Anyone can nominate anyone, and it can be someone of any age that nominates or is nominated

### **Mind Teaser Question**

Three brothers and their respective wives were traveling through the country when they came to a river. Their only means of crossing was in a small canoe, which would only hold two people at a time. The three men were very jealous and mistrustful of their wives and each other. Not one of the brothers would leave his wife alone in the boat, or on the shore with another brother, unless that brother's wife was also present. How many crossings were necessary to get the happy clan across the river? Answer on page 4. (No peeking!)

# What the Heck Is It? CONTEST Answer from Last Month: A Nutcracker

Congratulations to Steve Willwerth (Linden Acres resident for 7 years) who won last month's What the Heck Is It? Contest by submitting the correct answer and being drawn from all the correct answers people submitted to win his prize!

### Where In the World Is This? CONTEST

This photo show here is of a small portion of a famous

land mark somewhere in the world. Can you figure out where/what this famous thing/ place is? There is not much in the photo, but there is enough to figure it out. If you can make



your guess and are one of the correct answers we receive, we will draw from all the correct answers to get a grand prize winner who will win a Lake Delhi T-Shirt of your choice in style and size. To play, just send your guess to: <a href="mailto:LakeDelhiTrustees@LakeDelhi.org">LakeDelhiTrustees@LakeDelhi.org</a>, use a Subject of 'Where in the World Is It Contest', and provide your contact information. Deadline for entries is 8/11/13 at 5 pm. Anyone can play. Good Luck!!! Hint: you should not need a hint, but well, we will give you a small one ---- it is in the U.S. somewhere.

#### **Calendar of Events:**

July 27, 2013—Delhi Days

Parade starts at noon. Food stands, kids stand, etc go throughout the day. The Community Fund to Rebuild Lake Delhi will be selling Lake Delhi Shirts and Apparel to raise money to rebuild Lake Delhi.

August 15, 2013—Lake Delhi Trustee Meeting

**August TBA** —Water Quality Testing Training Event (contact Bob Galiher at 563-922-2683 or e-mail at rlgriver@iowatelecom.net for more info)

Please submit events or meetings to us to ensure we have a complete calendar for people to see—just email to <u>LakeDelhiTrustees@LakeDelhi.org</u> and put "Newsletter Calendar Event" in the Subject of your email with information about the event/meeting.

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### Cool Lake Delhi Shirts, Sweatshirts Available for Purchase

A large variety of Lake Delhi T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, Polo shirts for men and women, Fleece jackets, and hats are available for purchase in all sizes. All proceeds go to the Community Fund to Rebuild Lake Delhi. See the order form on the last page of the newsletter. Instructions are on the order form, as well as contact information if you have any questions. Wear or Gift Lake Delhi apparel for a great cause!

The Community Fund to Rebuild Lake Delhi Team WILL BE SELLING LAKE DELHI LOGO APPAREL, SHIRTS, COATS, HATS, ETC... AT DELHI DAYS Saturday 7/27

#### **Answer to Mind Teaser Question on Page 3:**

Nine. Let's call the six people involved A-h, A-w, B-h, B-w, C-h, C-w. Example:

- 1. C-h & C-w cross
- 2. C-h returns
- 3. A-w & B-w cross
- 4. A-w returns
- 5. A-h & A-w cross
- 6. A-h returns
- 7. A-h & B-h cross
- 8. B-h returns
- 9. B-h & C-h cross

### Interesting Photo of the Month



If you have a crazy or interesting photo you would like to share, you can send it to us at:

<u>LakeDelhiTrustees@LakeDelhi.org</u>

#### **Great Recipe: No-Bake Summer Lasagna**

This lasagna is light yet substantial. Best of all, you don't have to turn on the oven.

1/2 cup ricotta

3 tablespoons grated Parmesan

3 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil

2 teaspoons extra-virgin olive oil

Coarse salt

Ground pepper

8 lasagna noodles, broken in half crosswise

1 clove (small) clove, minced

2 pints grape tomatoes, halved

2 (about 1 pound) zucchini, halved if large and thinly sliced

1 tablespoon torn fresh basil leaves, plus more for serving

In a small bowl, combine ricotta, Parmesan, and 2 teaspoons oil; season with salt and pepper. In a large pot of boiling salted water, cook noodles according to package instructions; drain.

Meanwhile, in a large skillet, heat 2 tablespoons oil over medium-high. Add garlic and tomatoes; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring, until slightly broken down, about 3 minutes. Transfer tomatoes to a bowl. Add 1 tablespoon oil and zucchini to skillet; season with salt and pepper. Cook, stirring, until zucchini are tender, about 5 minutes. Transfer to another bowl and stir in basil. Place some tomatoes on four plates; top with a noodle and small spoonfuls ricotta, zucchini, and more tomatoes. Repeat layering twice, then top with remaining noodles and tomatoes. Garnish with basil.

### **How to Properly Prune Your Ornamental Plants and Bushes**

Pruning plants and shrubs is a necessary chore for various reasons: they may have become overgrown, they may be blocking your view or other plants from getting light and water, or they may have become unhealthy. There is a right and wrong way to prune plants and bushes. The article that this link below takes you to is a fantastic read from a highly credible expert on how (and why) to prune properly — and discusses specific different plants and techniques and tools to use. If you read this article, you will become the pruning expert in your neighborhood and have spectacular looking plants and bushes in no time!

http://www.caes.uga.edu/publications/pubDetail.cfm?pk id=7656#.Ubzx9nBRJGw.email

### Lake Delhi Shirt/Apparel Order Form

All Proceeds Go to: The Community Fund to Rebuild Lake Delhi



Item	Color	Price	Size	Order Qty	Ext \$ Amoun t
Lake Delhi Hooded Sweatshirt		\$30			
Lake Delhi Hooded Sweatshirt 2XL+		\$35			
Lake Delhi Regular Sweatshirt		\$20			
Lake Delhi Regular Sweatshirt 2XL+		\$25			
Lake Delhi Ladies White T-Shirt	White	\$15			
Lake Delhi Ladies Heather T-Shirt	Heather	\$15			
I Gave a DAM T-Shirt or Dam-Just Build It T-Shirt – White	White	\$15			
I Gave a DAM T-Shirt or Dam-Just Build It T-Shirt – Gray	Gray	\$15			
Lake Delhi Polo Shirt – Ladies Style	Yellow	\$30			
Lake Delhi Polo Shirt – Reg Style	Navy	\$30			
Lake Delhi Fleece Jacket	Black	\$40			
Lake Delhi Cap	Gold/Black	\$15			
Lake Delhi Cap	Navy/White	\$15			
Lake Delhi Cap	Royal Blue	\$15			
Lake Delhi Visor		\$10			
				Total \$:	

Name:	
Address:	

Mail Form and Check Payment to: Community Fund to Rebuild Lake Delhi 712A Third St. Delhi, IA 52223

If you have any questions, please contact Laurie Kramer at (563) 920-9863 or Todd Gifford at 319-651-6688