

LAKE DELHI VOICE

Newsletter of the Lake Delhi Taxing District and Community—December, 2017

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Christmas on the Lake is Back next Summer!

Mark your calendars: **July 28th, 2018 will be Christmas on the Lake** at Lake Delhi. And the **Lake Delhi fireworks show will be the evening of August 4th, 2018** and will be shot off from Schmidt's Farm across from Freddy's Beach which is about in the middle of the lake for those not yet familiar with these locations.

By now almost everyone has their boats out of the water at Lake Delhi, but it is still a wonderful time of year to enjoy the Lake's beauty before we see the lake ice over for winter activities.

The Lake District Trustees remain busy working on various lake issues throughout the winter months. If you are in the area, please join us at our monthly public Trustee meetings.

In the next VOICE Newsletter issue, we plan to feature a gallery of great photos taken from this past summer on Lake Delhi. Please send yours to:
LakeDelhiTrustees@LakeDelhi.org.

Happy and Safe Holidays!

Make Sure You and Your Neighbors are on the Lake Delhi Weather Text Alert System

The Dam Operations Team has developed a weather alert system for the Lake Delhi district. Those who enroll will get a text alert on their cell phone notifying them of weather events that could affect the lake area. We currently have over 400 residents signed up for this service. If you have not enrolled and wish to do so, please submit your name, cell phone number, and carrier (ex. US Cellular, Verizon, Sprint, etc.)

to lakedelhitrustees@lakedelhi.org. It's important to understand that weather events can have differing effects depending on where you live on the lake and you need to take that into consideration. We recommend that you and your neighbors have a plan for any emergency weather event before it happens.

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

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Laurie Kramer: Treasurer, Trustee
Todd Gifford: Trustee
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>>If you want to get on our email list, send an email to LakeDelhiTrustees@LakeDelhi.org

Archive of all Trustee meetings' minutes are found at www.LakeDelhi.org



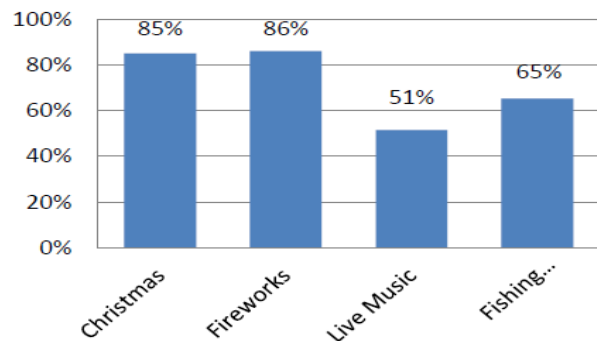
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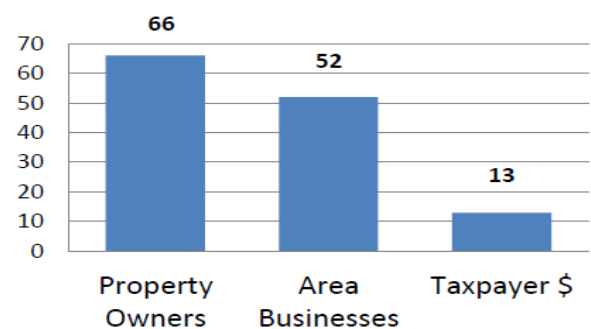
Lake Delhi Activities Survey Results

A volunteer Lake Delhi Activities Committee recently sent out a survey to people on the Lake Delhi communication email list asking for your opinions about activities and events for Lake Delhi. Below is the data from the over 100 responses received. The activities team responded immediately by selecting a date for *Christmas on the Lake* and moving the fireworks show to the Schmidt Farm, a central lake location.

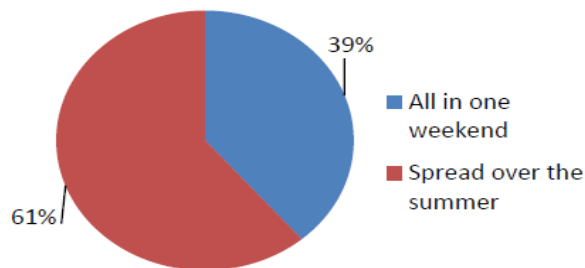
#1 Which events are important to have annually at Lake Delhi?



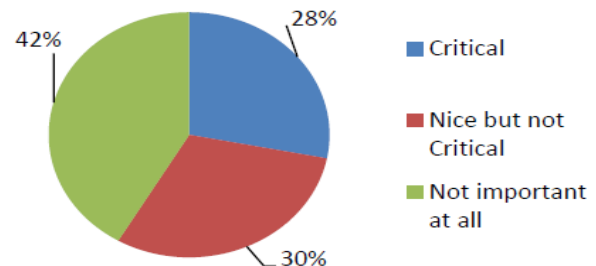
#2 Where should funding for Lake Events come from?



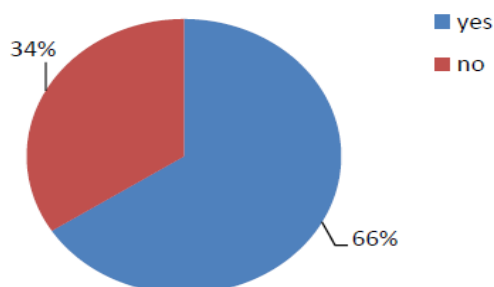
#3. Should we keep Lake Events on one weekend or spread them over the summer?



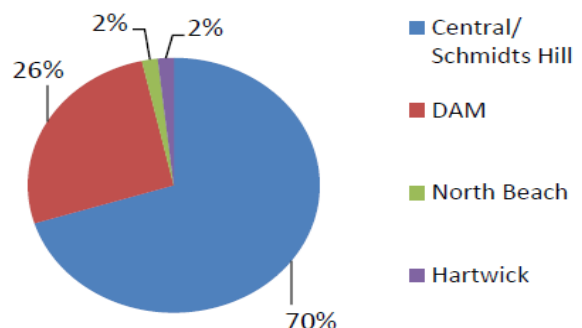
#4 How important is viewing fireworks by land/ attending by car?



#5a Do you have a preferred location for fireworks to launch?



#5b Preferred Fireworks Location



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Lake Delhi Dam and Spillway Receives Multiple National, State, and Regional Awards

We all know that the Lake Delhi Dam and Spillway is a spectacular structure, but a lot of other important organizations think so too. Check out this list of major awards and recognition our newly constructed Lake Delhi Dam and Spillway has received...so far.

National Awards

2017 National Honor Award from ACEC National

2017 National Rehabilitation Project of the Year Award from the Association of State Dam Safety Officials

Regional Awards

2017 ENR Midwest Best Projects Award from ENR Midwest magazine

State Awards

2017 ASCE Iowa Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement (OCEA) Award from ASCE Iowa

2017 Grand Conceptor (top award) from American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) of Iowa

2017 Grand Award Special Projects Category from ACEC Iowa

2017 Grand Award from ACEC Minnesota

2017 Exceptional Engineering Award from Minnesota Society of Professional Engineers

Architectural Recognition

Featured in June 2017 issue of *The Architectural Review*

Delhi Fire Department Works With Lake Delhi Preparing Dam/Spillway Emergency Access Capability

On Saturday, October 14th, the Lake Delhi Dam Operations Team scheduled a practice drill with Tegeler Crane and the Delhi Fire Department to determine possible needs in the event of an emergency on the spillway.

The mock drill/simulation was very effective at confirming size of potential crane equipment and access method to the dam and spillway in the event of an emergency requiring such equipment.

The Delhi Fire Department has taken a very pro-active role in working with the Operations Team to understand what may be needed in the event of an emergency at the dam. Please remember to thank the fire department volunteers for their service to Lake Delhi!



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Hartwick Huskys Waterski Team Update

The Hartwick Huskys is a water show ski team based at Schram Park in Manchester, IA. The ski club is a not-for-profit organization whose goal each summer is to share their love for the sport of water skiing with the community.

In exchange for the use of Schram Park, the ski team offers a Summer Ski Adventure for Manchester and surrounding areas that includes: 1) A learn-to-ski program for all ages throughout the summer; and 2) Ski shows designed for people of all ages. All events of the Summer Ski Adventure are offered at no charge to participants. Additionally, ski team members volunteer their time to maintain and improve the pond area and park.

The Hartwick Huskys also ski competitively each summer in regional and/or national tournaments. In 2017, the Huskys were crowned the **2017 Division 2 Midwest Regional Show Ski Champion** at the tournament held July 28-30, 2017 in Aberdeen, SD. The Huskys won top scoring honors with their Jump Act, Pyramids, Sound Crew, Tow Boat Driving, Dock & Equipment Personnel, and Pick-up Boat Crew.

Show co-directors for 2017 were Stefanie Brooks and Marty Pottebaum. In competitive show skiing, each club has one hour to present a theatrical performance on water skis. Judges score the acts by awarding points based on originality, presentation and execution. Elaborate costumes and staging intermix with music and fast action on the water as announcers lead the audience through the show.

The Huskys' show theme for 2017 was "Twas the Night Before Ski-Mas". Program announcers Faith Hunt and Morgan Hermansen facilitated a fast-moving show that earned the approval of both audiences and tournament judges. The Huskys ended their 2017 skiing season with their annual JAM AT SCHRAM community celebration. This year, the Huskys partnered with the HERO HUSTLE SPRINT TRIATHLON to raise money for the Delaware County Fire - EMS - Law Enforcement departments to use for training and equipment needs.

Events included the Triathlon race followed by two Hartwick Huskys' ski shows in the afternoon.

Manchester and the surrounding communities showed great support for the Hartwick Huskys and the Hero Hustle Sprint Triathlon.

The Hartwick Lake Ski Club was incorporated in 1965 to support the activities of the Hartwick Huskys Ski Team. The ski team was based on Lake Delhi in Delhi, Iowa until 2010 when the lake's dam was over-topped and subsequently failed after a period of heavy rain.

In 2011, the ski team developed a partnership with the city of Manchester and made Manchester's Schram Park their permanent home. Many Huskys' members have homes on Lake Delhi and Husky skiers can be found on the lake whenever the weather permits.

While the Huskys will remain at Schram Park, they would very much like to take their show "on-the-road" to Lake Delhi in coming years to entertain the Delhi Lake residents.

During the 2017 season, the Hartwick Huskys had 70 team members including skiers and support personnel. The club is managed by a volunteer Board of Directors. The current President is Marty Pottebaum with other board members Ron Klinger, Doug Bauers, Diane Thomas, Mitch Tanner, Andy Recker, Mitch Tauke, Travis Burnett, Krista Hunt, Nate Tauke, and Kathie Rowray.

The Huskys are always looking for new team members. The 2018 season will start with pool practices in January.

For more information, find the Hartwick Huskys Water Show Ski Team on Facebook, or

Contact: Diane K. Thomas @ (563) 927-3647



Featured Lake Delhi Apparel — Great Gifts For **Christmas!** *Order Form is on the following Page—Other items not pictured below in Stock*

Men's and Women's Sweatshirt



Men's and Women's Zip-Up Hoodie Sweatshirt



Lake Delhi Visor



Women's Lake Delhi Polo Shirt



Men's and Women's Lake Delhi Regular Polo Shirt



2017 BASH T Shirts
 (Blue OR Green)



Bash T Shirt BACK



Lake Delhi Shirt/Apparel Order Form

Also Some Items available at Hartwick Marina

All Proceeds Go to: Lake Delhi Activities Fund (Fireworks, etc...)



Item	Color	Price	Sizes Avail	Order Qty	Ext \$ Amount
Lake Delhi Hooded Sweatshirt (<i>with zipper</i>)		\$20	XL, 2X, 3X		
Lake Delhi Ladies White T-Shirt		\$7			
Lake Delhi Ladies Heather T-Shirt		\$7			
Blue Lake Delhi 2017 Bash T-Shirts		\$10	Adult S, M, L Youth M, L		
Green Lake Delhi 2017 Bash T-Shirts			Adult S, M, L Youth L		
Lake Delhi Polo Shirt – Ladies Style	Yellow	\$20	Medium, Large		
Lake Delhi Polo Shirt – Reg Style	Navy Blue	\$20	XS, XL, 2X		
Lake Delhi Logo “Camo” Cap	Camouflage	\$10			
Lake Delhi Koozie		\$3			
Lake Delhi <i>Visor</i>		\$10			
				Total \$:	

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

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Do Your Part, Be SepticSmart: The Do's and Don'ts of Your Septic System

Learn these simple steps to protect your home, health, environment and property value:

Protect It and Inspect It:

Do:

- Have your system inspected (in general) every three years by a licensed contractor and have the tank pumped, when necessary, generally every three to five years.

Think at the Sink

Don't:

- Pour cooking grease or oil down the sink or toilet.
- Rinse coffee grounds into the sink.
- Pour household chemicals down the sink or flush them.

Do:

- Eliminate or limit the use of a garbage disposal.
- Properly dispose of coffee grounds & food.
- Put grease in a container to harden before discarding in the trash.

Don't Overload the Commode

Don't:

- Flush non-degradable products or chemicals, such as feminine hygiene products, condoms, dental floss, diapers, cigarette butts, cat litter, paper towels, pharmaceuticals.

Do:

- Dispose of these items in the trash can!

Shield Your Field

Don't:

- Park or drive on your drainfield. The weight can damage the drain lines.
- Plant trees or shrubs too close to your drainfield, roots can grow into your system and clog it.

Do:

- Consult a septic service professional to advise you of the proper distance for planting trees and shrubs, depending on your septic tank location.

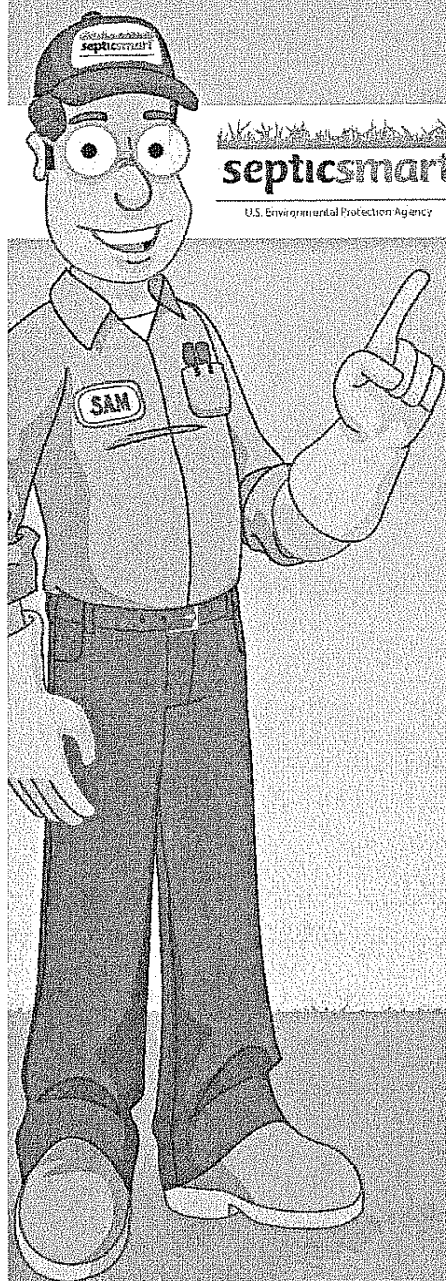
Don't Strain Your Drain

Don't

- Concentrate your water use by using your dishwasher, shower, washing machine, and toilet at the same time. All that extra water can really strain your septic system.

Do:

- Stagger the use of water-generating appliances. This can be helpful especially if your system has not been pumped in a long time.
- Become more water efficient by fixing plumbing leaks and consider installing bathroom and kitchen faucet aerators and water-efficient products.



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