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the tri-lakes birchbark

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

I thought my letter in the Winter 2011 edition of the Birchbark would be my last letter but the board decided we should mail this additional newsletter prior to the annual meeting. We have enclosed an envelope for you to either mail your membership check to me or bring it to the annual meeting. To take advantage of the water testing or the free plant or tree at the annual tree give away, you must be a member.

This is the time of year we all look for values. I think your membership to the Tri-Lakes Improvement Association is one of the best values offered today. As a member you receive a directory of the residents in your neighborhood, an opportunity to have your children or grandchildren learn to swim at reduced costs, an opportunity for anyone in your family to learn how to water ski, an annual Easter Candy Hunt for children, Santa visits to members homes, an annual Tree Give Away event and numerous social events to allow you to stay in contact with the rest of the folks in your neighborhood. The cost of membership is still \$25.00 per year or \$20.00 if you are over 65. Now that's a deal.

Please come meet your new board members and officers at city hall on February 6th. Water testing will start at 6:00 PM and the formal meeting will start at 7:00 PM. Hope to see you there.

Bob Van Zandt – Tri-Lakes Association President.



WATER TESTING

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture has again agreed to send Kimberly Kaiser to our annual meeting to test water samples for our members. You will need to collect a fresh one half cup water sample from your tap. If you have a nitrate removal system bring a sample from before and after the treatment system. You can bring the sample in any clean container that has been washed and rinsed out thoroughly. Be at city hall anytime between 6:00 and 7:00 for this testing.

Tri-Lakes Facebook Page

Communicate real-time with other Tri-Lakes Members with the new Tri-Lakes Facebook page! Post thoughts, announcements, common interest links, things for sale, pictures of events, reminders of upcoming events, calls for help, etc.

Within Facebook go to - Tri-Lakes Improvement Association and request to become a friend.

This is a closed group for members only politics and grievances will not be accepted and are subject to censorship by the administrator. Communication with neighbors is one of the great benefits of the association so get connected. Any problems email jonearly@comcast.net.

Christmas 4 Kids Thanks to Chris Cunningham for the great job she did this year as the chairman of this event. Ed Gorman made his restaurant available for the collection of toys and provided everyone who brought a toy with a drink of their choice. Santa was there for pictures as he listened carefully to the wishes of the children.



Santa Visits Santa and his helpers were very busy this year seeing about 60 neighborhood children and giving them candy canes filled with M & M's and Skittles. He posed for pictures and listened to some very heartfelt wishes for Christmas. A very special thank you to all of our Santa elves - Ann McGee, Dawn Blaney, Jim Douglass and John Wheatley. We appreciate Marcia Anderson for serving again as Santa's hair dresser. Also a big thank you to our Santa helpers - Pat Dean and Jon Early. They made many special memories for the neighborhood.

MARK YOUR CALENDERS FOR NEXT YEARS VISIT DECEMBER 10 -13.



TRI-LAKES IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION REGISTRATION

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Family Membership - \$25 per year- under 65 years of age or \$20 per year over 65 years of age.

2562 7th Avenue East, Suite 208,
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*Actively bringing Tri-Lakes residents together to protect,
improve, and promote our community.*

2011 TRI-LAKES IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBERS

Bob Van Zandt – President
Shaun Collier – Vice-President
Karen Johnston – Treasurer
Cameron Barry
Steve Iverson
John Hammerly
Jim Carpenter
Jon Early
Justin Bloyer
Bob Horning

DINER'S CLUB 2012

JANUARY

Karen Slakey
Jan. 21 @7:30 p.m.
7872 Demontreville Trail N.
Lake Elmo
651-344-4955

FEBRUARY

John & Beck Wheatley
Feb. 11 @7:30 p.m.
8749 Lake Jane Trail N.
Lake Elmo
651-773-0147

MARCH

Vincent Adanene
Mar. 17 @7:30 p.m.
8200 Hidden Bay
Lake Elmo
651-250-9487

APRIL

Charles & Liz Brady
Apr. 22 @7:30 p.m.
7680 50th St. N.
Lake Elmo
651-773-3171

MAY

SPRING FLING
Dave & Brenda Jo Carlson
May 12 @4:00 p.m.
Pebble Park-Family Day
Bring something to grill &
a dish to share.
651-777-6205

JUNE

Steve & Shaun Collier
June 9 @7:30 p.m.
8896 Jane Road N.
Lake Elmo
651-773-6569

JULY

PONTOON PARTY
Jim & Robbie Dillon
July 14 @ 6:00 p.m.
8190 Hill Trail N.
Lake Elmo
651-773-9162

VOLLEYBALL on the BEACH

Charlie & Marcia Schultz
July – TBA
4709 Olson Lake Trail N.
Lake Elmo
651-748-9299

AUGUST

BEACH BRUNCH
Link & Anju Lavey
Aug. 5 @10:30 a.m.
8510 Hidden Bay Trail N.
Lake Elmo - 612-845-5429

Rick & Wendy Gimple
Aug. – TBA
4911 Olson Lake Trail N.
Lake Elmo

**AUGUST 18 @3:00 p.m.
WATER SKI SHOW**

SEPTEMBER

MOVIE on the BEACH
Charlie & Marcia Schultz
Sept. 1 @7 p.m.
4709 Olson Lake Trail N.
Lake Elmo
651-748-9299

Donaven & Trisha Chase
Sept. – TBA
9125 Lake Jane Trail N.
Lake Elmo
651-777-7199

OCTOBER

HALLOWEEN PARTY
Jim & Faye Carpenter
Oct. 20 @7:30 p.m.
4816 Olson Lake Trail N.
Oakdale
651-770-0778

NOVEMBER

Justin & Dana Bloyer
Nov. 10 @7:30 p.m.
8881 Jane Road N.
Lake Elmo
651-777-7944

DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS PARTY
Mick & Marilyn Mohrlant
Dec. 8 @7:30 p.m.
4870 Olson Lake Trail
Oakdale
651-457-4557

2012 EVENTS

Tri-Lakes Improvement Association
Annual Meeting - February 6, 2012 - 7pm
Easter Candy Hunt - April 7, 2012 - 10am
Tri-Lakes Tree Give-A-Way - April 22, 2012 - 9am

Adopt A Highway - April 26, 2012 - 6pm
Tri-Lakes Swimming Lessons - July 16, 2012
Tri-Lakes Days - August 16, 2012 - 3pm
Santa Visits - December 10-13, 2012