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Lake Patrol

SPRING NEWSLETTER 2016

Greetings to all of you,

Hopefully we're in store for a long, enjoyable summer on the lake after a mild, but long winter.

New Weed Harvester By the time this newsletter arrives, we should have taken delivery of our new weed harvester.

<u>Weed Control</u> Our weed harvester will be operated by employees of Big Cedar Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District. We will keep all apprised of the harvesting schedules via the website and email. Lake residents may also harvest weeds in front of their properties. Floating weeds in front of properties caused by the weed harvester or by boats are the responsibility of the property owners. The harvester will pick up weeds left at the ends of docks. Eurasian milfoil has remained under control, so for the second year in a row, no chemical treatment is planned.

Testing for E-coli During summer months, the Washington County Health Department monitors the water at the Ackerman's Grove County Park public beach. On six occasions last summer, E. coli levels were high enough that swim advisories were issued, and on one occasion, the beach had to be closed. While elevated E. coli levels at Ackerman's do not necessarily imply elevated levels elsewhere on Little Cedar Lake, the LCLPRD commissioners felt the situation warranted further investigation. This summer, water samples will be gathered at nine different locations around the lake during June, July and August. These water samples will be tested for E. coli at the State Lab of Hygiene, and results posted to the Little Cedar Website (www.lclprd.org) as they become available. LCPRD applied for and received a Surface Water Grant through the Wisconsin DNR to help defray the costs of these tests. We will summarize our findings at the LCLPRD Annual Meeting in September.

<u>Website</u> Please visit our website, <u>www.lclprd.org</u> for updates on meetings, activities, events, etc. If anyone has any pictures or news to contribute, please email them to <u>lclprd@gmail.com</u>.

E-Mail Notifications The Board sends notifications via email regarding weed harvesting, high water restrictions or other important business. If we don't have your email address, please email it to lclprd@gmail.com.

<u>Boater Safety Classes</u> Anyone born after January 1, 1990 must have satisfactorily completed a boater safety course and be able to demonstrate his/her boater safety certification in order to legally operate a motorboat on Wisconsin waters. For other age restrictions, consult Wisconsin Boating Laws and statutes found on the Boating page of the LCLPRD website. Boater Safety classes will again be offered by the Big Cedar Lake PRD. This year the 1st course will be held on May 9th, 11th, 16th and 18th from 6:00pm - 9:00pm. The 2nd course will be June 13th, 15th, 20th and 22nd from 9:00am - 12:00pm. These classes are held at the BCLPRD building located at 4480 Gonring Dr. To register, please contact Dan Carroll (262.629.9322). The Boater Safety course is also available online. See the Boating page of the LCLPRD website for details.

<u>Social Events</u> There will be no **June Social** this year. The **Annual Boat Parade** will be held on Sunday, July 3rd at 7pm (Rain Date: July 4). Gather at the small island at the south end. There will be awards for Best Decorated, Most Patriotic & Most Creative. Let's see a record number of participants this year!

The LCLPRD Board usually meets on the first Monday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Town of West Bend Town Hall. The times and dates are posted in advance at the Town of West Bend and Town of Polk buildings and on the LCLPRD website. The next regular Board meeting is on Monday, June 6th at 6:30pm. District residents are welcome to attend any of these meetings. Please call any one of us if you want to get involved (our contact info is on the website). Our 2016 Annual Meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, September 6.

The Commissioners of the Little Cedar Lake PRD