Hancock Lake Association News

You are all invited to attend the Hancock Lake Association picnic starting at 12 noon on July 21st, 2007, at the Woodboro Town Hall on the junction of Oneida Lake Rd and Old Highway K. The Association will provide brats, hamburgers, buns, condiments, soda, paper plates, and utensils. You are asked to bring a dish to pass, other drinks of your choice, and folding lawn chairs. Please attend and meet your neighbors on the lake.

You are also invited to attend the Annual Meeting at the Woodboro Town Hall on Saturday June 9th, 2007 at 9:00 A.M. Some items on the agenda include election of Secretary, Treasurer, and two at large Directors, status of weed issue, status of dam maintenance, a potential fishery committee, and other items as appropriate.

Bill Tischendorf coordinated a weed harvesting day on May 19th. The following was his email.

"The curly-leaf pondweed is up; I spent an hour or so removing some last Saturday. I plan on doing the same for the next few Saturdays. Anyone wishing to help can meet me at the boat landing around 9 A.M. Saturday. We will be working in 4 to 8 inches water of with a couple of feet of sediment, this is very messy and smelly, please plan and dress appropriately.

You will need a small rowboat, a Jon boat works great, preferably no motor on it, and no carpeting. If at all possible bring it to the landing on a trailer or pickup. This will allow us to remove the boat and clean it when done, reducing the chance of spreading the infestation by crossing the lake with weeds attached.

You will also need a standard garden rake or a four-prong cultivator; since we are in shallow water you will not need a handle extension.

You may also want to bring rubber boots; the bottom of the boat will end up with several inches of black smelly water in it. There are many interesting and strange critters living in the sediment and you may not want to be standing in this water in a pair of flip-flops."

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Two boats and 4 people showed up and a trailer load of weeds including the invasive curly leaf pond weed was removed from near the boat landing. (OVER)

Lake News: Dick Statton and Gene Klawikowski attended the Town of Woodboro Annual Meeting. They asked us to discuss the Lake Association and the status of the weed problem. We in turn asked about the status of the Hancock Lake dam. They said the Dam had been inspected but did not know the outcome of the inspection. The Town Chairman, Kurt Zalewski, requested a meeting with the DNR dam inspector. Dick Statton, Gene Klawikowski, Bill Tishendorf and Kurt Zalewski met at the dam with the DNR inspector, Terry Cummings, on May 11th. His findings were that all the trees and brush must be removed from the vicinity of the dam. He also recommended that some rock be added to the edge of the dam on the north side. He said the dam was in fairly good condition but the town should start putting aside some money for future repairs. The Town Chairman was going to have the trees and brush removed, and have some rock delivered to the dam. Lake Association members volunteered to assist with the rock distribution. The inspector also said the Town of Woodboro must submit a maintenance plan to the DNR. The dam is to be inspected every 10 yrs, and must be maintained by the town between inspections. The Lake Association has agreed to assist the Town as required.

Just as a reminder check the web site from time to time for additional news. http://webpages.charter.net/mezilu/HancockLakeAssociation.htm

We thank all who have joined the association. At the present time we have 51 members. With all the activities that are going on to sustain and improve the lake, we urge all of you to join the Hancock Lake Association and volunteer your services. The help would be greatly appreciated.

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