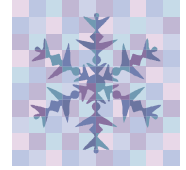


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### **Hello, W.C.C. Member!**

By owning property in this neighborhood you automatically become a member of the Wandawega Country Club property owners association. Listed are the board of directors and their phone numbers:

- President Bill Bastian (847)692-1982*
- Vice President John Szady (262)742-3145*
- \*Treasurer Joyce Hayward (262)742-5249*
- Secretary Nancy Haak (262)248-2702*
- Judy Paul (262)742-2731*
- Jim Parchem (262)742-3425*
- Jena Ehlen (262)742-2097*
- \*Peter Pappa (262)742-4678*
- \*Brenda Williams (262)742-4434*

Feel free to call, write, or email us with your association concerns. Our email address is:

[wcc@lakewandawega.com](mailto:wcc@lakewandawega.com)

Board positions run for a 3 year term. Those listed with a (\*) will expire at the end of this current year. Nominations are still open and will be voted on during the May 2008 meeting. These board members are considering another term, but would be willing to step down. If you are interested in a W.C.C. board position, please notify any of the above board members.

### **Advisory Committee Members Needed**

Our association by-laws state that the following 6 advisory committees are necessary:

- Finance*
- Audit*
- Lakes, Parks, Beaches*
- Clubhouse, Building, Sanitary*
- Entertainment & Membership*
- By-Laws*

These committees have at least 2 board members on them, but we would also like a general member for each specific committee to join them. Are you interested in joining any of these committees? We need your suggestions! Please consider it. Contact a board member for further information.

### **W.C.C. 2007 in Review**

Canada goose egg oiling (depredation) was performed again in 2007. The number of nest located around the lake in 2007 was 23 with 108 eggs being treated. We want to reminder everyone that the purpose of this program is not to completely eliminate the Canada geese from the lake, but to keep the population of the geese on the lake down to a reasonable and manageable number. An overpopulation of geese leads to a dirtier lake, messy beaches and insufficient food sources for the geese themselves.

Many of you found the lake much more enjoyable this year and two contributing factors were the 2007 Aquatic Plant Harvesting program and oddly enough, all that rain we had. Under the harvesting program, the lake was cut two times in 2007 in order to keep the aquatic plant growth down to a minimum. A chemical treatment was applied by the beach areas targeting Eurasian milfoil that appeared to work well.

The Canada goose egg oiling, aquatic plant harvesting and chemical treatments were cosponsored by Interlaken Property Owners Association, Wandawega Country Club and several lake front property owners.

All that rain may have dampened some outdoor activities, but it was very helpful to Lake Wandawega. By October 29<sup>th</sup>, the lake level had gone up 20.0" over last year and was holding fairly steady losing only 0.75" as of November 16<sup>th</sup>.

Additional sand was ordered for the beach areas and we added a few more picnic tables. Why? Based on your responses to the survey sent out earlier in the year, many residents felt these were needed to make the beaches more enjoyable. That's why your input is important and why we encourage you to attend our regular meetings.

We had two very successful events that many of you attended. There was the Bash on the Beach on August 11<sup>th</sup> and the Fall Festival held on October 27<sup>th</sup>. Both events were attended by over 40 members and their families.

## Wandawega's Famous Son

*by Pete Pappa*

There are a few "givens" for life here in the state of Wisconsin. First, while most reference books will tell you that the state bird is the robin, any true Wisconsinite will tell you the "unofficial" bird is the mosquito. Second, it's a good bet that you won't have to travel too far in our fair state to find a cold beer or a Friday Night Fish Fry. Third, there is no football fan quite like a Green Bay Packer fan.

From September through January, football fans in Wisconsin are usually found in green and gold jerseys or in wedged-shaped cheese hats cheering on their beloved Pack. While "Favre" and "Driver" are some of the names commonly heard today or seen on those green and gold jerseys, it is a famous name from the sixties and seventies who has a Lake Wandawega tie.

Ray Nitschke, #66 for Green Bay Packers, spent his childhood summers on Lake Wandawega. Nitschke played 15 seasons for the Packers starting in 1958 and continuing through 1972. In 1969, he was named the best linebacker in NFL history. Even today, he is remembered as one of the best linebackers in the history of the sport.

Ray and his family left the Wandawega area while he was still a young boy. But those old enough to remember him, remember him with an easy smile and a gleam in his eye. Sadly, Ray passed away in 1998. While you probably won't see the name of "Nitschke" on any jerseys today, he definitely deserves a place among the great Packer players and a place among the famous who spent some time at our own Lake Wandawega!

### Beach Beautification Project

A subcommittee of the Wandawega Country Club Board is exploring options for improving the appearance of the two Wandawega Beaches. Suggested modifications include additional plantings, fencing to define the beach areas, buoys to mark the swim area and benches to provide additional seating, as well as a coat of paint to existing tables and structures. Future considerations also include erosion control on the upper area of the West Beach. Any changes to land at the water's edge

require coordination with the Town of Sugar Creek as well as the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. It is the goal of the Board to provide improvements for the benefit of the property owners, while respecting nature. This fall, additional picnic tables were added or repaired, so that each beach has three tables.

### Your Help is Needed!

To run any successful organization it takes dedicated members helping out. Listed below are some of the possible opportunities for paid jobs during the 2008 season. Are you interested in any of them? Do you have the time and the skills to help out? Contact a board member for further information.

- Lake weed raking after cutting is done
- General beach clean up
- Lawn mowing: clubhouse and beaches
- Clubhouse cleaning
- Clubhouse electrical and plumbing work
- Outside clubhouse grounds maintenance
- Piers installation and removal
- Landscaping beach areas

### Summer of 2008 Pig Roast

Wandawega property owners have indicated interest in seeing the Annual Pig Roast revived. The Pig Roast was an annual July event held for several years. Not only were participants treated to pork and trimmings, but there was a bar, entertainment, door prizes and raffles. This was an important money maker for the organization and a huge amount of work for a few people.

The Board has been in discussions about holding a Pig Roast this summer as one of its community events, but is considering whether to bring it back in its original form as a very involved money maker, or to scale it back to a social event, in which the organization breaks even. Even at that, the planning and carrying out of the event is quite an effort. Knowing that property owners are interested in assisting would help the Board to make a final decision about this event. If you would like to volunteer to help with the Pig Roast, call Joyce Hayward at 262-742-5249.

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*The clubhouse can be rented by property owners (whose maintenance assessments are current) for only \$50. Rental dates for the 2008 season, starting in May, are now available. Call Judy Paul at (262) 742-2731.*