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Wolf Lake Yacht Club newsletter from which all pertinent signals shall be displayed

THE MARCH 2014 BOARD MEETING

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The March 6th board meeting was full of lively discussions ranging from membership ideas, fee structure comments, and budget presentation. Our current membership count is 54 seniors, 2 juniors, 4 senior II, 4 senior II life and 13 life members. Michelle Burdick is now a senior member and the board unanimously voted in the Chames family as our newest senior members. We discussed the current dock situation (4 members on the waiting list) and the layout. The spring clean up and dock day will be April 26th at 9am. All club members are

expected to help. If you have a boat spot please come prepared with waders and gloves and expect to get wet!. The inside of the club needs windows washed and help is needed to box up the left over items from the garage sale and help raking and cleanup outside as well as taking out the picnic tables and chairs for the summer! Please plan on coming out to the club and enjoying the morning and early afternoon on the lake. WLYC apparel sales have done well with over \$600 sold. The 125 man dinner made over \$700. The next board meeting will be April 10th at 6:30pm.

The Wolf Lake Festival sponsored by the WLYC for our 75th anniversary will be held Saturday June 14th from noon-11pm. A live band was approved at the board meeting to play from 6-10pm. A planning meeting will take place this Friday March 28th at 7pm to plan games, food, contests, rides, etc. Everyone is invited to attend with your ideas and comments. Invites and notifications will be extended to the club's neighbors before the event to avoid conflicts. Please save the date (Saturday June 14th) because a lot of help will be needed to make this event a major fundraiser for the club.

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GARAGE SALE

The annual club garage sale will be held **Thursday-Saturday April 24th-26th**. Help is need to work the sale Thursday 8am-4pm,

Friday 8am-4pm and Saturday 9am-noon. Donations are desperately needed. Items that go well are toys, clothes, bed linens, tools, etc.

Please do not bring TV's or computers because we cannot get rid of those items if they do not sell. Anything that does not sell will be donated to St Vincent DePaul. Contact Jessica Dameron 536-7021 or Mary Covill 522-6152 if you can help work or sort items.

KUDOS

Thank you to:

*Bob and Kedra Lyke for their generous \$5000 to the club.

*All the club members who manned our booth at the EXPO

*The Stokers who donated a printer to the club

*To Jo Jankowski and her family They made a summer evening for the Vandercook Lions Blind cookout a huge success. Bob Lyke and Jo and Clint French contributed too!

I can no other answer make, but, thanks, and thanks. -William Shakespeare

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The club hosts 3 pancake breakfasts this summer:

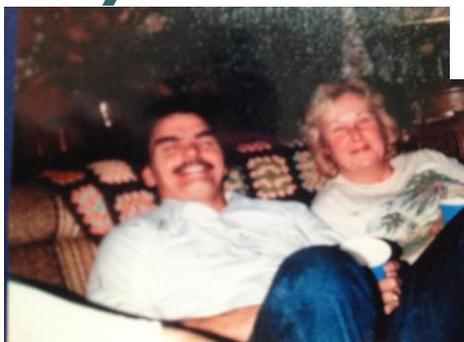
Sunday May 25th (Sailors)

Friday July 4th-need host family

Sunday August 31st-need a host family

Volunteers are paid in six figures... S-M-I-L-E-S.

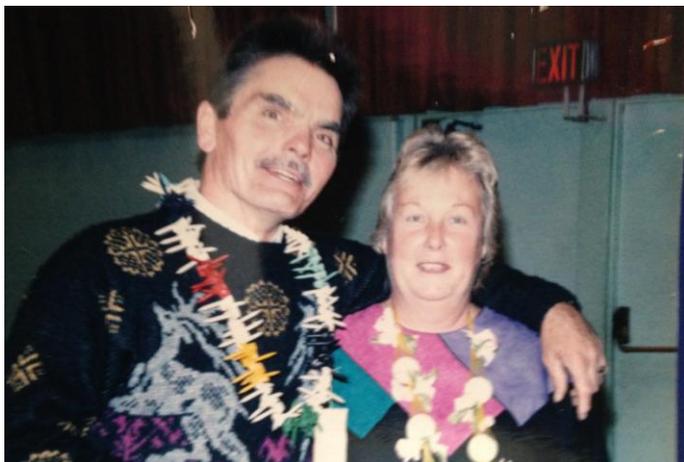
Jo Jankowski and Spike Slayton



DUES ARE NOW PAST DUE !! YOU ARE NOT A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING AND WILL BE DROPPED FROM THE WLYC MEMBERSHIP at the next board meeting. IF YOU NEED AN EXTENSION PLEASE CONTACT BRENT WILLIAMS, Our Commodore ,IN WRITING bjw1975@comcast.net ASAP. The next board meeting is April 10th at 6:30pm

SAILING NEWS

The sailors had their kickoff meeting February 16th. Our fleet will be sailing on Tuesday nights (and maybe an occasional Sunday). A top gun regatta and regional qualifier will be held in August. Sailing training will start May 21st for 4 weeks with a cost of \$20. Contact Jim Towler 784-4250 for more information and to sign up. The club has sailboats to use. Adults and kids are welcome. Make it a date night or a family affair. The sailors will also host the Memorial Day breakfast.



CLUB MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT and CLUB MEMORIES

Jo Jankowski joined the club April 9th, 1981 and is still an active member. Kathy Cyphers, Jo's daughter, a club member, introduced her mom (a widower) to Spike Slayton, Although they were complete opposites they hit it off, fell in love and the rest was Wolf Lake history. They enjoyed each other's company for over 30 years until Spike died 2 years ago. Jo lives at the end of Highland Drive and Spike lived up in the Grove. They never married but he took in Jo's family(4 kids) as his own. This is her memories."I have had a great time at the club. I sailed a little and came in last but I always enjoyed the free beer at the finish line! Spike and I golfed with other club members and grazed around the course. We played cards on Sundays and had potlucks with the older members. We had a lot of good times and friends like Orpha May, Thelma Denney, Cathy Butchart, Cathy Klingomen, Nancy Haines, Ginny Joslin, Nancy Hogle, Elaine Osborn, Flossie Washburn, Muriel Wasilew, and Pat Olney. We had many a good laughs playing cards. I enjoyed kitchen duty with Kendra Lyke, Thelma Denney, Orpha May, Mary Welsh, Jean Denney, Mary Snyder (she made the best chocolate fudge frosted brownies) AND ALL THE WOMEN THAT WORKED ON THE REGATTAS AND DINNERS. Spike and I had 31 years together and enjoyed all our family and friends. (Even our 29 hour trip up north to see the colors). The lake has been a great place to live. My husband and I purchased the old TOP NOTCH cabin on Wolf Lake in June 1968 and moved out here in June 1972 and rough it in the cottage for a year until we put our house up for sale in 1973. I love the lake and all the club memories".

Jo Jankowski was one of the only three female WLYC commodores in the past 75 years (1997-1998).



I became a member of the Wolf Lake Yacht Club in either 1980 or 1981. My dad had passed away in 1980, when I was 20 and I joined shortly thereafter. I purchased a Sunfish sailboat from Jim Towler's dad. I had always wanted to race. My dad was not a Yacht Club fan and would not buy a Sunfish nor let us participate in racing. On the other hand, I watched many summers with envy, the sunfish racers from our dock or the many boats that were docked at our house. Nancy Haines sponsored me, she also taught me how to golf that summer. I remember being interviewed by Charlie Butchart and I believe, Charlie Hogle. I had entered the time of my life. I worked, raced sailboats and hung out at the club. I became fast friends with many of the club members. I worked a lot of pancake breakfasts, parties, and attended many functions. Regattas were great we had a lot of participants from both in and outside the club. I participated in the only New Year's day race in 1981 when the lake did not freeze over. I golfed on the golf league and had a lot of fun getting ribbed by some of the older members. I was nick-named by one particular member and I will not repeat what my nickname was but it had to do over the excitement of purchasing my first pickup truck.

I actually became a member before my mom (Jo Jankowski). In fact, I sponsored her into the club after her surprise 40th Birthday party and I introduced her to Spike Slayton. We both hung out there a lot. As life goes I had met my first husband, married, drove truck with him and moved to Florida for a while. I then moved back, divorced and found myself remarried four years later and then came the babies, David then Sara. I went back to college, changed jobs, and raised my two wonderful kids. In between all the changes, I still remained a club member and had to go inactive for a while. I still found the club one of my favorite places to be. Now after a 15 year hiatus from married life, I now find myself them being Secretary and one of them as Vice Commodore. making that trip to matrimony one more time, this summer with Henry Woods. My soul mate and I had dated 20 years ago and he came back into my life in the last year, it was meant to be. My kids are pretty much grown and just about to leave the nest. In the last 10 years, I spent at least 5 of I have seen the club transform its self and although we have experienced some rather painful growing pains, the club still sticks together as a whole. I am looking forward to many more years of club fun and friendships. I feel lucky to belong. There is not a better place to be then on Wolf Lake in the summer or even winter when the weather cooperates. See you all out on the lake! Kathy Cyphers

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Wolf Lake Yacht Club is located on the north shore of Big Wolf Lake. The club was founded in 1939 by lake enthusiasts to enjoy and promote water activities including sailing, boating and social events.

Come out to the club this year and celebrate our 75th anniversary on the lake!

2014 Board members:

Commodore: Brent Williams 795-8625

Vice Commodore: Don Crabtree 937-5839

Treasurer: Kendra Lyke 764-1019

Secretary: Mary Covill 936-6079

Member at large: Angie Cochran 522-3200

Member at large: Lynn Weage-Harshbarger 522-5322

Social committee chairman: Christi Epperly 748-9154

Building and grounds/docks: Bob Stoker 522-3200 and Keegan Birchfield 536-0957

Fleet Captain: Jim Towler 784-4250

Past Commodore: Charlie Butchart 787-5189

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Our social committee chairwoman is Christi Epperly, **748-9154**. She is open to suggestions and ideas. The next board meeting is Thursday April 10th at 6:30pm. All club members are invited to attend.

Upcoming Dates:

Festival Planning March 28 7pm

Garage Sale April 24-26th

Spring cleanup/Dock Day 9am

All events and private party rentals can be found on our website under the calendar.

75th Anniversary Extravaganza
Saturday June 14th noon-11pm

Euchre parties will resume in the Fall.

Help is needed with all the events. Reminder that 5 participation hours required every year. Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does. ~William James

If you need a key to the club please contact Brent Williams or Don Crabtree or come to the board meeting April 10th!

