HAPPY 4th of July

LAKE GEORGE BREEZE

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FREEDOM FEST 2018

In 2017, the LGCA hosted the first ever Lake George FreedomFest. After very strong attendance and boatloads of positive feedback, we are proud to be bringing back FreedomFest in 2018! As with last year, the event begins with the Lake George Boat Parade at 6:30PM and leads directly into the Dan Smyth Band playing live music on shores of Lake George at **7:00 PM.** The event concludes with the world-famous Lake George Fireworks at 10:00 PM.

We are extremely fortunate to have the continued support of Lake George and it's cottagers to make this event possible. A special thanks to Carole and Dave Venderley for use of their beautiful shoreline, to Kathy and Jerry Kurtz for supplying power for the event, and to Patty and Jim Vail and all of the Lake George Beach neighbors for helping host the event.

We would also like to recognize our partners: Todd Sutton and The Lake George Marina for their continued help with the Lake George Firework Barges. And Dan Smyth with the Dan Smyth Band. Make sure to Like "Dan Smyth Music" on Facebook to find out where you can catch an upcoming performance and keep your eyes peeled for a new album this fall!

For a behind the scenes look and the latest news and updates on FreedomFest 2018, make sure to join the official **Facebook Event!**

ALL LAKE GEORGE RESIDENTS COME JOIN US ON THE LAKE!!!

Meeting Reminder

Lake George Conservancy Annual Meeting

Saturday, July 21 9:00 AM, Conservancy Building

There's been a lot happening this year with the Lake George Conservancy! Come to the annual meeting and hear about exciting current and future Conservancy projects.

INLAND CATS

It's a new season for the Inland Cat Class Sailing Association! As we enter summer 61 of the Inland Cat fleet, changes in the schedule haven't deterred our sailors. With two lovely days of sailing in June and two races each day, 4 races were completed. The standings are as follows: First place: Jonathan Larimore, 2nd place Jack Stiefel, 3rd place Rick Ahaus and 4th place Jim Larimore.

The 61st Annual Inland Cat Regatta will take place on July 27 and July 28th. **Anyone with an Inland Cat or an interest in sailing is welcome to join as sailors are often in need of someone to help crew.** Proceeds of this year's annual auction will go to a local organization in honor of Lyle Reiff, a longtime member of the fleet who died suddenly in October. For more information, contact Nancy Stiefel or Rick Ahaus.

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Michael P. McAlear (1960-2017)

Mike helped Paul Schlatter in safeguarding our residents and leading the Boat Parades. He had a great, warm smile!! Mike lived on the Millpond in the big, beautiful log cabin next to the bridge.

Mike McAlear, who had both a bachelor and master degrees from the University of Toledo, was a 2006 graduate of the Ohio Basic Peace Officer Training Academy at Owens. He served as an auxiliary deputy sheriff in Wood and Sandusky counties in Ohio and was a reserve Marine deputy for Steuben County, Indiana, where the family had a beautiful home on the Mill Pond, Lake George.

He was president and owner of Service Spring Corp., which makes springs for both commercial and residential overhead applications. Founded in 1962 by his grandfather Clarence Veigel. Mike served on numerous boards and embraced philanthropic practices.

"He continually pushed forward and figured out how best he could live his life battling cancer, assumed the best and that he would get through it," his son Kevin said.

Mike looked forward to serving Steuben County as a Deputy Sheriff. He was very thoroughly trained for this avocation and delighted in excelling in all of the mandated exercises.

Michael was only 56 years. Thank you Mike, you will be missed!

WELCOME NEW LAKE GEORGERS!!

Gary & Sarah Demaree

Millpond residents this is your new neighbor!! Please meet Gary and Sarah Demaree, of Muncie, Indiana. Gary was a financial advisor and Sarah is a registered nurse. Both are retired and recently purchased Mike McAlear's beautiful log cabin .

Sarah and Gary have 3 daughters: 1. Margaret, of Lexington KY, registered nurse, 2 children, Ginny, 14, and sister Merianne, 13. 2. Meredith, of Muncie, Urgent Care, Mgr. 2 children, Charlie, 9 and Rhianna, 7. Lastly, Allison, of Muncie, cancer nurse, no children yet. Seems there is a health industry pattern here! I am sure their grandkids will be here at lot when this weather cooperates!!

Gary & Sylvia Koester

Let me introduce to you Gary and Sylvia Koester of Defiance, OH! Gary opened Koester Metals, Inc. in Fremont, IN Gary and Sylvia recently purchased a home on Kope Kon Road close to the tennis courts. Sylvia is the owner of Second Story B & B in Defiance.

Gary and Sylvia have been updating their new cottage ever since they arrived and it looks great! Good job.

They have 2 grown children: Matthew and Megan, both are married and Matthew has 2 sons ages 2 & 4. Won't they have fun coming to grandma and grandpa's new cottage.

CANDID CAMERA

While out driving my car I came across kids using the tennis court. A sight to behold since the courts don't get a lot of use anymore. This little kids were having a great time taking turns with the ball thrower!! They are Suzie Fulgrum's grandkids up here on a week or two vacation. John, left, Robby right and Mariele in the middle. Marielel is on the tennis team at school so it's important for her to practice!! Have fun guys, we love seeing kids using the courts and having a "ball"!

WATCH OUT LAKE GEORGE I WILL HAVE MY CAMERA WITH ME ON THE 4 OF JULY HOLIDAY TO CAPTURE YOU, FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN ACTION! YOU MIGHT BE SEEN IN NEXT MONTH'S BREEZE!!!

"WANTED – PONTOON"

Pontoon wanted: 18-20 ft. cruiser, gently used, 40-60 hp 4-stroke motor, cover and bimini top.

Please email: parker1111@gmail.com, or

call Teri Parker 614-371-6474.

Register Today for No Child Left Indoors

The Lake George Conservancy sponsors No Child Left Indoors, a free nature study program for children ages 5 to 12. It's a fun program held on Monday mornings in July.

We welcome up to 25 children each session but you do need to sign up, and parents must sign the permission slip. You can register your child with Linda Weaver at 419-783-1402 or e-mail her at lindaweaver7@gmail.com.

Coordinator Nancy Stiefel shared these plans for this summer's three sessions:

Session #1 – "Reflections on Lake George History" on Monday, July 9th, from 10:00 AM to noon at the Millpond Property. Rick Weaver will explain what a mill is and why we call that area of Lake George "the millpond." Each family will receive a copy of "Reflections on Lake George" and hear what it was like to grow up on Lake George in "the old days." Linda Weaver is our lead volunteer.

Session #2- "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle" on Monday, July 16th, 10:00 AM to noon at the Conservancy Property. Courtney Ley from Northeast Indiana Solid Waste Management District will explain why recycling is important for our lake and what happens to our recycled items after the truck picks them up. Jo Ellen Smith is our lead volunteer.

Session # 3. "Let's Go Fishing" on Monday, July 23rd, 10:00 AM to noon at 1053 Kope Kon Road where the kids will fish in the channel. This session is always popular with a presentation by Justin Elston of D'S BAIT AND TACKLE which also supplies the bait. Please bring your life jacket and a fishing rod if you have one. A rod will be provided if needed. Lisa Amick is our lead volunteer.

A snack and a craft project are also part of each session as well as a story or two. We recommend children bring a water bottle to each session and wear appropriate clothing and shoes for the weather and location as well as insect repellant. Additional water is provided at each session.

In case of inclement weather, all sessions will be held in the Lake George Conservancy building

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$14,000 OBO

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FOR RENT

5 Bedroom, 3 Bath Lakefront Home on Nipigon Beach Rd.

FALL SPECIALS AVAILABLE!!!!

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THIS CHICKEN HEAD SHOULD REMIND YOU OF SOMETHING!!

THAT'S RIGHT, THE BBQ CHICKEN FUNDRAISER FOR THE LAKE GEORGE CONSERVANCY!!!

SATURDAY, JULY 7, PICK UP 11:00 TO 1:00

Featuring: Nelson BBQ

$7.50 for ½ Chicken, buy 10 get 1 free!

Volunteers Needed on July 7th for either a 11 to Noon **or** Noon to 1 PM shift-call Matt Minnick @ **260-577-5028** or MattandJulieMinnick@gmail.com

CORN-HOLE ON BROWN'S POINT

People on Brown's Point form their own 4th of July party with a Corn-Hole Tournament. Some of the player include:

Bob & Janise Kaufman
Brian & Amy Kaufman
John & Mary Albright
Don & Marilou Dormeier
Barry & Jean Light—(s-i-l)
Fred Macke
Mike & Jana Gepfert
Terry & Barb Minger
Jeff & Sharon Espich (s-i-l)
Troy & LeAnn Fritcha

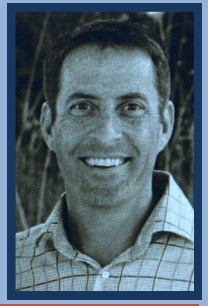
Four corn hole boards are set up within the neighbors yards primarily of Kaufman's, Dormeier's, Albright's and Gepfert's Bob Kaufman serves as the Corn-hole commissioner. There are no fees to enter. Teams are randomly selected with one male and one female on each team which allows neighbors to get to know each other better. The winners receive an embroidered corn hole bag (by Carol Gepfert) with the year on it and the "Bruce and Brucette" traveling coconut trophies.

FALL OF 2017
LASER REGATTA AWARD'S PARTY

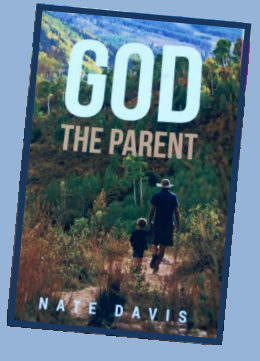
Last year's winners in front row left to right: Jack Stiefel, Kirsten Meyers, Nancy Stiefel, and Nathan Larimore! Congrats sailors!!

Jack Stiefel talking about new race day ideas for 2018

Lake George Author!



Nate Davis

Lake George has another local author, Nate Davis, son of Diana & Joe Davis. Nate recently wrote a book called **"God the Parent"**. He wrote this book after not finding a parenting book that he could relate to on the market. Nate and his wife Ginny have 10 of the most amazing, polite, helpful, athletic children, which, I believe, means his book may be the key to happy children and a happy home!

Nate's book is being sold at our beautiful Boutique on Saturdays till 1:00. Makes a great gift for the young parents to be!!