



Newsletter July/August 2008

NEXT MEETING: August 9, 9:00 A.M. at COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH McCARDLE and MAIN STREETS

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PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Christie and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all lake residents as well as Council Grove community members for the cards, letters, phone calls, memorials, and most importantly, prayers during this most difficult time. We're truly overwhelmed and impressed with the support we received from our Morris County community. This support has provided us with inner strength as we deal with our daughter Jana's death. Jana, a 25 year old law student at KU, was murdered on July 2, 2008 in Lawrence, Kansas. My plans were for her to take a leadership role in the Lake Association after she completed her studies (I'm also confident that was not in Jana's plans).



We would also like you to know that Jana loved the City Lake. She spent many summer weekends enjoying water sports and time with family and friends. Her two favorite places in the entire world were Mass Street in Lawrence and the Council Grove City Lake. Let me also reassure you that Christie and I are more determined than ever to work hard for the Lake Association and continue to seek improvements to the Council Grove City Lake. Jana Mackey's family is proud to call the Council Grove City Lake our home. Again, thank you for all your love and support.

THANK YOU TO DAN MAY FAMILY FOR FIREWORK FINALE

"Awesome!" "Fantastic!" "Beautiful!" "That's cool!" "That's a good one, Papa!" were just a few of the comments from the 20+ people sitting on docks, lawn chairs cabin decks and boats on the water, watching the Dan May fireworks display, Saturday evening, July 5th. The fireworks show was a glorious, colorful, explosive patriotic sight to behold! Our thanks go out to Dan May and his family (J-12), for an entertaining finale to another great 4th of July weekend, at the City Lake.

If you would like to donate to next year's production, please make checks payable to the Lake Association and designate the money to go to the "Fireworks Fund". Send your checks to: **Council Grove Lake Association, PO Box 13, Council Grove, KS 66846.**

WRAP-UP OF 4TH OF JULY

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Council Grove City Lake 4th of July celebration. It was a wonderful evening and everyone had a great time. The Lake Association would like to thank all those who decorated their boats and lakefronts. These types of activities help build a strong sense of community at the lake and we appreciate all who participated. Please see the lake association website for photographs of all the events and decorations. This year's winners in the boat decorating contest were: First place-Jerry Roth Families(C-2 & C-3), Second place-Winter Family (I-5), and Third place-Barry Clark Family(K-19). Lakefront decorating contest winners were: First place-Birney Family(A-7), Second place-Jerry Roth Families(C-2 & C-3), and Third place-Jantz Family(H-11). A very special thank you goes to the Flint Hills Community Band. Their live music adds a new dimension to the Regatta that was greatly appreciated.



Roths Take 1st Place

CITY LAKE BIOLOGICAL SURVEY REPORT AT JULY LAKE ASSOCIATION MEETING

On May eighth, a team from Kansas University conducted a Biological survey of the Council Grove City Lake. The team of scientist will presented their report of the City Lake Biological Survey to the public and distributed maps of the city lake at the July 12th Lake Association meeting.

Funded by the Kansas Water Office, the Kansas Biological Survey's ASTRA (Applied Science and Technology for Reservoir Assessment) team employs state-of-the-art bathymetric mapping sonar that creates 3-D color-coded depth maps of reservoirs and highly detailed maps of lake bottom contours and sediment thickness. Maps resulting from the survey will be of interest to boaters, fishermen, and lake managers. The bathymetric survey will also result in the creation of tables that show the capacity of the lake.

ZEBRA MUSSELS FOUND AT MARION LAKE

As reported by the Topeka Capital Journal, the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks (KDWP) confirmed the presence of zebra mussels at the Marion Reservoir. KDWP is extremely frustrated because the spread of zebra mussels can be prevented. Again, we call on all lake residents and their visiting friends to take responsible measures to prevent zebra mussels from spreading to the Council Grove City Lake. Always take the following precautions. 1) Never move fish or water from one body to another. 2) Empty bait buckets on dry land, not into lakes. 3) Always inspect boats, trailers, and anchors and remove visible organisms and vegetation. 4) Wash equipment with hot water and a 10% chlorine/water solution or dry for at least five days.

LIABILITY INSURANCE

Following the support of the general membership, the Lake Association Board of Directors has purchased both a general liability insurance policy and a BOD and officers liability insurance policy. In the fall of 2007 the Lake Association general membership gave approval for the executive committee to purchase such policies for the Lake Association.

LAKE RESIDENT VERN HAY WINS COMMISSIONER VOTE

City Lake resident Vern Hay finished six votes ahead of incumbent Darrel Miller in a tight primary race for District Two Morris County Commissioner. The two incumbent Morris County Commissioners faced stiff competition in their re-election bid. In District Three Diana Jost defeated incumbent Jerry Britt.

The Lake Association leadership would like to congratulate those lake residents and lake property owners who worked tirelessly in support of their candidates. It is important that we all be actively involved in the political process. Election outcomes undoubtedly could have a major impact on local government issues as they relate to the city lake.

EMAIL LAKE NEWS

If you would like to receive current news about the lake and Council Grove that is of interest to lake homeowners, and other interested people, send an email request to cglakeassoc@gmail.com. For those of you already receiving lake email news, please notice our email address has changed. You may need to add the new address to your contacts list to prevent our emails from going to your spam email box. We will continue to monitor the old email address.

JOIN LAKE ASSOCIATION

Forgot to pay your dues? It's not too late. We strongly encourage all lake homeowners to join in our efforts. Be a part of the lake community and let your voice be heard.

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PO Box 13, Council Grove, Ks 66846
2008 Annual Dues \$25.00**

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