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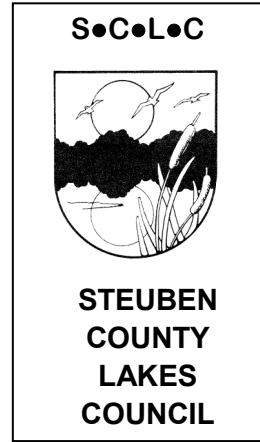
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PRESIDENT'S LIVE BOX

Submitted by Janet Bohney
Steuben County Lakes Council President

KEEPING OUR LAKES & WATERWAYS CLEAN FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW



On March 20 of this year, the SCLC, along with other non-for profits in our area received a generous donation. Our water quality program will benefit from this donation. The following evening the Steuben County Lakes Council received an award from the Indiana Lakes Management Society for being the "Outstanding Lakes Association in Indiana", During the conference held at Potawatomi Inn, many people related to our contingent how they look up to the SCLC and the good job they do. I personally sat with a couple from another county who asked me how we can do what we do. I seriously told them, it was our large contingent of volunteers from all the lakes who help us move forward in our endeavors.

These accolades and awards are a direct result of our water quality program which is growing every year. However, the program is not free. We need people to join us in this endeavor. The water quality in Steuben County affects everyone whether you live on a lake or not. Water quality affects the infrastructure of our community. It affects jobs, economics, generational legacies, opportunity, and a healthy environment. It improves property values which in turn improves the economy of businesses, restaurants, retailers, builders, marinas, and professionals to name a few, in the area. The more individuals, restaurants, retailers, marinas, and professionals that join our council, the better our water quality program and the better our water quality testing program, an important part of keeping our lakes and waterways clean and vibrant. Which helps to keep Steuben County a beautiful and economically vital area of Indiana. The cost to join us in this endeavor, which is so important to all of us is \$40 for individuals and \$45 for businesses yearly. That doesn't seem like much considering what it does for our community, our children, and our future. If you haven't already joined the SCLC, please consider doing so.

Sincerely,

Janet Bohney, SCLC President

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Name _____ Name of Lake _____

Address of Lake Property _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Preferred mailing address if different than lake address:

Mailing Address _____

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Individual Membership \$40.00 _____

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Water Quality Donation _____

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Mail to: SCLC – 317 S. Wayne St., Ste. 2A, Angola, IN 46703

MEMBERSHIP NOTES

Steuben County Lakes Council is now into their 52nd year. Our annual member-ship drive for 2024 began in January. It gives our organization great pleasure to thank all of you who have joined us again with your membership contribution. If you have not yet joined for this year, please use the form above to show us your support.

Membership dues help provide funding for materials to Steuben County 2nd grade students to teach water quality. In cooperation with Steuben County Soil & Water Conservation District, 4th graders receive environmental materials following a field day trip in the fall. We also provide a \$5,000 scholarship to a Steuben County graduate who will be studying in the environmental sciences field each year. Monies given for scholarships throughout the year are used to supply this scholarship fund.

Your membership contribution also funds the publication of the *Bobber Watchin'* in the summer and the *Soundings* in the fall. Your contribution to the Water Quality Donation also helps to fund over 60 sites of water quality testing in the watersheds of Steuben County.

STEUBEN COUNTY LAKES COUNCIL, INC. BOARD MEETINGS

Learn more about your Steuben County Lakes Council by attending our Board meetings. They are held the first Saturday of each month (except January) at the Steuben County Community Foundation, 1701 North Wayne Street, Angola, IN, at 8:30 a.m. The August 3 meeting will be at the Pleasant Township Trustees Office starting with breakfast at 8:00 a.m. The meetings are open to the public. Come, join the discussions, and help us keep the lakes and streams clean and beautiful.

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Managing Residential Stormwater In A Changing Climate

Rain barrels capture rainwater from roofs and can provide you with water for lawns, flowers, and plants. Increasing the number of trees and shrubs not only provides shade and aesthetics but the tree leaves, branches, and bark intercept and absorb rainwater and reduce erosion by slowing rainfall before it hits the ground.

In addition to the above practices, you could plant more native plants in your landscape. Growing native plants involves using "conservation landscaping" to convert areas of your lawn to beautiful gardens using native plant species. Your compacted soil of lawn grass does little to absorb runoff. By contrast, native species have deeper root systems which help increase infiltration and filter water. Native plants are also better adapted to the region's particular climate conditions; once they are established, they should require little watering.

If you want more information on what you can do as a homeowner to further protect our precious water resources, call the Steuben County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) at 260/665-3211, ext. 3 and we will more than happy to help. Also – check out our new SWCD video "Managing Stormwater in the Home Landscape" which can be found under the "Urban" tab on the Steuben County SWCD's website (www.steubenswcd.org).

WHO NEEDS A AN INDIANA EDUCATION CARD?

BY INDIANA DNR

All boaters at least 15 years old and will be operating a motorboat or PWC but do not have an Indiana driver's license need a Boater Education Card. BOATERexam.com is a delegated provider for the Indiana Department of Natural Resources.

The Indiana Boater Education Card is proof that a boater has taken and passed an approved boater education course. As of January, 1996, all vessel or PWC operators are required to hold a valid driver's license in order to operate on all Indiana public waters.

All persons who are 15 years of age, or persons 16 years and older who do not have a driver's license, may only operate a motorboat or PWC once they have successfully completed a Boater Education course that is approved by the Department of Natural Resources. They must then carry onboard an I.D. issued by the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles stating successful course completion, at all times while operating.

Many boating fatalities occur because boaters aren't educated about boating safety. Indiana believes that an educated boater is a safer boater.

ARTICLE FROM KAREN DEFOREST

2024

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**Managing Residential Stormwater In A Changing Climate**

*Submitted by Aimee M. Wentworth & Janel S. Meyer,
 Steuben County Soil & Water Conservation District*

Have you noticed weather patterns such as precipitation and temperatures changing, along with extreme weather events becoming more common? According to "Indiana's Past and Future Climate: A Report from the Indiana Climate Change Impacts Assessment," temperatures are rising, more precipitation is falling and coming in heavier downpours, and the last spring frost of the year has been getting steadily earlier. The assessment predicts wetter winters and springs by mid-century, while forecasted changes for summer and fall precipitation are less certain.

Why does this matter? It matters because of the increased risk of flooding and risk of increased amounts of fertilizer and sediment washing into nearby water bodies from both residential and agricultural areas, which negatively impacts water quality. As a homeowner, what can you do to reduce the potential of flooding? Reduce stormwater from running onto your neighbor's property? Reduce the potential of fertilizer running into waterbodies? Answer: Soak up that rain!! Install a conservation practice to soak up the rain and reduce runoff.

When natural areas are converted to make room for development or smaller lake houses are replaced with larger houses, we are introducing impervious surfaces (e.g., rooftops, roads, parking lots, and driveways) or surfaces where water can't infiltrate which changes the way water flows over and through the land. That's right, you have stormwater running off your yard! Hard surfaces create stormwater runoff. Small changes in the way properties are managed can have a big impact and help protect the waterbodies we play in and depend upon.

Take steps to protect your home and community now – using simple residential practices such as (1) redirecting downspouts, (2) installing pervious pavers or gravel, (3) installing rain barrels, (4) increasing the number of urban trees and shrubs, and (5) growing native plants to reduce the amount of water running off your property.

Redirecting downspouts can be as simple as adding a downspout extension to direct water to a vegetated area where water can better infiltrate. Pervious pavers or gravel are alternatives to traditional pavement or concrete and allow rainwater and melting snow to seep through and infiltrate

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ANNUAL MEETING NOTIFICATION

**A CORDIAL INVITATION
TO THE PUBLIC
STEBEN COUNTY LAKES COUNCIL
INVITES YOU
WHEN—SATURDAY, AUGUST 3
WHERE—NEW LOCATION**

**PLEASANT TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE'S OFFICE
2510 N 200 W
ANGOLA, IN**

BREAKFAST PROVIDED AT 8:00 A.M.

BUSINESS MEETING AT 8:45 A.M.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

COME AND SHARE YOUR CONCERNS

Splash of Color: Steuben County Rain Barrell Revival Event

Submitted by Kris Thomas, MS4 Coordinator/Engineering Assistant, City of Angola

The City of Angola/Trine University MS4 and the Steuben County Soil & Water Conservation District have joined with Angola Mainstreet to bring the "Splash of Color: Steuben County Rain Barrel Revival" initiative to downtown Angola. This event brings conservation and art together for an event everyone can enjoy. The partnering organizations hope to bring an understanding of water conservation to the community as well as emphasize the importance of water resource protection.

Rain barrels provide many benefits. One benefit people can definitely relate to these days is saving money. While the cost of everything seems to be on the rise, you can see some significant cost savings on your water bill by putting rain barrels to use. The EPA has estimated that a homeowner can save an average of 1,300 gallons of water each year. That can add up to significant savings on a water bill. Every gallon of harvested rainwater used is one less gallon out of your faucet. Collected rainwater can be used for many household chores including watering lawns, gardens, indoor and outdoor plants, and washing cars or outdoor furniture. You will be able to keep your flower or vegetable gardens in good shape during brief dry spells, once again saving you from using your tap. Rain barrels also conserve energy through the reduction of potable, or drinkable, water and generation of wastewater.

Rain barrels also have a positive impact on the environment. One significant benefit is reducing the amount of stormwater runoff that makes its way to local waterways. Heavy rains can cause fast-flowing runoff that has so much velocity it causes erosion of stream banks and ditches. This can cause a heavy sediment load to enter streams, rivers, and lakes, which will have negative impacts on aquatic plants and animals. The more stormwater runoff that can be captured not only reduces the overall velocity of the runoff, but it also reduces the volume of the runoff. This can help reduce localized flooding during heavy rain events. It's important to remember that stormwater runoff does not receive any treatment before it enters our local waterways, so whatever it picks up, whether pesticides, chemical fertilizers, or automotive fluids from driveways and parking lots, these pollutants will be carried directly to our waterways. By capturing rainwater, rain barrels help reduce the amount of runoff that can pick up and transport pollutants to local waterways.

The partnering agencies have provided eight rain barrels to the first eight area individuals, businesses, and organizations who expressed interest in the Splash of Color event.

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Reflections on a Lake returns

Submitted by Amy Oberlin, 101 Lakes Trust, Inc.

The 101 Lakes Trust will host Reflections on a Lake at Hamilton Lake on Sunday, Aug. 18 in conjunction with the Hamilton Lake Association's 50th anniversary.

The event features Hamilton Lake history, boat rides and food. More details will be coming soon.

Following a hiatus, Reflections returns to Hamilton Lake, where it started in 2007. It has circulated through many of the area resort lakes, including Lake James, Crooked Lake, Jimmerson Lake, Lake Gage, Lake George, Pleasant Lake, Lake Pleasant, West Otter Lake and Snow Lake.

Also returning this year is the annual essay contest. Adult and youth entries will be accepted in poetry and prose. This year's theme is "The future of our water." Playing off the 50-year anniversary theme, writers are asked to project 50 years into the future.

Some of our grandparents and even great-grandparents lived around local lakes, and family memories are still being created. Building on that foundation, writers are asked to gaze into the crystal balls of their imagination and share a glimpse of what our lakes will look like 50 years from now.

Entries are accepted at 101lakestrust@gmail.com. The contest will run throughout the summer. Cash awards will be provided for both youth and adult writers.



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Splash of Color: Steuben County Rain Barrel Revival Event

The rain barrels will serve as the canvas for the artists' design creations. The artwork completion date has been set for June 27th. Once the finished rain barrels have been submitted, they will be displayed in the downtown quadrants beginning July 1st. Visitors will be able to view the decorated barrels for the month of July and will also be able to vote for their favorite design until August 2nd. A People's Choice winner will be announced the next day, August 3rd, during the Angola Art Fest. Community members will also be able to enter a raffle to win one of the beautifully painted rain barrels. This event highlights how repurposed rain barrels can add value to your landscape, as well as help protect your local water resources. We hope to see you downtown during our event

Water Quality

Submitted by Bill Schmidt, Technical Vice President

The Lakes Council has been testing for many years. We test for, among other things, e coli and phosphate. We are looking for sources of these chemicals to try to minimize their occurrence in the counties water.

There are things that you as a lake resident can do to reduce the occurrence of phosphate in the county waters. The list is below:

1. Use zero phosphate lawn fertilizer. On the bag it is the third number. Zero is the goal. If you are starting a lawn, still use the start fertilizer as phosphate is needed to develop strong roots for the grass. If you use a lawn service, request they use a zero phosphate product. Most services have this available.
2. When using lawn fertilizer and there is a spill on a hard surface, sweep it up. Washing the spill with water puts the mixture into drains that typically goes to the lake.
3. When cleaning up leaves in the fall, do not blow the leaves into the water. The leaves contain phosphate and it is leached out into the water. Leaving the leaves on the yard and mulching them is a low cost way to apply phosphate to your yard.
4. Do not dispose of animal waste in the water. Animal waste contains not only phosphate but also e coli.
5. Do not drain oil changes to drains. The drain typically ends up going to the lake.

Thank you for your interest and consideration.

THANKS

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Hamilton Lake Association	Pine Canyon Lake Association
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Indian Lakes Subdivision (Lk Arrowhead)	Snow Lake Cottagers Association
Jimmerson Lake Prop. Owners Assoc.	West Otter Lake Association
Lake Gage/Lime Lake Association	Whisper Bay Condo Association

Thank You!

ENVIRONMENTAL INTERESTS

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Aquatic Management, Inc.	NE IN Solid Waste Management District
Aquatic Weed Control	Pond Champs
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