

REFLECTION LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2023



Fall has arrived at Reflection Lake!

Jim Boothby, RLCA President

What a beautiful fall here at the lake. Now we get serious about getting ready for winter. Halloween is almost here. The November 7th Board meeting will be last until February of next year. Thanksgiving, Christmas and the New Year is almost upon us. My goals will not change: Dismissal or resolution of lawsuits against the Association; Update the Bylaws; Find members who will operate the Roads Committee. We set 10 other goals for the 23-24 board to accomplish.

"Communications" has become a priority with this current board. Next year's Lake budget is fully funded, barring any more legal disputes, fishing and recreational activities will be Fantastic.

Our new residents are 600 trout. A Huge thank you to the Cox family and all of you who donated to the fish fund.



Jerry Parker, RLCA Treasure

How are we doing financially? Much better in all areas. Spending is down because our president (Jim Boothby) has curtailed billable hours with our attorney. Income is good, and I want to thank all the owners for getting their dues paid. You can follow our financial health by reading the monthly treasurer's report on our website reflectionlake.net

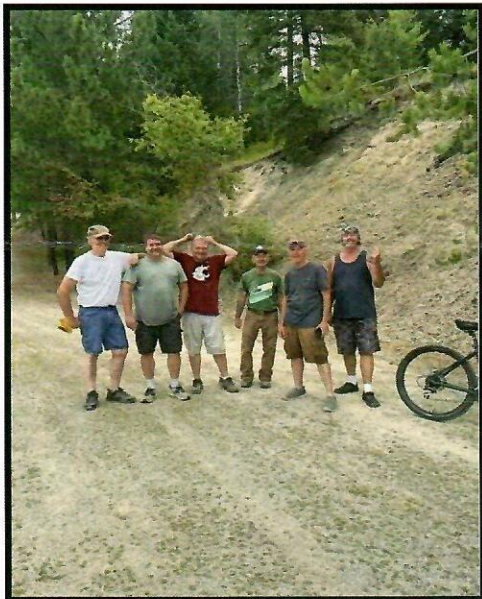
Questions? Call Me at (509) 844-1153

Dinece Browne, RLCA Secretary Need a Guest Card? Want to change your email and phone information? Send an email to reflectionlake62@gmail.com Have a wonderful holiday season.





Volunteers making a difference.



CMD ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2023

Here are some of the accomplishments at our Lake community. Many of the following items listed would not be attainable without the voluntarism of the members of our community. Thank you for the generous donations to fund some of our most important projects. Without your volunteerism and contributions to this beautiful place we call home, would not have been possible. CMD accomplishments as follows: Purchase fish, lake valve repair, Firewise and dumpsters, Community Center painting, turtle beach dock and upgrade, repair of eagle beach dock, plant pen, finished adding rock to the south dam, Bishop's Park shed doors replaced, access lots cleaned and weeded. There are so many more items not listed. Again, thank you to our members that are trying to keep this community together.

CMD Chairs Dan Loos and Gary Long



Community Action Committee Two Movie nights are in the books. Look for more in the coming year. The Monster Mash was a ton of fun. Great costumes, laser tag/games and Food. Caroling around the lake on December 16th. Be on the lookout for more information. We strive to work with making our community positive and look out for our neighbors. Volunteers are what makes our lake complete. Come join us.

Angela Ward, CAC Chair

Invitation to A Beauty Contest

2024 Lake Calendar CAC Project

We live in a picture calendar community. Sixty pictures will be presented at this evening event. You can tell everyone you helped judge a beauty contest by picking the top 13 pictures for our photogenic lake for our 2024 Lake Calendar. All of the other pictures will be printed in the calendar as well. Our many photographers are especially welcome and we would love to hear the backstory of how you got that picture.

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 6PM

Community Center

Refreshments will be served



Lakeside Drive 20 MPH

Sheets Road 15 MPH

Many reports of people driving too fast on our roads. Please slow down, as you all know wildlife and people are important to all of us. Thank You.

HOW TO ORDER THE 2024 LAKE CALENDARS

Mail a check made out to RLCA in ten-dollar increments for the number of calendars you would like to order. Checks will be deposited promptly. Include your address, or Block and Lot

One calendar is \$10 Two calendars are \$20
Etc. (no limit)

Mail to: RLCA

37708 N SHEETS RD

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Housekeeping:

Get ready for winter by cleaning up your yards and garbage. The snow and cold weather is on the way. Start Preparing for Winter



REFLECTION WATER ASSOCIATION

Our privately owned east side water system is an amazingly simple and good water delivery system. The one small spring being utilized has more than enough artesian water to supply hundreds of homes. The Department of Health says that our current system is adequate for 80 hookups.

The current RWA board members are working together with our third party satellite water operator to maintain the equipment and keep water rates low for the users. Our all volunteer board has already cut costs by more than half. We are working to renew our reserve account and will likely be cutting the user fees when that is accomplished. Our operator has purchased a portable generator and we will be installing it soon for less than 1/3rd the cost of the formerly proposed one.

The RWA is currently insured for \$7 million. This covers liability, equipment and terrorism insurance. For the first time in 40 years the RWA members have offered an indemnity agreement to west side members ensuring that no money will be paid by them for our water system.

By working together as one community, grants will be available for all of our needs for years to come. We believe strongly that conservation and maintenance are essential for a sustainable future and that it is our responsibility to succeed at this goal.

A majority of the owners have voted to merge the two corporations. The rationale is clear. To ensure that no one can take, give away, or change our agreements without consent of the owners. We believe in One Lake, One Association.

SECURITY

Another season for outside activities comes to a close!! This of course unless you are part of the population that loves snow, ice, and bundling up!!

All of you, as part of RLCA, represent security and need to give yourselves a big "pat on the back"! It was with your efforts, eyes, ears and voices, that kept many potential problems to a minimum. I appreciate the people who contacted me on several occasions about your interactions with people who needed to be "reminded" or educated about the rules (especially the "non-members").

The problems we more frequently had occur were around illegal fishing (poaching as I call it) by non-members or guests, and speeding on all of our roadways. Several of you on the eastside were proactive in trying to control the speeders by putting up new speed limit signs on Sheets Road. Nicely done! Many of us would signal (in various ways!) to drivers to slow down – which helps sometimes when you see several waving at you! We are still exploring other options for speed control by possibly installing speed bumps (portable to be taken out for snow) on the private roads. We are also looking at more visible signs around the lake stating "private lake, no public fishing" and anything else that makes it easier to see as people drive by and glance at.

As Winter gets serious, we will still need to keep an eye out to help protect our lake and surrounding community. One area of concern will be fishing on the lake. Ice will be forming and a few hearty souls will venture on the lake to fish. Please be cautious of the thin ice at times. As you might be aware we have recently stocked the lake with 600 new rainbow trout and need to be observant for poachers who want to harvest our privately funded trout to fill their ice chests. Eagles and ospreys excluded from the definition of "poachers" !!

With that, time to put the security cart to bed for the winter. I want to express a special thank you to Steve Hutchison for his unwavering assistance in running the cart for a large part of the summer. He not only did a great job in explaining rules to all, but consistently cleaned the access areas and docks as he went. THANKS STEVE.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS! Gary Long RLCA VP