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Fun Facts...

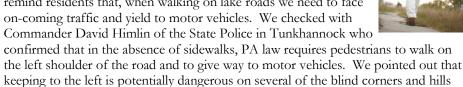
Did you know that Lake Carey is the second largest natural lake in PA.



By Walter Broughton

The LCCA has been asked by the Lemon Township supervisors to remind residents that, when walking on lake roads we need to face on-coming traffic and yield to motor vehicles. We checked with

around the lake. He was sympathetic, but noted that the "law is the law."



We also spoke to Commander Hilmin about speeding on lake roads, and the hazard this raises, especially at dusk when visibility is low and children may be playing outside. He promised to make a special effort to enforce the 25 mph speed limit.

Please encourage family and friends to walk and drive safely.

Kudos

By Walter Broughton



Lake resident's Lisa Burleson, Debbie and Greg Kissell, and June Loncosky pick up trash along the road surrounding the lake.

Hats off to all of you for helping to keep our community clean of trash!

Notes and Reminders

- **Fertilizers**—remember that if you must fertilize your lawns, please use a non-phosphorus fertilizer. Fertilizers are entering are lake and causing great harm to the quality of our water.
- Lake Carey Bible Study Group—The Lake Carey Bible Study group will be meeting again in July and August at the Chapel at 11:00 am. Ruthie Slocum will be leading the group. For more information contact Mary Bishop at 836-2431.
- Raptor Night—On August 11th a presentation will be given by the Delaware Valley Raptors Center at Union Chapel beginning at 7:30 pm. The center will be bringing some visitors to include a Bald Eagle. Come join us at 7:00 pm for drinks and bring a dessert for all to share.



- Music Fest—Our own Alan Thatcher will be presenting Folk Music night on August 25th at 7:30 pm (place TBD—Chapel or Dam Site possibly). Refreshments will be served at 7:00 pm. Bring a dessert for all to share.
- Septic Systems—Don't forget to clean out your septic systems on a regular basis. It is recommended that year round residents should have their septic systems pumped out every three years and summer residents every five years.

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A newsletter for the residents of Lake Carey



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A message from the President

Dear Neighbors—

So far we've been enjoying a beautiful summer. We've ordered the same for the rest of the season. Here's hoping.

Please plan to join us for the events we've planned for July and August.

Saturday, July 28th we'll be celebrating Lake Carey Day. There's something for everyone paddleboat races, poker run, lake cruises, karaoke, and the traditional barbecued chicken dinner at the firehouse.

Two weeks later on August 11th, we're presenting birds of prey from the Delaware Valley Raptor Center. This is a great program for kids. Come early, we're holding it at the Chapel at the Center's request and there's limited seating. And on Saturday, August 25th, Alan Thatcher has organized an evening concert at the dam site. Both of these events are free and both begin at 7:00 with a pass-the-dish desert.

Don't forget to renew your membership, if you haven't already done so. If you're not yet a member, please join us; we need your support.

Walter Broughton

Understanding the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Regulatory Program

By Derek Smith, USACE - Enforcement

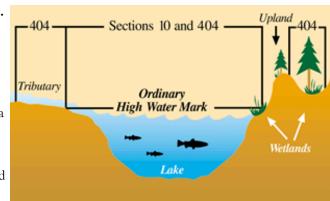
Why Does The Program Exist?

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has been involved in regulating certain activities in the nation's waters since 1899. Until 1968, the primary interest of the Corps regulatory Program was navigation. As a result of several new laws and judicial decisions, the program evolved from one that focused on navigation to one that considers an array of public interest factors. The Corps must balance favorable impacts against detrimental ones. The current program reflects the national concern for both the protection and utilization of important water resources. Protection of water resources is important because it provides clean drinking water, food chain support, recreational opportunities, and wildlife habitat. In Pennsylvania, the Corps program is complimented by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's (PADEP) Chapter 105 program. Because of this, DEP and the Corps often work together in the review of permits for work in wetlands and other waters.

What Authority Requires the Corps to Regulate the Waters of the United States?

Two laws delegate the authority to regulate waters of the US to the USACE. These laws are:

- Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. **403)** — Under this law a permit is required for any structure or work that takes place in, under, or over a navigable waters of the United States. For more information visit the referenced web site (http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/33/403.html)
- Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344) Under this law a permit is required for activities which involve a discharge of dredged or fill material into a water of the United States including wetlands. Discharge activities which will drain or flood wetlands or significantly disturb the soils of a wetland also require a permit. For more information visit the referenced web site (http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/33/403.html)



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Come Meet Your Neighbors

By June Loncosky

Come to the Lake Carey Inn on Friday, June 27th at 7:00 pm, as we host our first "Meet Your Neighbor Night". Entertainment will be provided by local musicians, Scott Arnold and Josh Pratt. In addition to great music, the kitchen will be open. In case you are not aware, the Lake Carey Inn is under new management; and they have a new menu.

We will be selling raffle tickets for Lake Carey Day which is on Saturday, July 28th (see the Lake Carey Day article for more information.

Why not join your neighbors and enjoy some good food, music, and meet new friends.



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The USACE has jurisdiction over all waters of the United States. These waters include lakes, rivers, streams, intermittent tributaries, mudflats, vegetated shallows, and wetlands. Some ditches and ponds are also regulated. In general, Corps jurisdiction occurs at or below the Ordinary High Water (OHW) level or at the wetland/upland boundary.

What activities are regulated?

Examples of regulated activities include but are not limited to dredging, filling, excavating, landclearing using mechanized equipment, ditching, stream channelization and relocation, shoreline protection, and dock construction.

Who needs a permit?

Permits are required for all projects which involve work in a water of the United States. Applicants may be private individuals, large or small businesses, farms, corporations, marina operators, Federal and State agencies, highway departments, utility companies, parks departments and local governments.

How does the regulatory program relate to Lake Carey?

In October of 2004, the Lake Carey Watershed Assessment and Watershed Management Plan was produced by F.X.Browne, Inc., funded through a PADEP Growing Greener Grant. This study was brought about after water quality concerns were voiced by Lake Carey's residents. Of interest in the study, was a determination that phosphorus levels in the lake and the associated increase in algae and aquatic plant growth were key problems that Lake Carey faced. The regulatory program as described previously seeks to maintain and improve environments for the betterment of water quality. Wetlands around Lake Carey, as well as within the watershed, have the ability to trap sediment laden run-off, uptake nutrients such as phosphorus, act as buffers to preclude erosion to the shoreline, provide flood storage capacity, among other benefits. Protection of wetlands by residents can thereby have a direct, positive impact on the water quality of Lake Carey. Similarly, upland buffers of trees, shrubs and other native vegetation, adjacent to Lake Carey and the streams that feed Lake Carey, also provide benefits to the water quality of the Lake through reducing erosion, providing shade which produces colder, more oxygenated water, and decreasing aquatic plant and algal growth.

What should I do if I plan on doing work as described above?

If you plan on doing work that may be within wetlands, or other waters, it is often recommended that you first contact your local County Conservation District (CCD). In Wyoming County, the CCD is located just west of Tunkhannock. The CCD is often involved in Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan (E&S Plan) review for projects, and also have expertise to help in determining if the area you wish to work in would require the USACE or PADEP authorizations. In the event that a USACE or PADEP permit is required, the CCD can help direct you to the appropriate state or federal office where you can acquire the appropriate permit package and get answers to your project specific questions. Additionally, the Baltimore District Corps – Pennsylvania Section, and PADEP Northeast Regional Office (NERO) may be contacted directly at the following numbers.

USACE: 814-235-0570 PADEP NERO: 570-826-5485 Wyoming CCD: 570-836-2589

Can we make it three years in a row?

By Gene Skrynski

Before you know it, Lake Carey Day will be here. As always, it is held on the last Saturday of July—this year it is the 28th. There will be canoe and kayak races in the morning followed by paddle boat races for the kids. The annual poker run will be held in the afternoon; with registration in the morning at xxx at the Fitzsimmons' property on the corner of SR 1005 and the firehouse road.

This year the chicken barbeque will be hosted by the Lake Carey Fire Company. Dinner will start at xxx at the firehouse. Dinners will be on a first come first serve basis—no reservations are required; so make sure you come early! The dance and Chinese auction we begin at 8:00 pm with music by xxx.

Once again we will be selling t-shirts and sweatshirts throughout the day.

For more information, contact me at 570-836-6449.

Meet Frank of Frank's Marina

By Debbie Tierney



Frank Biondollo is the proprietor of Frank's Marina, a bait and hoagie shop located on the causeway on Lake Carey. Purchased in 1972, Frank has been serving the Lake Carey community for over 35 years. Frank's is a great place to grab breakfast and/or lunch. His menu includes breakfast sandwiches, regular and cart style hot dogs, hamburgers/cheeseburgers, and "Frank's" fries to list a few. Many people may not know this, but Frank makes one of the best hoagies around! You can even call your order in and Frank will have it ready for you when you arrive. In addition, Frank carries a variety of fishing supplies (i.e., poles, reels, tackle, bait), snacks and beverages (i.e., soda, candy, ice cream), some crafty items, postcards, bagged ice, and a whole lot more.

There is something for everyone.

Residents and non-residents can launch their boat at Frank's for a nominal fee (\$3.00 and \$5.00 respectively). Folks can even purchase a season pass if they would like. If you don't have a boat, no problem, Frank rents aluminum boats too. All day rental prices start at \$15.00.

Fishing tournaments run through the season out of Frank's. You can either pre-register through the appropriate organization or at Frank's. Below is a list of upcoming events.

July 29th—Leggetts Creek Bassmasters

September 2– PA Bass Caster's

October 7th—PA Bass Caster's

Frank's is open Tuesday through Sunday, from 9:00 am—6:00 pm, April through September.

So the next time you are down at the causeway, stop in and say hello to Frank. He can be reached at 836-4439.

Have you heard the church bell?

By Holly D'Agata and Lynne Bierly

The Lake Carey Chapel began services on July 1st and will continue through September 2nd. Everyone is invited to come to the beautiful chapel on the hill at 10:00 am Sunday mornings. Listen for the chapel bell's call.

On Sunday, July 29th, we will have refreshments and a time for fellowship after the service. The following is a list of our upcoming Sunday worship leaders.

- ♦ July 29th—The Reverend Margaret Reid
- ♦ August 5th—The Reverend John Meyer
- ♦ August 12th—The Reverend Doctor Kirby Keller
- ♦ August 19th—The Reverend James Skinner
- ♦ August 26th—Mr. Ernie King

