



Lake Erie Shores Cornhole Tournament – by Joe Zanghi

The second annual Lake Erie Shores cornhole tournament was a huge success. 18 teams participated in the adult event. The team of Gene Cutler and Terry Mitchell won the double elimination tournament with a dramatic win in the final match. The second place team of Rod Congrove and teammate Gary Lorek won the first Championship game, which then forced a final game. Rain caused the final two games to be played inside the pavilion, but didn't dampen the drama as a large crowd gathered to watch. Gene or Terry



will now boastfully display the Lake Erie Shores winner flag in the front yard of their place of residence.

My personal thanks go out to my father, Joe Sr, who manned the bracket board. With plenty of food and libations, he kept the brackets in fine order. Thanks also goes out to the people who helped cook, including Chuck and Diana Hillier, John Delsanter and Ken Sawicki. Thanks to Chris Landon who provided the unplanned music (I think we owe him some batteries). I would also like to include all that participated. Without you, this would have never happened. Last but not least, I would like to thank my wife Jane, who made countless phone calls. Her organizational skills were invaluable to the success of this event.

SAVE THE DATE

Stream Clean Up Saturday October 23, 2010



Upcoming Recycling Events – by Jim Sorenson

Phone Book Collection

September 17 to October 22, 2010

Wickliffe City Hall, Mentor Wal-Mart and Madison Giant Eagle.

Phone books only; no plastic bags

Household Hazardous Waste Collection ~

Saturday October 2, 2010

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, Lake County Fairgrounds

Acceptable items: Household Cleaners & Solvents:
Thinners, Kerosene, Turpentine, Lighter Fluid, Strippers, Automotive Fluids: Used Motor Oil, Gasoline, Coolants, Antifreeze, Grease, Oil-based

Paints, Varnish, Shellacs, Stains, Aerosols, Polyurethanes, Primers, Grout, Liquid/Solid: Pool, Lawn & Garden Chemicals, Pesticides, Weed Killers, Spray Insecticides, Batteries - All Sizes (including lead acid & household), Fluorescent Bulbs, Photography, "Hobby" Chemicals, Mercury, Empty Propane Tanks, Roofing Tars, Drive Sealers.



No Radioactive (Smoke alarms), Ammunition, Explosives, or Medical Waste.

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Article VII, Section 2 – Nuisance: No noxious or any activity constituting an unreasonable source of discomfort or annoyance shall be carried on upon any portion of the Property, nor shall anything be done thereon that may be or become a nuisance or annoyance to others Owners. The Master Association shall have absolutely power to determine what is "reasonable" and what is "unreasonable" under this Section.

Chuck Hillier - Volunteer Trustee

Just as the Adult Party was a huge success back in July, the Cornhole Tournament held in mid-August was also a rousing success. Eighteen teams met at the Pebble Beach Park and enjoyed a fun filled day playing friendly games against neighbors. It was a chance for many to meet new neighbors and just get out and relax in a very low pressure fun filled event. The rain held off until the end, so most of the matches were held under beautiful sunny skies, but even the rain was welcomed as the quarter finals through the finals were held under the pavilion, which encouraged a lot of people to watch up close and cheer every throw. In the end, our champions were Gene Cutler and Terry Mitchell, who made a rousing roll all the way through the consolation bracket to claim the title over the Rod Congrove and teammate Gary Lorek, who were undefeated going into the finals. Once again I extend my sincere gratitude to Joe Zanghi and his cast of friends who once again created a memorable event for all of us residents here at Lake Erie Shores.



For the month of July, our expenses totaled \$11,647.02. Of that amount, some of the more notable expenses we incurred were for the planting of the six Bradford Pear trees

at the entranceway at Pebble Beach Cove, along with the charge for transplanting three of the big oak trees that were there: two to the Pebble Beach Park and another to the open area on Outrigger Cove. The total cost of all this work (performed back in May) totaled \$2,709.38, which isn't that bad when considering three of the six trees planted were covered under warranty. Another large expense we incurred for the month involved replacing all of the light fixtures at Beach Park with ocean rated fixtures. Although this was an unbudgeted expense, we decided that it was the right thing to do after making repeated repairs to the light fixtures, which averaged over \$200/month. The final cost for this repair totaled \$1,826. We began the month with \$124,781.24 in our Checking Account, and ended it with a balance of \$111,571.47. Year to date from our General Fund, we've deposited another \$5,914.83 into our Reserve Accounts.

If you have any questions, please contact me via email at avcmcchi@sbcglobal.net or at home 350-1640.

How a man plays the game shows something of his character, how he loses shows all of it. ~Author Unknown

David Spall - Volunteer Trustee

A staining project is scheduled for Saturday September 18, 2010 for the split wood fencing. In an effort to keep the cost of the project down, volunteers are being asked to help with the staining project. Please wear staining appropriate clothing.

We will meet at 9 am at the Parking Lot on Lake Road, and stain until 12 noon. A lunch will be provided at the Lake Pavilion at 12:30 pm for the volunteers. To know approximately how many commitments we will have prior to September 18, please contact David Spall by email at davidspall@sbcglobal.net or by phone at 440-637-4559 if you will be able help.



Your Homeowners Association needs your participation in this Staining Project. If you are able, please consider volunteering for a few hours.

Chuck Hillier - Volunteer Trustee

As Trustees, John Guinan, David Spall and I are committed to establishing a "Road Map" for the future of Lake Erie Shores so that current and future trustees can make better and more informed decisions. As an association, we are still young and still learning what expenses and commitments it takes to run this operation on an annual basis. We are being managed by a very competent and experienced company in First Realty, but the management company will basically administer the association as the current Trustees direct, of course within

reason and in accordance with the Deed Restrictions. Having stated this, we are working hard to establish the road map for our future, establishing procedures and protocols for daily operations and anticipated annual expenses that are necessary to ensure property values are affected positively by the HOA, and to ensure annual fees are kept to a minimum.

Some pertinent issues affecting us currently, involve the performance of a Reserve Study by Reserve Advisors Inc., who does this as their core business. They were here on August 25th to examine our properties and help us determine what our future reserves need to be, in order to maintain the different properties. Once this report is complete, we will share the information with the membership.

Another item we are dealing with is the determination of whether or not we should proceed with construction of the Lake Road Walkway. The walkway would be on the south side of Lake Road and connect Outrigger Cove with Pebble Beach Cove. Earlier this month, Dave Spall and I met with the Finance Committee to discuss funding of the walkway. After the committee met, and was informed of the bids received, they determined to support construction of the walkway. John, Dave and I are all in agreement that we should move forward with this project, and that it will be a very good thing for our development. Construction of the walkway has been discussed and debated numerous times over the past four years, and we are of the opinion that we have the money comfortably in our reserves, and it is something we need to do to make this development nicer and safer for all our resident members.

Easements have been a constant discussion point with residents. I would dare to say that most people are not aware of which easements exist in the development, and most do not find out about easements on their own properties until they submit for plan approvals to the management company for things like fences, decks and sheds. To help bring awareness to the easements, along with a little more information about responsibilities related to the easements and how it affects individual homeowners, we have commissioned a report to be prepared by Oxbow Engineering. We currently have in our possession a draft copy and are reviewing it for clarification. Once we obtain a final copy we will publish the report and associated maps on the web site for everyone to review as necessary.

Earlier this year I was appointed to serve as a member of the Painesville Township Zoning Commission. In support of this appointment, I attended a seminar that dealt with storm water runoff and the proper methods to contain that water. What I learned is that accepted practices of containing storm water runoff in detention basins have changed dramatically over the past three years. For example, in 2007 we were told by the Lake County Soil and Water Conservation District, along with the Lake County Engineers Office, that we (Lake Erie Shores HOA) had to keep the basins clear of all vegetation and that the grass must be cut regularly, something current practices contradict. We were also told



that planting trees and bushes was prohibited, but after learning what I did in the seminar, and following it up with both county agencies afterwards, it appears that is no longer the case. In all fairness to the county agencies we worked with back in 2007, accepted practices in proper maintenance and care for basins have changed nationwide and are continuing to be modified. This information is apparently just now making its way into Ohio, so we are on the forefront of some new thinking in relation to storm water runoff.

In the 2010 budget, we budgeted \$11,750 for repair of Basin 5 which was deemed the one most in need of repair in the August 2007 report performed by Oxbow Engineering titled "Storm Water/Drainage Evaluation Report". That report detailed that of the five basins (we now own six) three of them (Basins 3, 4 and 5) required costly repairs. In 2008 we made major improvements to Basin 3 but we still have to provide fairly expensive improvements to Basins 4 and 5, along with our newest basin, Basin 6, which is in no better condition than that of Basin 5.

However, after I attended the seminar and verified the information, I brought this new knowledge to John Guinan and David Spall. Together we agreed that before we spend another dollar on any of the basins, we need get a better understanding of what is and what is not "accepted practice".



In addition, we need to determine if cutting of the basins during the summer months is really necessary as each cutting can be expensive. We discussed it and

determined that instead of providing repairs to Basin 5, as was originally planned in the 2010 budget, we would instead use that money towards commissioning a plan for the basins that will tell us specifically what we should do to each of the three basins to make them flow and drain better, and specifically how much maintenance we should be doing to these basins on an annual basis. The company that will be performing this study for us will be Cawrse and Associates. With this plan I feel that future trustees will be able to make better decisions that will help ensure that our basins function as intended. Without this plan, I envision more confusion and wasted dollars on unnecessary expenditures.

Well, I guess this was a long one but there is a lot going on that I feel you should be aware of. If you have any concerns or input you would like to share with me, please feel free to contact me at home (440) 350-1640 or via email at avcmcchi@sbcglobal.net.

One Vote Does Make a Difference – from the Kaman & Cusimano, LLC web site
<http://www.ohiocondolaw.com>

Time and time again it has been stressed that the primary right of an owner within a community association is to attend the annual meeting and vote for the board member of

your choice or to provide your proxy so that your right to vote is exercised. Your vote or proxy is very, very important:

- In 1645, one vote gave Oliver Cromwell control over England.
- In 1776, one vote gave America the English language instead of German.
- In 1876, one vote gave Rutherford B. Hayes the presidency of the United States.
- In 1941, one vote saved Selective Service- just weeks before Pearl Harbor was attacked.
- Last year, numerous association board members were elected by the margin of a single vote.



It is essential that you exercise your right to vote or provide your proxy in order to insure the successful operation of your association. One vote does make a difference.

David Spall - Volunteer Trustee

A seminar sponsored by Kaman & Cusimano, LLC, on "Basics for Board Members" was attended by Chuck Hillier, John Guinan and myself on July 27, 2010 at the Radisson in Eastlake.

David Kaman spoke about the fifteen basics for board members. The seminar was well attended by other Homeowner/Condo Associations.

We did learn about the Ohio Revised Code Section 5312 that will take effect on September 10, 2010. This will be the Ohio's new Homeowners Association Law. We are planning to post the Law on our Web Site soon.

Painesville Township Recycling

The Township currently offers three recycling drop-off locations: (1) Fire Station #1 – 55 Nye Rd, (2) Recycling Center – 141 Bowhall Rd and (3) near the Service Garage on Post Rd. There are containers for: (1) paper and (2) "everything else."



Yard Waste Drop-off

Yard waste can be taken to the Painesville Township Road Service Garage on Saturday's [10:00 AM to 2:00 PM] and it should also be available on Wednesday's [7:30 AM to 3:00 PM]. The location is 558 Fairport Nursery Rd.

Resident Articles Wanted

Thanks to the few residents who have already submitted articles to the Lake Erie Shores newsletter. We would like to have more written articles from residents in future issues. Please submit your ideas to newsletter@lakeereshores.net – articles should be received by the 20th of the month in order to be included in the next newsletter.



Indianapolis MotoGP – by Jim Sorenson

MotoGP is going to be running an event in Indianapolis August 27 – 29. I have never been to a MotoGP event but that is all supposed to end this year. I am scheduled to attend this year's event with our son Nick, and my brother-in-law Chris. Both Nick and Chris are fellow motorcycle enthusiasts like me, and all three of us get pretty excited when we look/talk/hear motorcycles.

MotoGP is the premier class of motorcycle road racing in the world. Not just in Lake County, not just in Ohio, not just in the United States, but in the WORLD. If you win at this level, you are a pretty good motorcycle racer to say the least.

I used to road race motorcycles as a hobby (a pretty fun hobby), but really only at the club level where I raced against other people from the mid-west. Although I did win quite a few races, I never thought that someone was going to offer me a contract and pay me to road race motorcycles. I road raced because it was a total blast. However, what if your *job* was to travel the world and road race motorcycles, while getting paid lots of money; that would be a pretty awesome job! I know that is an over simplification of the *job*, but I am confident that I would still like it A LOT!

An Italian rider named Valentino Rossi (pictured) has dominated MotoGP over the past few years. Rossi will go down in history as one of the all-time greats and has currently won nine World Championship Titles. Rossi has missed a few races this year due to injury, and his Spaniard teammate Jorge Lorenzo, has taken over the domination and currently leads the championship points standings.



Motorcycle road racing is more popular in other areas of the world, but we are all looking forward to the event. It should be an enjoyable time; especially knowing that will be actively participating in what will become history.

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