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Sylvan Lake Shoreline

"If you could understand a grain of wheat ~you would die of wonder" ~ Martin Luther

Association News: The Annual Meeting

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*It's a tie
 once again
 between
 South Sylvan
 &
 South Crescent*

We thank Gen Connor and Kevin Adler for "stepping up" on behalf of their community. Please join us in welcoming them! At the same time we thank Gary Love for his hard work the last two years at the beach, especially the new deck work. Chris Heinrichsen gave us 4 years of Shoreline Newsletters and the idea to build the new deck, plus many hard hours of work getting it done. He also wore funny hats whenever possible.

Dues were set at \$300 to accommodate rising insurance costs, projected tree removals as a result of the drought, erosion management, purchasing the new pier at the beach, and more dog poop bag stations.

The IPEA grant for Ravinia Park and the spillway are behind due to engineering. Bill Grinell, Fremont Township, suspected a possible leak in the spillway. Currently, engineers will take boring samples to see if that is the case. Tree removal may start in Ravinia this winter, but the spillway work will not start until late summer 2006. The lake will ONLY be lowered if it is necessary at the time of replacing the spillway.

~Jeri Swanson

For the unfortunate people who didn't get hear Chris' retirement speech at the Annual Meeting, it is reprinted in part here...

Hello, my name is Chris Hinrichsen and I'm the Shoreline editor. After 4 years, 22 issues of the Shoreline, countless monthly meetings and losing a full head of hair, I'm calling it quits!!

I love the people on the board! I love the projects that were accomplished! But, most of all, I love the fact that the thousands and thousands dollars that my dad spent towards my degree in journalism was NOT a waste!

However, I do realize that I'm being replaced by the computer and technology; which is probably good and should be more efficient.

Looking back at my tenure, every Shoreline that I produced, always began with a musical quote or song title that reflected my current state of mind or delusion. My first issue began with "Good Morning People - It's a New Dawn" by Grace Slick of the Jefferson Airplane. Or in mid April George Harrison's song "Taxman" comes to mind - and who could forget the holiday issue featuring "Little Saint Nick" by the Beach Boys.

Yes, I have enjoyed putting together the Shoreline for the past 4 years. And if I were to pick my final song title representing my whole body of work, it would have to be by my favorite group, Chicago ...and that song would be: "Does Anybody Really Know What Time it is?"

Peace,
 Brothers & Sisters



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Oktoberfest

Sara May was our fearless leader this year along with husband, **Bruce**. They pre-cooked all the brats with help from **Steve & Lucy Mongelluzzo** who also cooked up yummy beans & kraut for all of us to enjoy. This event is a huge undertaking, so many volunteer their time/talents to make this such a special neighborhood party.

We know who volunteered and thought you may also like to know: **Kevin Adler, Sandy Paklidenaz & Chris Walsh**, all selling the generous donations of our own bakers, coordinated by **Kelly Dickinson and Garden Club**. We got the chance to dance away all these calories, or melt them away by the fire, thanks to **Mark Anderson, Kevin Zaleski and his friend Costa**. They cut down a few dead trees, picked up others, and organized it at the park so the fire dept would know just how safe we intended this fire to be. **Whew!**

These guys also monitored the generator that powered our lights, hung by **Lee Dickinson**, and the bands.

The Michael Lescher Band couldn't make and suggested we call **Red Eye Express**, who didn't disappoint us. Also during the day, **Randy Roland**, who grew up here treated us to afternoon rock-n-roll. Thank You, Randy!

Kids games were organized by **Nancy Brashear** with help from **Jenna Brashear, Susie Hampson, Jenna Mortensen and Rachel Sloom**. **Patty Hampson** and the **Soderstroms** lent us games and contributed goodie bags for the kids. **Kathy Ford** led the pet parade with mostly the Ford pets. (where were all the snakes, gorillas & trained squirrels ?)

What would Oktfest be without the hayride? Who would ever imagine riding behind an old tractor in a pile of hay could be so magically entertaining? Thank You **Joe Dupont** for taking over in **Dan Michelau's** absence. We wish Dan a full recovery from heart surgery!

Nick Kirby, our tent master coordinated raising the tent with his helpers. (Nick barely charges us enough to repair one ding in his tent) The bar was set up and monitored by **Randy Haseman** and his volunteers: **Barb Haseman, Morris', Tonkerys, Adlers, Hinrichsens, Pomazals, Dickinsons, Sam Ford and Dave Hampson**.

Cookers for the night: **Al Benedeck, Rich Borst, Toby Newcomb, John Paklidenaz, Trevor & Kristin Cannon, Wayne Johnson**, who does magic tricks with brats, and **Stan Rak**. **Lars Lindell** was seen by the grill a lot, perhaps working, perhaps eating...

Food servers: **Debbie Pomazal, Terri Borst, Nancy Brashear, Mongelluzzos, Trahans, Erdmans, Gen Connor, Hanwrights, Rita Rak and Judy Johnson**.

Ticket Sellers: **Jane Molsen, Morris', Jen Crow, Sectors, Robin Soderstrom, Linda Margolius and the Petersons**.

Advertising to offset the cost of the band was beautifully done by **Cheri Lindell**. Her flier is on our website, please patronize these businesses, many are residents. **Kenny Bellinder** got us a great deal again on our mugs and a new light up cup, every last one sold.

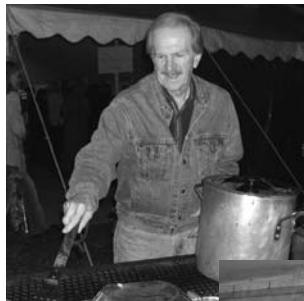
And then there was the clean up...many crawled over to the park the next day to take down the tent, pick up all the junk, return lost items, rake the park, check on the fire. Those were: **Nick Kirby, Wayne Johnson, Eric, Jeri & Luke Swanson, Jeff Brashear, Jane Molsen, Bill O'Brien**, (who also won the cash raffle), **Randy Haseman, Gary Love, Kevin Adler, Bruce May, Kevin Zaleski, Costa, and Mark Anderson**. Of special note: **Bill O'Brien** can sing really loud at Karaoke, but **Dan Trahan, Linda Mihel & Tammy Trahan** sing real nice. **Dan Trahan** can really play guitar and harmonica (at the same time) and get this: **Nick Kirby** can sing & play as well. For the first time appearing anywhere, an Elvis duet performed by **Eric Swanson & Jeff Suo**.

I just love "braggin" on the the neighbors...no other neighborhood can top this one when it comes to pitching in or having hidden talents, which brings me to the next possible happening....a **Sylvan Band** ??

Winner of Guess the Weight of the Pumpkin: **Trevor Bowman**, (20.3 lbs) Winner of the goofiest overalls: **Chris Hinrichsen** who also provided us with fresh popped corn from his machine.

Great night.....**THE END**.

 ~Jeri Swanson





Sylvan Lake Ladies Christmas Party!!

When: Friday, December 2nd at 7:00pm

Where: 46 Crescent Drive *Hostess:* Jan Hanwright

Things To Bring:

YOURSELF !!!!

A dish to pass ... appetizer or dessert

There will be an optional gift exchange if you would
like to participate bring a gift \$10 or under.
(There was a lot of fun with this last year)

Looking forward to seeing everyone and having a great time!!
Any questions please call Jan- 847-566-5190

And don't forget...Santa will be visiting sometime in December.
... details to come ...



New Year's Eve Progressive Dinner

Limited seating but unlimited enjoyment!

Reserve your place now by calling Mary Harroun at 847-970-9741

\$14 per person payable before December 20th

Appetizers: 6:30 Dinner: 8:30 Dessert: 10:30

Other Stuff




Two years ago the general public elected not to allow snowmobiling on or around Sylvan Lake. As a result, we can now leave the pier in at the beach over winter, since we don't have to worry about snowmobiles slamming into it. However, we realize that if we get a lot of snow, cross country skiers and show-shoers could run into it. So, we will "flag" it and suggest you do the same on your own piers or other apparatus' you may have out there. Leaving the pier in will give us a good surface out into the lake should someone fall through the ice in that area, as well as a good surface for putting on/taking off skates and skis. **See you at Winterfest on our new deck area!**

If you burn leaves on the curb, scoop up the ashes! When it rains—it washes into the storm sewers. Guess where they empty out...the lake!

Another way to get rid of oak leaves and still be environmentally correct: mow them first, then sprinkle over your perennials, no need to "mix", but they do need to be chopped up first.

Did you know?

Every issue of the Shoreline from now on will also be posted in the Association section of our website. **www.slia.net** ...in case you forgot, the user name is **slia** and password is **beachtag**. And while you are there you could read all the notes on the message board and maybe even post one of your own. And don't forget to check out "Your Neighbors in Business". Some of them have coupons for us.

Hi, my name is Genevieve Connor (*but I also answer to Gen*). I'm excited to have the chance to be your Shoreline editor for the next few years. Chris' wit and humor is a hard act to follow but at least I know some computer stuff. My background is in graphic and web design but as you may have already noticed I am breaking a lot of design rules and am just having fun.. 

And since my dear old mom, Madeleine Ferrara (over 90 and *still picking up leaves*) I wanted to honor her by using a part of her art from the Garden Club Directory for the masthead. See, it kinda ties into the website...*nudge, nudge*. Yes, I will be plugging the website from time to time.

== Tidbits from the Past ==

32 years ago - from a 1973 Shoreline...

"Don Bjorkland anticipates very little building in the community now that most of the vacant lots have been built up. He has begun work on the storage house at the beach. Don was in charge of the foundation for the storage house and the cement work on the basketball court, he should be commended for the hours and effort he has devoted to these and other projects."

Household Chemical Waste Collection

Saturday, November 19

8:00 AM - 2:30 PM

Mundelein Metra Train Station parking lot

www.swalco.org for more info

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