



CLIFFNOTES

The Newsletter of the Clifftops Property Owners Association

May 2006

RELAY FOR LIFE

The Clifftops Non-Stops are preparing to represent our association in the local area Relay for Life.

Your team's theme this year is **Christmas in June; All I want for Christmas is a Cure for Cancer**. The Non-Stops are asking that you support your team with a contribution to the American Cancer Society. Your generous donations may be left at the gate or given to Sylvia Anderson or Elaine Goleski, Team Co-Captains.

MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION

MAY 27, 2006

HOSPITALITY AT 5:30PM-DINNER AT 6:00PM

AT THE LAKE CLUBHOUSE

SERVING PORK BARBECUE & BRUNSWICK STEW

INVITATIONS ARE IN THE MAIL

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY 5-22-06 NOON

BOATING ON OUR LAKE

As the weather warms up more folks will be out enjoying boating on the Clifftops Lake. If you are renting storage space on the boat racks, please be sure that your boat or canoe is returned to its **assigned space** after use (call the office if you are not sure of your assigned space). Also, a reminder that all boats used on the lake must be registered with the office and display the red Clifftops decals.

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The Clifftops Property Owners Association is operating within budget. We have two owners who are sixty days late in paying their Association Dues. We have one owner who is ninety days late. He has been contacted and has indicated that he will pay promptly.

Our culvert replacement program is in progress and has saved the Association \$8,500.00 to date by replacing four culverts in house. This is an excellent return on our investment in new equipment this year.

Property Manager Jim Tripp began by stating that the mowing season is underway, and explained the cycle to complete the property has decreased from a six to a four-day cycle thanks to the new equipment.

Jim reported on the lightning strike that hit the entrance gate, the exit gate, and one of the office computers. He stated that repairs are completed with some positive modifications to the exit gate.

Charlie Meeks is back to work and is near 100%.

Jim reported that there have been added patrols to the Club and playground areas. Patrolling personnel are keeping logs of activity in these areas.

Board member Louis Smith has spearheaded a study on the lake. At the Board meeting Louis reported on his activity and recommended several corrective actions. The Board approved his findings and took the following corrective actions:

1. Change the catch and release limits on fish. Catch and release applies to all fish over 14". All pan fish and other species under 14" should be harvested to control overpopulation. Unwanted fish may be dumped over the dam into the creek; these fish will survive and eventually end up in a main tributary. The larger fish are to allow Mother Nature to balance the size of fish in the lake.
2. Purchase the species of fish recommended by the TWRA.
3. Have PH determined, and correct any imbalance.
4. Appoint a lake management committee. This committee should work to strengthen and preserve one of our most valuable assets.

ALL FINAL LAKE ACTION WILL BE FINALIZED AT THE JULY BOARD MEETING.