



The Lake Breeze

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It was just a year ago that the microphone was passed to Gaye and me as your LBA Presidents. Moving forward, we felt it was important to look at everything we were doing and ask ourselves should it be continued or can we make it even better. While we were doing that we were approached by the City of Bloomington and informed that “the citizens of Bloomington, IL have been financially carrying the residence of Lake Bloomington, IL for too long and it had to stop”. With that, the Mayor of Bloomington, instructed city staff to find ways to increase revenues from the residents of Lake Bloomington.

As board officers we have been invited to meet with the City officials on several occasions to hear their ideas and make suggestions. No matter how angry or loud we got the bottom line is this. ***The City wants more revenue from anywhere they can get it and we don't want to pay anymore.*** Our resolve is especially strong because they have cut services and our property taxes are the highest in the entire county for assessed value of land that we don't even own. So, our approach has been to see if we can help the city find revenues that are not from our wallet keeping them as a partner in the process. If anyone has a better idea please call me; but the only other option I can think of is to do nothing and see what happens. That certainly would take less effort.

As for our goal of looking at traditions, the board let a few go. For example, luminaires and flags only made money because past board members paid for them out of their own pocket. Additionally, several area captains asked us to discontinue this activity.

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The Lake Bloomington Association is made up of residents and anyone else who enjoys the Lake and works to improve the lake and surrounding community. Anyone can join the LBA -- you don't have to live at the Lake. It's a great way to meet new people who also enjoy Lake Bloomington. If you are interested in joining the LBA, or have questions or comments, please email us at lakebloomingtonassociation@gmail.com.



Another item that we did not feel the need to do every year was the Spring clean-up. First reason was that last year there wasn't that much to clean-up and the second reason is that it seems to be the same people helping every year. So the board is choosing to handle on an "as needed basis".

Octoberfest is another activity that the board voted not to continue again for two reasons. First, nobody wanted to organize it and second, it was opined that the event had outlived its' original intent – which was to get the little ones out of the house according to Deb Hopkins. Voight and Yowell say they got it covered so please look to them for any additional information.

Finally, we added Lake Bloomington Day. It was done in conjunction with our LBA goal of improving relationships with everyone who is involved with Lake Bloomington. We had 13 boats with 20+ fishermen, several dozen runners and several dozen bikers who all came to enjoy the lake. It allowed your board to meet with their leaders, share some Vodka and listen to what is important to them while they are at the lake.

This begins our second year as your LBA Presidents and we have learned that we need to communicate through email, not just Facebook, we need to create ways to listen better to what you expect from your board and we need to always be reminding everyone that we are volunteers so it is about having fun, too.

Jim and Gaye Aaberg

Lake Bloomington Association Members "Making a Difference"

For the past 22 years members of the Lake Run Club have conducted regular clean-ups of a good stretch of Ron Smith Highway through the Adopt-A-Highway Program. Todd Williamson, Lake Run Club President, underscored how much members value the beauty of Lake Bloomington.

The Lake Run Club also sponsored a Prediction Run on the morning of September 3rd as part of the Celebrate Lake Bloomington Day festivities (our July 3rd do-over). Thank you Lake Run Club for truly making a difference.

Submitted by Joel Banks





2017 LBA Board members

President(s)	Gaye and Jim Aaberg (309) 212-0445
Vice President(s)	Connie and Joel Bankes
Treasurer	Lisa Lockenvitz
Secretary	Linda and Wayne Steffen
3 rd year directors	Brian Lockenvitz Elizabeth and John Binning [1 st year of 2 nd term] Keith and Diane Thompson
2 nd year directors	Erik and Kelley Ekstam Cathy and Tim Strader Lisa and John Larkin
1 st year directors	Carol and Mark Csanda

4th of July Boat Parade



2016 Lake Bloomington Directories

If any of you did not attend the dinner and would like a directory please notify the LBA at lakebloomingtonassociation@gmail.com - please include your name, lake address and your contact information.



Lake Bloomington Day



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Octoberfest Lake Bloomington



October 30th

4:00pm to 7:00pm

Davis Lodge - Lake Bloomington

Dinner Served at 5:00pm

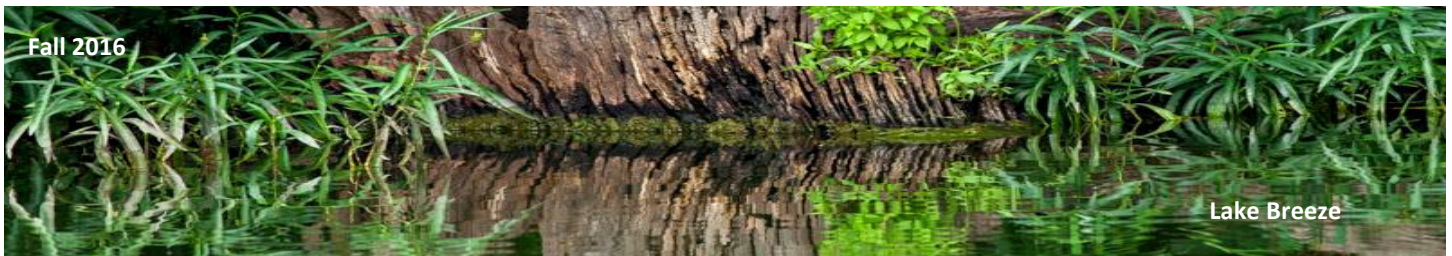
**Brats • Hot Dogs • Buns
Condiments • Place Settings**

Provided by the Lake Bloomington Assoc.

You just need to bring your own Beverage & a Dish to Pass

**Please let us know you are coming by emailing Dave Voigts
with your head count by Oct. 22 at dvoigts@gmail.com**

Just so we are sure we have enough!



Public Notification for All Properties along Money Creek

Lake Bloomington - New Flood Map

The McLean County Department of Building and Zoning in accordance with National Flood Insurance Program regulation 65.7(b)(1), hereby gives notice of the intent to revise the flood hazard information on FIRM # 17113C Panel 0150E for McClean County, Illinois generally located along Money Creek. Specifically, the flood hazards shall be revised from the Money Creek junction with the Mackinaw River through the Money Creek and Big Slough reaches of Lake Bloomington to the bridges at County Rd. 2450 N (Big Slough) and County Road 2350 N (Money Creek). The revisions are based on a detailed study of the hydraulics of Money Creek. Currently, the flooding along Money Creek is based on an approximate study.

The revisions shall establish the Base (1% annual chance) Flood Elevations (BFE's) for the revision area and (downstream of the Lake Bloomington Dam) shall establish the Floodway, which defines the maximum floodplain encroachment resulting in 0.1-ft of increase in water surface elevation. Generally, the updated floodplain will narrow within the area of revision, but there are locations where widening or shifting of the floodplain will occur. Currently, the floodway is not defined as no prior detailed study has been performed.

Maps and detailed analysis of the revision can be reviewed at the McLean County Building and Zoning Department at the Government Center, Room M102, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, IL, or on the internet at www.cityblm.org. Interested persons may call Greg Kallevig, City of Bloomington, Public Works Department, at 309-434-2225 for additional information from 8:00am to 4:30pm.

<http://www.cityblm.org/modules/showdocument.aspx?documentid=11260>

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