

# Behoes From Our Lake

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## President's Message

By Bernie Reyes

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I have worked with many association Boards at Walker Lake in the past. They have been dedicated and conscientious. Those people gave of their time and talents to make the community a better place in which to live. This current Board of Directors is no exception. These people are hard working and willing to find a solution to a problem rather than finding fault with the members and their efforts to finding solutions. It is refreshing to see our members working together to solve problems without regard to who is right or wrong. Cooperation and teamwork is the order of the day.

I thank the Board for their diligence, hard work, advice, guidance and their ability to bring me back to reality. We are fortunate that these people live in our community and are willing to sacrifice their time, energy and talents for our benefit.

This is a friendly reminder to the membership. When anyone wishes to address the Board, they must ask, in writing, to be put on the agenda at least three weeks prior to the meeting at which they want to address the Board. The request must include the reason to address the Board. This will give the Board time to research the issues and be prepared to answer the question.

If there are complaints or other concerns you wish to bring to our attention, please come into the office and file a complaint form. You are also welcome to use the suggestion box/letter slot at the clubhouse. We will no longer allow comments, at the regular Board of Directors meeting from the floor unless, as stated above, the comments have been included in the agenda. This will allow the Board of Directors to

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### **Date Change!**

**General Membership Meeting**

### **Elections**

**July 20, 2008 at 12:30pm**

**Read Clubhouse**

## News from the WLLA Office

1. A dock and attachment have been found. Both are natural wood color, in two pieces. They have washed up on along a property owner's house on Lakeshore Road. Please contact the WLLA office at 296-7788.
2. Please take note that the WLLA badges, parking and boat stickers are in the office. They must be displayed at all times when on WLLA common areas, beach, lake, and boat areas. Please stop by the office to pick them up.

Thanks,  
Kellee

## WLLA 2008 Elections

The election of Officers and Directors of the WLLA Board of Directors will take place at the Annual Membership Meeting on **July 20<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm** in the Read Clubhouse. Members in good standing of the association are eligible to vote with only one vote per membership household.

As reported in the March/April newsletter, this year members will have the option of voting by absentee ballot. Absentee ballots will be available through the WLLA office after June 1<sup>st</sup>. Members must sign for the absentee ballot either in person at the office or by written request to the office (WLLA address is on the front page of this newsletter). Completed ballots must be postmarked by July 12<sup>th</sup> or if hand delivered, received by the office by July 12<sup>th</sup>. Anyone voting by absentee ballot may not later revoke his or her ballot and vote in person.

Here is the slate of nominees with their personal statements:

**Barbara DiMaio** (Board of Directions Position)

"I have always loved and served our community since 1981 and wish to continue 'to the best of my abilities'. I was voted in as a director in 1982 and was editor of our newsletter for 12 years, while still working fulltime in New York. We retired to Walker Lake in 1989"

**Paul DuBrow** (Secretary Position)

"I'm presently serving as interim secretary (since January 2008) and wish to continue serving the community in that capacity."

**Roseanne Gargiulo** (Board of Directors Position)

"Whether I'm elected or not, what really, really matters is the protection of our wildlife, water and green space."

**Kathy Kilmer** (Board of Directors Position)

"I have been an active member of the Board for the last 3 years, serving as Newsletter editor and co-chair of the Rules and Regulations Committee. Preserving the tranquility of Walker Lake and fostering community are my motivations for volunteering for the Board."

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proceed with their business without interruption. As always, comments from the floor will be heard during the General Membership meetings.

Speaking of General Membership meetings, the July meeting has been postponed from July 19 to July 20<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm. This is the meeting at which the elections are to take place. There was a conflict due to the annual picnic having been scheduled on July 19<sup>th</sup>. So the General Membership meeting is on **July 20, 2008 at 12:30pm.**

I apologize for the confusion about the meeting time at the May 17th General Membership meeting. The newsletter listed the meeting at 2pm on that day. It was posted on the website as 12:30pm on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Since I felt that more people see the newsletter than view the website for this purpose, I made the decision to leave the time at 2pm. I stayed at the clubhouse after the Board of Directors meeting along with some other Board members from 12:30pm to 2pm to insure that the membership were informed of the mishap.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bernie Reyes

[www.walkerlake.com](http://www.walkerlake.com)

Visit our website for links to local services, WLLA 2008 meeting schedule, current and past editions of the newsletter, as well as the current Rules and Regulations

## Calendar of Events

- June 14, Saturday** **Twin and Walker Creeks Conservancy Meeting**  
 Featured talks by Nick Spinelli on “Why Native Plants are a Problem” and Joyce Laudise on “Anything But Grass!” The meeting is open to all and will be held at the Read Clubhouse at **10 am**.
- June 15, Sunday** **Father’s Day Pancake Breakfast!**  
 Walker Lake Landowners Association invites you to a Pancake Breakfast at the Read Clubhouse from **10 am-12 noon**. Bring your appetite! Reservations not necessary but appreciated. Call the office at 296-7788 or Fran at 296-5528 by June 12<sup>th</sup>. Helpers and baked goods are needed.
- July 12, Saturday** **Penny Social**  
 After a long winter and spring, summer is finally here. This also means that it is time for our annual Penny Social. The prizes have been gathered and we are ready for a great time. The doors open at **6PM** and the calling starts at **8PM**. Refreshments will be served. So bring the children, gather your family and neighbors and come to the Read Clubhouse and prepare for a fun evening.
- July 13, Sunday** **Green Space Forum**  
 Come join your neighbors at the Read Clubhouse at **2 pm** to hear our guest speaker, Hella Hendrickson of the Delaware Highlands Conservancy, discuss the benefits of land preservation.
- July 19, Saturday** **Annual Beach Party/Picnic**  
 It’s that time of year when we all gather at our Clubhouse Beach starting at **4 pm** for our fun day in the sun with all our neighbors at Walker Lake. We will have a great DJ with a Karaoke machine (give him your requests) and lots of enjoyable music to listen to while we chow down our good food and lots of other yummys (ice cream sundaes, watermelon, cookies, etc.). Our volunteers will make sure those super games on the beach will be the hit of the day! Let us know who in your family will be coming by calling Barb DiMaio at 296-7730 or the WLLA office at 296-7788. We also need helpers (strong young men) to set up and especially to “set down”.
- July 20, Sunday** **Annual Membership Election Meeting**  
 Come and participate in your community association. The membership meeting will take place in the Read Clubhouse at **12:30pm**. This meeting will include the annual election of members of the Board of Directors.
- August 23, Saturday** **How-To Expo**  
 Share your knowledge with your neighbors. See the article on page 4 for more information
- Sept. 13, Saturday** **50’s Dance**  
 Mark your calendars! More information to come in the next newsletter.

# What Do You Know Others May Want To Know?

If you know how to can vegetables or fruits,  
tune a Guitar, plant flowers that don't draw  
deer, Repair a Lawnmower, Make Curtains,  
photograph Wild Life, Ride a Bicycle to (say) Pt  
Jervis, Hike Our Environs,

WE WANT TO KNOW HOW YOU DO IT!!!

So let's have a **HOW-TO EXPO** on Saturday  
afternoon, August 23, 2008, with tables where  
visitors that are interested in what you do can  
come and ask you questions. If you want to have  
a more extended seminar, you'll set that up  
yourself.

Contact Judy Mays at  
[jkirtley@ptd.net](mailto:jkirtley@ptd.net) or 570-296-2134 and tell her your  
"HOW-TO" and be part of this fun event.

## HOW-TO EXPO

### Looking for Something Interesting to Do?

*By Barbara Silver*

**Lacawac Wildlife Sanctuary, Lake Ariel, PA, 570-689-9494, [www.lacawac.org](http://www.lacawac.org)**

500-acre wildlife sanctuary and biological field station. One-mile loop trail open during daylight hours; natural and cultural history programs.

**Northeast PA Audubon Society, Honesdale, PA, 570-252-9250, [www.nepaadubonsociety.org](http://www.nepaadubonsociety.org)**

Programs supporting environmental education: bird walks, waterfowl, barn owl and eagle programs  
Field trips; craft fair July 19-20 in Hawley, PA; Sponsors scholarships for environmentally related college studies

**Pocono Environmental Education Center (PEEC), Dingman's Ferry, PA, 570-828-2319, [www.peec.org](http://www.peec.org)**

Weekend workshops for groups and families; hiking trails open to the public

**Butterfly Barn Nature Center, Milanville, PA, 570-729-7053, [www.butterflybarn.org](http://www.butterflybarn.org)**

Some of the programs available: botany walks, monarch butterfly program describing the rescue of eggs and caterpillars from threatened habitats. Visit [www.delawarehighlands.org](http://www.delawarehighlands.org) or call 570-226-3164 for the latest schedule.

**WLLA 2008 Elections** *from page 2***Keith LaPan** (Board of Directions Position)

"As an Interim Board Member, I have enjoyed working with my neighbors to keep this wonderful community vital and green. I'd like to continue serving the membership by keeping Walker Lake a clean and friendly place to live."

**Rose Murphy** (Board of Directors Position)

"My family and I are new to the Walker Lake community and I am newly retired looking to become involved in the association. I have a diverse skill base and strong interpersonal skills and I am willing to contribute both time and energy to fulfill the position."

**Fran Orth** (Board of Directors Position)

"Have been a board member for 12 years and enjoy trying to help in anyway that I can to keep our community a nice place to live. And want to do so also with events and activities for all to participate in and enjoy."

**Art Politano** (Treasurer Position)

"I am currently fulfilling the position of the WLLA treasurer until the term expires in 2008. I was elected to finish out the term of the past treasurer, Bernie Reyes. Therefore, I wish to be elected in July 2008 to a full term as treasurer of WLLA."

# CALLING:

## Walker Lake/NYC Commuters

### Do you ever need a ride one way or the other?

### Do you ever have room to offer a ride?

In light of current gas prices and environmental concerns, we'd like to start a "transportation tree" to see if we can pool our resources. If you're interested in participating, send your email address to Judy Mays, member of Board of WLLA at [jkirtley@ptd.net](mailto:jkirtley@ptd.net) and we'll attempt to set up a system whereby you can contact each other as need and availability arise.

### Notice to all Landowners

Shohola Township has issued a reminder to all Shohola residents regarding Township Ordinances pertaining to the size and placement of 911 house number signs (Ordinance #53) and to regulations for lakefront owners regarding the placement of docks, patios, boat racks, etc. on waterfront property (Ordinance #50 Section 508.2). The letters from the Township provide detailed information about these two items and are posted on the bulletin board by the WLLA office or you can request a copy from the WLLA office. This information can also be found on the Shohola Township website [www.shoholatwp.org](http://www.shoholatwp.org) and on the WLLA website [www.walkerlake.com](http://www.walkerlake.com).