

Echoes From Our Lake

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Walker Lake First Stop on Santa's Tour

Mr. and Mrs. Claus were hosts to sixty-six holiday revelers, December, 6th at the Read Clubhouse. Children of all ages posed for photographs with the famous holiday couple. A delicious breakfast of pancakes, French toast, sausage, and juice was served with plenty of hot beverages to warm everyone up. Fran Orth, Events chairwoman, and her volunteers along with the WLLA's Women's Club turned the clubhouse into an outpost of Santa's workshop. The children filled up on breakfast and reveled at the craft table piled high with glitter and glue to decorate pine cones and holiday ornaments. The event was sponsored by WLLA. If you have any ideas for children's events, or would like to volunteer to help with them in the future, please email the Youth Committee at wlla@ptd.net or call the office.



Ladies Club (left)
with Santa
and Fran Orth
(center), Santa's
Little Helper
(pictured right)



Presidents Message

Respectfully Submitted by Bernie Reyes

We are having icy and cold winter storms. The amount of cold weather is not unusual but the duration of the cold spell is. Generally there is a break in the cold so that the roads have a chance to thaw. This has not happened this year. I have lived here 22 years and have not experienced the amount of ice and snow we have had this year. Last year was a close second. We live in an extremely volatile winter weather area. It is our responsibility to prepare for the worst that nature throws at us. The Community Association will do its best. It is only wise that you do your part (snow tires, chains, studded tires, and stay off the roads if possible). Please prepare for life in the woods.

Please do not call my home when you have a complaint. I will
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not respond. Calling me at home is the same as if I were to call you at home to complain about a problem at your place of business. The WLLA office is the central communication point. If there is no answer, leave a message on the answering machine. This will insure that your concerns are recorded and there is one central place to retrieve information.

Many of you call with suggestions and to ask who the Road Committee chairman is. We have no Road Committee chair. It is easy to complain but difficult to volunteer to help work out the problems. If you are interested in volunteering for this position please call the office and let us know.

News from the WLLA Office

By Norma Prigge

New members of WLLA may not know that there is a small library for their use located in the office conference room. The books and periodicals may be borrowed during office hours and it is another free benefit for our membership. Most of the popular fiction authors are represented and the non-fiction book category is growing. Some new items: The Pike County Dispatch, Northeastern Garden Book, The Life of Birds, several Harry Potter books.

Badges, Parking Permits, Boat and Dock Stickers will be available soon. If you don't need the pins for the badges, we will be happy to mail you what you need if you supply a self-addressed stamped envelope. If you need 2009 update stickers for your parking and/or boat stickers, kindly note the current sticker number on your request.

We have an offer from Big Bear Ski Resort at Masthope Mountain of a 15% discount for all WLLA members. They also have snow tubing. Their number is 570-685-1400, email bigbear@ltis.net. In order to get the 15% off, just show your WLLA beach/tennis badge (they will accept 2008 badges).

Thank you!

Good Neighbors Corner

By Kim Boriin, one of your neighbors

Not only is President Barack Obama asking us all to volunteer to turn things around for the country, I am asking my friends and neighbors to consider giving some time and energy to our own efforts here at Walker Lake.

It's been my pleasure to get to know many of you over the past three years, since we purchased our home here at Walker Lake. Helping with the July annual barbecues, the WLLA Legal Committee, pancake breakfasts, and Walker Lake Youth program have made me respect this community, and, also realize its potential. A major reason our association dues are relatively inexpensive is that the majority of work done for WLLA is by volunteers.

Have you ever thought, "Why don't they do this?" or, "I could do a better job at that". If so, than now is an excellent time to offer to join one our committees: Lake * Roads * Beaches* Legal * Events * Membership * Youth Program * Finance * Clubhouse!

If you have an idea for Good Neighbors Corner, email to wlla@ptd.net or bring it to the office. Perhaps we will use it in the next newsletter.

Nearly Free Trees and Shrubs

Increase your property value!

Colorado Blue Spruce * Norway Spruce * Scotch Pine * White Spruce * Sugar Maple * Elderberry * Native Birch * Daylily * Blue Rug Juniper * Lilac * Butterfly Bush * And More Selections

Seedlings are 10"-24" and are only \$10-\$15 for ten trees or shrubs! They also sell bird houses, wood duck boxes, fertilizers tablets, and tree protectors.

We are fortunate to live very near the Sullivan County Conservation Department's nursery. This nursery is the source for their annual tree and shrub sale. Simply send a note at this address asking for the Tree and Shrub Order Form:

Sullivan County Conservation District
 9219 Route 487, Suite B
 Dushore, PA 18614
 Ph: 570-928-7057

This order form must be submitted by, April 3rd, 2009. The pick up dates are Friday and Saturday, April 24th and 25th at the, Sullivan County Soil and Water Conservation District, 64 Ferndale-Loomis Road, Liberty, NY 12754 PH: 845-292-6552 ext. 101

Celebrate Arbor Day, April 24th! See You All at the Sale.

Winter Calendar of Events

February 18th **Men's Night** Read Clubhouse
 This monthly event has been switched to the third Wednesday of the month
 February 20th **Games Night** Read Clubhouse
 Monthly games night is now being held the third Friday of the month

2009 Board of Directors Meetings: 10:00 AM – 12 PM
2009 General Membership Meetings: 12:30 PM – 2:30 PM

Saturday, January 17	Board of Directors
Saturday, February 21	Board of Directors
Saturday, March 21	Board of Directors
Saturday, April 18	Board of Directors
Saturday, May 16	Board of Directors
	General Membership Board Nominations
Saturday, June 20	Board of Directors
Saturday, July 18	Board of Directors
	General Membership Elections
Saturday, August 15	Board of Directors
Saturday, September 19	Board of Directors
	General Membership New Board
Saturday, October 17	Board of Directors
Saturday, November 21	Board of Directors
Saturday, December 19	Board of Directors

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