Shoreline Lake News

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Board President Reports

Happy 2014 to everyone! The new "Winter" sign is up at the entrance to the lake – and I think that is an understatement!

I'm calling this stretch of time our new manager's "trial by fire". November brought a wind storm that caused some damage. It took down a tree on lot #3 and damaged docks on lots #1, #2 and #3. The power was out for several days. Jeff and his Band of Merry Men (John Watson, Keith Carr, Larry Carr, Bob Albring) cleared a lot of trees from the trails. Numerous things were "relocated", and some damaged or destroyed, by the wind. Jeff notified the owners of lots where he could see any damage.

December provided a beauty of an ice storm during the week of Christmas, featuring a State of Emergency for Shiawassee County and another power outage for almost a full week -- longer for people in some other areas. (Sorry Gary and Cathy "9-day" Moubray!) Trees and branches were dropping faster than Jeff could push them out of the roadway. I will sum this one by saying if you have trees, you have a bit of yard cleanup to do in the spring.

And then came January and THE SNOWSTORM. News reports were that it was the third worst ever, with over 18 inches of snow. Another State of Emergency was declared, but the power stayed on. It doesn't appear that this storm damaged anyone's property.

I can't fully describe all this in a few words. Maybe Jeff and Lupe will enjoy talking about it by springtime!

Awesome job, Jeff and Lupe, in "keeping it together" and working through this ordeal! Thank you, and many thanks to those who helped and continue to help in cleanup efforts.

Electricity:

After last year's upgrades in the electrical service, the gate is now wired in with the first run of lots. So, this year the manager has turned off the electricity at the post on each individual lot instead of at the main switches. When you return in the spring you will need to turn on your electricity at the post.

Reminders:

While the park is closed, <u>please</u> call the manager ahead of time if you need to go there. Jeff and Lupe have reported seeing late night traffic driving through the park. For the Managers' safety and ours, the Board has authorized them to lock the gate if this problem persists.

Association Dues: The annual assessments were due on October 31, 2013. A \$50.00 late fee is charged on overdue payments. Please send your check or money order to the office as soon as possible.

*****<u>WINTER PARTY*****</u>

Saturday, February 1, 2014 – 1:00 p.m. – Bring a dish to pass, table service, and bring your own beverage.

Jeff is also planning to burn the brush pile that day – weather permitting.

Enjoy the rest of your winter – and think Spring! Diane Carr