



SLA Newsletter

STAFFORDVILLE LAKE ASSOCIATION



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President's Message

Last year I had the opportunity to chat with many of the Staffordville Lake residents about a dam and lake management program that was in the works. It brings me great pleasure to report the town approved the existence of the *Town of Stafford Dam & Lake Management Advisory Committee*. Dennis Waslenchuk was appointed by the town to chair the committee. Come to our June 14, 2014, meeting and hear all about the new committee.

Once again, we were successful in having the lake lowered this past fall, upon a mutual the agreement of all parties involved.

My three agenda items as president remain simple and straight forward:

- Preserve Staffordville Lake
- Increase membership in the Staffordville Lake Association
- Increase awareness of erosion and contamination possibilities within Staffordville Lake

If you have any questions or concerns about the lake or the association ... please email me any time or telephone me (after 8:00 am and before 8:00 pm).



SLA Website Update

Our website is up and running. We are continually updating the data in an attempt to maintain it's integrity. The new look is upbeat and user-friendly. Topics include:

- *Invasive Weeds, Dam Safety, Water Quality and Weed Control*
- *Membership, Executive Board, Directors and Contact Information*
- *Documents, Informational Materials and Links to Other Websites*

Many thanks to Valerie Muszynski for the time, energy and effort she puts in to keeping our website current. Try it out at: www.staffordvillelake.com

Schedule of Events



- **Saturday, *June 14, 2014***
10:00 am Kick-Off Meeting at Stafford Town House (across from Mill Pond on Route 19)
- **Friday, *July 4, 2014***
2:00 pm Boat Parade (starting location will be at Fenton's dock)
- **Monday, *July 21, 2014***
6:30 pm Business Meeting and Potluck Picnic at the Pavilion on the Town Beach (rain location is Stafford Town House)
- **Thursday, *August 28, 2014***
6:30 pm Business Meeting and Ice Cream Social at Stafford Town House (meeting to include election of officers)

JUNE 2014

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Membership: Please Join Us

Come to the June meeting — see your neighbors, share your opinions and enjoy some coffee and donuts.

Agenda topics for the June meeting include:

- * Winter draw-down
- * Dues increase
- * Newly created Town of Stafford Dam & Lake Management Advisory Committee

Mail the enclosed annual family membership form along with \$15 to us by June 30, 2014 (please make checks payable to **Staffordville Lake Association, Inc.**). Save yourself a stamp and bring your payment to the June meeting.

You can also download a copy of the form from our website.

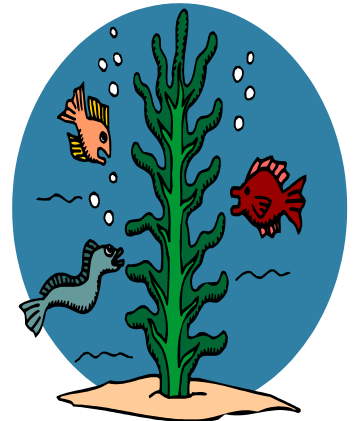
We have meetings in June, July and August. Hope to see you there!



Environmental Issues

Please keep our water clean:

- ◆ Only use fertilizers, herbicides and insecticides when absolutely necessary and never if rain is coming or within 12 feet of the water's edge.
- ◆ When boating, bring back what you take out.
- ◆ If you move your boat from lake to lake — dry out your boat for at least two days or wash down the hull with tap water before launching again. Flush the engine cooling system, bilge areas and live wells with tap water.
- ◆ For addition information go to: www.staffordvillelake.com



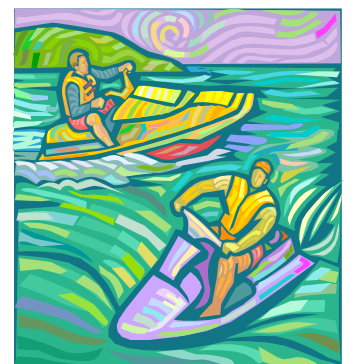
Rules for PWCs on Staffordville Lake

PWCs (jet skis, etc.) must operate at least 200' from any shoreline or dock (per Connecticut Boating Regulations, 2003, pp. 44-45). Copies of the latest boating regulations are available from the DEEP or from the Stafford Town Clerk's Office.

Staffordville Lake has many areas that measure less than 450' from

side to side. The two exceptions are: the wide part of the north end and the wide part of the south end.

Therefore, PWCs may only legally be operated in the very middle of the lake. Please observe these state regulations — be responsible, be safe and be respectful of your neighbors.





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**We're all about
preserving
Staffordville Lake.**

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2014 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Director	-	Dennis Waslenchuk
Director	-	Eileen Tocchetti
Director	-	Joyce Arthur
Director	-	Pat Fenton

SLA has a hard working and dedicated Board of Directors who are committed to preserving the beauty and benefits Staffordville Lake has to offer us now and in the future!

Congratulations, Dennis Waslenchuk

I would like to congratulate Dennis Waslenchuk for his successful efforts to bring the *Town of Stafford Dam & Lake Management Advisory Committee* to its fruition. Dennis worked tirelessly developing this town-sanctioned entity. The time, energy and expertise he has given to SLA on a volunteer basis to ensure this endeavor came to light has been incalculable. He created excellent working relationship with the Town of Stafford, the CT DEEP and TTM. He has created a unified voice for the Staffordville Lake residents to promote and maintain the integrity of our lake. Dennis, thank you, thank you, thank you. You are a lake saver. We couldn't have done it without you!



A Fond Farewell to Vivian A. Belcher

Vivian A. (Chevallier) Belcher — February 6, 1913 to February 21, 2014. She was a long-time summer resident on Staffordville Lake, an avid supporter of the Staffordville Lake Association and a good friend. After a brief illness, Vivian passed away peacefully with her family at her side. On behalf of everyone in the Staffordville Lake Association, I would like to extend our sympathy and support to all of her family members, especially: her son and caregiver, Ronnie Belcher; her son, David Belcher and his wife, Linda; and her grandchildren Sharon and Steven and their respective families.