

Hello Members

For the last 2 years I started the newsletter with "Warm weather is upon us" but I wasn't sure I was going to be able to use that phrase this year. But alas it looks like Spring has sprung and summer is coming soon. It was a very long winter but we can finally get outside and clean up our yards and enjoy our beautiful community. The Beach maintenance is underway to get ready for summer fun. Come and enjoy the summer days at the Main beach or Mothers Beach. Take a swim or boat out and explore the islands ... just remember no fires are permitted on the islands, you must leave by sunset and take your garbage home with you.



### A Message from LCIA President

As we wind down my first year as President of the Association, I am proud of the many people who have stepped up to help out in many ways to make Lake Chaffee better. From the Board of Directors, Committee Chairman's, and the Charter Revision Committee all whose work is for the good of the community. Also, the many residents who have helped out in things that have been done around the Lake. Because of all of these volunteers we lowered the lake, repaired the concrete spillway, and stabilized the earthen dam with rock. We also had two successful events at the Hall, a fall Party, and a recent Cinco de Mayo party. Thank you to everyone for your time and effort. There is much more to do, and with the recent Charter changes that were approved by the members of the Association, and passed by the State Legislature, we will be able to accomplish so much more. We need more involvement by the residents, and by involvement it could be just showing up at the monthly Board meetings to see and hear what is going on. You deserve to know what is going on. I hope that many residents who may have experienced some past situation that has stopped them from being involved, give it a second chance, come to a Board meeting, meet the entire Board, see the new vision, help shape the future of the Lake. Looking in the rearview mirror has no purpose. Henry Ford said it best when he said "Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success". I look forward to seeing and meeting everyone at the upcoming Summer LCIA meetings.

Thank you  
Mike Panek

## 2018 SUMMER EVENTS

**LCIA ANNUAL SUMMER MEETINGS:** The General Meeting in June, Election of Officers Meeting in July and Budget Meeting in August. Come be a participant in your community, hear about the issues and news, get involved in the election of officers and board members and vote on the annual budget. It is your community; please get involved. The agenda for all 3 meetings with dates and times is included with this newsletter.



**July 4<sup>th</sup> Boat Parade:** Everyone is invited to participate. It is not necessary to decorate your boat to participate. Those participating will meet at the Boat Launch across from Circle Drive. The parade will start at noon. Bad weather date is July 7 (first Saturday after the 4<sup>th</sup>).



We will once again be holding a **poker run** at the lake. The date will be Sunday June 24, from 10:00am to 12:30 pm and cost is \$10 per hand. We will have coffee & donuts at 9am and the annual meeting will follow the poker run at 2pm

What is a Poker Run you may ask? Starting at Chaffee Hall each \$10 gets you a play sheet; travel by boat, foot, car, etc to each of the 'poker stops' around the lake. Pick a card from the deck and it gets recorded on your play sheet. After visiting each stop return to Chaffee Hall and turn in your play sheet. The person with the best hand takes home ½ of the \$ that was

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collected. We will also be having a 50/50 raffle. We need people to host a 'Poker Stop'.... Your property does not need to be on the lakefront to participate. And if you don't want to use your own property, we can still use your help at one of our public locations (Hall, Boat Dock, Beach). Hosting a stop can be as simple as recording the "card pick" on the play sheets or have some fun with it by decorating your spot, playing fun music, sharing snacks, beverages, whatever with the participants. Please contact Kathy Little ([KLittle@gmail.com](mailto:KLittle@gmail.com)/860-487-3792) if you can help or if you are willing to be a poker stop.

**Lake Chaffee wearables...** Come see the new Lake Chaffee t-shirts available for purchase at our Summer meetings. There will be a limited number available in both men's and women's styles, but don't worry we will take orders if we run out.



**REMINDER:** The Lake Chaffee Hall is available to rent for a low fee to members planning events that require a larger meeting space. This may be an overlooked benefit of membership. Contact Mike Panek or Kathy Little for more details.

Don't forget to keep up with all of the LCIA activities by visiting our website [www.lakechaffee.net](http://www.lakechaffee.net)