



THE BEACHCOMBER

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PROM NIGHT

by Carolyn Mellen,
Social Chair

For the 82 people who attended the Dune Acres Prom, there was an atmosphere of nostalgia and fun. Alexis the pianist played a variety of old Prom songs and requests. By the end of the night, people were gathered around her piano joined in song. The highlight of the evening was the crowning of the Dune Acres Prom King and Queen, *Bob and Kathy Lauer*. For those of you that didn't know, Bob and Kathy went to their Junior and Senior High School Proms together! But I know this was their finest moment, for they had never received the crowns and sashes of King and Queen before!! They deserved it!!



Many thanks are in order. Most importantly, I'd like to thank *Jenny Carey* who is an accomplished party giver and co-chaired the event with me. Thanks go to *Bob and Kathy Lauer* and *Paul and Mary Jo Wilkins* for setting up the bar as well as preparing food. Thank you *Lou and Tom Roberts* for welcoming our guests. Thanks to all the guys who helped bartend - *Bob Lauer, Paul Wilkins, Kenneth Warren, Fredrick Reindel, Michael Yetnikoff, Todd Klein* and *Jerry Murphy* among others. Food donations were made by *Jenny Carey, Kenneth Warren and Fredrick Reindel, Robin Tennant, Debbie Nau, Lou Roberts, Tina and Jim Read* and *Rick Demkovich*. Many thanks to *Howard Silverman, Mark Hull, Patrice Bapst, Shirley Hull, Rob Carstens* and *Lou Mellen*.

Throwing a party isn't hard when you have a good team! Volunteerism is what has always made Dune Acres great! No matter what you get involved in this town - get involved! The more you give the more you get!

Independence Day Celebration A Great Success!

by Carolyn Mellen, Social Chair

Saturday, July 1st was a perfect summer day for the average Lake dweller, and a fantastic celebration if you were in Dune Acres! Following years of tradition, the events served sold out crowds! *Tom and Carol Cornwell* flew into DA in the nick of time to host the 3K Walk/5K Run with delicious nutritious refreshments after the 90 some folks participated. This fantastic turn out caused a shortage in shirts that the runners were to receive – that is why we request people to RSVP the events... Hopefully next year we won't run into that dilemma! Thanks to Carol and Tom.

The parade planning this year was a little tricky due to the expected delivery of little 8lb. 12 oz. *Jacob Riffle* on June 27. Never a doubt in his mother Karen's mind that she could organize a parade just 4 days later! Fortunately, Karen and Jacob's dad Bruce had lots of prior experience with the Dune Acres parade and lots of support of family and friends. Once again, beautiful face painting (Thank you *Erika Carstens* and *Paige Pucell* and anyone else I didn't happen to see that painted faces), balloons and general fun was had at Town Hall before the actual parade. *Mike Swygert* did his best Thomas Jefferson and delivered an abbreviated rendition of the Declaration of Independence and *Mike Treister* led us on piccolo for the National Anthem.

Our Grand Marshalls of the parade this year were very deserving! *Joel and Shirley Hull* have volunteered for just about everything in this town and are very treasured residents. They led the community walk, bike ride, golf-cart journey to East Beach.

Thank Heaven for *Margo and Bob Hartmann*. The Hot Dog roasters with the mosters! This may have been their last year with that distinction but they gave it their all, as usual. Thanks to the many people who helped them, including, *Marla and Dan O'Keefe, Tony Schirripa, Jan and Mark Bapst, Sherry and Bill Quinn* and *Clarice Gourley and Bev Hubbs*.

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Prom "Yearbook",
Class of '17



Jan & Mark Bapst



Bill & Linda Kollada



Dianne & Mike Swygart



Elise & Alex Demkovich



Arnie & Irene Newman



Rob & Patty Carstens



Lou and Tom Roberts



Mary Jo and Paul Wilkins



Alex & Dusty Stermer



Bill and DeeDee Spence

Local Heroes

On Sunday, July 2 *Rob Carstens*; *Beach Comish* and *Lorraine Fitzgerald* (Tutlewskis' granddaughter) rescued 3 victims from the current near boaters' beach. Rob and Raine had taken Raine's siblings tubing when they spotted a man struggling in a strong current at Boaters' Beach. As they approached him, a man and a woman jumped from another boat into the lake, and they too succumbed to the current. The 2 latter victims held onto the boat while Raine grabbed the first victim's hand and held on to him until Rob returned them safely to shore.

Well done, Rob and Raine!

submitted by Sharon Tutlewski



Flu and Pneumonia Vaccine and Blood Pressure Check Clinic

**When: Saturday
September 9, 2017**

Place: Town Hall

Time: 10:00am



Mahlar, our Pharmacist from Chesterton Walgreens will return with his associates to administer immunizations. Bring your insurance cards, Medicare cards, or cash. Your insurance will be billed onsite.

*Sharon Tutlewski
DA Wellness Coordinator*

Independence Day

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The games on the beach were led by *Sara Masloroff* whose schedule was a little crazy that day. I'm amazed at her fortitude and very appreciative of her efforts. The Slip n Slide had many hands behind it – thanks to all.

Relative newcomers, *Linda and Bill Kolada* hosted the cocktail party with ease and charm with the help of *Robin Tennant* and son *Noah*. It is such a pleasure to see so many neighbors congregate on the Clubhouse terrace. Most everyone then went upstairs to enjoy a BBQ dinner with terrific jerk chicken and bbq chicken and mixed seasonal vegetables catered by *Ivy's Bohemia House* in Chesterton. The rest of the food was pretty much prepared by *Lou Mellen*, with some help from *Costco* and *Jewel*! I pretended to host the meal but there would not have been a meal if it hadn't been for *Lou*. Thanks also to *Shirley and Joel Hull* who helped set up, take down and everything in between, *Jacque and Dave Owens* who helped with clean up and *Bobbi and Dick Taylor* and *Sharon Tutlewski* for help with setting up and cutting up.

Once again, the evening ended after a fireworks show on the beach. *Rob Carstens and Mark Taylor* work their tails off getting the fireworks to the beach. Thank you Rob and Mark and thanks to *Patty Carstens* who always makes our Firemen happy with a pizza dinner before the show.

To close, I would like to mention that we still have 3 good more months of summer!!

Thanks everybody! See you on the beach.

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New Feature - DA "Classified Ads"

We invite our neighbors to come to our moving sale at **2 Crest Drive on Saturday, July 22nd from 11 until 3.**

- Two Oil paintings by Margaret Lockwood
 - 5 1/2 wide x 3 1/2 tall \$3000
 - 6 feet tall x 4.2 wide \$4000
- Bronze sculpture by David Crawford \$4500
- Custom Arts and Crafts White Oak table 8 feet by 3 1/2 feet \$2900
- Stickleby couch \$2500
- Fortuny silk wall lamp made in Venice, Italy \$350
- Hand loomed rugs from Oaxaca
- four 1850 Chinese chairs
- and misc.

submitted by MaryAnn Crayton



Our next official scheduled Social Event will be the Fall Party. At this point, I am looking for a couple of people to be the Chairmen of the committee. A married couple, an unmarried couple, 2 friends, 4 friends. New friends. Old friends. It really does not matter if you are scheduled to be on the Fall party committee or not. All help would be very appreciated.

Carolyn Mellen - Social Chair

Independence Day Photo Album



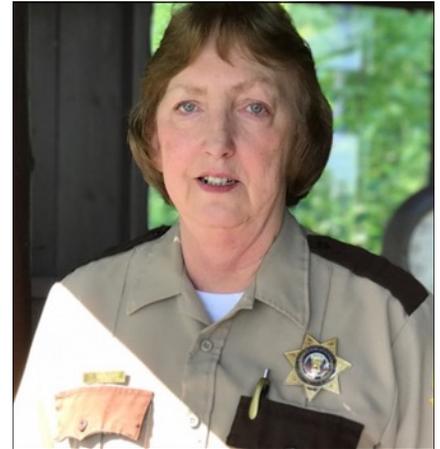
Meet the team that guards our gate and has our backs



Glenn Brown, Chief Security Officer



Phil Lepley, Saturday-Tuesday & Friday Daytime



Debbie Wilson, Friday Evening & Summer Patrols



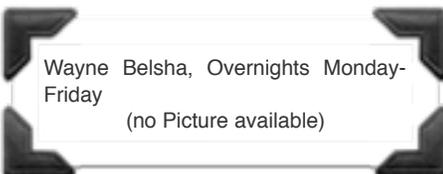
Terry Cornwell, Overnight Weekends and Summer Patrols



Jeaneen Dougherty, Town Patrols



Bernie Olis, Tuesday & Wednesday Daytime Security



Wayne Belsha, Overnights Monday-Friday
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Terry Trout, Daytime Weekends

Submitted by -
Bill Griffin
Security Commissioner

Security Alert

On Saturday, July 22nd at 10:00AM, Porter County Sherriff Dave Reynolds will address Dune Acres residents in the Town Hall on issues of developing procedures and habits for personal and home security. Sheriff Reynolds's Triad presentation has been given to numerous schools, businesses and organizations. It addresses concerns for all ages. It will, I believe, be a collective benefit to the our entire community.



Town park drinking fountain rehab complete, now ready for residents and their furry friends

New Clubhouse Patio Furniture

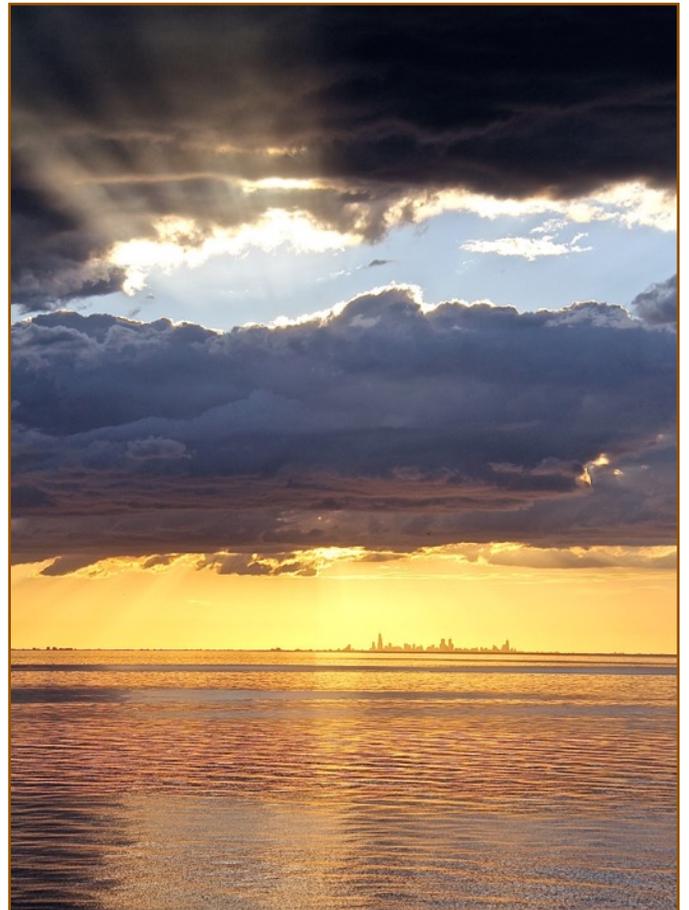
A generous donation from Dune Acres resident McKenzie Mertz has enabled the town to purchase outdoor furniture for the clubhouse patio. A teak dining set, along with a separate seating area will help residents utilize the patio area while enjoying the wonderful lake views. Additional thanks go to Clubhouse Coordinator Ivan Chermel and resident Mary Boeke for facilitating this most recent town

A Reminder to Keep Dune Acres Roads Safe

- ✿ **Walkers:** walk opposite traffic and bikers bike with traffic.
- ✿ **Drivers:** please slow down on our curvy roads that include many blind areas.

Let's have a really SAFE summer.

submitted by Cathy Bomberger



Let there be light...and storms...and an amazing view across the lake. Photo by **Mike Swygert** taken on June 23, 2017

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