

# SINGLETERARY SUN

Spring 2010

THE VOICE OF THE LAKE SINGLETERARY WATERSHED ASSOCIATION



*“Dedicated to the Preservation and Protection of Lake Singletary and its Watershed”*

## President's Message

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Well what a difference a year makes. Last year at this time, the lake water level was extremely low and we were all hoping for some rain in order to kick off the season. This year, thanks to the weather and a planned earlier refill start, we will have a full lake for the beginning of the season.

Last year some of you may know we tried various methods to get control of our growing Fanwort problem. We had an aggressive drawdown over the winter of 2008/2009 in an attempt to remove the 10 acre area of dense Fanwort. We also spent some time and money experimenting with Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting. We had only moderate success.

The latest exciting news on treatment of Fanwort is that there is a new chemical in the approval pipeline that will allow for “spot” treating Fanwort similar to how we treat Milfoil. We are monitoring the progress of the approval of the chemical “Clipper” which would give us the tool to treat the 10 acre area and other problem

areas. We will keep you posted on the progress.

Since this is the start of a new membership year, I want to encourage all to please send in your 2010 dues payment. We need the funds to continue the fight to keep our lake healthy, and as always, thank you for your past membership support.

On the social front, we have lots planned with two big events coming soon. First, the Earth Day clean up and then our season opening Spring Wing Ding. Please do everything you can to participate since your response to these events helps encourage us all to drive on.

One final note with spring here remember that when you fertilize you should be using zero phosphorous fertilizer for the health of our lake.

Thanks again for your support

Tim Vanderlinden

# Calendar of Events 2010

**APRIL 24 SATURDAY 8AM BOAT RAMP EARTH DAY CLEAN-UP**

**MAY 8 SATURDAY 7PM SPRING WING DING**

**JULY 4TH SUNDAY BOAT PARADE 8PM**

**JULY 5<sup>TH</sup> MONDAY RAINDATE BOAT PARADE 8PM**

**AUGUST 7 SATURDAY RAFTING PARTY 3PM**

**AUGUST 25 WEDNESDAY ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7PM**

## Gatehouse Repair Project Update



LSWA has completed phase I (new asphalt roof) of the "Gatehouse Repair Project". LSWA would like to thank Paul Marcel, Jeff Clark, Brian Mellen, and John Silverberg for their volunteerism, hard work, and a job well done.

As outlined in the 2005 - Dam Inspection Report the gate house that protects our newly installed stainless steel valve and gate mechanism is in desperate need of repairs. The project will be completed in 3 phases, beginning with phase I that started last summer.



**Phase I** - Replace Roof - **Complete** • **Phase II** - Replace rotted boards • **Phase III** - Paint the entire Gate House

### EMAIL ADDRESS REQUEST

Sending an email is the fastest way to communicate to our membership and inform them of happenings and things of interest regarding our lake. Your email **WILL NOT** be given out and will only be used by the lake association. Please email your address to [shariegrant@verizon.net](mailto:shariegrant@verizon.net)

### JULY 4th BOAT PARADE

Don't you just love a parade! Our lake sure does. Our grand parade last year started at 8pm on July 4<sup>th</sup> evening. Hundreds of spectators lined up on shore. Hope you were there to see all the wonderfully decorated boats.

This year, the boat parade will be again on July 4<sup>th</sup> and have scheduled rain date of July 5<sup>th</sup>.

## Water Level and Drawdown

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## Spring Wing Ding

**Date: SATURDAY MAY 8**

**Time: 7PM**

**Place: DUDLEY-GENDRON LEGION POST  
158 BOSTON ROAD, SUTTON**

**THIS YEAR'S EVENT WILL ONCE AGAIN FEATURE AN ITALIAN BUFFET, DESSERT AND COFFEE, OUR INFAMOUS RAFFLE, AND MUSIC PLAYED BY DJ DAVE ZIMAGE TO DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY!**

**PRICE IS \$15.00 PER PERSON WITH ADVANCE NOTICE.**

**PLEASE CALL MONA AT 508-865-0741 BEFORE**

**MAY 2<sup>ND</sup> WITH NUMBER ATTENDING IN YOUR PARTY. YOU MAY PAY AT THE DOOR THE NIGHT OF THE EVENT OR MAKE CHECK OUT PAYABLE TO LSWA AND SEND IT TO:**

**MONA KAWOLIS, 95 WEST SUTTON RD, SUTTON MA 01590**

**LAST MINUTE ATTENDEES WELCOME BUT WILL BE CHARGED \$17.50 AT THE DOOR.**

**DON'T MISS THE FUN. SEE YOU THERE!**

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## LSWA Membership News

You should have received your 2010 dues request in the mail. Last year, many generously chose to contribute more than the \$75.00 membership fee! We encourage all those who have not yet paid their 2010 dues to do so promptly.

Dues can be mailed to:

**LSWA**

**C/O Benjamin Insurance Company**

**497 Central Turnpike**

**Sutton, MA 01590**

The LSWA needs your support to keep our lake clean and beautiful. We all are looking forward to fun-filled summer activities on the lake!

## Well Survey Update



Thanks to all of those who have participated in completing the well survey last year. We have received 123 surveys thus far with only 42 remaining to complete the project.

For those of you have not yet responded, you can download the form on the LSWA Website, [WWW.lakesingletary.org](http://WWW.lakesingletary.org) and mail in your response or call Karen Leblanc to answer four quick questions at 508-865-4977. Your cooperation is much appreciated, as the goal of this project is to document the depth of all private wells surrounding Lake Singletary. This information will be used as part of the drawdown plan assessment when determining the maximum depth for our drawdown plan.

# The Singletary Sun

## The Captain's Corner

### THE CAPTAIN'S SPRING COMMISSIONING TIPS

It's almost time to get your boat ready for another season on the lake. With this warmer season in mind, I've once again put together a basic checklist for the annual rite of *spring commissioning*.



#### OVERALL

- Wash down the entire boat, hull, interior, and the bilge area.
- Inspect the hull for blisters, which are signs of moisture intrusion beneath the gel coat layer, also look for any distortions of stress cracks.
- Inspect the prop for dings, pitting and distortion. Make sure any cotter pins or other keeper devices are secure. Grip the prop and try moving it, checking for any excessive side play.
- Check under the carpets for mold and mildew, if present, wash with a mild solution of bleach and water. ( Two parts water to one half part bleach )
- Check for small tears in seat cushions and vinyl padding. There are several products available in auto supply stores that do a good job of mending these small cuts before they spread into large ones.
- Apply a good coat of wax to the hull.

#### MECHANICAL

- Inspect all hoses and hose clamps for condition and security.
- Inspect all belts for condition and proper tension.
- Lubricate exposed throttle and shift linkage.
- Spring is a good time to change the engine oil and lower unit lubricant. Minimally check the levels and the color of the lower unit lube, if it is milky you've got a water intrusion problem that requires repair. ( You can check the lower unit lube color by collecting a small amount from the drain screw, then top off as needed )
- Examine any trim tilt pistons for condition and leakage.
- Top off trim/tilt and power steering fluids.
- Change the canister fuel filter /water separator.
- On I/O drives, inspect the outdrive bellows, ( from the bilge side ) for any dried or deteriorated areas or cracks. Look especially in the folds.
- On inboards be sure the water intake under the hull is clear.

#### ELECTRICAL

- Clean and tighten battery cable connections.
- Check battery acid level, top off with distilled water if needed.
- Charge battery.
- Check bilge blower operation.
- Check running/navigation lights and horn for operation.
- Inspect bilge pump and float switch for proper operation.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

- Check expiration date on fire extinguisher.
- Be sure your registration is up to date.
- Review your insurance policy for currency and coverage.
- Check condition and number of life jackets on board, with proper sizes for adults and children as needed.
- Check condition of anchor and dock lines.
- Mail in your check to the LAKE SINGLETARY WATERSHED ASSOCIATION for your annual dues.
- Don't forget to INSTALL THE DRAIN PLUG prior to launching!

Hopefully some of these simple steps of preparation will help to insure a safe and enjoyable boating season ahead.

CHECK OUT OUR NEW AND IMPROVED WEB SITE

[www.lakesingletary.org](http://www.lakesingletary.org)

# 2009 LSWA HONOR ROLL

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	Garry T& Karen Melia	
	Brian & Laurie Mellen	

\*Denotes new members

# Boat Parade



# Boat Parade Photos cont.



# RAFTING PARTY



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