

Spring 2018

### **DID YOU KNOW...**

...that Channel Lakes Bluffs Association is celebrating 95 years this year? That's right! CLBA was formed on June 18th, 1923 when there were just cottages, cabins and tents dotting our subdivision – most of them being only summer homes. A lot has changed since then but some things still remain the same. Our goal is to keep our "small village" a place for members to raise their families and make memories that will last a lifetime. A place you want to be proud of. A place to call home.

### WHAT WE HAVE BEEN UP TO

You will notice the most recent change is the addition of Rip Rap – a wall of landscape fabric, large rock and native plants that form a barrier against deteriorating landscape – was installed North of the beach, extending to the lot line. This project was no easy feat! It has taken several years and many hurtles along the way but it is finally finished. I would like to personally thank all of the members who helped over the years to make this happen! The CLBA's next project is the area South of the Beach. It is a low lying area that floods and stays soggy. We would like to make that area park like with perhaps horse shoe pits or Baggo boards. The Board has discussed several options but we fear that area is a flood plain and we may not be able to do anything with it. We welcome any thoughts from our members. Future projects include building a pavilion and have 4 – 6 picnic tables for the members to enjoy. The Board is gathering all of the logistical information like cost, insurance and maintenance for that project and will keep the members up to date as details progress.

# **ANNUAL MEETING**

The CLBA Annual Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 9am sharp! Rain Date will be Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 9am. It is held in the park at the Beach. Check-in starts at 830am. Please bring your own chair. We count on support from *all* CLBA members. The agenda includes, among other things, voting on yearly assessment amounts so if you want your voice heard, please plan on attending.

# **BY-LAWS UPDATE**

We need your help! We are very close to having everyone's signed change in By-Laws form. The changes are minimal but we need 100% of the homeowner's approval before the By-Laws can be changed which is no easy task! They were mailed out a year ago and many of them were signed and returned...thank-you! If you have not received your copy, please email us and we will get one to you asap. We are hoping to have it finalized and printed for everyone by the Annual Meeting. Thank you for your cooperation!

## **BOARD SEAT VACANCIES**

The business decisions affecting CLBA are made by a Board of Directors. There are no specific requirements to be a board member but you *must* be able to devote your time to help wherever needed.

Board members must consider the Community as a whole and not have a specific agenda. You will have input in creating a budget, make decisions regarding issues, review contracts discuss delinquencies and generate resolutions. Meetings are once per month. Four of your neighbors comprise the elected Board and there are several Trustees. Since there is a 2 year term, there will be seats open. If you would like to be a candidate, consider attending the Annual Meeting in July.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The buoys must be put in the water marking off the Swim Area of the Beach. It must be done before the season begins on Memorial Day and taken out after Labor Day. We have quotes of \$110 to \$200 each for in and out which CLBA will have to pay if we don't have any volunteers. Email us if you would like to volunteer. Thank you!

#### **HELPFUL INFO**

Channel Lake Bluffs Association's website is <a href="www.clba.us">www.clba.us</a> where you can find all of the information regarding the subdivision that you need. The By-Laws, Boat Launch info and Board Meeting Minutes are all there. Plus you can email the Board at <a href="mailto:info@clba.us">info@clba.us</a> with any questions or concerns you may have.

If you have any news you'd like to share, please email us so we can let others know.



#### **PLEASE CARE**

If you see trash on the common ground or along our roads, please pick it up. This could be from someone's overflowing can or a walker who discarded an empty water bottle. No matter the source of these "eyesores," this is our neighborhood and its condition reflects on all of us. Thank you for your help!

If you see any illegal activity, dangerous situation or damage to property, please call 911. DO NOT take matters into your own hands!! For non-emergencies, call the Lake County Sherriff at 847.549.5200

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2017 - 2018**

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