



# the Waubeekan

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## Summer's Here?!

### Security Alert!

The spring has been a busy time for the Security committee. Thanks to the many homeowners who have already responded to our security audit survey. We are still awaiting late replies. The information we gather from these audit forms is essential! We will not be able to issue any new or replacement passes until we have completed the audit.

Below are some new measures being taken to enhance our security system:

**NEW SECURITY REQUEST BOXES:** Please check for our new security request boxes. They will be installed (1) at the exit gate, and (2) at the bulletin board near the tennis courts. Envelopes will be available at these locations for your requests.

Using these request boxes, you will be able to:

- ✓ order new thin "wave" passes at \$5 each. Please remember to enclose a check payable to Lake Waubeeka Association for the total due.
- ✓ request free replacements for damaged passes. NOTE: Your damaged pass must be enclosed in the envelope if you wish a free replacement.
- ✓ request a name change for the dialer
- ✓ request a phone number change for the dialer
- ✓ request a temporary code to be issued for a specified time frame
- ✓ pose any additional questions or concerns about your passes or access to the community

Please be sure to include your name, address and phone number with your request.

**SECURITY VOICEMAIL:** All phone requests to the security committee can be made to **798-1183**.

**WHO CAN REQUEST A PASS?** Homeowners may request additional passes or codes for special occasions. Tenants may NOT apply directly for passes or codes—the request must come from the homeowner.

**HOW TO USE THE DIALER:** Homeowners must have a touch-tone phone to allow guests into the community. When a guest calls you from the visitor's gate dialer, press 9 on your home phone keypad to open the gate.

**BEST PLACE TO MOUNT THICK PASS:** Near the rear view mirror, on the left side.

It is essential that you report your current pass numbers to the Security Committee.

**Unreported passes  
will be  
deactivated  
after July 7<sup>th</sup>!**

**ANNUAL  
MEMBERSHIP  
MEETING**

Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup>  
9 pm at the Community House

## Waubeekan Graduates

Congratulations to our graduates! Job well done!

Caroline Apgar	Danbury High School
Thomas Russell	Rogers Park Middle School
Nick Seinfeld	Rogers Park Middle School
Callie Setesak	Rogers Park Middle School
Allon Hadaya	Mill Ridge Intermediate
Max Seinfeld	Mill Ridge Intermediate
Ian Bick	Mill Ridge Primary
Noah Dempsey	Mill Ridge Primary
Lindsay Glaser	Mill Ridge Primary
Sara Wall	Mill Ridge Primary
Peter DeCooke	Mill Ridge Kindergarten
Danielle Dempsey	Mill Ridge Kindergarten
Sarah Krate	Wooster Kindergarten
Brae Lashley	Mill Ridge Kindergarten
Krista Vittorini	Mill Ridge Kindergarten

Sorry if we missed anybody!

## Celebrate July 4<sup>th</sup> on the Beach

*Back by popular demand!*

### FRENCH COOKIN' BLUES BAND

Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup>

3 - 7 pm at the Paul Street beach

Join us for a lot of food, a lot of fun, and a lot of great music! In case of rain, the performance will be held at the Community House from 7 - 11 pm.

## Baby Waubeekans

Welcome to the new arrivals!



Stephanie & Simon

Matthews — Natalie

Beth & Avi Mistril — Zoe

Drew & Rachel Stietzel — Jada

## Drinking Water Sodium Level

Our drinking water's sodium level was recently reported as being 58.0 mg/L, which is in excess of the mandatory consumer notification level (28.0 mg/L) as specified in the CT Public Health Code. If you are on a sodium-restricted diet, please inform your physician.

## Attention Boaters!

The boat stickers are finally here! Sorry for the delay, it's been a busy (and rainy) spring! They will be sent out shortly, so please affix them to your boats as soon as you receive them.



If you dock your boat at the Paul Street beach, please store your boats **ONLY** in the boat area, which is on the far left side near the dock. This area has been cleared and sand added (thanks Flo and Leo), and there are chains for locking up your boat. Boats stored in other areas will be subject to removal.

For safety reasons, please be sure to store your boat upside down or with the plug removed. Boats that fill up with water can become a breeding ground for bugs and a health hazard!

If you haven't yet registered your boat, it's not too late. You can get a registration form at our website at [www.waubeeka.org/boatreg.htm](http://www.waubeeka.org/boatreg.htm), or by writing to the Lake Committee at 47 Post Road.

## Thinking Green

Please remember that any fertilizer (or other lawn product) that you apply to your lawn will end up washing into Lake Waubeeka and feeding our lake weeds. The impact of too much nitrogen and other natural nutrients on our lake's ecosystem can be disastrous. Moderation is the key!

Same thing goes for **harsh cleaning products**. Look for environmentally friendly brands of soap, laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid and other household cleaning products.

## Calling All Softball Players!

Our Memorial Day game was a rainout, but we expect a strong turnout for our upcoming adult softball games:



Sunday, July 6<sup>th</sup> at 11 am  
Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup> at 11 am

Women players are welcome. No need to register. Get your bats and gloves ready, and pray for sunshine!

## The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual New Lake Waubeeka Art Show

This early "heads-up" is a call for artists, volunteers, and anyone who would like to take part. This year's show will open on Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at the Community House at 8:00 pm, with a wine/dessert gala. The show will also be open the following Sunday (August 10<sup>th</sup>) from 11:00 am until 6:00 pm. The show is open to all Waubeekan artists, not juried, but limited to five pieces per artist. More details to follow. Call or email Carol Nicklaus (791-2720 or [cnicklaus@comcast.net](mailto:cnicklaus@comcast.net)) with any queries.

We know there are plenty of fantastic artists out there—please participate and lend a hand!

## Pizza Party Fridays

All Waubeekans young and older! Bring a beach chair or blanket and join the Community Pizza Party every other Friday at 6 pm at the Paul Street beach. See schedule below. Sign-up sheets will be posted on the bulletin boards at each beach until 10 am on the day of the party. Order your own pie for \$10. No drop-ins please! If you sign up but do not attend, you will still be obliged to pay for the pizza you ordered. Cancellations or rain dates will be posted on all bulletin boards. For more information call Virginia Weisgerber at 778-0151.

Friday, July 11<sup>th</sup>  
Friday, July 25<sup>th</sup>  
Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup>  
Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>

## Welcome New Owners

Since last year, the following families have bought or built homes at Lake Waubeeka. Welcome to all—and apologies if we have left anyone out!

Domingos	146 Carol Street
Gatta	2 Carol Street
Heese	40 Paul Street
Meyers	74 Post Road
Risolo	79 Post Road
Sampson	7 Paul Street

## Waubeeka T-Shirts

Don't forget to buy your new Lake Waubeeka T-shirts! Call Mary Ellen Graziano at 743-2564.

## Duplicate Bridge

Every Thursday night, 7:30 pm at the Community House beginning June 26<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome. For more information contact Don Rosenberg at 797-8310.

## Tuesday Nights at the Movies

Movies for adults (rated PG, PG-13 or R) are shown every Tuesday night at the Community House, starting promptly at 8 pm. Bring your own cushions for comfort. The title of each week's movie will be advertised at the gates in the days preceding its showing.

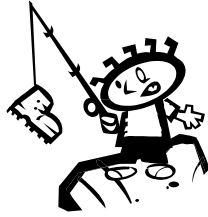
July 1	Tears of the Sun	R
July 8	About Schmidt	R
July 15	Road to Perdition	R
July 22	The Gangs of New York	R
July 29	Daredevil	PG-13
August 5	The Life of David Gale	R

## Monday Teen Movies

A teen film (PG-13) will be shown on Monday evenings in the new Sandy Brown Teen Rec Room at the Community House. Approximately 9 pm. Please check bulletin boards for movie titles.

## FYI: Garbage Matters

The summer garbage pick-up schedule (Mondays & Thursdays) will be in effect July 4<sup>th</sup> through Labor Day. Please set your perishable garbage out **NO LATER THAN 8 am** on pick-up days.



Recyclables are picked up only once weekly on Mondays. Please leave your recycling out at curbside the **NIGHT BEFORE** pick-up.

Large items (furniture etc) can be left at curbside at any time for removal by our caretaking staff.

Contractors **MUST NOT** dump construction materials in Lake Waubeeka's dumpsters. Fines will be imposed on homeowners whose hired workers do not follow this rule.

Metal cans, aluminum foil, glass and plastic bottles and all other recyclables should be placed curbside in a clear or blue bag. Newspapers, and flattened cardboard boxes should be bundled together with string, or in a brown paper bag. **DO NOT MIX RECYCLING WITH GARBAGE!**

Please don't leave your garbage out for days before pick-up unless you have a raccoon-proof trash bin.

The dumpsters are always available for disposal of garbage and limited household trash, but are not for disposal of recyclable items, construction debris, or large items such as furniture and appliances.

## We're Online!

Lake Waubeeka's website is full of great information, helpful phone numbers and a Community Discussion Forum where you can post your views. You can register your boat online, browse through old issues of the Waubeekan, contact Board members and much more. Visit us at

<http://www.waubeeka.org/>

## Got News?

You may submit articles, comments, poems, items for sale, and more. Submit to mailbox at 138 Carol Street. All articles should be signed and have a phone number. Send electronic submissions [waubeekan@waubeeka.org](mailto:waubeekan@waubeeka.org).

## Gate Reminder

Please be patient with the entrance and exit gates! Let the gate go through its full cycle before proceeding. A \$100 fine will be issued to anyone caught breaking a gate. 24-hour surveillance cameras take a picture of all cars entering and exiting the community.

## Music, Music, Music!

Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup>

8 - 10 pm at the Community House



Mark your calendars! Come join us for an entertaining evening of piano music! Jon Tench, resident and Master Piano Technician and Pianist will be joining our special guest Vincent Biase. Mr. Biase, a pianist, also operates an active music

instructional studio in Amenia, New York. This piano duo will be performing an American Songbook Repertoire from the 1920's to the present. They will be performing on Lake Waubeeka's two turn-of-the-century pianos. Jon and Vincent share a close musical friendship and are delighted to share their talents with you. Don't miss this one!

## A Good Neighbor

Long-time resident Abe Golub shares this story:

"Recently, Bea and I returned from a trip to the West coast on a flight which landed at JFK at midnight. To recover our car and return to Waubeeka brought us to the gate sometime after two in the morning, at which time we realized that our pass was missing. This presented us with a dilemma. The choices were 1) break the gate; a no-no, 2) wake somebody up and incur a lifelong enemy, 3) sleep in the car until the newspaper delivery arrived in the morning. After ten minutes of juggling the choices, unbelievably, headlights appeared and a car pulled up driven, as it turned out, by a blond angel. This apparition—whose name I neglected to obtain—allowed us to use her pass to enter the community, and earned our lifelong gratitude. I hope she reads this and learns how much her help was appreciated after 20 hours without sleep!"

—Abe & Bea Golub

## Junior T-Ball

Have a ball when junior T-ball season starts on Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. Games will be every Tuesday morning at 9 am at the ballfield for girls and boys ages 4 - 10 years. To sign up, please call Suzy Sterzinger at 778-0748.

## Children's Craft Hour

**For 3 - 5 year-olds:** Beginning Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, every Tuesday morning there will be a children's craft hour from 10:30 - 11:30 am at the Community House craft room. Program will run throughout August. Valerie Balandis-Bick will lead the activities.

**For 6 - 10 year-olds:** Beginning Thursday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, every Thursday morning there will be a children's craft hour from 10:30 - 11:30 am at the Community House craft room. This program will run throughout August and will be led by Kristen Krate and Lisa Glaser.

## Sand Castle Contest

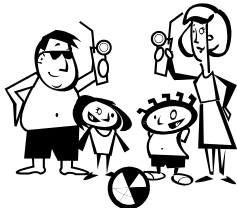


Fun in the sun! Join the children's sand castle building contest at the Paul Street beach on Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup>. Judging will be around 5 pm. No losers.

## Candy Bar Bingo

Wednesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at the Community House for children 5 years and older. One "regular" size candy bar buys one bingo card. Limit of two cards per person. No losers!

## Splashdown!



Splashdown field trip will be held on Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup>. Meet at the Post Street beach at 9 am sharp! We will wagon train to Splashdown. Group rates are available to Lake Waubeeka. Questions? Call Mary Ellen Graziano at 743-2564. Check bulletin boards the day before for any changes or cancellations.

## LWA CLASSIFIED ADS

**PIANO TUNING & REPAIR:** Piano tuning and repair by Jon Tench at 19 Paul Street. Call 790-6239. Discount to Lake Waubeeka residents.

**BABYSITTER:** 13 years old. Approximately 350 hours experience. Completed and qualified by Danbury Hospital Baby Sitting course. Call Shakhed Hadaya at 748-2233.

**SAILBOAT FOR SALE:** 15 foot Chrysler fiberglass sailboat plus trailer for over-the-road mobility for sale. Asking \$900. Call Joe at 794-1330.

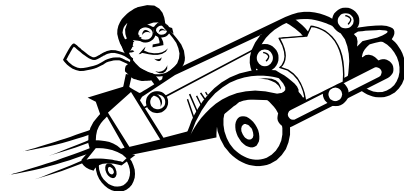
**BABYSITTER AVAILABLE:** Certified by Danbury Hospital and Danbury Fire Department. Please call Thomas at 748-3743.

**MOTHER'S HELPER & MORE:** Are the kids' summer vacations not a vacation for you? Call Callie Setesak at 790-7564. I am available as a mother's helper, for baby-sitting, light household duties and even pet and plant care. I am entering Danbury High School in the fall and am an extremely responsible and trustworthy person. References upon request.

**NEED HELP WITH YOUR VCR, DVD OR SURROUND SOUND?** Gail Frankel has 5 years experience in sales and hook up of home electronics. She is available on the lake, or in the NYC/NJ area for consultation and installation. VERY reasonable rates which are negotiable. E-mail: [Gail@gailfrankel.com](mailto:Gail@gailfrankel.com) or call 201-348-3305 NJ (just outside NYC) or 203-792-4746 CT (mom's house). NOTE: Any "Senior" Waubeekan needing help on the lake, please contact me for NO CHARGE HELP!!

PLEASE!

15 mph speed limit



# KIDS' CORNER



## ACTING

by Ian Bick, age 7

It all started when I was four years old trying on my dad's enormous sneakers. I also put on my mom's makeup. I loved to put on shows. Soon it was going to be my birthday. I was going to turn eight. I couldn't wait because there was a camp named "Summer on Stage." It was finally the day to go to "Summer on Stage." When I was there I got pretend married to two people. Their names were Lauren and Shaina. The priest was Chris. Then we had brownies and cookies. Lauren picked me up so we could practice for the real play. The play was called "Columbus and His Crew." I was Columbus. When "Summer on Stage" was over I had to say goodbye to Lauren and Shaina. I gave them one big hug and I never saw them again. When I got picked to be the "little wee bear" in Goldilocks I was happy and glad. I had to perform three shows. In the first one, the chorus found out that I was the "little wee bear." In the second show, my class found out that I was the "little wee bear." In the third show, the first graders found out I was the "little wee bear." Finally, the three shows were over and I got to take off my sweaty costume. The chorus and I got to eat cake and juice. Then everyone said "You were great, Ian." Even Mrs. Cronin was saying I was great. Then my dad took me home. On the way home I ate my candy.

## RAIN FEELS GOOD

by Sarah Krate, age 6

I feel rain  
It feels wet on my tongue  
I like it because it falls from the sky  
It grows flowers and leaves  
It is very good for the grass.

## ABBY

by Joshua Dempsey, age 9

Beautiful dark green eyes that shine in the moonlight  
She eats, eats, eats, all the gray rats and black mice

She's friendly and as beautiful as a sleek black panther.  
Why o' why does she purr so much?  
It's a mystery we may never solve.

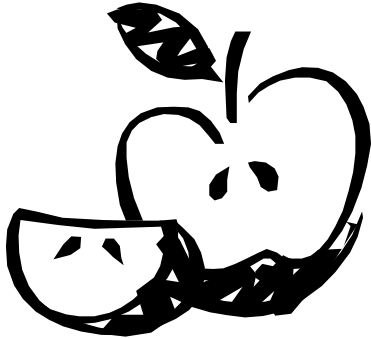
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# THE APPLE

by Max Seinfeld, age 11

One morning I heard my Mom saying "Get up Max, get up for school." So I got up and went to eat breakfast. I had cereal and my Mom had an apple. That apple must have had germs in it or some kind of virus because as soon as my Mom took a bite and swallowed it she fainted.

I started to panic. I began to pace the floor. My mind started racing. My heart started racing too. I took my Mom's temperature. It was so hot that the thermometer shattered. I touched her forehead. It was so hot it burned my hand. I thought to myself, "Where should I go? What should I do? Who can help? Will my Mom be alright?"



I called one of my friends. The phone rang several times. I kept on saying "Come on, Kimmy..." Yes, she picked up! I said "Kimmy, you need to come over. It is really important." She said "OK."

Kimmy showed up at my door really fast. She said "What's wrong?" She did not say it in a strong voice; it sounded like a tired voice (she must have run all the way to my house). I said "There is something wrong with my Mom." We both said at the same time "Should we take her to the hospital?" We thought it would be a smart thing to do, so we called 911. Kimmy was standing over me.

A few minutes later I heard the ambulance. I could hear the siren. It was screaming its way down my street. The EMT burst through my door and said "What happened?" I told him that I did not really know. One minute I was eating breakfast with my Mom and the next minute she fainted. She had bitten into an apple.

While the EMTs were thinking about what to do with my Mom, someone else burst into my house. It was my Dad. He kissed my Mom on the lips. And my Mom woke up! It was amazing! The EMT said "That is just like the fairy tale Snow White." We all started to laugh. We never knew why that apple made my Mom faint. But I'll always know that one kiss can make a big difference.

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## MY INNER POET

by Rachel Krate, age 8

My inner poet  
is like America  
spreading out to the country  
With people and poetry.

My inner poet  
is like my blanket  
spreading out with comfortableness.

My inner poet  
is like myself  
growing bigger and stronger.

My inner poet  
is like school  
spreading with learning.

My inner poet  
is like flowers growing taller.

All this expresses my poetry.

## FEELINGS

by Rachel Krate, age 8

Mad, bored, happy, sad  
feelings  
feelings  
everywhere!

Being mad  
is when you  
are upset  
like the  
boring,  
blackish sky.

Being bored  
is when it's  
raining out,  
you want  
to play outside  
but have to play inside

Being happy  
is when you  
tell silly jokes,  
and when  
you laugh and play.

Being sad  
is when  
a person dies,  
or when  
you get hurt.

Everywhere!  
feelings are just  
like seasons!

Feelings rotate  
just like  
seasons!

Sometimes  
you are happy,  
Sometimes  
you are sad,  
sometimes  
you are bored,  
sometimes  
even mad!

These are the feelings  
that everyone has!

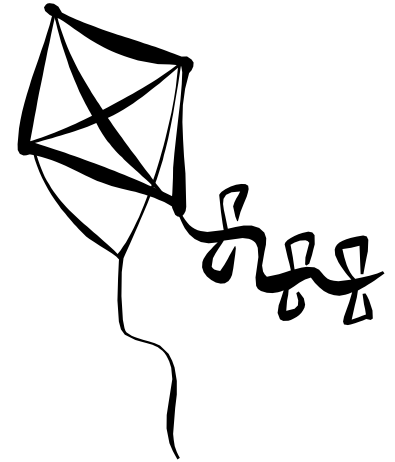
## ALISON'S KITE

by Lindsay Glaser, age 7

Once upon a time there lived a little girl named Alison. She loved to draw, color, and play. She loved summer because she got to go swimming. She loved the colorful leaves that fell in the fall. She loved the cold winter nights and days because she got to have hot chocolate sitting by the fireplace. She loved spring most of all because it was not too cold, or too hot, and there wasn't a cold breeze hitting her face. She just loved the warm breezes and the

wonderful smell of flowers. One day Alison took her kite outside in the yard to fly. At first she felt the wind so gentle. After she started to fly her kite the wind began to blow hard and before she could get it down it ripped.

As she came into the house looking very unhappy her mother saw what had happened. She knew what she had to do. So she left the house and went to the store to get Alison a brand new kite. The next day Alison was playing ball when her mother came out of the house and said "I got you a new kite." Alison was shocked. She never knew her mother would buy her a brand new kite. She hugged her mother very tight. She was so excited she got her ball and ran inside, put her ball away, took her new kite from her mother and let it go and it flew so beautiful that she will try her best to take such good care of it. She loved her kite very, very much.



## FLOWERS ARE GREAT

by Sarah Krate, age 6



I see flowers growing  
They are starting to bloom  
They smell as pretty as can be  
They feel as fuzzy as a teddy bear  
I feel happy when I see them.