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The Capitol Beach Community Association (CBCA) was incorporated on January 28, 1986 as a 501(c)(7) corporation. Every person who is a title-holder of a vacant lot or living unit abutting Capitol Beach Lake, shall be eligible for membership in the corporation. Once a lot or living unit abutting Capitol Beach Lake has joined the Association, such property shall remain so subject in perpetuity, and may not be separated from the Association. The bylaws and protective covenants as amended, are recorded with the Register of Deeds. Members of the Association are provided copies of these agreements when they join and upon request. The bylaws of the Association define how the business of the Association will be done, including meetings of the general membership, the election of board of directors at the annual meeting and monthly board meetings. The by laws also empower the board to establish rules and regulations of the Association for safety and care of the commons.

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Phil & Barbara Heckman
702 W. Lakeshore Circle

CBCA GOLF OUTING

By Bruce Younglove

The Capitol Beach Golf Classic is scheduled for Saturday May 14th 2005 at the Highlands Golf Course with a 2:00 pm start time. Mark your calander and plan to join in the fun. Family & friends are welcome. The registration form is in the CBCA newsletter (page 10) and is posted on the CBCA website where anyone can complete it and return with prepayment. You must register by May 6th, so don't delay, do it today! If you or someone you know want to donate a prize for our golfers, please call Leta Powell Drake at 477-8418 or Bruce Younglove at 438-8178.

ISLAND CELEBRATION / BOAT PARADE JULY 4TH

Volunteers are needed for our Island Picnic and Boat Parade. We need hot dog cookers, shuttle drivers, beer, pop and food haulers, Parade chair people, etc. Please call Bruce Younglove and let him know if you can serve on the CBCA 4th of July Committee. Thanks in advance to all!!

CAPITOL BEACH GARAGE SALE - MAY 7TH

Saturday, May 7, will be the annual CBCA area garage sale. All you have to do is clean out your attic, basement and storeroom, put out a sign and sell your stuff. This is a great time to make room for all the stuff you're going to buy from the other garage sales!!! No one to call or write, just put out your stuff. The ad will be for Saturday only, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

CBCA SPRING FLING - MAY 20TH

Friday, May 20th is the date for the annual CBCA spring fling. Bring your favorite beverage and hors d'oeuvres to share and come to the Gas and Shop offices. Capitol Beach clothing, koozies, flags, etc. will be available for sale. The Spring Fling is a great way to start off your boating summer and meet new friends and neighbors on our lake. The fun starts at 6 pm and goes till ????.

Place an ad in the next LakeNews

Michael Wiese, 420-7880
info@fpub.com

LAKE ODOR

By Jean Jordan

We're no water experts, but it seems to us that each spring (and sometimes as the seasons change and water temperatures change, which would be in the fall also) there's a period of smelly lake. This disappears after a while. It's not a new phenomenon. We've heard it referred to as "the water turns over" in the lake as the temperatures change. It thawed earlier this year, so the smell might have happened earlier. Since we're still getting wind from the north, those on the south may not have experienced this before.

The dredging process was a valuable thing for the lake, but it won't cure all the ills of our very shallow mucky-bottomed lake that regularly gets stirred up by the wind. The CBCA board is anxious to help residents understand what goes on with our lake, but at the same time does not want to cause "information overload." Please contact a board member if you have a question, and if the answer isn't readily available, the board will search it out.

CBCA CALENDER OF EVENTS

May 7	CBCA Residents' and Area Garage Sales
May 14	Golf Outing
May 20*	Spring Fling
July 4*	Island Party and Regatta
December 17	Holiday Party

*Volunteers needed. Please call Bruce Younglove if you are available. Thanks!

CBCA BOARD MEETING AT A GLANCE

By Jean Jordan

The CBCA Board met on Monday, April 18. Committee reports included:

Treasurer: Greg Osborn, CBCA Treasurer, presented the completed financial report, following his work with the accountant. The Treasurer's report was approved.

Commons: Now that the commons clean-up has taken place, mowing and spraying for broadleaf weeds and thistles will be done as needed. The NRD will finish their work on the North Lakeshore commons and will seed it with buffalo grass. See the related article about the commons clean-up day. Some street problems require immediate attention, and board members are following up. Street cleaning will be postponed until area construction projects are closer to completion. The inlets have been cleaned.

Member Relations: Bruce Younglove reported on the spring conference of the Nebraska Lakes Association, at which he spoke about CBCA's campaign to use phosphorous-free fertilizers to help maintain water quality. Flyers for the May 14 Capitol Beach Golf Classic are to be delivered soon. The registration form is available on the CBCA website.

Residents are reminded of the CBCA area garage sales on May 7. Plans continue for the July 4 activities, and volunteers are needed. Shirts and other CBCA items will be available at the May 20 Spring Fling, scheduled for the Gas 'N Shop location. See the articles elsewhere in this newsletter for more information on all these events.

Safety/Security: Rose Wiese reported that to date 196 watercraft have been registered.

Water Quality: Glenn Hillhouse reported that test kits have been ordered, and he will begin testing and monitor the results. He emphasized the use of phosphorous-free fertilizer as key to keeping the phosphorous level of our lake water at an acceptable level. It was noted that dissolved solids being stirred up by the wind are causing the red-brown color.

In other business, the board discussed possible ways to maintain a walking path around the lake for resident use, approved new members, reviewed the problem of standing water on the private streets, and discussed debris in the lake. The board affirmed that the newsletter and the CBCA website are the board's official way to communicate with members. The board invites members to contact them at any time with concerns.

The next CBCA Board of Directors meeting will be Monday, May 16, 7:00 pm, at the Gas 'N Shop office, 720 Marina Bay Place.

BOAT REGISTRATION REMINDER

If you stored your watercraft on your shore station or lift, please get it registered with CBCA. You must have a current year's sticker on your watercraft before you launch it on the lake.

FREE VESSEL SAFETY INSPECTION

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary will provide a free safety inspection to anyone who requests it. This voluntary program is intended to assist boat owners to assure that their watercraft is compliant with federal, state and local safety requirements. In addition, the examiner has an opportunity to discuss with fellow boaters any watercraft related questions they might have. This program is not intended to penalize boaters and no citations are given by the examiner, just friendly assistance at no charge. For assistance call Mary Poe 540-3113

AGENDA AVAILABLE

In order to keep our members informed about issues that will be discussed at the next board meeting, the tentative agenda will be posted on the CBCA web site each month the week prior to the meeting. Members can review it, and if they want to provide the board with input, plan to attend the meeting or give a board member a call.

U.S. HIGHWAY 6 SUN VALLEY STUDY

The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) and the City of Lincoln are planning improvements for the U.S. Highway 6/Sun Valley Boulevard corridor so that it

can handle increased traffic projected for the future.

NDOR and the City are working with The Schemmer Associates and Carter & Burgess to conduct a location study and environmental assessment of the corridor, from West "O" Street to Cornhusker Highway.

The project is in the study stage only, with current plans for construction tentatively planned some time after 2010. The actual construction schedule depends on funding availability.

The options are:

1. Realign Sun Valley to run from its current connection at O Street to a new connection at Cornhusker at NW 1st Street. The current connection over interstate 180 would be totally eliminated. There would be no street or road crossing the interstate. There would be no connection from Oak Lake to Belmont other than through the ballpark and down Charleston to 10th Street.
2. Keep the current alignment over interstate 180 and widen and improve it from O Street to Cornhusker at 10th Street.
3. A third option would be, do nothing at all.

Please check out this web site for an update and maps for the proposed Sun Valley Blvd Realignment. Click on "April 2005 Newsletter" in the upper left hand corner.

<http://www.schemmer.com/projects/sun-valley.php>

NEW MEMBERS

Ken & Kay Bradshaw
862 N. Lakeshore

Anita Holden McFarland
762 W. Lakeshore

Joe & Trudy Williams
700 Pier 3

FOR SALE

CBCA FLAGS

- 12"x 18" for boat or car - \$20.00
- 36"x 60" for house or pole - \$45.00
- Proceeds to benefit CBCA
- Call Rose Wiese at 477-9501

One Month Only Members Notices

NORDIC TRAC

\$150, Call 474-5092

NEWER PADDLEBOAT,

Great condition, \$200.00. Call Bill, 429-9126.

CBCA BOARD MEETING LOCATION CHANGE

Larry Coffey has generously agreed to allow the monthly CBCA board meetings to be held at the Gas'N'Shop Office at 720 Marina Bay Place. We will use the South entrance to their club room for our meetings. The monthly meeting will continue to be held at 7:00 PM on the third Monday of each month.

WHAT CAN WE DO TO PROTECT WATER QUALITY?

Lawn fertilizers containing phosphorus are one of the primary nutrients that turn lakes green with algae. Fertilizers, leaves, grass clippings, eroded soil and animal waste are all sources of phosphorus. When they are swept or washed into the street or drain they end up in the lake. As you plan for yard fertilization, consider using a phosphorus-free fertilizer. every time you fertilize. For more information see <http://www.moea.state.mn.us/campaign/download/phosphorus.pdf>. While phosphorus is necessary to grow healthy lawns, soils in many parts of Nebraska already have an adequate amount. In these instances, adding more phosphorus in fertilizer is not needed and will not benefit your lawn. Healthy lawns can be maintained with phosphorus-free fertilizers. Phosphorus Free Fertilizers are available from **LESCO** 2331 Fairfield #4 476-2334 18-0-18, **Campbell's Nurseries** 423-1133 7-0-0, **Earl May** 489-7168 12-0-12

CBCA COMMONS CLEAN-UP

On Friday and Saturday, April 9 and 10, CBCA residents took advantage of a beautiful day to clean up the West and North Lakeshore and Pelican Bay commons. Many, many thanks to Ken Bradshaw, Sharon Devries, Mel and Barb Finke, Dave and Alice Gyhra, Mark Hoffman, Chuck and Nancy Holderby, Jerry and Jean Jordan, Steve Kinsella, Bob Maag, Larry and Gay Nelson, Josh Schwartz, and Bruce Younglove for all the work. Apologies if we've omitted any names! All efforts are greatly appreciated!

The group removed dead trees, pruned other trees, trimmed, picked up trash, and generally improved the looks of the commons. At the same time, they met neighbors they didn't know and got better acquainted with others.

Residents are reminded not to dispose of ANY trash in the commons. This includes the obvious like aluminum cans, but it also includes grass clippings from your yard (IF YOU HIRE A LAWN SERVICE, MAKE SURE THEY UNDERSTAND THIS!!), tree branches, old dock posts, etc. Local trash haulers are very good about hauling away what we leave for them, as long as we follow their guidelines.

We still hope to come up with an affordable way to get more trees planted in order to help with interstate noise and a plan to mulch and water the trees we have. If you have an interest in helping improve and maintain the commons or have some ideas we can consider, contact Steve Kinsella at 438-0492 or Jean Jordan at 474-4787.

Capitol Beach Golf Classic

4-Person Scramble Best Ball

Saturday, May 14th, 2005

Highlands Golf Course

2:00 PM Start*

Play Golf! Meet your neighbors! Have fun!

- \$45 includes: 18 holes, cart, burger buffet and prizes.
- Refreshments: Beer and pop available, beverage cart on the course
- Invite friends who don't live on the lake
- Teams flighted, plus fabulous flag and team prizes awarded after dinner.
- Don't play golf? Burger buffet only \$8.53

*If we get 48 golfers, we'll do a shotgun start at 2:00, otherwise we'll schedule tee times.

Entry from: clip and mail

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Handicap: A _____ (0-10) B _____ (11-18)
C _____ (19-26) D _____ (27 and higher)

Don't have a handicap? Then circle...

Beginner Intermediate Play a lot Swell golfer

\$45.00 check made out to Highland Golf Course • Entry deadline May 6
Mail to: Leta Powell Drake, 572 W Lakeshore Dr., or Bruce Younglove, 622 W Lakeshore Dr.

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