



Lake Nottely Improvement Association, Inc.

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January 2007 Newsletter

Our Members are GREAT!

Thank you for your continued support of the Lake Nottely Improvement Association. Because of you, Lake Nottely is a wonderful vacation spot and makes Blairsville a great place to live and visit. Please take the opportunity to **invite your neighbors and friends to join** us in our effort. Included in this newsletter mailing are both a **Membership Application** and **Membership Brochure** to share.

2007 LNIA Calendar

Listed below are the planned events for this calendar year for all LNIA members. Perspective members are also encouraged to take advantage of any of these events to join the LNIA. *Please check the website for updates.*

February

17th 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. - SR 325 Clean up - Lake Nottely Dam west side picnic table.

TBD - Fish Attractors to be installed

April

7th 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. - Lake Nottely shoreline clean up - Lakeside Village Clubhouse. Breakfast and lunch provided by LNIA.

TBD - TVA Cliffs Area - brush clearing

May

17th 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. - Educational meeting - UCB Community Room. Proposed Topics: Cane Creek Development, Boating Safety, Law Enforcement, Fishing Report and Lake Levels - *check website for updates.*

June

16th 3:00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M. - Annual meeting and election of officers - Poteete Creek Park Pavilion. Please bring one of your specialty dishes. Meat, condiments, tableware and drinks will be provided by LNIA.

July

21st 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. - SR 325 Clean up - Lake Nottely Dam west side picnic table.

August

18th 3:00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M. - Island picnic - Island just off the Poteete Creek Park Pavilion. Please bring one of your specialty dishes. Meat, condiments, tableware and drinks will be provided by LNIA.

September

15th 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. - Lake Nottely shoreline clean up - Poteete Creek Park Pavilion. Breakfast (coffee and doughnuts) and lunch will be provided by LNIA.

October

18th 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. - Educational meeting - UCB Brackett Community Room. Proposed Topics: Forest Stewardship, Fisheries Status, Law Enforcement, TVA updates - *check website for updates.*

November

17th 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. - SR 325 Clean up - Lake Nottely Dam west side picnic table.

Board Member Recognition

A special thanks to LNIA Board Members - **Barry Varian** (Treasurer) and **Dwayne Miller** (Secretary) for their countless hours in supporting this organization. *Thanks Lynn and Linda for sharing them with us!*

Survey Says!

Please take a couple of minutes to respond to the **Member Survey Form** on the back of the Membership Renewal Request. This survey is something new the board is looking to use to help guide the organization in 2007. We received some excellent **guidance and feedback** from a similar survey form used during the Fall Educational meeting held on October 19th of last year. It is now time to hear from all of our members! Thanks again for taking the time to respond.

Membership Dues

Please remember to send your dues in by **March 15th**. Your dues are critical since we rely 100% on them to support the great work we do in caring for Lake Nottely and its surroundings. If you are willing and able, please consider paying for 2 or more years in advance to help reduce the work load on Barry Varian our Treasurer. Thanks again for being a member and to all of those who have already paid for 2007 and future years. If you have any questions, suggestions or concerns, please email membership@lakenottely.org.

Are You Attracted To Fish?

The LNIA in cooperation with the GA Department of Natural Resources - Fisheries Section and the US Forest Service - Brasstown Ranger District is looking to help install several new artificial **fish attractors** and Christmas trees donated by Home Depot of Blairsville at the end of February. If you are interest in helping out, please email us at volunteer@lakenottely.org or call Lyndon Sidelinger @ 770-442-8997.

Going Fishing?

Go to www.lakenottely.org and under "About Lake Nottely" you can find current fishing reports by Reggie Weaver (biologist) of the GA-DNR WRD Fisheries Section.

2006 Accomplishments

- 182 labor hours volunteered in care of Lake Nottely
- 2 separate shoreline clean-up's
- 4 separate SR 325 clean-up's
- TVA Cliffs Area clean-up day
- 8 foot in-ground park bench installed at the Poteete Creek Park Swim Area in the name of the LNIA
- 11 Corporate Sponsors joined the 1st year of this program
- Our website www.lakenottely.org created (all volunteer)
- Very informative Spring and Fall Educational Meetings
- Annual Meeting attended by over 70 members
- Island Picnic and Treasure Hunt was a lot of fun
- Our mission statement revised to better reflect our goals
- New hats purchased for sale and t-shirts donated for sale
- New membership forms

! Hemlock Woolly Adelgid !

"If left unchecked, it has the **potential to kill off most of the native hemlocks** in the Southern Appalachians," said **Alan Polk, District Ranger** for the Brasstown Ranger District. To **fight this treat** to the Hemlocks, the **Young Harris College Beetle Laboratory** was established in July 2005 under the direction of **Professor of Biology Paul Arnold**. Beetles produced from the Young Harris lab were released on National Forest lands on Soapstone Creek in Towns County on March 15, 2006. These were the first beetles generated by a facility in Georgia. This is a great volunteer opportunity! **For more information:** www.fs.fed.us/conf/press/20060327-bt-hwa-trtmnt.htm

Did You Know?

The Lake Nottely Watershed covers approximately 214 square miles.

VISIT US ON THE WEB

www.lakenottely.org

Stay informed! For current information on Lake Nottely, lake levels, the Lake Nottely Improvement Association activities, Membership Information, Events Calendar, email links and much more, visit our website!

Newsletter Editor

Lyndon Sidelinger

If you have any suggestions, requests or comments for the LNIA Newsletter, please submit them via email to me at newsletter@lakenottely.org. Thanks for reading and hope you enjoyed this newsletter.

Community Calendar

- Vogel State Park Workday** – April 14th
- Tour De Georgia** – April 20th
- Blairsville Scottish Festival** - June 8, 9 & 10th
- Lake Nottely Annual Boat Parade** – July 4th
- GA Mountain Fair** – July 18th – 29th
- Sorghum Festival** – last 3 weekends in October

Corporate Sponsors

Please support them whenever possible!

- Mike's Seafood Market & Grill
- United Community Bank
- Appalachian Community Bank
- Information on Demand
- Bank of Blairsville
- Cozy Cove Marina
- Sarah Davis & Karyn Smith – Cozy Cove Realty
- Ray's Custom Docks & Marine Service
- Toby Swartz – Remax Enotah Realty
- Home Depot of Blairsville
- North Georgia Boat Lift

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LNIA Membership Form

Memberships:	Annual Dues(\$)
Family Membership	15.00
Corporate Sponsor	50.00
Contact info change only	-----
Please make check payable to: LNIA	
Name(s)	
Company	
Address (mailing)	
Phone (optional)	
Address (seasonal - if different)	
Phone (optional)	
E-mail (preferred)	
Interests: Boating Business Camping Fishing House/Home Social Swimming Water sports Other: _____	
Concerns: Boating Safety Fish Habitat Over Development Public Lands Shoreline Stability Water Levels Water Quality Zoning/Land Use Other: _____	
Please mail membership form and payment to: Lake Nottely Improvement Association, Inc. P.O. Box 2033 Blairsville, Georgia 30514 email: membership@LakeNottely.org	

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