



# BEAR POND CURRENTS

August 2007

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### Committee Chairs

- ◆ Dam - Carl Burden & Dale Twitchell
- ◆ Dam Fundraiser - Goddards
- ◆ Loon Nest - The Pilsburys
- ◆ Membership - Tim Verrill
- ◆ Monitors - R. Bray, K. Holt, K. Mitchell

### Other Important Numbers

Hartford Town Office 388-2674  
Turner Office 225-3414  
Game Warden - 657-2345

## Potluck Supper Once Again A Success

Boofy Quimby Hall rocked with laughter and rolled with good food as once again the Association held its annual pot luck supper fundraiser. Approximately 75 people were in attendance at 6 pm when Arnie and Roberta Burgess and their committee of Anne MacAllister and the Girouxs rolled out a delicious assortment of hot and cold dishes and desserts.

After dinner, auctioneer Ken Holt proceeded to entertain with his combination of wit and wisdom as he held up the many handmade and homemade items donated by the people in attendance. Proceeds of the evening are placed in the dam fund.

Many thanks to the volunteer committee as well as the folks who helped with clean up.

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Of The Bear Pond Improvement Association

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# 2007 Schedule Of Activities

## FINAL 2007 BPIA MEETING

August 26

At Boofy Quimby Hall at 9:00 AM

## More Work Completed On Dam

The fence around the dam was raised nearly 6 additional feet and barbed wire placed at the top earlier this month. This will deter any potential vandalism or trespassers and allow us to place the dam plaque and the 2004 Conservation Award plaque inside the fencing. Thanks to Carl Burden's generous contribution of fencing parts traded to the company, the Association was able to accomplish this work for half the potential cost. Kudos, Carl!!!

### Remember To Pay 2007 Dues

*Please Send \$25.00 To: BPIA, P.O. Box 4, North Turner, ME 04266*

Name:

Pond Address & Phone #:

If Applicable,

Permanent Address & Phone #:

# Bear Pond To Participate In Climate Change Study

Members voted to participate in a long term study of the effects of climate change on Maine Lakes. Dr. Dan Buckley of the University of Maine at Farmington will conduct this study in collaboration with the DEP and the VLMP. Data from the Auburn Water District shows that the average surface water temperature of Lake Auburn has risen 2.5 degrees C since the '50's. The study will determine how size, depth, latitude, and elevation will impact changes in water temperature. Two Hobo data loggers will be placed in the lake at the beginning of each season. One data logger will monitor atmospheric temperatures and light intensities. The second Hobo will be placed 5 to 7 ft. deep for monitoring. They will be placed on site soon after ice out and removed in the fall. They will record data every 15 minutes. The data will be downloaded; they will be serviced and ready to place in the pond the following year. The data will be sent to us yearly and eventually all the data will be correlated with other data to determine how climate change is impacting other aspects of lake ecology. The study could last over 10 years. The only cost to the Association is \$98.00 for the 2 Hobos.

## Photo CDs From Auction Are Available

Additional copies of the photo CD that Claire Bray prepared for the Potluck Supper auction are available for \$10 each. The CD contains photos of historic postcards of Bear Pond and photos of the 4th of July Boat Parades from 2003-2007. The 2007 photos include many shots of the shoreline celebrations. If you want a copy, call Claire at 224-7763 to order and arrange pickup. When picking up, bring the completed form with a check payable to BPIA.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ # Of Copies: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount due @ \$10.00 per copy = \_\_\_\_\_

Address & Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

# Highlights of July '07 Meeting

46 members in attendance.

## Treasurer's report:

Checking Account: \$3,410.59

Savings Account: \$255.73

Dam Fund: \$2,9929.68

84 families have joined this year. PLEASE HELP US IN OUR GOOD WORK AND PAY YOUR DUES.

Water Testing: - Due to heavy pollen and pine cone seeds, the clarity of the pond was lower than spring readings but in our normal level for this time of year.

Membership: If you know of any people who have recently taken over a camp, please call Mary Wallace, so the membership committee, Beth Jarrell, Elizabeth Hoy, Gloria Goddard and Barbara Beedy can approach that person to join BPIA.

Fundraiser: Bruce Goddard has T-shirts and available. We will investigate a new fund raiser for next year.

Gate Keepers: All is well.

Watershed: If 5 or more people are interested, Dick Bray, chair, will contact Oxford Soil and Conservation to visit the sites and make recommendations for erosion repair. Call Dick if interested.

Old Business: Peg Thayer has volunteered to work on the dam plaque committee.

New Business: the Association voted to increase our contribution to the Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring program from \$100.00 to \$200.00. This group collects water testing data, conducts invasive plant seminars, trains volunteer lake monitors, purchases equipment, and provides technical support to over 500 lakes in Maine.

- The creation of a dam fund over 14 years ago has enabled us to replace the dam and pay the rising cost of insurance. The members discussed the creation of a contingency fund in addition to the dam fund with money set aside for any unforeseeable emergency event that might impact the pond. The directors and officers will discuss this and make a recommendation at the next meeting.

# Stage 1 of Dam Fund Wraps Up

Below are the names as they will appear on the first plaque placed at the dam. The association will continue to accept donations and in the future another plaque will be added.

## New Contributions

Claire Simoneau Laverdiere in memory of Gerard and Rita Simoneau - \$100.00

Maureen and Bill Weeks - \$25.00

John Stankiewicz - \$125.00

Michael D. Rose - \$100.00

Gordon and Janice Millett - \$100.00

As we draw closer to the preparation of the plaque please call Mary Wallace 224-7198 if the name below is NOT exactly the way you wanted:

### *Platinum Circle*

Pilsbury Family

Ron Scammon

Wallace/Monahan Family

Camp Weekela

### *Gold Circle*

Dick and Claire Bray

Barbara and Howard Frost

### *Silver Circle*

Jeannine and Bert Ayotte

Roberta and Arnold Burgess

Bob and Vicki Calawa

Beth Carver

Mary Robinson Entrekin and

Janice Robinson Buckley

Don Frechette

Leigh Breidonbach and Bede Wellford

Ken and Mona Gardiner

Larry and Cindy Giroux

Jody and Ike Goodwin

Roland and Martha Jordon

Beverly and Paul Johnson

Bill and Kathie Kretzer

William and Barbara Lamb

Moe and Doris LeClerc

George and Jeanne Lovett

Larry Merrill

Marstaller Family

Bob and Doreen Maxwell

Gordon and Janice Millett

Chuck and Meg Olivo

Robert and Gloria Polson

Bruce and Sheila Ray

Michael D. Rose

Gerard and Yvette Samson, Sr.

Paul and Connie Shaw

Dale and Anna Twitchell

Robert and Margot Siekman

Brian and Kathleen Stanton

John Stankiewicz

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# Stage 1 Of Dam Fund Wraps Up

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## *In Memory of:*

Bilodeau/Lacombe Family  
Vernine Burdin  
Leo and Cecile Cloutier  
Eugene and Rose Decoster  
Mary Jane Dunn  
Robert J. Fisher  
Don A. Goddard  
Laura "Red" Gowell  
Barbara Hinkley  
Harry E. Holt  
Arthur and Evelyn Hutchinson  
Kathryn E. Kretzer  
William and Sadie Libby  
Gerard and Rita Simoneau  
Rene and Arie Therrien  
Bertha T. Timberlake  
Don and Ellie Wakefield

Norm and Amy Bray  
Gordon and Sally Carver  
Terri Lynne Curtis  
Edwin J. Dewling  
Richard J. Dwyer  
Maurice Fournier  
Bob and Marilyn Gordon  
Roger W.T. and Wesley N. Grant

Jean Hutchins  
Michael Lee Jackson  
Daniel Labriola  
Sam Mac Gregor

Ronald and Dorothy Therrien  
Tuttle Family  
Reginald Walker

### Guy Timberlake Dam

### Lee and Marjorie Pettingill Restoration Project

As you recall, in 2004 we launched this drive to repair the dam and secure its future. Contributions of \$100 or more will entitle the contributor to place a name on a plaque that will be set at the dam at the completion of the drive. All contributors will have their names published in the newsletter. The fund will be permanently established to take care of all maintenance and insurance on the dam.

If anyone thinks his or her name has been left out of the newsletter, please contact Mary Wallace at 224-7198

#### Contribution Levels

Boosters	\$10
Patrons	\$25
Silver Circle	\$100 +
Gold Circle	\$250 +
Platinum Circle	\$500 +

**Lee & Marjorie Pettingill Restoration Fund  
For The Guy Timberlake Dam**

Name of contributors \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Bear Pond Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name to appear on plaque (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to BPIA Dam Fund    Send to: Mary Wallace, President    BPIA Dam Restoration, 202 Bear Pond Road, Turner, Maine 04282