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May 2010

A Watershed Association

MAY 16th BUSINESS MEETING

ATTENDANCE: Mindy Alvarado, Lynn Barnes, Elaine Bore, Doug Cestone, Skip DeCresci, Frank Galligan, Harold Grieves, Mundell Fisher, Betsy Jable, Tom Jable, Peter Johr, Mike LeMorte, Barbara Lewis, Marge McElwee, Elaine Morales, Elizabeth Shevlin, Jo Theese Smith, Joy Steinbacher, Bill Williams, Claire Wolpert.

NEXT BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, June 13, 1-3 pm, Lake Neepaulin Beach

UPCOMING EVENTS (Details inside newsletter)

Beach Work Parties - Weds, June 9, 16, Beach, 6 pm.

FOLN Avon Fund Raiser—Sunday, June 6, Lake Neepaulin Beach

Beach Opens—Saturday, June 19th

Children's Fishing Contest, Saturday, June 19, 10 am

SUPPORT FOLN'S LEGAL FUND
Although the civil complaint has been adjudicated on May 14, FOLN welcomes donations from its members and friends to help defray legal expenses. Send donations to FOLN, 161 North Shore Drive, Wantage, NJ 07461. Donations to the legal fund are fully deductible from your federal income taxes.



The Soul of Oriental Dance

Mundell Fisher, a.k.a. Majda (left), produced another superb and entertaining dance program on Sunday,

May 23rd. A grand cast of Middle Eastern

Dance Artists performed admirably throughout the afternoon. Dena (right) maneuvers through various positions



while balancing a sword on her head. Above she keeps the sword balanced in moving to a leg split on the floor. Tashira



(above) swirls and spins during her routine, while Omar (right) stuns the audience with his cap-

tivating moves. DJ Benny Colaneri provided the music and ample opportunities for audience participation.

FOLN thanks Mundell and Bill Williams for organizing and producing this event in which the proceeds were donated to FOLN. It also thanks Mindy Alvarado, Elaine Bore, Doug Cestone, Vickie Ingrasselino, Betsy Jable, Joy Jable, Peter Johr, Marge McElwee, Mary Ann Shevlin, Elizabeth Shevlin, and Joy Steinbacher for helping to set up, clean up, and/or make a financial donation.

FOLN Scholarship to Anthony Turo

Anthony Turo, flanked by his mother Lisa (right) and FOLN president Joy Steinbacher, is the 2010 winner of FOLN's scholarship.



In addition to his involvement in community service, Anthony, along with three classmates in the high school's technology course, invented an electronic device that reduces, if not eliminates, bedsores. The students entered the device in the Technology Student Association competition in Denver last spring and won first place. Since then, they have applied for a patent to protect their rights to the invention. Ultimately, a large medical supply company may buy the rights to manufacturer their device. Who knows what will happen then?

Judge Rules in favor of Lake Neepaulin

On Friday, May 14, Judge B. Theodore Bozonelis heard FOLN's civil complaint against Wantage Township for rescinding Ordinance 2008-16 which called for a local assessment in order to repay the dam rehabilitation loan ranging between \$750,000 and \$1 million. In making his decision, the judge placed Lake Neepaulin in the bigger scheme of public policy. He thought the public good would be better served by having Lake Neepaulin there than by not having it. We will provide the specifics of Bozonelis' decision as soon as we receive the court order and the transcript of the trial.

Beach to Open on June 19th

The beach will open for the summer season on Saturday, June 19th. Hours of operation with lifeguard on duty will be posted in the near future. The operating hours will depend on the members usage of the facility and the availability of funds in FOLN's 2010 operating budget.

Treasurer's Report

Mindy Alvarado reported April income of \$1,810.82 [Membership \$400; bank interest \$0.82; donations \$70; newsletter \$10; legal fund \$950; damage reimbursement \$115; Fundraising \$335]. Expenditures were \$655.85 [Electricity \$30.87; Ins \$776.93; Return overpmt flower bulbs \$20; Newsletter \$81.60; Clean-up-SCMUA \$121.38]. CDs in PNC are at \$1,102.04 and \$1,864.42. Balance in Bimbi Family Relief Fund \$5,225.81. Balance in Public Dam Fund \$300. Motion to accept Treasurer's report by Peter Johr (Claire Wolpert second) was approved.

Fund Raising for FOLN

Current Fundraising. Current has inexpensive online items and gifts. FOLN has entered into an agreement with Current in which FOLN receives 50% of the gross receipts of purchases made by FOLN members or friends. You can order items at www.currentfun.com. Be sure to scroll down to Friends of Lake Neepaulin when you check out your shopping cart.

GoodSearch/GoodShop. Search the Web with GoodSearch (Yahoo search engine) and consider purchasing items online via Goodshop. FOLN receives one penny per hit on the searches and a commission (1% or 3% or more) by shopping with Goodshop. There are hundreds of vendors on Goodshop, including Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Home Depot, J.C. Penny, Kohls, PetsMart, Staples, Walgreens, WalMart, and Expedia, Priceline and Travelocity along with dozens of other very popular merchants. You can get the complete list of merchants by clicking on box at the bottom of the GoodSearch home page. Even if you prefer Google over Yahoo, use GoodSearch for some of your searches to increase donations to FOLN. We raised \$84 in 2009; help us to raise \$840 in 2010.

J.R. Watkins Fund Raiser. FOLN has entered into a fund raising agreement with the Watkins company to generate monies for Lake Neepaulin dam. Its products consist of natural gourmet food extracts, herbs, spices; personal care items (hand & body lotions); remedies & supplements (liniments, salves); dietary supplements (vitamins, etc), home care products (cleaners, detergents). You can view the Watkins catalog at www.JRWatkins.com. FOLN earns from 16 to 30% on items purchased through FOLN's link to Watkins at www.WatkinsOnline.com/Neepaulindam or simply NeepaulinDam.com. Include our ID #387443 so FOLN can receive the commission. You can also order via telephone, 1-800-WATKINS (928-5467).

Electronic Devices Recycling. FOLN can receive monies for electronic gadgets (cell phones, laptops, MP3 players, digital cameras, etc) that you are planning to discard. But before you discard the device, consider selling it to Gazelle for Good. They will make an offer for your device(s). If they are in the condition that you described, the offer will stand and payment will be sent to FOLN. If their face-to-face evaluation is different, they will make a counteroffer which you can either accept or reject. If you reject, they'll return your device.

To recycle your devices, go to FOLN's fundraiser page <http://foln.gazelle.com/>. Search for the device category, then put in the model number and condition. They will make an offer and provide mailing instructions. They cover the postage. You can also find out more about Gazelle's program at www.Gazelle.com.

Avon Products Fund Raiser. On Sunday, June 6, 1-4 pm, Lynn Barnes will showcase Avon products at the beach so people can preview products or even purchase items. In the succeeding 4 weeks to July 5, Lynn will donate 1/2 of her commission to FOLN. Visit Lynn's online store at www.youravon.com/lynnbarnes, or telephone her at 732-259-5851.

Chicken Barbecue. FOLN is looking into the possibility of having a chicken barbecue at the beach on either July 10 or 11 or July 17 or 18. We are investigating potential vendors who would cater the affair.

FOLN Yard Sale. FOLN will hold a yard sale on Friday July 30 and Saturday, July 31 at Peter Johr's Franklin property on Route 23. Members and friends can drop off items the week before the event. Watch for specific instructions in the next newsletter and via e-mail. We will need help setting up on the 29th, the day before the event, as well as on the 30th and 31st.

Beach Preparation

During the past several weeks, FOLN members have been working hard to get the beach ready for the 2010 season. A group of individuals have been meeting on Wednesday evenings, sprucing up items, weeding flower beds, trimming shrubs, and various sundry tasks. Elaine Bore and Elaine Morales, with help from Liz Shevlin, Beth Rini, and Doug Cestone, have been clearing weeds from the flower bed adjacent to the boardwalk.

Bob Mehlig, Gerry Menzel, Joe Bore, Frank Rankl, Mike LaMorte, and Tom Jable have been restoring the raft to which Betsy Jable donated \$300 for the compos-

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ite decking.

Tom Jable, Elaine Morales, Bill Williams, Paul Special, Tyler Gonnoud and his friend Steve, Mike Steinbacher, and Daniel Paleirno hauled and spread the mulch on the playground.

Ryan McGlone, Tom Jable, and Mindy Alvarado trimmed the weeds and Mindy and Joy Steinbacher provided and served hot dogs and snacks.

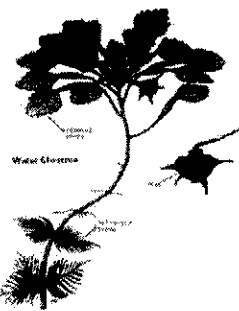
But there is still plenty of work to do before we can open. The beach sand, lake bottom at the beach, and sand box sand need raking & tilling; the beach gate mesh needs to be replaced; stair rails and sand box need paint, some playground structures need to be stained.

Mike LaMorte and Peter Johr are working on two 3'x4' signs for the east and west entrance ways. Peter also plans to bring a huge 10'x12' inflatable raft to the beach.

NJCOLA Meeting

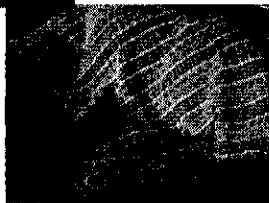
The NJ Coalition of Lake Associations continues to warn everyone about the water chestnut (below), an aggressive, invasive plant that can take over lakes and ponds very quickly. If you see it, pull it out by its roots and report the sighting to FOLN and the Rutgers Cooperative Extension, Pat Rector.

The e-mail address is rector@njaes.rutgers.edu. Photograph and note the extent of coverage. Inspect your boat and trailer carefully when leaving a lake. Don't empty bait buckets in lake. Wash boat before re-launching. For more information on the water chestnut plant, visit this web site: <http://morris.njaes.rutgers.edu/ag>.



Afghan Raffle for Dam

Elaine Bore made two beautiful Afghan blankets—a brown one (left) and a green one (below)—that she has graciously donated



to FOLN to be raffled off to raise money for the dam. Tickets are \$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.00, 10 for \$5.00, and 20 for \$10.00. Winners will be drawn at the Halloween parade. You can get tickets by responding to this e-mail or by contacting Mindy Alvarado, 973-702-8363.

Children's Fishing Contest

FOLN's annual fishing contest will be held on Saturday, June 19 (rain date, Saturday, June 26) at 10 am at Lake Neepaulin Beach. Prizes are awarded for the first, largest, and most fish caught within the designated time period. Watch your e-mail and the next newsletter for more details.

Bulletin Boards to get Facelift

The bulletin boards on Neepaulin Drive and Old Clove Road will see some changes in the coming months. The inscription at the top will be changed and FOLN's web address will be added to the information. Mundell Fisher and Bill Williams have volunteered to head up this project, but they welcome help from anyone interested.

SCARC Sends Letter of Thanks

SCARC sent a note to Elaine Bore thanking FOLN for the write-up about SCARC services in last month's *Echo*.

Plants Available at Beach

Frank and Virginia Galligan donated several large tropical plants that members and friends are welcome to take. Plants are free, but small donations are appreciated.

2010 Summer Calendar on Page 5

FOLN MEMBERS' BONUS

HUNT FOR 2 DAYS AT FRANK GALLIGAN'S

CALL FRANK, 973-875-8187

Must have appropriate licenses and must have paid FOLN dues for 2010

Recycle Membership Badge Pins

Help FOLN reduce expenses by recycling your badge pins. Place them in an envelope and slip them through the mail slot on the shed at the beach or drop them in the mail box at 161 North Shore Drive or give them to any FOLN board member.

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2010 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

January 1, 2010-December 31, 2010

Name (list all adults in household): _____

Phone _____ E-mail Address _____

Address: _____ Town & Zip _____

Children's Names and Ages: _____
(Give last name, if different from household name)

Number of Boats _____ Boat Rack: Yes No Annual Boat Rack Fee: \$15

_____ Lakefront - \$250/year - member

_____ Off Lake - \$150/year - member

_____ - \$350/year - patron*

_____ - \$200/year - patron*

_____ Newsletter - (\$10/year; paper copy)

_____ Newsletter (electronically via e-mail; no cost – must have sufficient storage to download Acrobat Reader)

*patron memberships are optional for those who want to make an extra contribution to support FOLN in reaching its goals.

For those who do not wish to join, but would like to make a donation to FOLN, please indicate your preference below:

_____ \$25 \$ _____ \$50 _____ other Apply donation toward _____ dam _____ beach _____ pavilion _____ unrestricted

Membership dues can be paid annually or in four bi-monthly installments (Jan 1, Mar 1, May 1, July 1). **Make checks payable to Friends of Lake Neepaulin.** Send application and dues to: **FOLN, 161 North Shore Drive, Wantage, NJ 07461.**

Amount enclosed:	Membership _____
	Boat rack _____
	Newsletter _____
	Donation _____
	TOTAL _____

FOLN IS NOW A 501 (C)(3) ORGANIZATION.
DONATIONS TO FOLN OVER AND ABOVE YOUR MEMBERSHIP ARE FULLY DEDUCTIBLE FROM YOUR FEDERAL TAXES.

I have read, understand, and will honor the attached beach and lake rules of Friends of Lake Neepaulin. Failure to observe and comply with rules may result in suspension of privileges or revocation of membership.

Signature _____

Date _____

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 Notary Public—Penny Kinney, 86 South Shore Drive, Lake Neepaulin, 973-271-1939.
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FOLN SUMMER CALENDAR 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thurs.	Friday	Saturday
			JULY	1	2	3
4th OF JULY REGATTA & PICNIC <i>2:00 p.m.</i>	5 REGATTA & PICNIC <i>(Raindate)</i>	6	7 PLAY GROUP <i>2:00 p.m.</i>	8	9	10 BASKETBALL <i>10:00 A.M.</i> ----- BINGO <i>7:15 p.m.</i>
11	12	13	14	15	16	17 BINGO <i>7:15 p.m.</i>
18	19	20	21 PLAY GROUP <i>2:00 p.m.</i>	22	23	24 BASKETBALL <i>10:00 A.M.</i> ----- ICE CREAM SOCIAL <i>7:00 p.m.</i>
25 ICE CREAM SOCIAL <i>(Raindate)</i>	26	27	28	29	30	31 CAMPOUT <i>6:00 p.m.</i>
AUGUST 1 BREAK-FAST ON THE BEACH <i>8 a.m-11 a.m.</i>	2	3	4 PLAY GROUP <i>2:00 p.m.</i>	5	6	7 BASKETBALL <i>10:00 A.M.</i> ----- CAMPOUT <i>(Raindate)</i>
8 BREAK-FAST ON THE BEACH <i>(Raindate)</i>	9	10	11	12	13	14 BINGO <i>7:15 p.m.</i>
15	16	17	18 PLAY GROUP <i>2:00 p.m.</i>	19	20	21 BASKETBALL <i>10:00 A.M.</i>
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 BINGO <i>7:15 p.m.</i>
29	30	31	SEPT. 1	2	3	4
5 FAREWELL TO SUMMER PICNIC <i>2:00 p.m.</i>	6 FAREWELL PICNIC <i>(Raindate)</i>	7	8	9	10	11
12 PIG ROAST <i>1:00 p.m.</i>						