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President's Letter

By Frank Carrozza, Board President

I have been President for the past four years and I have taken my responsibilities very seriously. I have dedicated my spare time contributing to the community the twenty-eight years of knowledge I have in construction, which came in handy working with PA American Water. It has not been an easy task but Pioneer is at the end of the construction phase and will be moving on to the sewer plant. Although the road conditions were difficult to deal with, in the end our roads will be in the best condition they have ever been.

I realize the inconvenience of the road conditions, but I would like for our residents to be aware of the "out of scope work" that Pioneer has done for us. Pioneer has lent us their grader when ours was broken down, they repaired the septic problem we were having at the pool saving us thousands, added fill to our common areas, they are contributing to a new park on Townsend Circle and worked diligently to get us as much paved roads as the budget would allow. I want everyone to realize, PA American Water only had to restore our roads "in kind", meaning how they were, gravel to gravel, paved to paved, dirt to dirt. They went above and beyond to get as many roads paved as possible and this is greatly appreciated.

As you are aware, our roads were in terrible condition prior to the work performed by the water company. We would have had to address the roads eventually. This expense would have called for a special assessment and fell on the residents of Marcel. The

estimated cost of the roads Pioneer paved was approximately \$650,000.00; this project saved us a lot of money as you can see. Working with Pennsylvania Water, Pioneer and their engineers, we were able to negotiate most of the roads being paved. They are paving Marcel Dr., Lake Dr., all the Lanes and some Courts. Whatever roads they aren't paving, Marcel has hired Morris Asphalt to chip and tar them come spring 2018. By this time next year, every road in Marcel Lake Estates will be completed.

For the past three years, knowing that this project was going to happen, we concentrated on the back section of Marcel, which was nothing but dirt roads. We have chip and tarred all the roads with the exception of two roads, and they will be taken care of this spring as well.

During my time as President, the Board and I have addressed all the roads, oversaw the reconstruction of the damaged clubhouse, put a new roof and siding on the office, updated the front entrance, landscaped the front office and hung new welcome signs. We installed a new member's gate and a magnetic card reader at the compactors to control the use for members in good standing only. This stops nonpaying residents and contractors from receiving the same amenities as those that are in good standing. We were also able to purchase a new 2015 F250 pick-up truck and a mini excavator for the maintenance department. The pool was sealed and painted and we added extra tables and chairs. The clubhouse, office, and salt shed were paved. We have replaced most of the street signs and will complete that next fiscal budget. We installed an emergency exit on Riley road. Two handicap parking

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spots were added to the bus stop, the shed has been moved, and a barrier fence was installed. We added three docks to the lakes. Currently, we have in the works, a car port to be installed over the mailboxes, and we are working with engineers and contractors to build a new pool house. We also contracted a new Attorney that has been doing an excellent job with our legalities and collections.

On top of being President, I am also acting Maintenance Director, coordinating daily work for the maintenance department, handling vehicle breakdowns/repairs and help with plowing when needed. I am working with Pioneer on road conditions and issues that arise.

Also, during my time as President, I've been cursed at, stalked, had false accusations made, pictures of my house taken and posted on social media, had residents coming to my house at all hours, holidays and weekends and find myself cleaning up after residents at the compactors. I'm not sure where my volunteer position stops. This becomes tiresome! This is a thankless job, but even more so when you are being criticized by residents that have never contributed. This does not help when it comes time for applying for re-election.

The Board prepares monthly Agenda/ Reports for a consistent five members that attend. We do understand that people are busy but to not make ONE meeting on a Tuesday night EVER is unacceptable. We have cut our monthly reports down to quarterly reports, due to lack of attendance. Meetings are where you get your updated community information; I suggest you attend. Meetings are held every third Tuesday of the month @7:30.

This is a nonprofit organization run by volunteers; this is not a paying position. I take pride in Marcel and want to see it remain a safe and pleasant community for all to live in, as should all our residents. There are two open board positions, please volunteer your time.

I feel I have touched on just about every aspect of this community and addressed quite a few neglected projects in my short period as President; I just hope the next President has the same agenda of making Marcel Lake Estates one of the best communities on the mountain.

Yours truly,

Frank Carrozza, President

No Dues Increase This Year

The Finance Committee was faced with a daunting task. As with all of us, personally, the challenge has been to do more with less. This year we project that our income will be \$551,663.00. A number of homes in foreclosure have sold giving us some additional income but there are still quite a few homes in foreclosure. Unfortunately, the moratorium on building has not been lifted yet and vacant properties continue to be abandoned. Once the county has taken possession of them, we receive no dues on these properties.

We are pleased to inform you that there will be NO DUES INCREASE this year. However, we are still working with the state on the dam repairs that need to be done, and still have no idea what the cost will be. An assessment will be inevitable for this project.

Our vehicle repair costs are down this year due to investing in new vehicles. Since 2013 we were able to purchase two new trucks with warranties and other than general maintenance, they are running very well.

The budget review will be part of the regularly scheduled open meeting on Tuesday, February 20, 2018. The board will approve the proposed budget to be mailed in our Newsletter to all residents. If you have any concerns about the budget, please submit any questions in advance to the office so that we can have information available to be discussed at the March Meeting. Final acceptance of the budget, by the board of directors, will be motioned on March 20, 2018 meeting. We urge you to attend this meeting so you are fully aware of our community finances.

Sincerely,

M.L.E.P.O.A. Board of Directors

**2018-19 BUDGET PROJECTIONS - PROPOSED
FOR OPERATING REVENUE & EXPENSES**

INCOME	Anticipated
2017-18 Rollover	\$10,000.00
Admin Fee-Bldg. Permits	\$450.00
Bad Checks received	\$100.00
Bank Interest	\$1,000.00
Bulk	\$1,500.00
Clubhouse Rental Fees	\$1,800.00
Current Dues 2018-19	\$504,313.00
Fines	\$1,500.00
Past Dues	\$14,500.00
Proximity Cards	\$4,000.00
Rental Fees	\$9,500.00
Resale Certificates	\$3,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$551,663.00

EXPENSES	Estimated
Accounting Fees	\$5,000.00
Attorney Fees	\$5,000.00
Bad Checks Received	\$50.00
Beautification	\$1,300.00
Cable/Internet Comm. Line	\$6,000.00
Clubhouse Maintenance	\$1,951.93
Communications	\$500.00
Contingency Fund (Unanticipated)	\$5,000.00
Dam Line of Credit Interest	\$1,100.00
Dam Maint. & Inspections	\$16,200.00
Debt Service - Mortgage	\$67,990.44
Electric	\$11,000.00
Filing Fees	\$1,300.00
Ford Mason Dump-2013	\$9,342.48
Ford 2015 F250 pick up	\$3,000.00
Fuel Oil & Gas	\$10,600.00
Leased Office Equipment	\$4,000.00
Licenses	\$1,200.00
Maintenance Supplies	\$6,500.00
Member Tags	\$400.00
Office Supplies	\$5,120.00
Outside Coll. Commissions	\$1,500.00
Payroll-Bank Fees	\$300.00
Payroll-Co.Pd.Payroll Tax	\$20,000.00
Payroll-Workers Comp. Ins.	\$6,500.00
Payroll-Pool Attendants	\$6,800.00
Payroll-Maintenance	\$90,365.00
Payroll-Office	\$70,720.00
Payroll-Security	\$37,440.00
Pool Maintenance	\$15,000.00
Pool Supplies	\$1,800.00
Postage	\$2,500.00
Property & Cas.-Liability Ins.	\$28,600.00
Road Maintenance	\$11,000.00
Rubbish & Recycling	\$40,000.00
Security Equipment Upgrades	\$3,000.00
Security Supplies	\$1,000.00
Signs	\$800.00
Social Recreation	\$1,200.00
Vehicle/Equipment Maint.	\$8,500.00
Water & Sewer	\$1,500.00
Winter Material	\$13,000.00
Yr. 5% Transfer	\$27,583.15
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$551,663.00

**2018-19 FEES TO BE
ASSESSED MAY 1, 2018**

Dues - Improved	\$976.00
Dues - Vacant	\$822.62
Dues - Adjoined	\$279.65
Dues - 1/2 Adjoined	\$139.82
Rental - House	\$500.00
Clubhouse Rental - Residents	\$250.00
Clubhouse Rental - Business	\$300.00
Clubhouse Security Deposit	\$250.00
Capital Improvement Fee-Improved	\$885.59
Capital Improvement Fee-Lot	\$407.24
Capital Improvement Fee-Adjoined	\$135.75
Re-Sale Certificates-Improved	\$250.00
Re-Sale Certificates-Vacant	\$250.00
Re-sale Certificates-Adjoined	\$83.33
Building Permits - Admin Fee	\$75.00
Zoning Permits - Admin Fee	\$35.00
Gate Card - In Good Standing	\$10.00
Gate Card - In Arrears	\$20.00
Gate Card - Contractors	\$40.00

**Projected Capital Budget
May 2018 through April 2019**

Projected Income	
Capital Improvement Fees-2018-19	\$10,000.00
10% from Operating 14/15	\$63,213.59
10% from Operating 15/16	\$61,323.73
10%16/17 & Surplus	\$97,607.46
17/18 5% Anticipated	\$27,753.15
14/15 Surplus	\$50,350.24
15/16 Surplus	\$40,521.95
17/18 Anticipated Surplus	\$25,000.00
	\$375,770.12

Expenses

Road Improvement	\$45,000.00
Backhoe - (new) 1/2 Anticipated	\$28,060.00
Dam Survey	\$13,000.00
Dam Engineering Fee	\$9,139.00
Dam Bond	\$55,000.00
Playground/Accessories	\$25,000.00
Pool Bath House	\$100,571.12
Pool Resurfacing - 1/2 Anticipated	\$75,000.00
Clubhouse Back Staircase	\$5,000.00
Mailboxes	\$10,000.00
Salt Shed -	\$10,000.00
	\$375,770.12

The Legal Defense Fund Account
balance as of 10/17 \$9,348.84

Community Emergency Action Plan

By Dick Hanel, Vice President

EMERGENCY – A condition of urgent need for action or assistance, as stated in Webster’s dictionary.

Our community has developed a plan to help and guide our residents in case of an emergency. We have a public notification system which is also linked with the Township to call your home and/or cell phone to either direct you or inform you of an emergency.

Our clubhouse is set up as a staging and information center (not a shelter). In case of loss of power and communications, the clubhouse will have electric and heat. We will also have communication with the Township. Our office manager Kim Carrozza, President, Frank Carrozza, Vice President, Dick Hanel and Maintenance Supervisor, Brian Mc Auliffe attended a two day course on emergency preparedness and are all now certified by FEMA in emergency action procedures. This helps us in several ways; it will keep our residents informed as to road conditions, what services are available, and we are also eligible for assistance and grants.

All of us should be prepared for most emergencies, such as: loss of power, flooding, fire and tornadoes. The Red Cross and FEMA suggest that we have at least 3 days of supplies available to get us through the worst of an emergency. Be prepared to improvise and use what you have on hand to make it through at least 3 days and maybe longer. While there are many things that make you more comfortable, think first about fresh water, food, and clean air. Our office has available the following emergency list to prepare your kits: 72 hour emergency, first aid, financial, winter survival, vehicle emergency, cooking supplies, and one pot meals. If you are interested in any of these lists, please call the office and they will supply you with a copy so that you may prepare your kits in advance.

The Boy Scout motto is BE PREPARED, this makes sense. GET READY NOW!

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Code Enforcement

By Gil Clark, Director

Happy New Year!

It's been a cold winter and busy year in the Code Enforcement Department.

We implemented magnetic door locks on the household garbage and recycling compactors. This has been very successful for keeping the contractors out of the compactor and the members who are not in good standing within the community. Between lower disposal charges, fines, and delinquent accounts being paid up for the use of the compactor, this device has already paid for itself.

We purchased two license plate cameras, three regular cameras, three 8 channel DVR's, and one 16 channel DVR. The office power line was struck by lightning which caused damage to five of our security cameras, which had to be replaced. We updated the member's gate box; the last model was discontinued and we could no longer get parts for repairs.

We continue to monitor cameras daily. If you see something, say something; the proper forms are located in the Office and also on our website. We do not respond to social media complaints. Only a signed complaint form can be acted upon. If necessary, we will either mail a warning letter or a fine letter to the resident(s) responsible for violating the Rules and Regulations, By-Laws or Covenants of Marcel Lake Estates.

In the near future, we will be hiring an outside security company to patrol our community full-time. They will be

certified in radar and will be monitoring the speeding and stop signs. They will be enforcing building codes, property aesthetics, and our rules and regulations.

For the recycling compactor to work properly, you must break down all cardboard boxes; this has been said time and time again, as well as signs posted down at the Recycling Compactor. DO NOT LEAVE anything outside of the compactors. Even if you think someone could use the item, do not leave it at the dumpsters. This causes a chain reaction and we end up with a mess in front of the dumpsters. Your cooperation with this is greatly needed. You will be fined for ANYTHING left outside or doesn't belong at the compactors. We do not issue warnings for this offense; there are 4ft. signs at the dumpsters that are your warning.

We are all happy about the roads being paved but again, the speed limit is 15mph in our community, and STOP at the posted stop signs.

Let's hope for an early spring season.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL 911

Social & Recreation Report

By Nickie Tolerico

Hi everyone, my name is Nickie Tolerico and I am the new Secretary of the Board of Directors as well as the Chairperson of the Social and Recreation Committee.

We recently held our first event, Santa visiting the clubhouse, and it was great! There was a huge turnout and so many children participated in the activities, enjoyed the treats made by the Women's Club and met Santa! Being new to the community myself, I am really looking forward to getting to know my neighbors and I am hoping that even more families will participate in all of the upcoming activities. The committee would also welcome any suggestions for events. If you have something in mind, please let me know! We are always looking for ways to have more people get involved, so if you'd like to participate, donations are always appreciated.

With all that being said, I know every day life gets hectic, but it's important that anyone who is interested in participating should sign up by calling the office. We need an accurate head count to ensure there is enough of everything to go around.

The committee has been working on putting together a calendar of upcoming events. Here are a few to be on the lookout for in the coming months:

February 3rd - Chili Cook Off
March (End) - Easter Egg Hunt
April (Mid) - Community Clean Up

As we get closer to the actual event, detailed information will be provided.

Flyers are posted at the bus stop, near the mailboxes, in the gate boxes, and on our website marcellakestates.org.

We have also been working on getting more games for the game room (located downstairs of the clubhouse) so that we can open it to have additional activities.

I'm looking forward to meeting everyone and having some great times.

Pool Report

By Charles Culver

I don't really have much to say about the pool. Everything went well last year. We're still looking to fix/renovate the poolhouse. We have a design and we're looking into contractors.

We are currently looking for more pool attendants. If you would like a summer job, please send your resume to the office, asap.

Autos, Aesthetics, and Pets

By Joan Skillin

Autos

Thanks to all who have removed abandoned & unwanted vehicles from your properties. This creates less of an eye sore in our community. Some people have ignored the warning letters sent out by the MLEPOA office staff. Those people will be fined \$50.00, per month and lose their status of association member in good standing until the vehicle(s) is either registered and insured/removed or enclosed. Contact the office if you should need a temporary repair/restore permit. Antique & classic vehicles will be handled on a case by case basis. Note: these vehicles still need to be legally registered and insured. Also, please remember to list all your vehicles on the Annual Deeded Owners and Renters Data Sheet, sent out with the bill for your annual association dues.

Aesthetics

With the winter upon us, not many complaints have come in regarding tall grass, garbage, rubbish, and junk. Please remember to keep your property/lawn maintained at all times when the weather gets nicer.

Warning and fine letters have been and will continue to be sent out to residents regarding the aesthetics of their property.

Pets

If you have Cats and Dogs, like I do, here are some winter tips.

Cats: Most cats don't like to be wet; they hate rain and snow. During the cold season, small mammals are hibernating, birds have relocated for winter, and your indoor cat

will get bored. This is a good time to brush and comb your pet; they may resist at first but, soon enjoy extra holding and petting. If you have fun, chances are they will too.

Give kitty a pet safe toy, avoid buttons, ribbons, string, and beads that cats can chew off and ingest. Be a good neighbor and prevent your cat from wandering into your neighbor's yard; yowling males who want to mate are no fun either.

Remember to spay and Neuter your pets and keep up with Rabies shots.

Dogs: Dog's need for food, shelter, and loving care increase during cold winter months. Don't leave your dog outside in the cold for long periods of time, watch their body temperature, and prevent hypothermia and frost bite to their ears, tails and feet. Keep their shelter warm, dry, and away from drafts. Tiles and uncarpeted areas may become extremely cold, so try to provide blankets and pads. Be extra careful walking or playing outdoors, dogs can slip or jump and can get seriously injured.

Groom your dog regularly for proper insulation. Short or course-haired dogs may get extra cold, so consider sweaters and coats. Long hair dogs should not have excess hair around toes, which helps ease snow removal. Additional food is needed if the dog spends a lot of time outdoors.

Towel dry your dog and a little petroleum jelly may soften pads and prevent cracking. Road salt may irritate foot pads, so rinse and dry the dog's feet after a walk. Antifreeze is poisonous. Provide fresh water at all times; dogs can get dehydrated and snow is not a good substitute. Provide a safe supplemental heat source. Like people, dogs are susceptible to illness in

winter. Contact your Vet if there is any concern. Let your pet's condition dictate amount any kind of exercise. Older dogs tire more easily and may have arthritis. With overweight dogs, short walks that become longer are preferred. Retrieving a ball is fun daily exercise, not seeing how far or fast they can run should be considered.

Don't forget, you still must pick up your dog's waste and walk them on a leash. Be a good neighbor and others will like your pet better when they see you are a responsible owner.

Please list ALL your pets on the Annual Data Sheet.

From the Administration

Please read the following frequently asked questions, common avoidable violations and general knowledge reminders.

The most frequently asked question at this time is...When will the construction of the water and sewer be completed? The subcontractor, Pioneer, is estimated to be done with the road construction sometime in March; they will then work on the sewer plant until the project is completed. We cannot give an estimate of the completion time because they are working with the electric company and they are on the electric company's time schedule. Pioneer will return to repairing the roads in spring of 2018. **SPEED BUMPS WILL NOT BE RE-INSTALLED AFTER PAVING.**

Most avoidable violation...Well there are two that come to mind, failure to stop at the

stop signs and leaving garbage outside of the compactor. Camera surveillance is done on a daily basis at the compactors.

We are hiring an outside security company to monitor speeding, stop signs, property code violations and amenity use. Hopefully, this should help with the problems we are currently having within the community.

The new compactor card reader is working great. There were a few times the breaker was tripped and it was also hit with lightning but was repaired promptly. There were also times when the door was not shut properly and residents thought the compactor was full and left their garbage out without checking, causing a domino effect to take place. Illegal dumping will receive a \$100 fine, plus disposal fees, if anything is left outside of the compactors. If anything is thrown in the compactors that does not belong, you will be issued a fine. There is no warning for illegal dumping, the 4ft. signs are your warning. We are continually having a problem with residents not breaking down their boxes. We will have to issue a fine for misuse of compactors if this continues, as this is causing problems with our compactor breaking down and becoming very costly.

Visitors/Contractors

Please make sure your guests have your directory number for the call box. If you do not know your directory number, please call the office. If they do not have the code, they can scroll to your name. Unless the homeowner calls the office to authorize gate access, **WE WILL NOT GRANT ACCESS.** This has been procedure for many years and still we have to turn people away from the gates. This is a private community; we cannot allow anyone in without authorization.

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Bus Stop Parking Lot

PLEASE, PLEASE AND PLEASE DO NOT MOVE YOUR VEHICLE WHEN THE BUS IS AT THE BUS STOP. This goes for the DVSD van as well. Please be careful when driving through the bus stop parking lot to avoid any incident. If you witness anyone moving, please contact the office, we will not go off Facebook posts.

Utility Companies

Please be aware that Pennsylvania American Water Company is a private utility company, as is Met-Ed. If you are having trouble with your water/sewer, please call the water company at 800-565-7292. If you are having trouble with your electric, please call the Met-Ed 800 number. These utility companies are private entities and the office is not authorized to speak on behalf of a resident.

Selling Your Home

If you are selling your home, you will need to provide the new homeowner with a resale packet. This is a State Law. If you live in an HOA, you are required to provide the new homeowner's with the Covenants, By-Laws and Rules and Regulations. This will assure the HOA that the new owners are fully aware of these rules and have chosen to abide by them when going for closing and signing papers. If they do not have a resale packet, they will not be registered into the community.

Tenants

If you are currently renting your home, please make sure your tenants are registered with the community. Please see your By-Laws on renting your property. Reminder that all homeowners are initially responsible for any violations their tenant's acquire.

ATVs, Minibikes, Snowmobiles, Etc

This is a reminder that minibikes, motor-

ized trikes, ATV's and snowmobiles are not permitted on Marcel Lake Estates roads. We had multiple complaints last summer of residents riding on the roads at all hours. Our new Security Agency will be aware of this issue.

2018 Pool Season

We will be issuing new cards for your pool access this season. We will post on the marquee when these cards are available to you. In order to pick up your cards you will need to have your completed Member Data Sheet and sign a pool waiver. If you have a tenant, you will need to mark off on the Member Data Sheet if they are able to pick up their access cards. If we do not have that information on file, we will not provide your tenant their access card without authorization. Please remember you cannot have guests that live in Marcel, they will need their own cards. Members of Marcel that do not have their own access card are not permitted to use the amenities. If you permit any member that is not in good standing to use your access cards, you will be suspended from the use of this amenity.

Payment Plans

Payment plans are designed to help those that cannot pay their dues in one lump sum. Payment Plans are also designed to have the fiscal year's dues paid within that fiscal year. If you will be requesting a payment plan, they are due by April. First payment is due April 15th. We offer 3, 6, 9 and 12 month payment plans. Please contact the office to set up your plan now. Your dues are expected to be paid in full within the payment plan schedule. Payment Plan payments are due the 15th of each month. If you are late, you will be assessed a finance fee of 1.25%.

Proximity Cards

Each proximity card should be registered

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to a vehicle. This will make it easier for the office should you lose your card, they can deactivate the proper one. ALL VEHICLES are to be registered with the community. If you lose your card and would like to purchase another one, we will have to deactivate the previous one, so please make note of all your proximity card numbers. If you are purchasing a card for a guest that does not live within Marcel, that card will not be activated for compactor access. No outside guests are permitted to use Marcel's dumpsters. We have seen this happen on several occasions. When this happens, the card is immediately deactivated and homeowner will be issued a fine. Remember when you give a gate pass to guests, you are responsible for their actions.

Monthly Meeting

Monthly meetings are held every third Tuesday of the month. Monthly meetings are conducted for the benefit of the residents. Meetings are to inform the community of the daily activity, issues that arise within the community, new motions set, etc. It is the responsibility of the homeowner to attend these meetings. We are not responsible to go door to door to inform residents. We have a lot of residents that feel they have not been properly informed of the construction progress within the community; this has been discussed at several meetings and an initial letter was mailed to each homeowner. We had PA American Water attend our Annual Meeting to discuss this as well. Please do your part as a homeowner to attend these meetings and educate yourself on what's going on in your community. For the last five years, our largest attendance was ten people, most were couples from the same home.

Facebook

I Live In Marcel Lake Estates – This is an

independent Facebook account that was set up by a resident of Marcel. This is not affiliated with Marcel BUT we update this site out of courtesy to the residents because there are more residents on this site than have signed up for the Marcel Notification System. With that, please realize this site is not an official complaint site, if you post your complaints on this site and nothing gets done, this is because you did not go through proper channels with your complaint. This is a problem; we have a lot of complaints without proper follow ups with the office. This site is monitored to keep the office updated on what's going on but unless you file the proper paper work, that's all it is, a complaint on Facebook. I also receive a lot of negative feedback when I update on this site, so I am debating whether this is going to continue. You will be able to receive updates either through the notification system or on OUR website, marcellakeestates.org.

In closing, if you have ANY questions or concerns, please call the office during business hours.

Lake and Dam Report

By Dick Hanel, Vice President

This past year we hired Aquatic Technologies to take care of our lakes. They have done a great job controlling the lily pads in Marcel Lake and the pond weed in Lake Renée. This year we will be checking Marcel Lake on the MLE side and Lake Renée to eliminate some of the Lily pads near the docks. Old Marcel does not want to participate in taking care of their side professionally, they feel they can do a better job and cheaper by doing it themselves. I have no problem with this as long as they do not use chemicals that require special permits. It is the responsibility of Marcel Lake Estates to acquire those permits. Anytime chemicals are being used, a notice is placed at all entrances to the lakes, and signs are posted stating the length of time prohibiting swimming and fishing.

Last October we put in 50 additional bass and over 200 baitfish in each lake to feed the bass. I would like to use the bass fund money that will be donated for the lakes to buy crappies to help eat the grass and bluegills to eat mosquito larva.

Old Marcel has a new board and no one has approached me about handling the trout and bass fund for stocking the lakes. We will raise our own funds with donations from the usual sources. If you wish to contribute to the trout and bass fund, please send all donations to Marcel Lake Estates (see the following form). Forms can also be picked up at the MLE office. All funds must be in by March 16th. We are getting reports from fisherman catching bass that are telling us the sizes they are catching, as well as the number of young bass they are catching. My suggestion to the board is to extend the bass catch and release moratorium for both lakes for 2 more years to give the bass a chance to grow and multiply.

Please register all your boats and get a red sticker from Marcel Lake Estates showing you belong to the Property Owners Association. You must have a sticker on your boat to have it stored on one of the boat racks. Any boat found without a sticker will be removed and a \$25 fine will be issued to the owner when they come to claim the boat.

We have not heard anything from the DEP about the approval of our new spillway; it has been 2 years, and we are not the only Association waiting for an answer. We had to cancel the fishing derby last year because only 3 families signed up for it. With the next fishing derby, let's all get out there and try to catch some of those bass and maybe the largest ever caught. There will be a Lake and Dam meeting held in March, the date will be posted and announced at the February Board meeting. If you are interested in being on the committee, please contact the office.

Enjoy the Lake, it's there for your pleasure.

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If you would like to donate to the Fish Fund, please return the following form to the office with your donation. Deadline is March 16, 2018

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MARCEL LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
103 Lake Dr.
Dingmans Ferry, PA.18328
Marcel Lake Trout and Bass Fund 2018

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

State _____ Zip _____ Check # _____

Amount of Donation \$ _____
(check payable to the Marcel Lake Trout and Bass fund)

Please indicate your donation to go towards:

Trout _____ Bass _____ Both _____

EMERGENCY TRAVEL KIT...DON'T LEAVE HOME WITHOUT IT!



- Warm clothing and gloves
- Blanket
- Ice scraper
- Sand
- Cellphone and car charger
- Flashlight
- Jumper cables
- Small shovel
- First aid kit
- Water
- Nonperishable food

PERSONAL NEEDS:

(such as special medications, baby supplies or pet food):

<input type="checkbox"/> _____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____
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