



# the LAKE SCENE on Wapogasset Bear Trap

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**WHEN: AUGUST 28th**  
**TIME: 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

- Food (free will donation)
- Games
- Face Painting
- Dunk Tank

The town of Garfield is hosting an "old fashioned" picnic at Wapogasset Park on Saturday, August 28th. Proceeds will be used to purchase additional equipment for the playground area at the park.

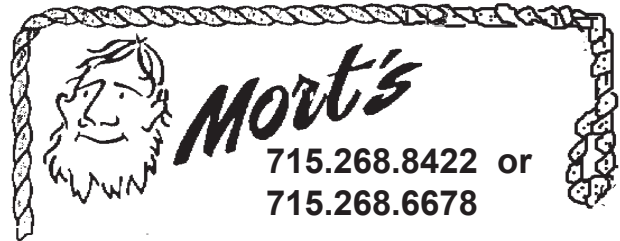
## WATERSIDE BAR & GRILL UPDATE



Everythings still "on schedule" for Oct. open

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2010

Sept. 5 Last "Boat-in" worship - 9:20  
 Sept. 11 Trustee Meeting, 9a. YMCA Camp  
 Sept. 16-19 Amery Fall Festival (see Page 5)



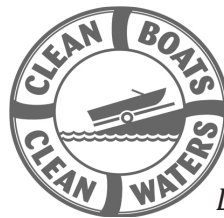
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### SEPTEMBER HOURS:

- OPEN thru Labor Day - 8a-5p
- CLOSED: weekdays starting 9-6-09
- OPEN: Saturdays and Sundays 8a-5p
- CLOSED FOR THE SEASON: 9-30-09

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## CLEAN BOATS ... CLEAN WATERS ...

*DNR Funded Project Completed*

As of this Labor Day weekend, Clean Boats Clean Waters volunteers and paid inspectors have completed 310 hours of work at our boat landings. In this our third year of the program, we applied for and received a DNR Grant which allowed for the hiring of five Amery high school students. As required under our agreement with the DNR, volunteers

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**29th Year of Publication**

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THANK YOU

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 for another season of bringing The Lake Scene to the door of every Wapogasset and Bear Trap homeowner!

SUNSET ... SUNRISE

Watch these times carefully ... NO waterskiing/ towing allowed between sunset and sunrise.

	SUNSET	SUNRISE
August 30	7:52p	6:29a
Sept. 4	7:42p	6:35a
Sept. 11	7:29p	6:44a
Sept. 18	6:15p	6:52a



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DAILY: 10A-CLOSE  
 NIGHTLY SPECIALS: 5-9P

Mon: Free fries w/purch \$2 vodka - Tue: \$1Tacos  
 Wed: BBQ Ribs & \$2 Windsor - Thur: Wings \$6  
 Fri: Fish or BBQ Ribs - Sat: Shrimp - Sun: Chicken



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"THANK YOU"

The summer is winding to an end ... and so is "SPACE" in this final issue of The Lake Scene ... Mort & I would like to thank EVERY-ONE who supports the Marina ... by buying gas ... t's for the family ... candy for the kids ... or simply by stopping in to say "HI".



Kathy Mortensen  
715-497-0200

Thanks also for your encouragement in this difficult real estate market ... it's been a trying one, but your support ... REFERRALS ... and phonecalls keep me going. I'll be around all winter ... would love to have you stop by for a cup of coffee if you have a chance. Thanks again ... have a great winter!



**JDRF FUNDRAISER:** Totals just in ...  
**64** bracelets **SOLD** plus donations of **\$69.23**  
 in the "toilet" and "pop bottle" bank  
 GRAND TOTAL: \$133.23 + matching Mort's  
 matching = **\$266.46!**

Watch for "Packer" and "Viking" bracelets!



Mary Bruckner... Lexi Rinde ... Jesse Erspamer

HUMANE SOCIETY FUNDRAISER

Lexi Rinde just reported in with news of an extremely successful fundraiser ... \$1,600.67 was donated to the Arnell Memorial Humane Society in Amery. The "over-the-top" picnic baskets were delicious!!!



LAST SPLASH ... 2010

PHANTOM'S PHALL PANFISHING SECRETS...

From now until late September, you can sit in your Alumacraft until you get fanny failure waiting your bobber to bob. So try this...take your bobber off and vertically jig your Chicken Jig while drifting along the weed lines. Now in the late fall, look for the weeds. Baitfish will be looking for cover, and with the weed growth dwindling this time of year, there will be less of it. OK, the baitfish will be looking for GREEN weeds, the Panfish will be looking for baitfish, and you'll be looking for breakfast. So look in the GREEN weeds. If this has been too confusing for you, read it again slowly. It's OK to move your lips.

OUR READERS ASK...

Wapo's John Erickson asks, "Hey how do I catch a big Muskie during the fall?" Well, if you're looking for Muskies a good bet would be to follow "Two Cast Corky" around. You'll remember he's the rookie who showed up and nailed two Muskies without fulfilling the mandatory 10,000 casts. Actually we've found that because of our extensive Muskie fishing coverage this season,

our faithful readers (like you, John) have asked for the more technological aspects of the challenge. We've interviewed a few Muskie semi-pros like George Thomas's son-in-law, Dave Christensen for their expertise. The first big revelation is...the moon set. Yep, Muskies are supposed to hit at about the time the moon sets. Also, Muskie fishermen tell us a lot of success depends on what you had for breakfast, the color of your socks and which foot you enter your boat with first. And here's some Muskie safety tips: Take a pair of side cutters in case you have to clip a hook. And any child under 50 pounds fishing with you should be attached to the boat with a steel cable.

AMAZINGLY ENOUGH, ANOTHER READER ASKS...

Bear Trap's Barb Hammer asks, "OK, but what if I don't want to cast 10,000 times?" Well, Barb, there's the old fall fishing Northern technique. Get yourself a cane pole, tie on about 8 feet of braided line and a big treble hook. Put a bobber about the size of a tennis ball about four feet from the hook. Put a 10 to 12 inch sucker minnow on your hook, and toss it out someplace at the North end. When your bobber starts to move, throw your pole in the water, and follow it around until it stops moving. Retrieve your pole, set the hook, and away you go. If this fails, filet your minnow and deep-fry it in Shore Lunch

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61st Annual

# Amery Fall Festival

September 16, 17, 18, 19, 2009



THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 16

5-10p Earl's Rides - Michael Park

FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 17

3-11p Earl's Rides - Michael Park  
 6-8p \* "JAMBO JOE BONES" under the tent  
 9-12p \* "SECTION 8" under the tent

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 19

7a Kidz Race - 11 yrs and younger. Pre-register only by Sept. 14 - 268-6638.  
 8a 10K Run - 5K Run - 5K Walk ... Register at 7a or Pre-register at 268-4072 - Entry form at Top Hat Video  
 9a-5p 20th Annual Quilt Show Sponsored by Apple River Quilt Guild at St. Joe's Church (Hwy 46 North) Adult: \$3 Ages 16 & Under: free  
 9a-3p Arts & Crafts at Michael Park  
 10a-5p Fine Arts Show at Northern Lakes Center for the Arts 113 Elm St - area artists  
 10:30a GRAND PARADE - Parade Marshals: Erwin & Meridee Danielson. Following the parade join us for these events: Food Stands at Michael Park ... Water Fight by Amery Fire Dept ... Helicopter Rides on E. Birch St. near public landing until dusk - Fri/Sat/Sun  
 11a-2p Chicken & Biscuits - \$7 - Congo Church 201 Harriman  
 11a-4p Pony Rides - Cattail Trail - behind Fire Dept.  
 12a-11p Earl's Rides at Michael Park

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 19 ... continued

Noon Food Stands at Michael Park  
 Noon-11p Earl's Rides at Michael Park  
 1p-3p Jim Armstrong - under the Fall Festival tent - beer garden open  
 2p Demolition Derby - at Amery Airport \$1500. top prize  
 Adults: \$8 - Children \$3 Beer and food available - no carry-ons  
 More info: Chad Boyd - 651/308-5882  
 2p-5p Youth Fishing Contest - 15yrs and under. No entry fee - awards and prizes at 5p. 268-6231 for info.  
 3-4p "MATTHEW SMITH ... under the tent  
 4-5p "CATTAIL STRING BAND ... under the tent  
 7p \*Queen Coronation - Amery High School Gym (Fall Festival Button Required)  
 8-12a Mechanical Bull Riding ... under the tent  
 9p-1a \$ "THE UNDERACHIEVERS" Dance under the Fall Festival Tent - \$5 admission required

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 19

8a-noon Pancake Breakfast under the Festival Tent  
 All You Can Eat Pancakes, sausage & Bev  
 Adults - \$5 - Children 10 & under \$2.50  
 11:30 Apple River Apple Games  
 Noon-4 Earl's Rides at Michael Park  
 12 noon Apple River Race - race starts at Bridge St. Ends at Schumacher Park - Tickets at Bremer Bank, City Hall & Carlson Highland  
 11a-4p 18th Annual Quilt Show - see Sat. 9a

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## from the President's desk



Once again our lake summer is quickly coming to a close. Our lake conditions are better (with the exception of weeds) than I would have expected with the heat and rain, but why try to outguess Mother Nature. I am thankful our lakes are in the condition that they are. We need to continue to work on improvements while trying to keep unwanted guests out of the lakes.

We now have eleven people trained on spotting Eurasian Water Milfoil. The sewer district will schedule inspections by these people. We will inspect prime areas that could support that invasive species. We can use more people if you are interested. We have several Zebra Mussel traps around the lakes. If present, they will attach themselves to the traps.

Bear Trap has had a very large quantity of water celery floating on the surface. It appears to be something that happens occasionally. It happened a couple of years ago on Balsam Lake. We think prop wash from motors and wind are the main causes for the release. Water Celery doesn't have a very deep root system and water movement can pull it out.

Our Clean Boats / Clean Waters inspectors will surpass their goal for hours of checking boats. The net cost of this program to the lake association will be zero. We received a grant from the Wisconsin DNR. This is yet another way of training boaters of proper invasive species control.

With this issue of the Lake Scene, you should be receiving your 2011 Lake Directory. If you didn't we have you as not being a paid member of the lake association. It isn't too late to join. Please check your information for correctness. If you see errors, please notify your trustee or Peter Seidl with the changes. Have a great fall and winter. ... Dave Nelson



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worked 85 hours. The high school students were paid \$8./hr and worked a total of 225 hours.

The total cost of the project this year, including all supplies and labor, is \$2,690. The association is responsible for 25% of the total, while the DNR will pay 75% or \$2,017.50. The associations 25% was covered by the donated labor of Clean Boats Clean Waters volunteers contributing 85 hours at \$8./hr.

The following results are approximate because all inspection forms are not turned in as of this writing.

Number of Boats Inspected 675  
Number of People Contacted 1500

Clean Boats Clean Waters volunteers work to educate boaters about the dangers of spreading aquatic invasive species (AIS) from one body of water to another. Boats entering and leaving our lakes are checked for weeds. Boaters are also asked to drain all bilge water, livewell water etc. As over 95% of boaters now tell us that they are familiar with the laws regarding the transport of AIS, our role may be shifting from educating, to reminding boaters to comply with the laws. This is increasingly important as we learn of Eurasian Milfoil in Pike lake in Amery, and Zebra Mussels now in the Twin Cities.

Clean Boats Clean Waters is an enjoyable way to spend a little volunteer time doing something for

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your lakes. We are always looking for volunteers and would be happy to have you join us next year. Call Rick Bazille at 715-268-2916 or e-mail rbazille@aol.com. Thank you to all who contributed to make this years project a success.

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- FRIDAY NITE FISH FRY
- SATURDAY NITE PRIME RIB
- SUNDAY BREAKFAST - BELGIAN WAFFLES

FEATURING AGED BLACK ANGUS CHARBROILED STEAKS



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ENCORE...ENCORE....



Well he's done it again Friends of Fins. Last year Lee Rickard introduced his trained white bass...and this year he's has created his CHORUS OF CARP. According to Lee, "the group nicely complements Whitey's stunts. And folks really seem to love our glee club medley of Fred Waring favorites. Especially the older crowd. I THINK they can hear us. But even if they can't, you don't find a lot of singing fish acts, and that makes us a little unique." Go get 'em, Lee, and good luck with the Shedd Aquarium gig!

COMING NEXT ISSUE...

Well since the next issue will be next year, we have no idea. But in eight months, we'll probably be able to come up with something. Have a great winter, and take lots of naps. We'll see you in the spring. But you won't see us, of course, because we're the PHANTOM Fishermen.

Editor's Note: I wish I could tell you WHO the Phantom Fishermen are so you could thank them for many years of wit and wisdom. But ... they insist on remaining anonymous. I'm sure you all agree that The Lake Scene just wouldn't be the same without them! THANKS GUYS ... don't know what I'd do without you!

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Issue 6: 2 EGGS ...  
sorry about that!

SUMMER FRUIT TART ... Jill Barsokine

- |                    |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Crust:</b>      | <b>Filling:</b>       |
| 1 c flour          | 6 oz. cream cheese    |
| 1/4 c. brown sugar | 1/2 c. sour cream     |
| 1/2 c. butter      | 1/4 c. powdered sugar |
| 1 Tbsp. water      | 1 tsp. vanilla        |

Other: mint leaves or lemon zest, apricot jam or seedless raspberry preserves.  
Fruit: blueberries, raspberries, strawberries, nectarine slices, mandarin oranges ...

Mix flour/brown sgr - cut in butter to coarse crumbs. Sprinkle w/water - toss till moist. Shape in a ball - press in bottom and sides of a 9" tart pan with removable bottom. Bake 400 - 10-15 min. Cool ... Stir softened cream cheese, sour cream, sugar and vanilla. Mix until smooth and creamy. Cover & chill up to 4hrs. Sprinkle mint or lemon zest on pastry. Spread with cream cheese mixture, top with fruit. Heat 1/4 cup jam until melted - cool - drizzle jam over fruit. Remove from pan - cut in wedges.

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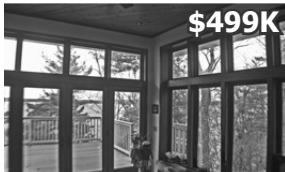
725 Hickory Point Ln was \$330K\*

\$268K



1006 Sunrise Beach was \$359K

\$339K



804 Flo's Court was \$695K\*

\$499K



997 Lone Pine Court was \$446K

\$399K



733 Cty. Rd. C was \$368K

\$338K



739 Cty. Rd. C was \$338K

\$298K



Eagle Crest Cove - 814 was \$218K

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806 Flo's Ct. was \$259K

\$259K



717 Cty. Rd. C was \$529K

\$449K



832 138th Street was \$348K

\$318K



718 Bear Trap Lane was \$438K

\$390K



Eagle Crest Cove - 822 was \$298K

SOLD  
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982 Sunrise Beach Dr. was \$386K

SOLD



1287 So. Shore Dr. was \$378K

SOLD

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- 74X Bear Trap Ct backlot..... \$39K
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667 Bear Trap Court was \$318K

\$299K



730 Bear Trap Lane was \$269K

\$219K