# Aspenhof Fireworks Display

Saturday, July 7th
Starting time: sunset (about 9.45 PM)

Join your friends and family for an evening of fun and great fireworks without leaving Aspenhof. The fireworks display will be held at the main lake with a great view from anywhere on the beach.

Tavis and Maureen Donlin (cabin #15), who have received training in pyrotechnics, will again set up and launch the display. There will be no open shooting. The display is being paid for by donations. If you would like to contribute money or help out with the clean-up, please contact John or Maureen by email (donlinmj@gmail.com) or phone (314-750-2345).



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### A Message from the Chairperson

Hot Time...Summer in the country!

Welcome to our busiest time of the year at Aspenhof. Our roads, the beach, the lakes, and our handy dumpster all see a lot of activity at almost all times of the day and night in the summer. Do your part to make sure that Aspenhof remains clean and stays beautiful for all to enjoy.

Because our indentures specifically prohibit fireworks within Aspenhof without prior Board authorization, the current Board has voted this year to again allow a special fireworks display for the July 4th holiday

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certain
conditions
to provide
for the
safety of
both our
people
and our
community.
Maureen
Donlin and

her husband, John Tavis, who are pyrotechnic-certified, have planned a show for Saturday, July 7, at Aspenhof Lake. Donations towards the costs will be cheerfully accepted by Maureen or any board member. ONLY this public fireworks display

has been authorized, and private individual fireworks of any kind remain strictly prohibited within Aspenhof- the threat of fire is too great.

As I write this just following Memorial Day, we have had no more reports of biting midges. The board has been diligent

in working on this issue since the first reports were received on April 2. Midges appear to be most active during warm springs, and after our very mild winter and warmer- than-

normal spring, we certainly have seen our share of them. We instituted a beach fogging schedule this spring, which was partially successful. The best recommendation to protect

yourself from bites remains to use a type of DEET containing repellant or buy and use "Bug Bands," which reportedly repel biting bugs with a natural repellant.

Finally, Board members will be coming around to complete exterior



cabin inspections for about onethird of the cabins within the next few weeks. They will be looking for any structural and electrical safety issues around the cabin as well as the general safety and visual condition of the property. You will be notified if any repairs or other recommendations are deemed necessary. Other recreational areas that were started around the same time as Aspenhof failed and are no longer around because the properties deteriorated due to neglect. We're still here some 48 years later because previous boards monitored the conditions of the cabins and owners responded. Enjoy your summer at Aspenhof! See you out there!

Teresa R. Wetzel, Chair of the Board of Trustees

#### **Fishing Derby**

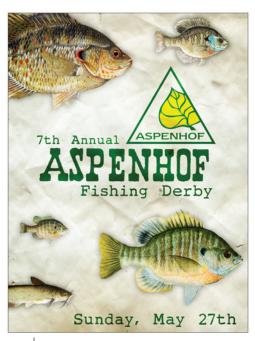
We had an awesome time at this year's Fishing Derby. Just about 40 kids showed up to fish, with the 18" catfish bought in by Austin (#147) bringing home top honors of Largest Fish. The largest bass was brought in by Emma (#120) at 13.5". Most Fish Caught was a group effort, with Jack (#14) with 11, Eli (#36) with 11, Gracie (#120) with 10 and Sam (#19) with 8.

In total, the young anglers brought in a recorded total of almost 70 bass, bluegill, crappie and the lone catfish in just under 2 hours. That doesn't even count the many that did not get recorded.

I wish to thank all that volunteered to help and donate prizes. We had a bumper crop of items this year and and even held some back for next year. Donations included:

- Fishing poles & small radios Dale at 73
- Beach toy prizes Matt and Kris at 32
- Ball caps Jim & Kathy at 21
- Tackle boxes & mugs Kathy & Gary at 92
- North Face water bottles Dan and Maria at 120
- Fishing poles and caps from Bass Pro David Swaine (friend of Dan at 120)
- New logo creation Danny at 137





- Snacks & drinks Judy & Kurt at 31
- Snacks, drinks, water bottles and bamboo poles Karen & Dave at 14
- Custom printed t-shirts, hats and magnets
   Coleen (26) & CeCy (28)
- 25 (yes, 25) fishing poles and flashlights
   Dave Hagan and Kevin (72)
- Bunches of AB t-shirts & caps -Dennis Walsh (my brother, cabin #33)

I'm sure I missed someone - your generosity was appreciated.

And many, many thanks to all the volunteers who got up early to help or helped me put the goody bags together on Saturday. A special shout out to Matt Doell, who once again served as official scorekeeper and measurer, running up and down the dam in the hot morning sun. Not an easy job, keeping up with the squeals of delight when the kids catch a fish.

Have a great summer!

Suzanne #33

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# ANSWERS FOUND HERE

I get many emails and phone calls asking "How do I pick up my hang tags?" or "Who do I see about a construction permit?" Other popular questions include "Who can fix my roof?" and "Who will insure Aspenhof cabins?" and "What's happening with the fireworks display?"

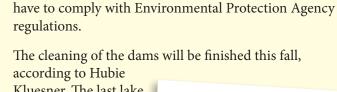
I really don't mind answering these, but the Trustees strongly urge that you subscribe to the Aspenhof Google Group to be SURE that you are sent the latest

news and have the best access to more than 130 people with Aspenhof knowledge. You WILL see the news there first and enjoy the synergy of 130 people, all with the same goal. Just point your

Web browser to

<a href="http://groups.google.com/group/aspenhof">http://groups.google.com/group/aspenhof</a>> and sign up. It is pretty easy if you follow the directions exactly, but send me email (address elsewhere in this newsletter) if you get stuck.

Dan Landiss, Trustee



LAKE REPORT

The lakes are in good shape except for Sun Valley, where again we are having the Chara problem. Keep in

mind, these lakes are for fishing and swimming so we

have to watch how we treat them. We can't use strong

chemicals that would make the lakes unusable. We also

Kluesner. The last lake to be done is Leaky Lake (Inswald).

I restock the lakes every year because of nature's cycle. Some birds eat the fish and so do some of the animals that prowl the woods. The catfish will not reproduce in our lakes. When I restock, I try to alternate yearly between bass and crappie. Every six years we put in grass-eating carp. This fish is thinned out by river otters. I also hear from the fishermen what they are catching and readjust annually.

Hope everyone enjoys the lakes and has a safe summer. See you at the lakes.

Don Fassold, Trustee of Lakes



#### INSPECTIONS AND PERMITS

Firs,t I would like to thank everyone who has applied for permits this year. I am pleased to see there seems to be a lot of remodeling this spring; some cabins are even getting total makeovers. Remember, please ask for permits before starting your project.

Also, there will be cabin inspections within the next few weeks. The inspectors are board members and should be very respectful of your privacy, so try and give them a break. They are just trying to do the job for which you elected them.

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