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President's Message ~ Bob Arndt

Agenda set for FOLKS annual meeting January 24th

The annual meeting of FOLKS will be held at 9:00 AM January 24 at the Stoughton Country Club. The agenda includes a proposal to update bylaws, a summary of the past years activities, election of new officers, and a DNR presentation on lake levels. All members are invited to this meeting, which is expected to last about one hour.

FOLKS is in a very good position financially for an organization of its size. This means that opportunities exist to work on new lake projects. Members are encouraged to suggest new projects or participate at some level. You can participate by volunteering as a committee member or an officer. New officers and board members will be elected at this meeting. Six 2-year positions are available this year. Responsibilities include attendance at monthly meetings (second Tuesday of the month from 5:30-7:00 PM) and voluntary participation on one or more committee of interest. Current committees include:

- Aquatic plant management and lake levels
- Fish management
- Communications (newsletter, lake alerts, webpage)
- Governmental actions tracking
- Social and educational activities

Anyone who is interested can contact any current board member, or let us know at the annual meeting. Lake levels problems were the biggest concern of FOLKS members in 2008. As reported in the Madison newspapers this past week, this will be an important issue in 2009 as the cities and towns affected present their positions. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) establishes normal high and low levels for each of the lakes in the Yahara Lakes chain. Dane County has the responsibility for keeping the lakes within these limits. To help clarify this complicated issue, Susan Josheff from the DNR will be at the annual meeting to discuss why and how levels have been established, and how they can be changed.

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SAVE THE DATE! FOLKS Annual Meeting

Saturday, January 24th 9 AM
Stoughton Country Club

Agenda

Welcome 9:00 am

Treasurers report

Committee reports

- o Aquatic plant management and lake levels - Tom
- o Fish management - Jim Gray
- o Governmental actions tracking - Ray
- o Social and educational activities - (Joe or volunteer?)

Bylaws approval

Election of officers

"Changing Lake levels" - Presentation by Susan Josheff - DNR

Lake level discussion

Adjourn 10:15 am (Approximate)

FOLKS Board Elections will be held at the Annual Meeting.

The following open positions will be voted on:

- President
- VP civic affairs
- Secretary
- Board member (3 positions)

If you or anyone you know are interested in running for these positions, please attend the annual meeting or contact a FOLKS Board Member to be nominated.

FOLKS Membership – The FOLKS Board is proposing the following changes to the by-laws, and plan to have a vote on these changes at the annual meeting. Below are the relevant passages. For a complete copy of the current by-laws, please contact Susan Luellwitz at SusanL@kegonsa.org or call (312) 961-2457.

Proposed Changes to FOLKS By-Laws:

1. **Article II, Section 2** – “Membership shall be valid for one year, January 1st to December 31st, upon payment of membership dues.....”

Proposed: “Membership shall be valid for one year, April 1st to March 31st, upon payment of membership dues.....”

2. **Article II, Section 3** – “If the prescribed membership fees for a year have not been paid within six (6) months of invoice or by July 1st of that year.....”

Proposed: “If the prescribed membership fees for a year have not been paid within three (3) months or by April 30th of that year.....”

(Invoices should be sent in January, so if a member is not signed up by the end of April, then their membership expires.)

3. **Article III, a.** – “The annual meeting of the Society shall be held during the month of September”

Proposed: “The annual meeting of the Society shall be held during the month of January”

4. **Article IV** – “The directors of the Society, known as the Executive Board, shall be the elected President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.”

Proposed: “The directors of the Society, known as the Executive Board, shall be the elected President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, and Treasurer.” (Plural added.)

5. **Article V, b.** – “The executive Board Committee shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer”

Proposed: “The executive Board Committee shall consist of the President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer” (Plural added.)

6. **Article VI, b. (2)** – “In addition, the Vice President shall serve as Chair of the Finance Committee.....”

Proposed: “In addition, a Vice President shall serve as Chair of the Finance Committee.....”

7. **Article IX, Section 5** – “The Treasurer and /or the President of the Society shall sign all checks.”

Proposed: “The Treasurer, President or another appointed member of the Society shall sign all checks.”