

# LAKE SHERWOOD NEWS LETTER

FALL-WINTER

2017

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## LSPOA President's Note

Hello fine residents of Lake Sherwood! I hope your Summer was great. We are now looking forward to the Fall and Winter activities in the Lakes area so check out the up-coming events at the Lodge. There are postings at the Lodge and on our web site.

The quality of the water at Lake Sherwood is a great concern to all of us. We need everyone to help to improve and maintain the water quality now and for the future. There are a number of steps we can take as residents to accomplish the improvements.

One- it is important to maintain the 35ft buffer on the shoreline.

Two- stop the use of phosphorous fertilizers.

Three- maintain your septic systems.

Remember the Lodge and lake are part of your property as a home owner. The members of the board are dedicated to work and maintain the rights of Lake Sherwood property owners. We also strive to be a valuable asset to the community of Rome. There are openings on the Association Board at this time so please consider joining and have your voice heard. The meetings are typically on the first Saturday of the month. All questions or comments are welcome so feel free to contact me by phone or email.

Thank you, Mike Skadow / 262-889-4211 / [lspoa@wctc.com](mailto:lspoa@wctc.com)

## From The Treasurer

The calendar says it is fall, but we are experiencing some of the warmest weather of the summer as I am writing this. I am sure this will change, and we will pay the price for the beautiful weather we have had this summer.

Business at the Lodge has been great with sales levels above previous years. We expected some drop off after Labor Day, but that has not happened. Cheryl, Karen, and staff have worked very hard to try to maintain good service despite losing our three college girls that worked for us all summer as they returned to college. We have added a second deep fryer in the kitchen on Thursday and Friday nights to speed up the orders. **The second deep frier rotates with the broaster as we don't have room for both.** Broasted chicken is not available on Thursdays and Fridays.

The Board of Directors has approved increasing the funding for our scholarship program to \$3000 per year. If profits remain good, we would like to continue to increase the scholarship amounts. If you are a dues paying member, and have children or grandchildren going into secondary education, be sure to let them know that these scholarships are available for them. Details for the 2018 application will be on the web site soon.

Be sure to check our web page [www.lakesherwoodlodge.com](http://www.lakesherwoodlodge.com) for upcoming events, and follow us on Facebook.

Jerry Wiessinger

## NEWS FROM THE LODGE STAFF

Happy Fall from the Lodge-

What a great summer it has been, summer has lasted into October this year. All our Fall decorations are up. Come on in and check out all our Fall décor inside and outside of the Lodge. Soon, all the boats and docks will be put away until spring.

**Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 18th. The “Dairy Daughters”** will be performing at the Lodge from 8p.m. to midnight. They have performed at Tootsies in Nashville.

On Thanksgiving Day, we will have our FREE Thanksgiving dinner. We will be serving dinner from 11a.m. to 4p.m. The bar will be open until ??? After dinner, we will serve our homemade pizza ONLY.

In December, we will be open Christmas Eve until 5 p.m. and will open at 2p.m. on Christmas Day

**It's always a great day to stop by at the Lodge.**  
Until the next newsletter – Have a great day.

Cheryl

## Lake Sherwood Property Owners Association Purpose

Lake Sherwood Property Owners Association is an organization formed to represent property owners in the subdivisions of Lake Sherwood. The purpose of the business and undertakings of this association is to preserve, maintain and improve amenities of the Association, the value of Lake Sherwood property, the water quality of Lake Sherwood and the ability of Members to enjoy their property. Please remember to pay your yearly dues. It helps to support our mission.  
Thank you .

Remember that the lower hall is available for rent. Please call LSOPA to reserve it. 30 Day notice required. Call 715-325-2636





I hope you've all had a great summer. So many wonderful events and happenings everywhere this summer. We've started clearing in the business park for the splash pad. We'll finalize the design and bid out the work over the winter. That will allow us to start construction as soon as the ground thaws. As we move in to winter please remember to be safe. And if you're traveling remember to connect with the Rome PD to help them know who should or shouldn't be there.

Below find updates from other departments. Above all, if you want to stay in touch check out the web site [www.romewi.com](http://www.romewi.com) and "Like" us on Facebook. Have a cool and beautiful fall!

Mike Miller

Town Administrator

Dear friends in the Sherwood Community,

As the days get shorter and the leaves begin to change, I hope this newsletter finds everyone in good health. October brings my favorite week of the year, Fire Prevention Week, this year it falls October 8<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>. I invite everyone to attend our department open house on the 14<sup>th</sup>. This is a wonderful time to meet the dedicated men and women that serve this community and learn about fire safety. Having and practicing a plan for fires is just as important as a (working) smoke alarm, both things that we would love help you with.

Winter will be here before we know it. For those of us that heat with wood stoves or fireplaces, please get your chimneys properly cleaned and inspected every year before using them. The first weekend of November is daylight savings, remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors. **Thank you for everyone's support through my first year as chief.**

Respectfully yours in service,

George Taub

Fire Chief, Town of Rome

Fall is here, and winter will soon be upon us. Rome Public Works is getting ready for snow to fly. Our snow removal equipment is being readied for the upcoming plowing season. **Please note the following information regarding Rome's snow removal ordinance:**

8.01 (9) SNOW EMERGENCIES:

(a) Snow Emergency Declarations: A snow emergency exists in the Town whenever a snowfall during any period of twenty-four (24) hours or less reaches a depth of three (3) inches or more. Such emergency is declared to be a serious public hazard impairing transportation and public health, safety, and welfare for a period until such time as snow removal operations have been completed.

(b) **During snow emergencies, parking of vehicles, trailers, snowmobiles, ATV's, etc. on the pavement or shoulder of any town road is prohibited until the highway department has plowed the road.**

(c) The Public Works Superintendent shall have the authority to declare a snow emergency.

Please help us do a good job for all residents and do not park on the roadway when snow removal operations are taking place.

**Just because winter will soon be here, that doesn't mean that there won't be things to do in the Town of Rome. You can learn more about what's happening in Rome by going to our tourism web site; [www.visitromewi.com](http://www.visitromewi.com).** Here you will find an up to date calendar of events that will get you pointed in the right direction.

You can always call me at 715-325-8017 **with any questions you may have for Rome's Public Works Department.**

Jon Sonnenberg

Superintendent of Highways & Public Works

### Camping Rules Refresher

Lately there seems to be some confusion about camping regulations for property located in the LD zoning district. Generally speaking, lots that are a part of a lake association and are near a lake or golf course are included in the LD zoning district.

Camping is allowed on a LD zoned lot that meets the water and sanitary requirements found in Town of Rome ordinance section 10.11(2)(b)5 from April 14<sup>th</sup> through November 30<sup>th</sup> annually. A seasonal camping permit issued by the Town of Rome Zoning Administrator is required. From December 1<sup>st</sup> until April 14<sup>th</sup> there shall be no outside storage of personal property except for two watercraft (must be owned by the property owner), one picnic table and a permitted shed and contents per ordinance section 10.11(4)(f)1,2. All other items must be removed from the property until April 14<sup>th</sup> of the following year.

Failure to comply with the above stated ordinance sections could result in the issuance of a municipal citation. The fine for a Municipal violation is \$250.00 and each day you are in violation can be considered a separate violation.

Please be considerate of your neighbors and respectful of the camping season regulations that have been in place and basically unchanged since the Lakes were developed.

If you have questions or would like more information about camping or any Town Zoning regulations feel free to contact the Zoning Administrator at 715-325-8019 or [zoning@romewi.com](mailto:zoning@romewi.com)

### Seasonal Reminders

As many of our seasonal residents leave the area for the winter months please help us out by keeping an eye on vacant properties in your neighborhood. If you should see suspicious vehicles or activity in your neighborhood please call the police department immediately. The office number for the police department is 325-8020. However, if you do not get an answer at this number please follow the instructions on the voicemail to contact the Adams County Dispatch Center. An officer can then be dispatched immediately. **Together we can keep Rome's property crime rates low.**

### Deer Feeding Ordinance

In 2006 the town created an ordinance which prohibits the intentional feeding of deer **in properties zoned as "L" Lake District**. A violation of this ordinance would result in a fine of \$250.00 per offense. The ordinance (9.07) can be reviewed in Chapter 9 of Town Ordinances which is posted on the Town Web Site.

The purpose of this ordinance is to prohibit the feeding of deer in our densely populated areas (Lake District). As we all know the more plentiful the food source is, the more deer that will be attracted. If we can ban intentional feeding in our Lake District, we are reducing the food sources in those areas, thus hopefully drawing the deer away from homes and into the more rural settings of our town. **While this certainly is not a "cure-all" to the property damage caused by our vast deer population, this ordinance may help eventually reduce the deer population in our densely populated areas if and when residents in outlying areas are again allowed to feed deer.**

Please enjoy a safe fall season

Respectfully,

Chief Jason Lauby Rome Police Department



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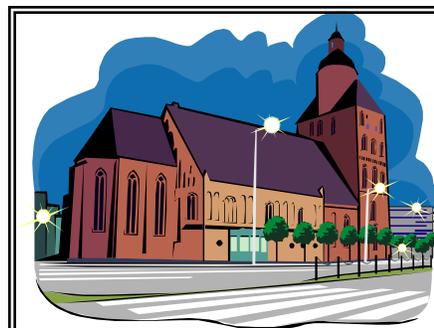


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# Happenings at Lake Arrow-

A huge thank you to all of you who come out and support events at Lake Arrowhead and the surrounding area! Feel free to contact me, Denise Lorenz, with any RSVPs, questions, concerns, or booking needs at 715-325-3480 or [d.lorenz@lakearrowheadgolf.com](mailto:d.lorenz@lakearrowheadgolf.com)

## Mark Your Cal- endars...

Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>-  
Halloween Party- Join us  
for live music by Relentless  
from 8 pm to midnight,  
spooky drink specials,

Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>-  
**New Year's Eve Party-**  
Live Music from 8:30-12:30,  
party favors and free cham-  
pagne at midnight. All are  
welcome!

Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>-  
Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>-  
SnoBlast Winter Carnival  
- Follow our Facebook page  
for more details!

More events will be added  
as winter draws closer-  
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**Conservation News**  
**By David Trudeau**  
**LSPOA Conservation Committee Chairman**

The fall clean-up effort for Sherwood Forest is scheduled for Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to noon. We will meet at 8:45 am on Archers Lane. The grant dollars for that project are used to finance removal of the piled brush by the Town of Rome and to pay for the use of equipment, such as chainsaws, ATVs, and trailers. The volunteer time is valued at over \$23.00 an hour and is our match for the grant funding. Your participation is important for improving Sherwood Forest as well as continuing our eligibility for matching grant dollars. Lunch will be hosted at noon by Steve and Joan Schwegel. In our continuing efforts for cleaning and managing Sherwood Forest, I have applied for another Wildfire Risk Reduction (WRR) grant from the DNR for \$2,000 for 2018.

Another opportunity for matching grant dollars through the Firewise Program coming up for 2018 is the Wildfire Risk Reduction Program for Homeowners. This program offers matching grant money to our LSPOA members, up to \$500, for homeowners who complete a Firewise project that makes their home better protected from wildfires. Examples include removing trees from near your home, enclosing under a deck to prohibit **blowing leaf accumulation, placing rock “mulch” around your home, or replacing vinyl gutters with metal.** Please contact me if you have a project in mind and I can review your idea and make sure it will meet the criteria. Only parcels with a house or cabin on them are eligible to participate.

The 14-mile Creek Citizen Advisory Committee is making substantial progress in identifying sources of nutrient inputs into our lakes and will begin offering recommendations to the Town of Rome in the coming months. There is substantial opportunity for our individual property owners to improve the health of Lake Sherwood and during the annual Tri-Lakes annual meeting there was concern and support for making changes. The Lake Sherwood representatives to the Advisory Committee are Jerry Wiessinger and I, so please share your thoughts and concerns about our water quality issues.

**It's not too early to set aside the Fisheree date of January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018** to participate in our annual fish conservation fundraiser during the winter Free Fishing weekend. We need a number of volunteers to run the event and you can also help as a contestant and by purchasing raffle tickets for some great sporting goods.

FALL IS HERE  
BUT WINTER IS NEAR

By  
Carolyn Cetnarowski

*THE SWIRLING CLOUDS  
THE COOL CRISP BREEZE  
THE CHANGING COLOR  
ON THE ONCE GREEN TREES*

*GONE ARE THE  
HUMMINGBIRDS  
GONE ARE THE BEES  
FOR WINTER IS COMING  
AND SOON ALL WILL FREEZE*

LSPOA 4th of July is in the books for another year. We would like to thank all the people who volunteered their services in making it a great event. The program can only happen if people give of their time to make it happen. People are needed for setting up, working in the ticket booth selling tickets for the beer tent. Workers are needed for the adult game tent, and working in the beer tent. **Volunteer's run the children's games, and take down and clean up the next day.** This event only happens when people who are willing to help during a busy holiday weekend. I know it is not easy, with visitors at our homes, but it is necessary. If we do not have enough volunteers THIS EVENT WILL NOT HAPPEN!

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## Tri-Lakes Management District

The 14 Mile Watershed Committee is under the jurisdiction of Tri-Lakes Management District. The scope and Purpose of the 14 mile creek watershed partnership is:

1. Improve Water Quality in our total watershed
  - a. Improve lake health
  - b. Protect property values
  - c. Protect public health in our waters
  - d. Provide Sustainable programs for our residents to make a lasting impact
  - e. Partnership with all watershed parties to improve water quality in our watershed

Our programs are to be designed to educate all parties as to the water qualities, all planning and implementation to include all parties to make a meaningful impact of water quality.

### 14 Mile Watershed Committee Activities for 2017

Some of the 14 Mile watershed Committee activities this past year included a lunch and learn with upstream farmers to establish a line of communication, a lunch and learn with fertilizer applicators to expand the lines of communication, and a property **owner's water quality workshop to discuss our own impact on the watershed**. Additionally, we launched a soil test program to determine how much phosphorous is resident within our shoreline properties, and to what extent fertilizers may impact out water quality. We brought in an expert from UW Stevens Point to discuss his observations of upstream nutrients impacting our lakes. And, we secured funding for equipment and testing of flow and nutrient content of our lakes and upstream watershed to better determine the source of the high nitrates and other pollutants. This group, led by John Endrizzi and Scott Provost, will perform tests throughout the water shed on a regular basis, as well as doing event testing driven by heavy rain and other events. Also, we have just formed a couple of workgroups to make recommendations to our town for better regulation of fertilizer application around lakes, and another group working to identify means to reduce shoreline soil erosion and fertilizer runoff. As we investigate upstream sources, we need to also understand our own impact on water

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### **Lego Program**

Wednesdays @ the Library 2:30 – 4:30 pm. New themes every week! Bring the family for a relaxed creative experience.

### **Hats Off! To the Friends of the Library & Home Town Rome Players**

We are so fortunate to have so many committed volunteers who raised funds to help support the new sound and video equipment for the Library Community Room. The Friends also raised enough funds to add a second WIFI access point in the Community Room. As an ongoing mission, the Friends also plan to support future educational programs at the library.

### ***1000 Books before Kindergarten***

The library sponsors this ongoing Early Literacy Program. The evidence based program encourages parents, grandparents and other care givers to read to children every day. Parents of children 0-5 years can sign up for the program at the Library at any time, and start building their reading records. Children receive small incentives for each 100 books read to them, and will receive a t-shirt when they have completed 1000 books.

Lester Public Library of Rome

Lore Ponslock

**EVENT CALENDAR**

Monday, October 9, 2017 – OPENING LATE DUE TO INTERNET UPGRADE (2:00 pm)

Tuesday, October 24 - 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm Gaelic Harper, Jeff Pockat – free music concert & storytelling – Library Community Room.

Friday, October 27 - 10:00am - 12:00pm - Make & Take Halloween Crafts & Treats - Ages 2-12 - Library Community Room

November 17 - 10:00am - 12:00pm – Thanksgiving Craft - Ages 2-12.

December 27- 1:00 pm – Christmas Craft - Ages 2-12.

**WANTED****ARTISTS, COLLECTORS, SPEAKERS & IDEAS !**

The library has secure display cases for featuring local artist's work, collectible. Bring your ideas for presenters and speakers. Drop by the library and get inspired, give us your ideas or show off your talents.

Library Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.;  
Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. & Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
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## ROMEMAKERS HOME AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Romemakers Home and Community Educators is a group of people interested in education and service in their homes and communities. They meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at Woodland Church in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 a.m. Coffee and treats start the day, with the meeting to follow at 9:30. We plan service or other community projects, and educational lessons are held at each meeting. Recently we learned more about the 14 Mile Creek Watershed and what we can do to help clean up our lakes. Earlier this year, we met Mike Miller, and learned about his position as Administrator in Rome. We had a summer trip to LaCrosse where we visited Pleasuring Seasonings, Grandad's Bluff and a Riverboat ride.

**Halloween is fast approaching and Romemakers are planning a Children's Halloween Party** for children under the age of 11. It will be held on Tuesday, October 31, from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the Rome Town Hall. There will be games, prizes, treats and fun for families. If you would like to help run a game or donate treats, please call Jeanne at 715-325-6244.

Romemakers H.C.E. will be holding the annual Holiday Fair on Saturday, November 18, 2017 at the Rome Town Hall from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. There will be new crafters and some familiar favorite crafters, bake sale, lunch and a raffle. Please donate to the Adams Food Pantry or for Adams County Scholarships for entry to the fair. Call Jeanne or Jane at 715-323-6807 for more information.

Christmas in Rome is held the first Saturday in December. The Snowbandits and the Romemakers partner up to provide a very nice welcome of the Holiday Season to families in Rome. Watch for more information soon.



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