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Dear John's Lake Property Owners:

Welcome to spring 2006! The ice is gone, piers are being put in, and the trees are coming back to life. Believe it or not, a few weeks ago the neighbor girls even went swimming! In my younger years I might have joined them, but I stayed true to my age and mumbled something like “crazy kids”. The water temperature was 46 degrees and it hurt just sticking my arm in to do the water test.

Things were pretty quiet around the lake this winter, and that’s a good thing. The Town of Mount Morris has updated our sign at the boat landing. We are also working to install some additional signage relating to evasive species control. Hopefully that will be done prior to the annual meeting.

This year the John’s Lake Management District annual meeting will be held on Saturday May 27th, 9:00 AM at the Mountain View Community Center. As in the past, that’s the Saturday of Memorial weekend.

During the meeting we will discuss and approve the budget for 2007, we’ll discuss the annual boat parade, summer picnic, and more. Please see the enclosed agenda for specific information. As in the past we will also have a guest speaker. Scott Provost will be joining us and giving a presentation on evasive species control. Scott is with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and should be very interesting.

Each year we have an election for one of the commissioner’s seats. This year the position of chairman, currently held by Mike Ales (me), is up for election. I am willing to serve another term, but maybe even more willing to step down if anybody else is interested. State law requires one board member to be a resident of the district, so that is the primary requirement. To date, no challengers have stepped forward. However, as always we will take nominations from the floor.

The annual meeting is your chance to meet others from around the lake, learn more about what is going on, ask questions, and have an impact on the future. We’ll start at least ½ hour prior to the meeting with coffee, juice, and donuts. This is a great time to make new friends and catch up with neighbors. So please come early and be a part of the action.

Lastly, to keep informed of lake happenings, find out about water tests, and see pictures from past events, don’t forget to visit our web site at www.johnslake.org

Sincerely,

Michael A Ales
Chairman