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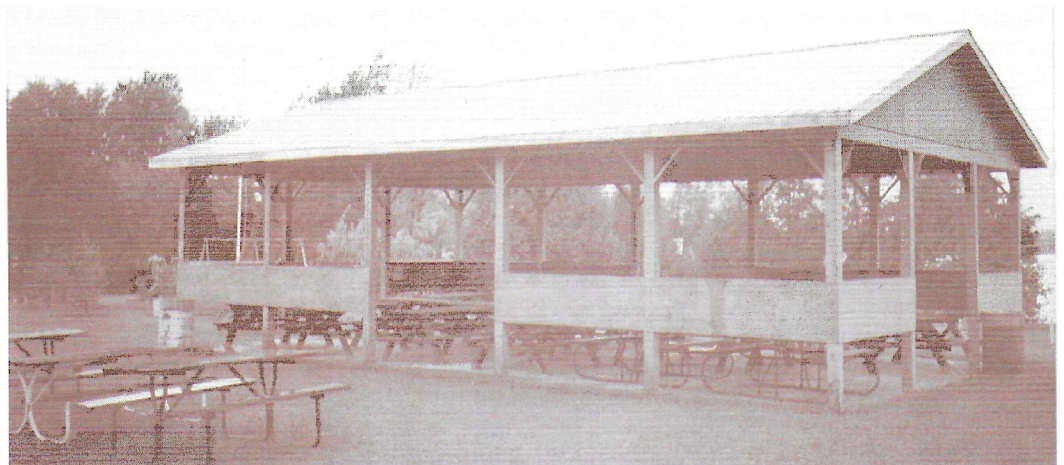
Fall, 2003

Pavilion in the Park

The Counties Park on beautiful Charleston Lake is located in Sand Bay at the north end of Big Waters. It is reached by road by turning at the Hanson Memorial Church in Charleston Village. The Park is blessed with one of the few sand beaches on the Lake and has great picnic facilities. The Charleston Lake Association has used the Park for many years as the primary venue of children's programs, day camps, swimming lessons and youth activities.

Occasionally inclement weather has caused cancellation of planned events at the Park. There is no enclosed structure to provide any protection from the elements.

With your help this problem can be addressed. A shelter, roofed in, measuring about twenty-four by forty feet with a concrete pad floor and accommodating approximately 15 picnic tables could be built and ready for use before May 24 weekend next year. The



Pictures shown on this page are of the pavilion located in Kendrick Park, Lyndhurst. What is being proposed would be similar in style and size.

United Counties of Leeds and Grenville are prepared to partner with the C. L. A. and C. L. E. A. The project will cost approximately \$12,000.00. Both Lake Associations have kicked off the fund raising for the project and are confident that the job can be done.

Your Associations are committed to maintaining the Lake's environment and natu-

ral beauty as well as providing recreational and educational activities. Indicative of this commitment are our highly popular swimming lessons and youth camp programs and now the provision of a Pavilion in the Park.

We ask that you support this spirit of the community program by contributing to the

Pavilion in the Park project. Any and all donations will be gratefully accepted and receipts for income tax purposes will be provided. Please take the time today to send in your donation toward the Pavilion in the Park to the Charleston Lake Environmental Association, P.O. Box 609, Athens, ON, K0E-1B0.



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Your Board reports...

President's Message

With the arrival of fall all is quiet on the waters of Charleston Lake. The Loons are gathering together for their trip south and the Lake Trout are heading to the shoals for their late fall spawning period. However elsewhere around the lake a number of important activities are taking place or being planned.

In Sand Bay at the north end of the lake, a site has been chosen and the survey completed for the erection of a pavilion in the county park. Both Charleston Lake Associations are spearheading a fund raising program to pay for the pavilion which when completed will be donated to The United Counties Of Leeds And Grenville, owners of the county park. This donation is supportive to our commitment to introduce social and recreational programs and facilities which promote a spirit of community on Charleston Lake and throughout the Townships bordering the lake. For additional information on the pavilion in the park project please refer to the article on page one of this newsletter. Also please take the time today to send your donation towards the pavilion. A donation form is enclosed with this newsletter.

At the south end of the lake, specifically in Lansdowne, the Council Township Of Leeds And The Thousand Islands are finalizing revisions to their Official Plan. Earlier this year we requested Council and their Planners to approve an Official Plan which would be environmentally friendly - one which places strict but reasonable controls on new development on the lake. Council has re-

sponded to our request by inserting a special section for Charleston Lake in the revised Official Plan. Please refer to the articles on page 3.

Underway is an inventory of all residential and commercial properties on the lake. This information is a key input to The Lake Capacity study to be carried out and completed in 2004. Residential properties are being reported as follows:

- *Permanent Residence*- Occupied year round and has all the amenities of a home in a city suburb.
- *Permanent Summer Residence* (six months)- Occupied on a six month basis and has all the same amenities as a permanent residence.
- *Seasonal Residence*- Definitely a cottage used on weekends and sometimes occupied for several weeks in the summer.

The inventory of island properties has been completed. Results are as follows:

- Permanent Residences 1,
- Permanent Residences (six months) - 0,
- Seasonal 151,
- Total 152.

At their September meeting the directors and chairpersons discussed and finalized year 2004 priorities which are as follows :

SEPTIC TANK INSPECTIONS - Give full support to septic tank inspections to be introduced under the leadership of the Health Unit and or the Townships. Recommend to these authorities that phase one of the inspection program

be the oldest septic tanks on record.

OFFICIAL PLAN - Encourage the Council, Township of Athens to revise their Official Plan in 2004. We will request that Council support the ONE LAKE-WIDE APPROACH to ensure that Townships sharing jurisdiction on Charleston Lake and its watershed have the same policies on land use provisions regulating new development, tourist-commercial, trailer park and marina development.

FISHERY - Meetings will continue with the District Manager MNR, Kemptonville District concerning the very heavy fishing pressure on the lake trout population, also on continuing problem of anglers fishing on the bass spawning beds. The results of these meetings will be featured in future newsletters.

SAFETY-SECURITY - A review of insurance claims, related to lake and cottage locations, indicate that the major causes of damage or total loss are snow load on roofs, propane systems not up to standard(or tested regularly by a qualified inspector), wood stove system defects or poor practices, and falling trees. I encourage all members to address these matters at least annually in order that your Charleston Lake property not suffer serious damage or be completely destroyed.

YOUTH AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS - In 2004 the emphasis will be on introducing additional programs geared to our youth and the community at large. In addition to our highly popular

youth camp, swimming lesson and fireworks programs, on the drawing board are programs and activities such as : A boat flotilla, Family fun day BBQ, A water ski clinic, Sailing lessons, Pleasure Craft operators certification exam, CPR training and a Charleston Lake photo contest.

Also back by popular demand will be The Charleston Lake Associations second annual golf tournament.

Thank you for many recommendations as to how to keep Charleston Lake beautiful in every way and your positive strong continuing support.

Don Curry



Newsletter

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Official Plan

Charleston Lake receives special status in Township's proposed Official Plan

After Saturday's public meeting Leeds and Thousand Islands Council are one step closer to adopting a new official plan for their township.

Under the Municipal Act the township is required to hold a

public meeting to give opportunity for the public to give comments on the document and to also put under consideration written comments received from the public.

The draft official plan for the

Township of Leeds and Thousand Islands is open to public comment until Sept. 12.

Work on the document was begun in the winter of 2002 and the council hoped to

make it official before a new council is elected this fall.

The plan is intended to manage and direct physical change in the township and is used by the committee of adjustment to make decisions about new development. Since amalgamation the official plans of the three former townships have regulated planning decisions. A set of comprehensive zoning by-laws is the next challenge for council after the passing of the new official plan.

Once of the most significant changes is the minimum requirement for waterfront lots. They will have to be 2.5 acres with a minimum of 300 feet of shoreline on Charleston Lake. Waterfront lots in other parts of the township need two acres with a minimum of 198 feet of shoreline.

*By Margaret Brand
The Review Mirror
(Westport)
August 21, 2003*

The Draft Official Plan addresses Charleston Lake as follows:

Charleston Lake is the largest inland water body located in the Township. It has water quality that supports a native lake trout fishery and is considered moderately sensitive to nutrient inputs resulting from development. While not as sensitive as Red Horse Lake, the Charleston Lake community is concerned that protective measures should not be delayed until environmental quality declines.

Charleston Lake has a variety of shoreline types. Undeveloped areas in public ownership (Provincial Park and Crown Land) and in Donaldson Bay contrast sharply with overdeveloped lots in Fosters Bay. Other areas of the lake display elements of both. The general approach to development will be to prevent additional environmentally insensitive approaches such as minimal setbacks, hard shorelines and lawns near water. Wherever possible, measures will be taken to reverse these trends by restoring as much natural environment as possible in waterfront areas.

The Charleston Lake Association and Charleston Lake Environmental Association have embarked upon a multi-year lake capacity study which is anticipated to be completed in 2005. An amendment to this Official Plan will be considered when the study has been completed to incorporate the study results. Until then, the approval of new waterfront lots will be discouraged.

As an interim measure, new waterfront lots will be re-

quired to have a minimum lot area of 1 ha (2.5 acres) and a minimum water frontage of 90 (± 300 feet). This interim policy will expire at the end of 2006 if the Official Plan is not amended before that date. The general policies of this Official Plan for waterfront lot area and frontage will apply upon the expiry of these interim policies.

The other policies of this Official Plan for development of waterfront lands will apply.



*Our Best Wishes
for a very
Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year*

The Directors



Around the Lake...

Miles of Thanks to:
Elaine Ireland & Donna St.Germain



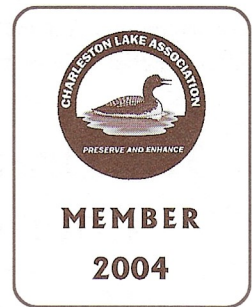
These two wonderful ladies are not picking cans and bottles for cash. For many years, these residents of Charleston have policed Charleston Road (County Road 40) from Beales Mills Rd to Charleston Village. They do a thorough job picking up all the litter and take many bagsful away every time. Since Athens was added to the Charleston Dump site, there's lots to pick after dump days. We can all help by assuring the trash stays in our vehicles on the way to the dump. We are most grateful for your generous contribution of time and effort to keep our neighborhood neat and clean. Many thanks Elaine and Donna. You are extremely generous with your time and toil.

Directors, CLEA and CLA



Christmas Gift Suggestion

The new membership decal is now available for members for 2004, and it will be sent to you soon if you have already paid your membership for next year.



Consider giving a membership as a Christmas gift. Many of our members already do. Just send the information to the Association, and a Decal will be sent to you in time for stocking stuffing.

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Don't miss a single copy of your Newsletter.
Please advise us if you change your address.

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The Charleston Lake Association
Box 609, Athens, Ontario K0E 1B0

or e-mail: bass@ripnet.com
or ashwoods@rideau.net

Membership Admin. Committee



Youth Activities...



Campers gathered to show off their brand new tie dyed shirts last month. Counsellors; Irene Ireland (back left), and Dawn McGurrin (back right), organized the 3 day event.

Photo: Renée David

Charleston Lake Association hosts youth day camp

How great it was to be a kid at the 2nd annual Charleston Lake Youth Days that took place from July 9-11 at the Charleston Lake Community Park at Sand Bay.

Twenty-four kids aged 5-12 enjoyed 3 days of fun at the camp swimming, listening to guest speakers, doing crafts, canoe races, playing games and even adopting a tree in the park.

While the activities seem care-free, they did serve an important goal. Each day was aimed to promote a specific

principle of the Charleston Lake Association. Day one was Environment Day and the kids learned about their surroundings and how to take care of the environment. Day two they enjoyed water sports during Water Day and learned about water safety. The final day was Friendship Day and kids were able to cement the new relationships they had developed over the 3 days. With children coming from all different parts of the lake and surrounding area the group had a chance to make many new friends.

Leader Irene Ireland said that was the goal of the camp was for kids to build new relationships and be aware of their environment. Hopefully they will remember it when they grow-up, she said.

She added that they like to think of the camp as the little camp with a great big impact.

Story and photo by Renée David, and reprinted from the August 6, 2003 issue of *The Mural*

Pavilion in the Park

Progress with donations to the Pavilion fund:

\$12,000.

\$7,500.

**We're getting close !
Won't you
please help us get
to the top?**



Peregrine Project...

LEEDS COUNTY STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

Peregrine Falcon Recovery Project 2003

The Leeds County Peregrine Falcon Recovery Project took place once again this summer. Peregrine falcon chicks were raised and released to increase the population of the endangered species and attempt to establish a local

in Charleston. Albertus and Leeder were the two males in the group, hatched only 1 day apart. Last, but not least, came the youngest of the four, Foster. There was some initial confusion as to whether Foster was a male or

The peregrines were taken to their house on the hill, otherwise known as the "hack box" where they would be fed and monitored until they were old enough to fly and hunt on their own. Young peregrines begin to fly between the ages of 38 and 45 days. Therefore, the birds would be fed until at least July 7.

proaching the age where they would soon be ready to fly. Volunteers were called and a falcon watch program was coordinated. The "falcon watch" consists of volunteers stationed at various points below the hack box to observe the birds during their first flights. As the birds are just learning to fly and hunt, their first attempts may be somewhat intense.

The peregrines were fed twice a day, once in the morning and the evening. Mealtime consisted of half a quail each, with entrails and feathers removed. The food was dropped into the hack box through a feeding tube (a piece of pvc pipe with a removable lid). This served to minimize the contact between people and the birds, to ensure they wouldn't imprint on their surrogate parents.

Peregrine falcons may reach speeds of up to 320 km/hour, making their first few flights a little risky. Volunteers are on hand to assist the birds should they have difficulty landing or, worst case scenario, require veterinary care in the event of a collision. Experiences in the past two years showed it wasn't necessary to monitor the birds for a long period after release, as they were



Bud Andress (Parks Canada), Gary Neilsen (Leeds County Stewardship Council), and Pud Hunter (Ministry of Natural Resources) banding and weighing one of the young peregrine falcons.

naturally breeding pair. Unfortunately, we ran into a few snags along the way, which delayed the release of the birds as well as the posting of updates to the website and the operation of the live web-cam in the hack box.

The Leeds County Stewardship Council purchased four peregrine falcon chicks, two males and two females, named after people and places around Charleston Lake. Edna B, the eldest female in the group, was named after a young lady, Edna B. Chant, who lived on the lake and spent summers paddling with her father, producing the first maps of Charleston Lake, and wrote books about her experiences growing up

female, as the bird was so much younger than the others. As time went on, it became apparent that Foster was indeed a female.

The birds were banded June 26 at the Charleston Lake Association building. Uniquely numbered leg bands must be placed on each of the birds in order to identify them. When a peregrine is spotted in the wild, the bands allow us to track the movements of each bird and learn about their migration patterns and survival rates. Although difficult to see without a spotting scope, it is important to try and read and report the band number when any banded bird is observed.



The four peregrine falcon chicks were banded by volunteers at the Charleston Lake Association building, and are now ready to be brought to their new home.

The young peregrines were quickly losing their down feathers and beginning to look more like mature peregrines. They were fast ap-

quite independent and able to care for themselves after only a couple of days. As the falcon release went

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Peregrine Project...

LEEDS COUNTY STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

Peregrine Falcon Recovery Project 2003



Bud Andress (Parks Canada), Erin MacDonald (Ministry of Natural Resources), Mark Nash (Canadian Peregrine Foundation), Gary Neilsen (Leeds County Stewardship) and Dwayne Struthers (Charleston Lake Association) were on hand to introduce the peregrine chicks to their new home.

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smoothly in both 2001 and 2002, we chose to monitor the birds for two days, and continue to leave food in the hack box so they may return to feed. Unfortunately, Edna B, was sent back to the Canadian Peregrine Foundation with injuries to her wing, leaving only three birds to be released.

A release and monitoring date was set for Saturday the 19th and Sunday the 20th. By this date, the eldest bird would be 57 days old, and the youngest would be 52 days of age, which is plenty old enough for the peregrines to be out on their own. Before releasing the birds, their tail feathers were bleached to aid in identification. Leeder had the left side of his tail col-

oured, Albertus had the right side done and Foster had the center portion of her tail bleached. The colour was not quite white, but resembled the reddish-brown hue on the

tail of a red-tailed hawk. In any case, the colouration of the tails feathers made it much easier to tell one bird from the other.

On the morning of the release, Leeder was the first to venture outside, jumping out onto the platform and immediately taking flight. He circled over Deer Island, gaining more and more altitude as he circled, eventually disappearing high above our heads, and over the treetops to the north of the hack box. Albertus followed closely behind, appearing on the platform then taking flight. He disappeared somewhere in the trees atop the cliff site. Foster also stepped out onto the platform shortly after Albertus. However, she was in no hurry to leave and took her time, enjoying the sunshine and fresh air. Foster remained at the hack box all day, dividing her time between sleeping, prying at the iron bars atop the hack box, stretching and trying out her wings in the wind. Albertus re-appeared a few times

throughout the day, moving between perches in oak and pine trees near the hack box. Leeder did not return at all. Foster finally decided it was time to go, just as we were packing up for the evening. At around 8:15 pm, she took flight from atop the hack box, where she had spent the entire day, and disappeared behind the trees north of the hack box. After all birds had left the box, more quail were put inside the box, in the hopes the birds would return to feed.

Very little activity occurred for the majority of the second day of the falcon watch. Around 10:00 am, a red-shouldered hawk was sighted along the cliff, which provided a bit of excitement. Again, around 1:00 pm, a red-tailed hawk was spotted soaring high over the hack box, but no sign at all of any of the peregrine falcons. Late in the afternoon, Albertus was finally spotted flying out from the trees east of the hack box, circled the box and

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The four peregrine falcon chicks inside the hack box. Foster, the youngest bird, could be easily distinguished from the three older birds as she still had white down feathers



For your information...

Peregrine Falcon Project

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returned to a pine tree beside the hack box. No other falcon sightings were reported for the day. Once again, food was left at the box in the hopes the birds would return to feed. Since the release day, Foster has been spotted around Phillippsville, and returned to Charleston Lake for several days around the end of July.

As the fall migration is fast approaching, we may have to wait until next spring to see peregrines around Charleston Lake; hopefully nesting on a cliff and raising their own families.

Unfortunately, none of the birds were fitted with a satellite transmitter this year due to funding constraints. We will have to rely on the keen eyes of local birders to report the locations of the banded peregrines in the future.

A special thanks should be mentioned to the volunteers that came out for the watch, the landowners that allowed us to use their land for the hack site, members of the Leeds County Stewardship Council and Charleston Lake Association and all others who made the falcon recovery program possible.

*Story and photos
courtesy of
Erin MacDonald
Ministry of
Natural Resources*

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For your information...

Annual General Meeting 2003

Despite the rain and wind July 12, a large number of people interested in the health and welfare of Charleston Lake showed up for the annual Charleston Lake Association (CLA) meeting.

While the meeting was outdoors under a tent, many were able to view the new information centre for both the Charleston Lake Association and the Charleston Lake Environmental Association (CLEA). The centre is operated by Joan Barnell and her team of volunteers. This summer Lucas Blancher is on board as a summer student. Blancher is computerizing data and manages the centre 2 days a week.

The morning meeting incorporated many important issues including the election of the Board.

Bill Hallam, Heather Have-lock, Yvonne Landon and Judy Wyatt were all voted in for 1 year terms and Bill Borger, Don Curry, Irene Ireland and Dwayne Struthers will all serve 2 year terms.

The Lake Plan, which is under construction, was discussed as well as pro-active measures that are being taken to care for the growing pressures the lake is facing today.

All were pleased to learn of the Kingston-Brockville-Westport area being designated by the United Nations as Canada's 12th Biosphere area.

Perhaps one of the most important aspects of the meeting was the panel discussion where the audience fielded questions relating to Charleston Lake to a variety of experts. Those experts present were **Don Ross** for the Canadian 1000 Islands Heritage Conservatory, **Bruce Corbett** for the Committee of Adjustment for Leeds and the 1000 Islands, **Reg Genge** for Ontario Lake Assessments, **Andrew Marshall** from the Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority, **Judy Kelsey** from Kelsey's Marina and **Norm Ruttan** from the Watershed. **Gary Neilson** acted as moderator and also represented

the Leeds County Stewardship Council.

The panel answered a number of questions relating to water levels, over-fishing, septic tanks, power boats, property maintenance and pollution.

All experts saw the importance of thinking locally and acting globally. We must take care of things on a local level first, such as Charleston Lake and in the long run it will matter globally.

Don Curry said it best when he finished off the meeting with these words: While it

will take much hard very worthwhile work, I am confident that 50 years from now, all of you here today, will look down from heaven and see our grandchildren and their children enjoying to the fullest Charleston's same natural beauty, clean waters and good fishing. #

*Story and photo by
Renée David,
and reprinted from the
August 6, 2003 issue
of The Mural*

Thank-you for asking

Question:

I sometimes see soap suds on the lake - is someone dumping their laundry water into the lake?

Answer:

Hopefully in this day and age, no one dumps their laundry water into the lake. Please see article from a previous newsletter below.

From time to time on Charleston Lake, you see foam which looks like soap suds. Nine chances out of ten, what you are witnessing is not soap suds, it's most likely a result of decomposing organic matter in the lake.

All lakes contain organic matter such as algae, aquatic plants, leaves, stumps, branches, and other natural underwater debris.

As the organic matter decomposes, it releases fatty acids, similar to the fatty acids found in soap. These act as surfactants, which

means they lessen the surface tension of the water, making it susceptible to foaming.

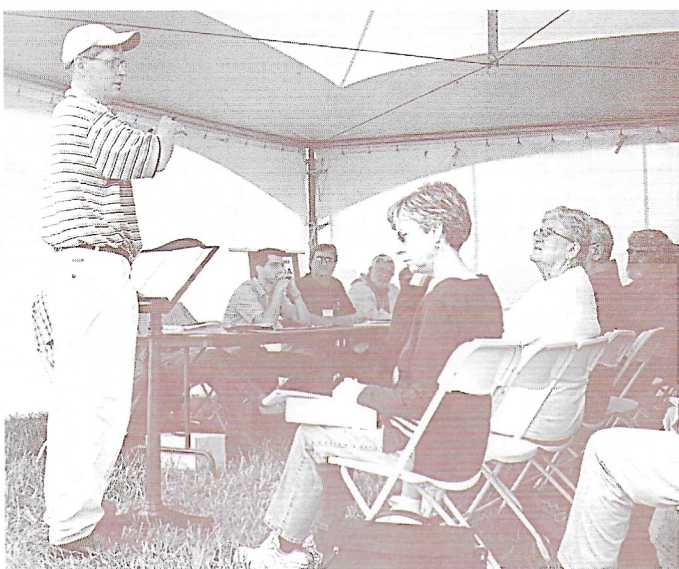
When the water is agitated by wind and waves, the sudsy reaction occurs. (That's why lake foam is most noticeable after a storm.) The same reaction, by the way, is what creates foam at the bottom of a waterfall.

Only a small percentage of lake foaming is caused by actual soap pollution.

Whether natural foam occurs on a lake is a factor of the amount of organic material in it and its fetch (the amount of open water across which the wind blows).

The natural foaming does not harm fish or vegetation. You can also safely swim in it.

Sometimes the foam will have a yellow or brown colour, but it is just from the tannic acid in the decomposing plants.



*Gary Neilson acted as moderator during the panel discussion.
Photo: Renée David*



For your information...

Fireworks 2003

Our thanks to all those who, once again this year, made the fireworks display a very real success story.

To: Wayne, Dorien, Brett Kelsy and Doug Latimer who organized and managed the Fireworks Program from start to finish; also to their assistants Fern Gagnon and Chris Birt.

To: The following organizations, businesses and individuals who contributed financially to the Program.

Businesses And Organizations

- Athens Computers
- Athens and District Chamber of Commerce
- Athens Freshmart
- Blanchard's Garage
- Burt Hudson Real Estate
- Carriage Factory Gift Shop
- Charlie's T.V. Sales and Service
- Charleston Lake Auto Service
- Charleston Lake Auto
- Charleston Lake Storage
- Dockside Restaurant
- G. Tackaberry and Sons
- Howard Bus Lines

- Paul Johnston Construction
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- Riverdale Kennels
- Roger Kelsey Insurance
- Shelter Valley Services
- Stuart Bawn Building Services Limited
- Swan's Variety and Gift Shop
- The Mural
- Township of Athens
- Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands
- Twists Outlet Store

Individual donations

- Beth and Boyce Hutcheon
- Catherine Hyde
- Glen Ireland
- Albert Lemon
- Anne McMahon
- Ed Ristan

Thanks also to the **general public** who, on the night of the fireworks display, donated over \$300.00

The Directors



The
Charleston
Lake
Associations



Information Centre

The Information Center enjoyed a busy and successful season under the management of summer student Lucas Blancher and Joan Barnell, with day-to-day operations carried out by a team of volunteer.

Our thanks to volunteers:

- Cathy Allinotte
- Shirley Bonokoski-Gillis
- Mike Boysen
- Edith Bushfield
- Karen Cook
- Gloria Cowan
- Judy Dixon
- Kathleen Hunter
- Catherine Hyde
- Carol Klaber
- Anne Pritchard
- Bob Purcell
- Doreen & Mort Turner
- Joyce Webster

Center activities included welcoming new members, processing annual membership dues, coordinating the swimming-youth camp programs, providing literature on a variety of subjects, and the sale of maps.

A new map will be available next year. Designed for the Charleston Lake Association by the Eastern Ontario Model Forest Group, the map in full-colour on photo-quality paper, has been designed for dry mounting or framing.

The cost of the map, available at the Info Center, will be \$15.00.

The Directors.

Summer Garage Sale

Our thanks to our members who donated items to the sale.

Garage Sale revenues amounted to \$555.00 which will be invested in next year's youth and social programs.

The Directors.