

PARCS UPDATE #54 AUGUST, 2015



OUR BIGGEST AND BEST CONVENTION EVER

WHO LOOKS AFTER OUR LAKES?

What is the role Water Security Agency?

Representatives from the Water Security Agency will be speaking about **illegal drainage** into our lakes and about their “**1 in 500 guidelines**” for building on the lakeshore.

What is the role of your Watershed Association?

Is your cottage community a member of your local watershed association? A speaker from the Sask Association of Watersheds will speak to their role as stewards of the watersheds and their recent work with PARCS in combatting invasive species.

This mid-summer edition of our PARCS newsletter unveils the most comprehensive program for our annual convention - ever. Our theme is **STEWARDSHIP** and we have invited speakers from a broad spectrum of organizations to help us examine the roles that we all must play in protecting our lakes for our kids and our kids' kids. Check out our program that follows and the registration info on the last page. Hope to see you there.

How can we protect our lakes from pollution from runoff or septic systems?

The Lumsden Valley Community Association will explain how neighbours worked together to **balance the new development with the protection of their lakeshore environment**. The Saskatchewan Branch of the Western Canada Onsite Wastewater Management Association will address the options for safe onsite waste water systems and Public Health will speak to the regulation of these systems

What is the role of the Ministry of Environment?

The Fisheries Branch of the Ministry of Environment will be speaking at convention, along with the Saskatchewan Wildlife Federation about the fish hatchery and the fisheries enhancement program. Ducks unlimited will also explain their role in protecting wetlands.



Excerpt from the OH of Collingwood's recent newsletter to their community:

"Local Conservation Officers (COs) have recently been in Collingwood (on water and land). Community members and their guests have been asked to show their valid boating and fishing licenses. *Get the card, it's the law*".

What is the role of cottage communities on the lakes?

Our keynote speaker at our PARCS fall convention, Vince LeHaye, will describe how the Resort Village of Candle Lake contracted the services of his company to conduct a **Lake Capacity Studies** in order to evaluate the ability of their lake to remain healthy and sustainable. The chair of the Crooked and Round Lake Flood Committee will talk about how these communities are working together to be ready to protect their communities from flooding. The Ministry of Government Relations will unveil new regulations regarding the formation of new cottage communities (resort villages or organized hamlets) and new guidelines for RV and RM councils regarding conflict of interest.

A member of the **Tornado Hunter team** will be our guest speaker at the President's Banquet on Friday night. Will that be fun or what?



COTTAGE COMMUNITIES AS STEWARDS OF THEIR LAKES - PARCS CONVENTION 2015

FRIDAY OCTOBER 16

(At the beautiful Willows Golf Course south of Saskatoon)

9:00 am *Registration*

9:45 am *Welcome*

NEW REGULATIONS GOVERNING COTTAGE COMMUNITIES

- 10:00 – 11:15 am New regulations for establishing new OHs and new RVs
• **Rod Nasewich and Allan Laird**, Ministry of Government Relations
New regulations for RV and RM councils regarding conflict of interest
• Ministry of Government Relations, continued

11:15 – 11:30 am *Refreshment Break*

UNDERSTANDING THE CAPACITY OF OUR LAKES, KEYNOTE ADDRESS

- 11:30 – 12:30 pm Lake Capacity Studies – Lessons learned from working with cottage communities
• **Vince LaHaye**, Urban Systems

12:30 - 1:30 am *Luncheon (Luncheon Speakers – Greetings from Partners)*

PARTNERS IN STEWARDSHIP

- 1:30 - 2:15 pm The mandate of Saskatchewan Fisheries
• **Chad Doherty**, Ministry of Environment, Fisheries Branch
- 2:15 – 2:45 pm The mandate of the fisheries enhancement program and fish hatchery
• **Adam Matichuk**, Sask. Wildlife Federation, Fisheries Project Coordinator
- 2:45 – 3:15 pm The mandate of Ducks Unlimited as stewards of our wetlands
• **Charles Deschamps**, Ducks Unlimited
- 3:15 – 3:30 pm *Nutrition Break*
- 3:00 – 3:30 pm The mandate of Watersheds as stewards of our lakes
• **Bridget Andrews**, Saskatchewan Association of Watersheds (SAW)
- 3:30 – 4:30 pm What do YOU NEED from PARCS to enhance your role as stewards of your lake
• **PARCS Directors**, group input session

7:00 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S BANQUET

- *Banquet Speaker – The Tornado Hunter Team*

4:30 to 6:30 pm - Time to register at your hotel or stroll around the Willows.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 17

9:00 – 11:30 am **PARCS BUSINESS**

11:30 – 12:30 *Lunch*

9:00 a.m. – Reports
9:30 a.m. – Regional Meetings
10:30 a.m. – Nutrition Break
10:45 a.m. – PARCS Annual Meeting

STEWARDSHIP OF OUR LAKES and WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT

- 12:30 - 1:00 pm Operation and maintenance of onsite wastewater systems in sensitive areas
• **Lesley Desjardin**, Sask. Chapter of the Onsite Wastewater Mgmt. Assoc.
- 1:00 – 1:30 pm Regulatory requirements for private sewage works in resort villages
• **Kari Engele-Carter**, Senior Public Health Inspector, Saskatoon Health Region

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS WHEN PLANNING LAKESHORE DEVELOPMENT

- 1:30 - 2:00 pm Integrating conservation and development in resort communities
• **Gary Howland**, Lumsden Valley Community Association
- 2:00 – 2:30 pm Illegal drainage into lakes
• **Warren Thompson**, Water Security Agency
- 2:30 – 2:45 pm *Nutrition Break*
- 2:45 – 3:15 pm Implications of the "1 in 500 years" guidelines
• **Bart Oegema**, Water Security Agency
- 3:15 – 3:45 pm From Crises to Action: The Years of Flooding
• **Cherylynn Walter**, Chair of Crooked and Round Lake Flood Committee

CONVENTION REGISTRATION

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Cottage community (or association):

Contact person, name:

Phone number:

Email address:

CONVENTION (Includes Friday lunch, Friday banquet plus Saturday lunch, all nutrition breaks)

Attending for **both days**

• Number of attending **members** (voting delegates): _____ x \$ 200 = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

• Number of attending **non-members:** _____ x \$ 300 = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

Attending for **Friday (Day only)**

• Number of attending **members** (voting delegates): _____ x \$ 125 = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

• Number of attending **non-members:** _____ x \$ 225 = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

Attending for **Friday (Day plus evening banquet)**

• Number of attending **members** (voting delegates): _____ x \$ 150 = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

• Number of attending **non-members:** _____ x \$ 250 = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

Attending for **Saturday only**

• Number of attending **members** (voting delegates): _____ x \$ 100 = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

• Number of attending **non-members:** _____ x \$ 200 = \$ _____

Names: _____, _____

Extra banquet tickets (no spousal packages available): _____ x \$ 30 = \$ _____

TOTAL FEES

\$

_____ Fees are enclosed

_____ Fees will follow by mail

_____ Fees will be paid at convention

Note – Registrations cancelled after October 1st will be invoiced for full fees.

REGISTER SOON by mail or email to:

Lynne Saas, PARCS, Member Services
Box 52, Elbow, SK, S0H 1J0
Phone – 630-9698
Email – parcs@sasktel.net

MAKE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Rooms are being held on a first come, first served basis. **You must reserve before September 15.** Rooms will be released after that date. Both hotels are 5 minutes from The Willows. Both are located on the same city lot at 105 Stonebridge Rd (off Clarence Avenue, south of the Ring Road).

THE HAMPTONS 665-9898

- 10 kings or 30 double queens at \$149
- Complimentary hot breakfast
- When registering state code: **PCS**

FOUR POINTS BY SHERATON 933-9889

- 20 kings or 20 double queens at \$159
- Restaurant on site
- When registering state code: **PARCS** & name **Provincial Association of Resort Communities**