July 2016

Ladies of the Lake by Barbara Galvin

Gathering for an "After the Fourth of July" celebration on July 6, the Ladies of the Lake were welcomed by red, white and blue decorations and flags in all sizes. Hostesses, Barbara Galvin and Jane Stevens, were called to serve on short notice. But, since summer is usually a time of change and last minute preparations, Barbara and Jane handled the call. The reason things did get accomplished is the Helper Hostesses.

Our Ladies of the Lake help one another in many ways, from encouragement to meals. The Helper Hostesses, Carlene Adams, Sharon Butler and Sandy Morrow, assisted in getting tables set up and decorated. Then, Carlene Adams located her crate of all things patriotic to decorate the tables. Thank you, Ladies, you are special.

The Ladies of the Lake were happy to greet Gloria Miller, who is still recuperating from an accident. Get better with each passing day, Gloria! Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Beginning with a prayer, the Ladies of the Lake were delighted with light summer dishes. Salads were numerous from Broccoli Salad to Chicken Salad, from Cole Slaw to Fruit Salad, and from Fresh Pea Salad to Tossed Veggie Salad. Deviled Eggs always spell summer and holiday picnics; we enjoyed them.

The main dishes were a Mexican Casserole, a Zucchini Casserole, Lasagna, and Baked Beans.

Desserts were also light and chilled. They were Strawberry Cheesecake Poke Cake, Rocky Road Pudding and Banana Split Icebox Cake.

Jane Stevens called the ladies to order to give the treasury report. Then Nancy Hoppes asked how the ladies felt about purchasing a chest/or small cabinet to hold necessary supplies for the washrooms. The ladies were in favor. A vote was taken and the unanimous vote count means that Nancy will be shopping for "such-a-deal," unless someone has a cabinet she would be willing to donate.

Barb Dunlap, who arrived with a cast on her wrist, is recuperating from a fall which broke her wrist. Barb is learning what too many of us already know: it is not easy to manage with only one arm. Luckily, Barb did not break the wrist of the dominant arm. Rest, Barb, and heal.

Barb Dunlap also reminded everyone about the well drilling which will take about ten days. There is no boil order, but there is a demand to conserve water at Little Swan Lake by not watering lawns. Please cooperate.

Barbara Jonckheere is still selling T-shirts and golf shirts with the Little Swan Lake logo. See her for shirts.

Ladies of the Lake gathering for the July meeting were Sharon Butler, Carlene Adams, Gloria Miller, Barbara Jonckheere, Sandy Morrow, Barb Dunlap, Darlyne Ackers, Lonnie Woodring, Nancy Hoppes, Bev Ver Steeg, Gail Maher, Nona Kempton, Barbara Potter, Jane Stevens, and Barbara Galvin.

Enjoy the summer sports! Take time to spot and smell the flowers in the garden! Stay cool! We will be greeted on August 3rd by hostesses, Barb Dunlap and Barb Potter. (Note: Barb Dunlap should be feeling lighter! No more cast. Come see.)