

*POLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
COMMITTEE AND TIF*

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The Committee wants to control the types of businesses coming into Poland rather than allowing a helter-skelter mix such as has happened on Rt. 302. The Committee explained its purpose and asked the audience for input. A number of good suggestions came forth on the style and type of businesses that should be allowed or denied.

TLIA has worked long and hard to protect its waters through a Watershed Survey, various environmental projects and a Watershed Plan for the future. (Copies of this Plan were handed out to members of the Development Committee.) New businesses on Bakerstown Road (Rt. 11) so close to the lake would only put the lake at further risk. The Association has voiced its feelings clearly, through a vocal membership and via a letter sent to the Committee by our Co-Presidents.

Therefore, to ensure protection of our resource, the Board of Directors of TLIA deemed it necessary to hire an attorney to help us. Curtis Webber, former counsel for the Town of Poland, has attended Planning Board meetings and will continue to help us in any way possible. He'll also assist in problems which have surfaced in the Hemlock Campground area.

Please help by writing the Economic Development Committee, c/o Chuck Finger, Chair, and expressing your opposition to any new business development in the TIF district of Bakerstown Road.

**TLIA MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**

by Susan Barry

There are three new camp owners on the lake this year and they have all become members of the Tripp Lake Improvement Association. We welcome them and hope to meet them somewhere on the road or being involved in various activities around the lake.

Russell Seybold of North Conway, NH, is on Fernald Road; Paul Chute and family of Avon, MA, have bought a camp on Jordan Shore Drive; and Dominic and Elizabeth LaRosa of Atkinson, NH, purchased a camp on Garland Swamp Road. This brings our total membership to 140 families. The Association is important because it provides us with talent and funds necessary to maintain a healthy lake. It also enables us to pay for TLIA's liability insurance, and to cover the cost of sending two campers to the Maine Conservation School each summer.

Just a reminder that if you are a member of TLIA and haven't yet remitted your membership fee, now is a good time to do so. It is only \$15 a year. Your membership benefits the lake in innumerable ways. You can mail your dues to: **Tripp Lake Improvement Association, c/o Dick Barry, Treasurer, PO Box 33, Poland, ME 04274.** Thank you.



**JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> BOAT PARADE**

by Susan Barry

Again this year the Parade was a huge success. When I see all the boats out there on the water I wonder who can be left on land to watch and wave and cheer us onward. I counted about 50 boats as they began to round the bend on the south end of the lake. There were all sizes and descriptions, decked out with "Old Glory" and anything else that was red, white, and blue. The weather was equal to the enthusiasm of the boaters and bystanders. It was a beautiful warm day, as it was last year, with nary a cloud in the sky. I don't want to jinx next year's parade, so will say no more.



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