

The fall meeting of the Clemons Pond Association was held on Sunday, Sept. 1, 1985 at Novak's camp. The 33 members and guests present were the Saurmans, Carol Hill, Judy Comer, Sheila Curry and friend Violet, Gertrude Meggison, the Zelmans, Browns, Rousseaus Dale Meggison, the Morses, Hazens, Helen Tolstrup, Flo Whiting, Jo Smith, The Chapmans, the Wards, Art Snyder, the Barbers, Penneys, Novaks and Tony Materna. Pres. Louise Novak presided.

The Secretary's report was read, then the treasurer's report was read. They were approved by Libby Morse and seconded by Jo Smith.

Judy Comer reported on the progress of the large sign to be placed at the end of Notch Road. She said the top piece has been routed and Flo Whiting is to paint a loon on it. Everyone agreed to give their smaller signs to Ralph Morse for safe-keeping until next spring when the sign will be assembled. Marlene Barber expressed concern about vandalism, but was reassured that the hooks would hold together quite well if they were bent properly. The final cost of the top sign has not been determined, and Victor Zelman wanted to know if the Notch Road Campground had been asked if they wanted a sign. The members decided it would be for association members only. A short discussion was held concerning the order each member's sign would be hung. Mae Hazen moved and Carol Hill seconded the motion to hang them in alphabetical order.

Walter Novak reported that he and Ralph Morse and Art Snyder mowed the lawn and cut bushes. They had their children scraped the fence and they painted it. They were given a round of applause for their work. Pres. Louise Novak asked if the association would like to join the Hiram Historical Society. They meet the first Saturday of every month and have interesting speakers on a variety of subjects. It was voted to join for a fee of \$5.00. Two of our members, Victor and Betty Zelman are already members of this group and said they found it most educational.

An auction was held to sell the leftover mustard and relish from the picnic and Gertrude Meggison bid the highest. Pres. Novak asked if everyone enjoyed the picnic even without the lobsters and clams, and we all agreed we had a fun time. Of course, we did spend a lot less money on the food. Jo Smith was presented a plaque in appreciation of her fine work entertaining us and we gave her a hearty round of applause. Louise and Walter were thanked for again having us all for the picnic.

It was announced that a bouquet of flowers was sent to Merlene

Pottle on the death of her mother. A motion was made by Norman and seconded by Jeannette Ward that flowers be sent to immediate family only--members, sons, daughters, mother or father. An amendment was made by Betty Zelman that a \$25.00 donation to the charity of their choice with a letter of condolence, or a \$25.00 bouquet of flowers be sent in the event of a death. Members voted in the affirmative.

Lyndon Ward reported on limiting the size of outboard motors on the pond. He said that it takes a petition signed by at least 25 people, then it goes to a hearing in Augusta and is reviewed by them. We would need a representative to go to this hearing and be able to follow it through. After a short discussion Walter Novak moved that we, as members of the association, limit ourselves to 10 h.p. or smaller. Then, if we see people breaking the boat laws we report them to the local authorities.

Tony Materna read a few boat laws to the members pertaining to outboard motors.

Marlene Barber suggested that Hiram's town meeting would be a good time to bring up the matter of street lights.

The nomination committee suggested officers for next year.

Pres. Louise Novak

Vice Pres. Charles Saurman
Treasurer Jeannette Ward

They were asked to serve again and were duly elected. As the secretary is leaving the area, Caroly Rousseau was elected to fill the vacancy.

Bob Hazen was elected to serve on the board of directors for three years.

The next meeting of the association will be held at Gertrude Meggison's cottage the Sunday of Memorial Day week-end.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary E. Penney
Secretary