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**Subject:** FW: Your Lake and You mailing

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**From:** William J Wonsik [mailto:bwonsik@wideopenwest.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, August 23, 2007 3:08 PM

**To:** Steven J Vandette

**Subject:** Your Lake and You mailing

Steve,

I am the current Treasurer of the Lake Charnewood Property Owners Association, and I want to thank your Department for sending out the "Your Lake and You" news letter that I received in yesterdays mail. It contains helpful educational information that the LCPOA has been trying to spread among our homeowners for a number of years. Coming from the City Engineers Office gives it a lot of credibility to the topics of fertilizer, water run off, weed control and green belts as not all of our homeowners who live on and around the lake think these are important topics.

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Dear Ms. Lawson;

I'm writing to thank you on behalf of all Sandshores area Lake residents for sending out the publication Your Lake and You! Frankly, your timing could not have been more perfect.

I have lived here since 2000 and the lake was really great up until 2004. Since then, we have been having a terrible time with Curly Leaf Pondweed and severe algae blooms and planktonic algae. We are finally getting some action from our Homeowners Association and they have set up a sub-committee to look into all issues that affect our lake.

Margaret McLand and I have been working very hard to bring awareness to all area residents to adopt a zero phosphorous/limited fertilizer program and practices that were highlighted in your publication. Last year I was successful in getting the Street & Drains guys to come and vacuum out all the catch basins and storm drains leading into Sandshores, and the improvement is remarkable. We need a regular set maintenance program for that procedure.

We also believe the creek is flowing into the lake at times when the creek is raging and higher than the lake. We have four residents who report seeing that occur, and have seen it take place when it is not raining here, but north of here. Last week we took pictures of what was coming out of the overflow when the creek was five feet higher than normal. Please Help our sub V.P. Dave Diener when he calls on the Engineering Dept. Perhaps also putting him in touch with the proper County person would help us.

Thank you again,

*Lynda Fitzpatrick*

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