

# LAKE VIEWS

Reflections From Lake Wawasee



## Conklin Bay boardwalk, trail project nearly done

By Phoebe Muthart  
The Mail-Journal

Construction of the Conklin Bay Trail began in mid-October and is expected to be completed yet this spring.

The trail will consist of one-third of a mile of boardwalk over the Conklin Bay and Rolland Conservation Area wet-

lands and continue south with a concrete sidewalk for two-thirds of a mile along the Wawasee Area Conservancy Foundation nature preserve and end at North Grandview Drive in Syracuse. This important trail segment runs along SR 13.

"The new trail will finally allow lake residents and their guests living on the south part of Lake Wawasee to walk, jog and ride bikes safely to town to enjoy eating at restaurants, buying groceries and shopping with local merchants," said Robert Smith, a member of the Syracuse-Wawasee Trail Committee.

Also, the trail will connect with an existing 11-mile trail system providing greater safety and incentive for personal exercise and well-being.

The new Conklin Bay boardwalk section and obser-

**NEW BOARDWALK —**  
Construction has begun on the Conklin Bay boardwalk and trail project in Syracuse. The completion of this new trail segment could be as soon as early May. (Photo provided)

vatory viewing areas, which transverse through a cattail-wetland marsh area,

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# Dam conservancy district moves toward approval

By Deb Patterson  
The Mail-Journal

A petition to create the Turkey Creek Dam and Dike Conservancy District has met all legal requirements and was signed by Kosciusko Circuit Court Judge Michael Reed on March 5.

The next step in the process will be a public hearing before the state Natural Resources Commission according to state statute. The hearing is expected to be held within the next several months.

If given final approval, the conservancy would purchase the Syracuse Flood Control Device, the dam in Syracuse that regulates the levels of Syracuse Lake and Lake Wawasee, from the Town of Syracuse for \$1 and take ownership of the device. The conservancy would be governed by a five-person board of directors appointed by the circuit court judge, with one member from each of five districts in the conservancy. Future board members would be elected by landowners.

The conservancy would have taxing authority and would establish an annual budget with all funds raised to be used to maintain the dam and improve drainage in the Syracuse Lake and Lake Wawasee watershed. It is estimated the conservancy tax would be about \$10 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation.

Approximately 32 people attended the

hearing before Judge Reed in March, some saying they were unsure what was actually going on. Reed provided an opportunity for anyone to speak, and while no one spoke in opposition to the conservancy, several residents raised questions.

Reed explained the hearing was an initial hearing to determine whether the proper legal forms and necessary signatures were obtained to proceed further. It was also explained the matter would then go to the Natural Resources Commission to make a study and file a report with the court. He suggested the public hearing would be the time to have any questions answered.

Among the questions were who would be required to pay taxes to support the conservancy, and whether the town of Syracuse would still control the dam.

"It all remains to be seen," stated Reed regarding the taxes and responsibility.

During the actual hearing, affidavits were presented showing 2,718 freeholders owned property within the boundaries of the conservancy, and of the 642 signatures on petitions supporting the creation of the conservancy, 495 signatures were certified as eligible freeholders. That calculates to 18.2% of freeholders, with the state minimum set at 15%.

Reed approved the prepared order, referring the matter to the NRC for further action. State statute requires the Natural Resources Commission to hold a hearing within 90 days, but it is expected to happen earlier than that.

The conservancy, if approved, would maintain the dam in the future, but repairs

are needed now and that work should begin soon.

The nearly 100-year-old structure has been showing signs of deterioration for several years, but uncertainty over ownership and who would pay for repairs had to be resolved before any action could be taken.

Diligent efforts by a number of volunteers and public officials have resolved those questions and agreement has been reached on sharing the cost of repairs between the Town of Syracuse and an advisory team of Syracuse Lake Association and Wawasee Property Association members.

Approximately \$400,000 has been raised from private donors to cover the SLA/WPOA share of the cost. The Town of Syracuse has agreed to cover 50% of the cost of repairs and will manage the project.

At a meeting of the Syracuse Town Council on March 17, construction bids were approved. Repairs are expected to begin around July 1 and the project should be completed by Aug. 31.

Included will be repairs to the shoreline west of the dam, the dam itself, and the shoreline east of the structure. Once the structure has been repaired, the retaining pond east of the structure will be dredged, probably in the fall of 2020.

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**Rare sight - Ice boats flying across the frozen waters of Lake Wawasee is normally a common sight in winter, but this year was different. The relatively mild temperatures meant open water and thin ice for most of the winter, severely curtailing such seasonal activities as ice fishing and ice boating. But the Wawasee squadron of ice boats did get in one day of sailing in February.**

# Lilly Center to connect with 1,500 students

At the start of the 2019-20 school year, Sarah Baier set a high goal for the Lilly Center for Lakes & Streams' destination field trip program: to host 1,000 K-12 students by the end of the school year.

With close to three months left in the year that goal will quickly be exceeded. All told, the center plans to host 62 individual classrooms and almost 1,500 K-12 students.

Destination field trips are designed for kindergarten through third-grade classrooms. Several programs for other grade levels are also in process, including customizable lessons for high school students. Although all slots for 2019-20 are full, teachers can email Baier at [baiersr@grace.edu](mailto:baiersr@grace.edu) to learn about options for the 2020-21 school year.

While at the Lilly Center, students experience a wide variety of lessons based on original curriculum, spanning fish camouflage and habitats to erosion and food webs. Using a variety of learning tools, including aquariums full of native fish, to con-



**Destination field trips to the Lilly Center for Lakes & Streams at Grace College will bring an estimated 1,500 students in grades K-12 to the center this school year. Here, kindergarteners learn about the center and life in and around Kosciusko County's many lakes and streams.**

## The Lakes Festival coming in May

The 12th annual Lakes Festival will return May 22 and 23 at Center Lake Park in Warsaw.

The Lakes Festival uses education and collaboration to celebrate the lakes and inspire a vision for their future. Like the Lilly Center for Lakes & Streams, the Lakes Festival focuses on developing a community of individuals who desire to protect the lakes and streams in Kosciusko County. The festival also creates an ideal opportunity for an annual family tradition.

The Festival opens Friday, May 22, with food vendors, yard games and a concert featuring Magnolia Soul.

Saturday's events begin at 10:15 a.m. with the Lakes Festival Parade and continue all day and well into the evening.

Attractions include food and education booths, and kids' activities such as kayaking, face painting, aquaglide, bounce houses and clowns.

There are also art shows, eco tours of Center Lake, a native plant workshop and a water ski show by the Lake City Skiers. Evening music will be provided by The Brothers Footman and The Indigos, and the event will culminate with a fireworks show as soon as it's dark.

nect kids to their local environment, destination field trips also give teachers access to the virtual aquarium and augmented reality sand tables. Teachers can choose one or any combination of the stations at their grade level, according to what best supplements their existing curriculum.

To learn more about the station options, teacher tools and scheduling for 2020-21, visit [lakes.grace.edu/education](http://lakes.grace.edu/education) or email Baier, educational program specialist at the Lilly Center for Lakes & Streams, at [baiersr@grace.edu](mailto:baiersr@grace.edu). For more information about the Lilly Center, visit [lakes.grace.edu](http://lakes.grace.edu).

**Boardwalk** | *Continued from page 1*  
will offer nature enthusiasts the opportunity to observe and enjoy nature and waterfowl, all within a natural lake ecosystem.

Trail construction during the winter was designed to have minimal impact on the wetlands with helical piles being drilled into marsh area soils. The piles support galvanized steel frames that hold the composite boardwalk planking. The boardwalk was constructed in sections offsite and brought to a staging area where it was installed with minimal impact to the wetlands.

The boardwalk will have several observation platforms to allow for lake viewing. George Trueblood of Fort Wayne-based Earth Source Inc. Heartland Restoration Services, was the architect and, Selge Construction of Niles, Mich., the primary contractor for the project

At a meeting of the trails committee in February, Trails Executive Director Erlene Yentes said she met with WACF re-

garding signage for the new boardwalk areas. An executive meeting will follow completion of the work to discuss the details as the project wraps-up.

Yentes said she wants to do a video of the project from start to finish. Board Member Bob Smith and Yentes have met with Jeremy Van Lue and Phil Huffman to start the video about the Conklin Bay project. The new video will focus on a section on how they install the boardwalk. The video will be helpful when applying for awards and future funding for grants, said Yentes. Drone footage of the project will be used, said Christian Baybutt, project estimator of Selge Construction.

"A polished video would be nice," said Smith. "I'd like to send this video to Sen. Ryan Mishler." He suggested sending a video to Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb, too.

For more information about the Syracuse Wawasee Trails or to donate, call (574) 675-6433 or visit [www.syracusewawaseetrails.com](http://www.syracusewawaseetrails.com).

# At The Helm Early Spring 2020

Wow, what a difference a few weeks can make in our lives. When Editor Jim Kroemer sent the notice that this edition of LakeViews would be going out in late March my note to you all started with a welcome to spring, (which will officially be here by the time you receive this in your mailbox), and many light hearted quips about the short winter, early spring, etc.

Now all that seems quite trite.

With the world in turmoil due to the Coronavirus my thoughts are more towards each of you staying safe. We all need to remain vigilant and cautious, take precautions and continue to do all those things that our mothers taught us years ago: Wash your hands, cover your coughs, if you don't feel well, stay home and most of all stay positive.

This will pass and life will get back to normal, it may be more of a new normal but we will once again be able to gather in groups and enjoy life here at the lake. Until then each of us needs to live our lives, support our local businesses as best we can, practice "social distancing" and most of all don't panic, the shelves will once again be stocked with toilet paper.

Looking forward, when Punxsutawney Phil did not see his shadow on Groundhog Day, indicating that we would have an early spring I did not take that prediction seriously, but I am starting to be a believer. It certainly looks like we might see the spring flowers a little earlier this year. With very little ice and snow during the winter, the ice fishermen, ice boaters and snowmobilers have had a very bad winter.

A short winter has not stopped your association from working on summer projects to enhance your time at the lake this year.

Chris Campbell ("the fireworks guy") has been working this winter with our show provider to produce an even better display this year. It is quite a process from designing the display to adding the music to coordinate with the shots. This year we will be shooting on Saturday, July 4. Your contributions each year make this show possible and we appreciate your support. If you did not contribute when you sent in your dues you can always send in your donation anytime to support one of Indiana's largest displays.

Another upcoming event will be the annual breakfast with our Syracuse Lake neigh-

bors in June 13th. Held at the Oakwood Resort you can enjoy breakfast along with the Wooden Boat show and the Art Festival. It makes for a great way to start summer.

Our Lake Patrol officers have been busy with training and re-certification so that they will be ready to hit the water as the boat traffic increases in the coming months. These dedicated officers from our local neighborhoods have been instrumental over the years in keeping us safer on the water as well as being the first on the scene many times when there have been emergencies on the waters of Wawasee and Syracuse lakes.

Your support of this program as well as the dedication of our volunteers over the years has made it the "textbook" program for other lakes.

We will be updating you with more activities for the summer in the coming weeks as we get closer to things really getting started. For now, be safe, be careful and remember . . . . If you are lucky enough to be at the lake, you are lucky enough . . . .

*Kay*

## When the banks overflow: the impact of flooding

By Dr. Nate Bosch, director  
Lilly Center for Lakes & Streams

WINONA LAKE, IND. – When we envision flooding, we likely picture waterlogged basements, backyards turned into ponds and streets made impassible. As we head into spring, we may experience something similar!

But did you know there is more than one form of flooding? And how does so much extra water impact Kosciusko County's lakes and streams, including Lake Wawasee and the five major streams around it?

The first type of common flooding is overbank flooding. When lakes and streams are filled to capacity (especially if a steady, heavy rain is paired with snowmelt as it was in February) water overflows its banks and spreads onto land. It usually takes days for overbank flooding to recede.

The second type is flash flooding. Flash floods are caused by severe storms that overflow waterways in just a few hours. They are most often characterized by fast-moving water and gusting wind, a combination that makes travel extremely dangerous. If the water rises and flows with enough force, it

can dislodge large trees or structures and carry them downstream.

Overflowing streams sweep away whatever is in their paths, including dirt, dead leaves, rocks and fallen branches. If the flooding reaches lawns or fields, it will also pick up bacteria, oils, nutrients and other substances.

These substances enter the waterway and are carried into the nearest lake. Once there, the fish, underwater plants and microorganisms are often negatively affected by the sudden addition of harmful substances. One cause of blue-green algae, for instance, is phosphorus, a nutrient found in fertilizer that can get washed into lakes during times of flooding. Lakes that receive polluted water may also see a decrease in fish life.

But you can prepare today to preserve the health of your lake! Use nontoxic household products and properly dispose of hazardous household waste, such as electronics. Recycle used motor oil and maintain your car to

keep oil, coolant, antifreeze or other chemicals from leaking onto the ground.

Use only the fertilizer that your lawn needs by using phosphorus-free fertilizer applied at a rate based on soil testing. When another storm comes, the substances swept from your property will be much less harmful to the local lakes.

Learn more on [lakes.grace.edu](http://lakes.grace.edu), where you can find our lake water level study that discusses what influences the water level in lakes. You can also look at our stream sensor network and see in real-time what the water levels are doing in Wawasee's five key streams.

*The Lilly Center for Lakes & Streams at Grace College conducts research, provides resources, engages and educates residents, and collaborates with local organizations to make the lakes and streams of Kosciusko County clean, healthy, safe and beautiful. For more information, visit [lakes.grace.edu](http://lakes.grace.edu).*



# Race, flotilla, fireworks all set for Fourth of July

The Fourth of July falls on a Saturday this year, and it will be a busy day on and around Lake Wawasee.

The day will start with the annual Flotilla Road Race beginning at 8 a.m. at the Syracuse Community Center.

The 59th annual Lake Wawasee Flotilla will begin at 12:30 p.m. in front of the Wawasee-Spink Condominiums, and the day will culminate as soon as it's dark with the annual fireworks show over the lake.

The theme for this year's flotilla will be patriotic and entries are not limited to just decorated boats. There will also be prizes for those entering theme decorated homes and/or piers. The boat parade will embark from the Spink at 12:30 and head counterclockwise around the lake. Antique and wooden boats will also be a part of the flotilla again this year. Participants should arrive at the Spink by 12 noon for judging.

The day will end with a second night of fireworks. Syracuse Lake Fireworks will

be Friday, July 3, with the annual Wawasee Fireworks show July 4.

The Wawasee Property Owners Association is actively planning the largest ever fireworks show for 2020 and is continuing to seek donations for the show.

A multi-location launch site again will dramatically improve the visual effect of the Lake Wawasee fireworks celebration. In 2019 WPOA, increased the number of barges in its fleet from eight to 10, adding two new heavy-duty barges. The growth in floating square feet supports separating the barges into three clusters to form an elongated launch site on the water.

The multi-location configuration improves the reliability of the show, increases safety and significantly enhances the visual effects of this annual Independence Day celebration.

The display is made possible through

donations to the WPOA non-profit fireworks fund with the average individual donation averaging more than \$125. All firework fund donations are tax-deductible. To donate, visit [www.wawaseefireworks.com/donate](http://www.wawaseefireworks.com/donate).



## Important Wawasee Web sites

**Wawasee Property Owners Association**  
[www.wawaseepoa.org](http://www.wawaseepoa.org)

**Wawasee Area Conservancy Foundation**  
[www.wacf.com](http://www.wacf.com)

**Wawasee Flotilla**  
[www.wawaseeflotilla.com](http://www.wawaseeflotilla.com)

**Chautauqua Wawasee**  
[www.chautauquawawasee.org](http://www.chautauquawawasee.org)

**Syracuse/Wawasee Trails**  
[www.syracusewawaseetrails.com](http://www.syracusewawaseetrails.com)

**Wawasee Yacht Club**  
[www.wawaseeyachtclub.com](http://www.wawaseeyachtclub.com)

**Oakwood Resort**  
[www.oakwoodresort.com](http://www.oakwoodresort.com)

**Lilly Center for Lakes & Streams**  
[www.water.grace.edu](http://www.water.grace.edu)

**Kosciusko County Cancer Care Fund**  
[www.cancerfundkc.org](http://www.cancerfundkc.org)

**Syracuse-Wawasee Historical Museum**  
[www.syracusemuseum.org](http://www.syracusemuseum.org)

To have your web site added to this list, please contact the editor at [jim.kroemer@gmail.com](mailto:jim.kroemer@gmail.com).

## 2020 Calendar

May-October	Artisans & Farmer's Market at Veterans Park in Syracuse
May 2	Bike rodeo sponsored by Syracuse-Wawasee Trails
May 2	Bird Watching at WACF, 8 a.m.
May 9	WPOA Board Meeting at WACF Education Center
May 12	CBD Pros & Cons, 6:30 p.m., Oakwood Inn sponsored by Chautauqua/Wawasee
May 21	Historic Lake Wawasee cruise, 2-4 p.m. S.S. Lilypad
May 31	Boat-In Worship, Oakwood, 8:30 a.m., Sundays through Labor Day
June 6	Lake Talk & Eats Native Plant Sale, 9 a.m., WACF
June 13	WPOA/SLA Breakfast 7:30-10 a.m., Oakwood
June 13	Wooden Boat Show 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Oakwood boat docks
June 13	Oakwood Fine Arts Festival, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., sponsored by Chautauqua/Wawasee
June 20	Mud-Tastic at WACF sponsored by Syracuse Parks
June 26	The Event, 6:30 p.m., WACF
June 28	Fort Wayne Philharmonic Patriotic Pops Concert, 7:30 p.m., Oakwood sponsored by Chautauqua/Wawasee
July 1	Fishing with the DNR and WACF, 9-11 a.m., Between the Lakes
July 3	Syracuse Fireworks on Syracuse Lake at dark
July 4	WACF Lake Talk & Eats Bug Catch, 9-11 a.m., WACF
July 4	Wawasee Flotilla, 12:30 p.m., starting at the Spink
July 4	Wawasee Fireworks on Lake Wawasee at dark

# WACF wraps up first year of WINS project



By Heather Harwood  
WACF Executive Director

The Wawasee Area Conservancy Foundation is wrapping up the first year of the Wawasee Inlets Nutrient Study (WINS) study. This is an intensive water testing exercise to measure the nutrients flowing into our lake. Why is this important? Because nutrients contribute to blue-green algae and excessive aquatic plants in the lake.

We plan to continue this study for a total of three years. Beginning January 1, 2019, water tests were taken from six gauges at stream inlets to Wawasee and the outlet at Syracuse Lake. Between April 1 and July 1, samples were taken every four hours as well as additional samples each month before this period (through the ice) and through the summer and fall.

These gauges are unique because in addition to flow rate and temperature they

measure nutrients. This major scientific project will guide our work in the watershed for generations to come.

Along with results of our water testing here are some other things we're planning for this summer season:

- Friday morning Canoe trips.
- Lake Talk and Eats on the first Saturday of June (Native Plant Sale), July (Bug Catch for kids), and August (Lilly Pad Cruise).
- Fishing with the DNR, Wednesday, July 1 at WACF's Between-the-Lakes property on Main Channel at Mud Lake.
- The Farm Tour, Wednesday, August 5, Please join us for Russell Anderson's tour and explanation of farming practices and background on farming.
- Wetland Adventures each Wednesday in July with kid's activities, crafts and canoe scavenger hunt.
- The Event – WACF Summer Social June 26 for dinner, live music, dancing and door prizes.
- Aquatic weed treatment of invasive plants threatening our lakes.
- The Turkey Creek Tributary erosion control Phase II will begin this fall thanks to funding from the IDNR LARE.

And please join us for the annual Lake Celebration and Brunch on July 31. For more information on this and all other activities, go to [www.wacf.com](http://www.wacf.com).

## IU's Big Red Bus coming to museum

Indiana University's Big Red Bus is making a stop at the Syracuse-Wawasee Historical Museum! The bus is an interactive exhibit, titled "All for You," that explores IU's impact on the state. It features content from every IU campus in various mediums, including virtual reality, 3D prints, and physical objects from IU's collections, videos, and historic images.

It's scheduled to visit the museum Wednesday, April 8, 2020, 2-6 p.m. This exhibit is a one-day event. The museum will have extended hours during this special event.

It is time again for Youth History Club. Thanks to generous funding from The Dekko Foundation, the museum is once again able to offer the club free of charge. YHC will meet at 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays at the museum from June 4 to August 6. Pre-registration is appreciated, but not required. Please contact the museum for registration, dates, and program descriptions. Topics include:

- Archaeologist Cathy from IDNR
- Native American and Settlers' Homes
- Know Your Knots
- Games: Inside and Outside
- History of Wheat

The museum will have two Centennial Homes presentation this year. Presenters will talk about their centennial homes and its history. Both programs are free and held at the Syracuse Community Center. Mark your calendars for July 25 at 1:00 p.m. and August 15 at 10:30 a.m. with topics to be announced.

Saturday, June 13 at 10:30 a.m. the museum will be presenting the annual meeting detailing the activities that have taken place in the past year, and plans for the upcoming year. Following the meeting, oil painter Cindy Newcomer will speak about what inspires her and experiences that have shaped her art. The museum will also have a special exhibit of Cindy's artwork.

## Chautauqua again offers historic Wawasee cruise

Chautauqua-Wawasee will once again offer a historic cruise around Lake Wawasee in May,

"Lake Wawasee, Then & Now" is a presentation by local historian Ann Garceau of the Syracuse-Wawasee Historical Museum. It will take place aboard the S.S. Lilypad and is scheduled for Thursday, May 21 from 2-4 p.m. Guests will board the Lilypad at the Frog Tavern beginning at 1:30 p.m.

As Ann shares interesting stories about historic structures that stood around the lake, guests will be able to better visualize them with the aid of a provided pamphlet. Among places that Ann highlights will be the numerous hotels, marinas, entertainment venues, neighborhoods and historic homes.

This event sold out last year, so guests are encouraged to get their tickets early. Tickets are \$25 each and can be purchased at [www.ChautauquaWawasee.org](http://www.ChautauquaWawasee.org) or [www.facebook.com/ChautauquaWawasee](https://www.facebook.com/ChautauquaWawasee).

## Note to our readers —

By Jim Kroemer, LakeViews editor

Lake Wawasee and the surrounding area have not been exempt from the upheaval to everyday life caused by the coronavirus.

As I was putting this newsletter together, two major events have already been affected.

The WACF's annual Earth Day activities, originally scheduled for April 25, have been cancelled, and the appearance of the Purdue University Glee Club, originally scheduled for April 24 at the Oakwood, has been rescheduled for Oct.23.

The rest of the articles in this edition of LakeViews, and the items in the calendar, represent what was known at the time the newsletter was put together on March 16. It is likely some of the events and activities detailed here will be cancelled or postponed.

On page 5 of this issue you will find a listing of the web sites for the organizations from around the lake who have contributed items to LakeViews. They all do a good job of updating their web sites, so the best thing you can do is monitor their online sites for any possible changes to the events that interest you.

The Mail-Journal is also a good source of up to date information about closings, cancellations and changed plans.

Thank you for your faithful readership. Please take care of yourselves, be safe, listen to the experts, and wash your hands.

# It's time to pay 2020 WPOA dues

Statements reminding WPOA members to pay their annual memberships were mailed out in January and are due by April 1.

Janet Hartley, administrative officer of the Wawasee Property Owners Association, reminded LakeViews readers that only residents who have paid their \$75.00 annual dues will receive the **Neighbors** directory, listing all Lake Wawasee property owners and residents.

Remember, WPOA is your voice with Indiana state government, the City of Syracuse, the DNR, the Kosciusko County Sheriff's Department, the board of Zoning Appeals and other lake associations.

Additional benefits include:

- We liaison with WACF (in fact they were created by WPOA when

members saw a need for greater conservancy efforts.

- Lake safety is our high priority. We patrol the lake in boats owned and managed by WPOA.

- We provide continuing support for the development of the Syracuse/Wawasee Trails project.

- We provide and maintain the "pump and dump" stations at the public boat launch to help keep our lake clean.

- We provide funding for educational projects in local schools.

- We provide street lights at many dark points around the lake for safety.

- We have developed, installed and maintain dry hydrants for continued fire protection around the lake.



- We saw the need and helped develop severe weather warning systems around the lake.

- We develop, coordinate and implement the annual Fourth of July Fireworks display.

- We print and distribute a newsletter four times a year.

- Your directors are your neighbors, volunteering many hundreds of man hours to make all this happen at a reasonable cost.

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# Chautauqua, Parkview partner on CBD program

Chautauqua-Wawasee and Parkview Health are jointly sponsoring a presentation and discussion on CBD. The program will be held at the Oakwood on May 12, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The event is open to the public and free to attend.

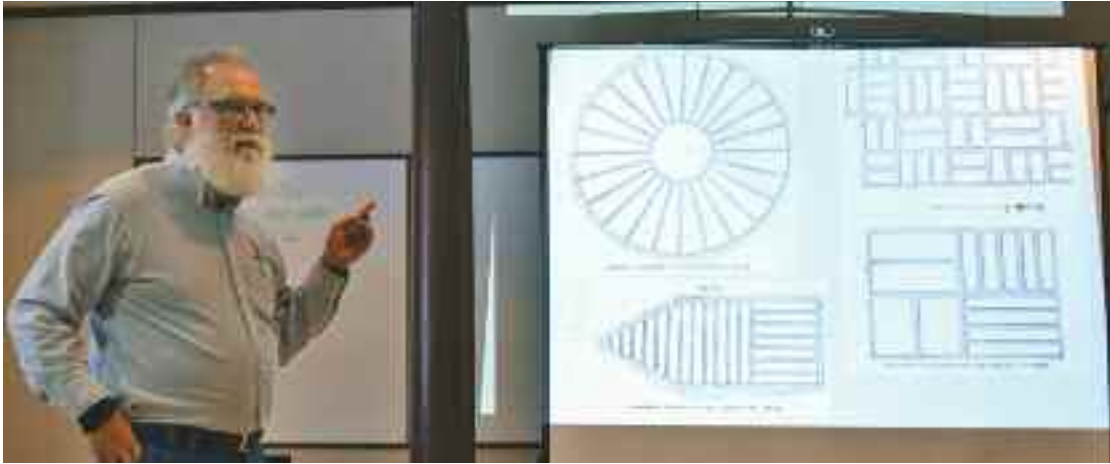
What is CBD? Cannabidiol is all the rage,

being used to treat a wide array of medical issues. However, questions remain: is it really safe? Is it effective? There are many products available and yet without regulation.

Plan to listen and learn as Jeanette Cochran, MSN, NP-C, Parkview Physicians

Group – Mind Body Medicine shares the pros and cons of CBD and if it is really safe or effective.

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**John Edgerton was the featured speaker at an event titled "Gardening in the Face of Climate Change." The presentation was co-sponsored by Chautauqua Wawasee, the Wawasee Area Conservancy Foundation and the Syracuse Wawasee Garden Club and was held Feb. 8 at Oakwood. Here Edgerton shows ancient Native American garden plots which were discovered near Kalamazoo, Mich. (Photo by Lauren Zeugner, The Mail-Journal)**

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