



Lake LeAnn Local

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FROM THE OFFICE.....

Are you behind on your dues? Would you like to get caught up, but just don't have enough money at the end of the month to make a payment? If you would like to come clean the office once a month or donate some time and work for the Association to help pay down your dues please contact the office.

LLPOA Office Hours:

Monday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Tuesday 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Friday 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Closed Holidays

Does anyone know???

The Highland Hills subdivision sign has been missing for years. Does anyone happen to know where it is? If you have the sign, please contact the office...*No questions asked.*

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I would like to take the time to thank everyone who supported me in my re-election as a director and subsequent appointment as President of our association. I look forward to addressing the issues and challenges that our community will inevitably face throughout the upcoming year. I intend to work diligently and in harmony with our current board to solve the various problems as they arise. It is my goal to have and maintain a homogeneous, fair, and aesthetically pleasing community. I pledge to keep an open mind, treat people fairly, and be respectful to any and all forthcoming suggestions. Should anyone have any question or concerns please don't hesitate to ask.

Looking forward to serving you as President,

Brad Bjorling

MEMBER CONNECTION

Our member groups are under way! We currently have three card groups meeting: Hand and Foot, Mahjongg and Euchre. We are still looking for other members to get together! Some other interests include: book club, Bible study, dinner club, kayaking and walking.

It is always nice to build community and "meet" new people with similar interests. We know there are many of us who would welcome some fun activities. **Please contact the office and let us know your interests!**

The time has come.....SEPTIC PUMPING DUE

The deadline for pumping your septic tank is February 28, 2013 in order to maintain your *Member In Good Standing* status. This deadline is to coincide with your dues payment. However, we realize there may be members who, for any number of reasons, have not had their tanks pumped, but intend to do so in the spring of 2013. Should you be one of these members and wish to remain *Members In Good Standing* you may choose to obtain an extension that will require you to show proof of pumping by June 30, 2013. In order to qualify for this extension you must contact the LLPOA Office and sign a statement that you agree to the terms of the extension and intend to have your tank pumped by June 30, 2013. You will also be required to make a deposit of \$200, in cash or check made out to the LLPOA. This deposit will be returned to you in full when proof of pumping is submitted by June 30, 2013. Should you not provide proof by June 30, 2013, the money will be forfeited and you will no longer be considered a *Member in Good Standing* and *Membership cards* and boat stickers will not be issued.

Reminders will be sent to our members when their tanks need pumping in the future. Please continue to provide proof of any future septic tank pumping. Thank you to all those members who have already complied with this rule or intend to do so shortly. Your efforts will positively impact our lake community.

SOCIAL EVENTS

GOLF OUTING

Lake LeAnn Association hosted the first annual golf outing for the Lake LeAnn members on Sunday, August 26 at the Lake LeAnn Golf Course. Members who planned the event were Dawn Manning, Evelyn Kovach, Betty Woods and Jan Hoffbauer.

SPAGHETTI LUNCHEON-CLASSIC CAR SHOW

On Saturday, June 23, 2012, Lake LeAnn hosted a spaghetti luncheon and classic car show, at the Somerset Township Hall and parking lot. Fifteen classic cars were on display. Mike Greco and his wife, Debbie made the spaghetti. Gary and Vicky Gruenberg and Jim and Walda Hnatio, helped cook and serve the food to about 75 people.

A **BIG** thanks are extended to all who helped in any way, especially: Mary Stenzel, Pat Madison, Jo Ann Colton, Dawn Manning, Kathy Palazzolo, Sue Oldani, Evelyn Kovach, Maureen Butrico, Nancy Morasco, Arlene Fedewa, Jeannie York, Don Chemacher, Joyce Fournier, Carolyn Byrum, Marie Milbourne, Betty Woods, Weldon Madison, Jeannie York, Kathy Palazzolo, and Jan Hoffbauer. Somerset Hardware, Artesian Wells, Laura Avdakov, and Ididit, Inc. donated door prizes.

CHERRY PARK SIGN - Jan Hoffbauer

"It looks great. Thanks," said the woman as she rounded Waldron Road onto Galway and saw Mike Hoffbauer painting the Cherry Park pole.

Thanks to Mike and Jan Hoffbauer, Ed Bryum, Nancy Morasco, Frank Judd and Larry Turpening for their work on re-painting and repairing the sign and pole. Thanks to Ray and Caleb Jones and Tyler Colwell for their help with rehangng the sign. Thanks to Betty Woods for her help in getting the sign down. Thanks to Mary Stenzel for planting flowers.

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

REMINDER: Place weeds from the lake ONLY at the road and call the office for lake weed pick up.

If you see anyone damaging equipment or in the parks after 11:00 p.m., call 911 so the police are aware.

Report any items that need our attention to the LLPOA office (517) 688-9704. Help keep the LLPOA community safe for all!

WATERCRAFT WANTED

Our maintenance staff has a real need for a watercraft that they can use on both the north and south lake. We hope that a very generous member might have a watercraft, or know someone who does that is willing to donate it to the LLPOA. Our goal would be to have a watercraft on each lake to minimize the need for trailering the boat from one basin to the other. Please let us now if you have something, preferably in running order that you are willing to donate or sell for a reasonable amount. We will consider all offers and our staff will check the watercraft as soon as you contact us. Thank you in advance!!!

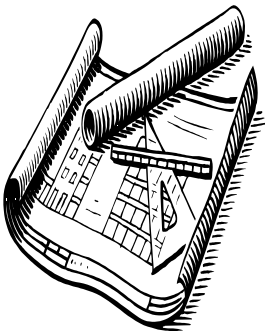
DIRECTOR CONTACT LIST

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Highland Green	Brad Bjorling	517-862-8317	HighlandGreen.lakeleann@mylaketown.com

COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Board of Directors	4 th Wed of month at 7:00 pm	The Board of Directors meetings are held at the Somerset Township Community Room.
Building Control Comm.	1 st Wed of month at 7:00 pm	
Lake Control Comm.	2 nd Wed of month at 6:30 pm	Committee meetings are held at the LLPOA office.
Maintenance Comm.	1 st Thurs of month at 6:30 pm	
Mooring Comm.	Immediately following Mnt.	All meetings are open to any member in good standing who wishes to attend.
Rules and Regulations	2 nd Thurs of month at 6:30 pm	

Reminder from the **BUILDING CONTROL COMMITTEE (BCC)**



Please remember that you do **need approval** from the BCC for most projects. If you are unsure if you need approval or if you have something special in mind, call the office or email the questions to LakeLeAnnBCC@frontiernet.net.

- To view the Building Project Checklist and Application, go to our website and click on the Building Information link. You may also request a copy from the office. There are definitions/requirements for other projects such as fences and dog pens available upon request.
 - Please keep in mind that the BCC meets once a month to review plans.
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LAKE CONTROL COMMITTEE....

We are already beginning to prepare for the 2013 summer season. We have signed a contract with Professional Lake Management for our Lake treatment. We have been using this company for the past several years and they have served us very well. We look forward to continuing to work with them this coming year.

We have an active committee, and would welcome new members, with new ideas and suggestions. Currently we are working on a review and evaluation of the aerator system that was installed in 2009. We are also getting information from Lake Somerset on their dredging Plans.

We had a successful Goose Roundup in 2012 with 119 geese being removed from our lake. We have additional volunteers who will attend training this spring to be able to expand the egg retrieval and nest destruction program. Our 2013 budget will allow for us to have additional help from professionals with nest destruction and egg retrieval. Please contact the office if you can help with both of these very important projects: nest destruction with egg retrieval to be scheduled some time in April, based on the DNR and our Goose Roundup which will be scheduled some time in June. The success of our Goose Control Program is linked closely to the number of volunteers we have to help us.

Please remember the LLPOA rules and watercraft laws are in place for the safety and enjoyment of you and all our members. Some important ones include: using the counterclockwise direction ALL THE TIME, never allow anyone, including pets, to ride on the front of your watercraft, outside the railings, maintain a safe distance between you and other watercraft, and keep at least 100 feet (which is about 10 lengths of dock) from the shoreline if traveling over a no wake speed. If you have any questions or need specific information about our rules and Michigan law, please contact the office or a member of the Lake Control Committee.

Finally and most importantly please continue to let us know if you have any concerns or questions. We want to help get the most out of each and every day that we are on the waters of Lake LeAnn.

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Question: What is the legal maximum distance a swimming raft can be placed from the shore?

Answer: Anchored rafts present a hazard to navigation if they are beyond the longest shoreline structure (for example beyond the longest dock on the lake). Rafts anchored beyond that point must have sufficient navigational markings and/or warning lights to prevent boats that are navigating at night from colliding with the raft. Lake LeAnn has rules concerning the use and placement of swim rafts that must be followed. Please contact the office if you have any questions concerning your swim raft and we will be happy to assist you to place your raft in an area that you will be able to enjoy and provide for safety to all our members. Please refer to the Rules and Regulation document found on our website for further information concerning our rules on rafts. This article and many others can be found at the LLPOA Office.

Protecting your lake – what you can do....One Step At a Time

1. Use Phosphorus Free Lawn Fertilizers (The Law in Michigan)
 2. Use Fertilizers ONCE a year, in the Fall
 3. Water your lawn SPARINGLY, no more than 10 – 15 minutes
 4. Do NOT feed Geese or Ducks
 5. Do Not BURN near the Shoreline (at least 20ft) or where runoff from burning will enter the lake (contain and dispose of ash)
 6. Do NOT mow to the Water's Edge
 7. STORE storm water from your downspouts in Rain Gardens
 8. Keep Wetlands Clean, NO DUMPING
 9. PUMP your septic every 2-3 years; whenever possible (LLPOA rule requires every 5 years)
 10. CLEAN up Pet Waste (each gram of dog feces has more than 20 million E.coli bacteria colonies)
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WINTER AT LAKE LEANN

Winter has certainly arrived and those who love the cold and winter sports are enjoying all that Lake LeAnn offers. This is especially true for our ice fishermen. As a reminder, our lake spends thousands of dollars to stock fish every year. As a private lake, only members and their designated guests are allowed to use the lake and enjoy ice fishing. Our parks and the parking areas at our parks are also there for our members and their guests only. We are committed to doing everything to protect the private nature of our community.

This year our staff will be patrolling both our parks and the lake on a regular basis. They will be asking to see membership cards and will confirm with guests who they are guests of, if the member is not with them. We will be placing notices on any and all vehicles that are parked on Lake LeAnn property at our parks and will confirm that the vehicle is owned by a member or that the owner is a guest of a member. It would be very helpful if members would notify the office if they plan to have a guest/s at the lake and will not be with the guest. Please call and let us know the date the guests are expected and their name(s). In this way, we will be able to better protect our resources and maintain the private status of our lake. Anyone who is not a member or guest will be considered trespassing and appropriate action will be taken. Thanks to all of our members who have helped us in our efforts to keep our lake private.

While enjoying the winter wonderland that Michigan and Lake LeAnn has to offer please remember to be safe and know that you use the lake at your own risk. We cannot confirm the thickness or safety of the ice at any given time.

Please remember to take lots of photos of your winter activities: ice fishing, cross country skiing, snowmobiling, ice skating, hockey and more... and send them to our office to be included on our "Member's Wall of Fun." We will also try to include them in our Annual Meeting presentation.

RULES AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

Items brought to the attention of the Rules & Regulations Committee include:

- Policy & Procedures for members violating Rules & Regulations.
- Policy & Procedures for handling letters and correspondence addressed to the Board
- Review of Bylaws Article VI, Section F and Article VIII Section E, regarding the number of signers to remove association directors and officers
- Review of Bylaws Article IV, Section B, regarding acceptable signers for removal of a director or officer or sign a petition to present a motion at the annual meeting
- MRF regarding dogs running loose
- MRF regarding septic pumping
- MRF regarding firearms/target practice
- Board mandate to draft a policy regarding open forum comments to be included in board minutes
- Develop policy and procedure regarding annual meeting quorum for voting purposes.

Web Site

Your LLPOA has one approved web site for our members and the public, **Lake LeAnn.org**. A great deal of time and effort has been put into making this site user friendly, accurate and truthful. All the information contained in it has been verified and approved by the board. We continuously try and find relevant information and welcome any suggestion that we receive from our members to improve the site. Any other web site that refers to our association in any way is neither supported nor condoned. Should you wish to address any questions concerning information on our site or any confusion you may have from visiting any other site, please feel free to call our office or your subdivision director.

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Please Read....Important Information Enclosed!!!

SEPTIC PUMPING REMINDER

We would like to thank those members who have already brought in their receipts for having their septic tanks pumped.

For those members who have not yet pumped, please remember that all septic tanks must be pumped by **February 28, 2013** to be eligible for your 2013 membership cards and boat stickers.

Then you must pump your septic every five years thereafter with proof of each pumping submitted to the LLPOA office. We truly appreciate your support in our efforts to help with our water quality.

Please see page 2 for information on getting an extension to pump your septic tank.

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