

Shorelines

Big Celebration of Long Lake Planned for July 11

After a long and wet winter and spring, life on Long Lake is finally turning to the pleasures of summer. For many, this is the season we live for all year long.

The Long Lake-Cloverdale Association is planning a big celebration of our beautiful lake and we want you to join in the fun.

Beginning at 9 AM on Saturday, July 11, LLCA will be hosting a breakfast for all Long Lake property owners at Camp Michawana's Dining Hall. During breakfast, the LLCA general membership meeting will take place. We'll recap activities and accomplishments over the past year, discuss various concerns our neighbors may have, elect 8 members of the LLCA board of directors, and enjoy each other's company.

Annual membership is a mere \$20 per household. Benefits with membership include free and unlimited classified advertising on our website (www.LongLk.org), automatic membership in

the Michigan Lake and Stream Association, discounted price for annual LLCA Calendar, work together as group to improve the quality of life on our lake, and much more.

Later in the day, Mike Smith and his Les Jazz band will host a concert to be enjoyed by all. At this writing, the plan is for the concert to take place at Acker's Point.

Election of Board Members

If you're interested in joining the LLCA board of directors, we would encourage you to submit your name for inclusion on our ballot. Just email your name, address, phone number, and email address to info@longlk.org and do so before Friday, July 3.

Our board of directors wish you and your loved ones a very happy, fun, and safe summer season. See you at the Camp at 9 AM, Saturday, July 11. Please RSVP by sending your name and the number of people in your party to info@longlk.org today!

Progress on Dry Hydrants

Hope Township's engineering firm of Fleis & VandenBrink has surveyed all of Long Lake—both on and off the water—and have found five suitable locations where dry hydrants may be installed. There are 3 locations on the south end of the lake and 2 on the north end.

The north side of the lake proved especially challenging as much of it is dominated by shallow waters and higher land elevations.

The BPH Fire Chief, Gene Muskovin, worked closely with Fleis & VandenBrink on determining these locations and believes their addition will greatly enhance the fire de-

partment's capability of quickly combating a fire. This is especially true during the winter months when our lake has frozen over.

The next step in the process is for the recommended hydrant locations to be submitted to the Michigan DEQ for evaluation and permitting process. The property owners where the 5 sites are located will be contacted by the Lake Association and Township and will eventually receive notice from the DEQ as well. It is hoped these property owners will see the value in this public safety project and sign off on easements to allow their installation to proceed.



LLCA 2010 Calendars On Sale July 11 by Mary Gerard

The theme for the 2010 calendar will be "Wild Life on Long Lake"! We are happy to announce that they will be available for purchase at our annual breakfast meeting on Saturday, July 11. This will save you from having to pay postage and handling.

We had many people who purchased multiple calendars last year for Christmas gifts. It is a great way to get some early shopping done!

We are again offering one (1) calendar to paid LLCA members (households) for only \$7.00.

Additional calendars may be purchased at a cost of \$11.00 each by paid LLCA members.

For those who are not LLCA members, the cost of the calendars are \$15.00 each.

In case you cannot attend the meeting, you may order one by sending \$10.00 (members of the association ordering their 1st calendar), \$14.00 (if you have already purchased your 1st one) or \$18.00 (for those who are not members) to:

Mary Gerard
6778 Lake Dr.
Hastings, MI 49058

Orders will only be taken through Nov. 15, 2009.

Send a check made **payable to "Long Lake Cloverdale Association"** and the address that you would like them mailed to.



We Want You to Get Involved with Your Lake Community!

Get involved in making your lake community a better place to live. Become a member of the **Long Lake-Cloverdale Board of Directors**. 8 board members will be elected to a 2-year term at our annual membership meeting on Saturday, July 11. Get your name on the ballot by sending your name, address, phone number, and email address to: info@longlk.org or mailing it to:

PO Box 133
Cloverdale, MI 49035

All candidate entries must be received by no later than Friday, July 3, 2009.

Long Lake—Wear Available!

Get your order in today for the latest in Long Lake apparel:

T-Shirts
Baseball Caps
Sweatshirts

All will be available for you to see
and order at our
Annual LLCA General Membership Meeting
9 am, Saturday, July 11
Camp Michawana Dining Hall

**Coming in September
First Annual LAKE-WIDE
YARD SALE
at Camp Michawana!
Details to Follow Soon**

Unusually High Water Levels Persist

Everyone is talking about it—and not just on Long Lake.

Lakes throughout West Michigan are all experiencing much higher than normal water levels. It's thought that a combination of two precipitation-heavy winters, a very wet spring, and previously clogged culverts caused this year's exceptionally high water levels.

Members of the Long Lake-Cloverdale Association have met with county Drain Commissioner Russ Yarger and Hope Township Supervisor Pat Albert to review the problems and pos-

sible solutions.

M-DOT blew out clogged culverts under M-43 which has helped a great deal. But there remain clogged drains that run under private drives on the north end of the lake. Since they are considered private property, neither M-DOT, the county drain commission, nor Hope Township can do anything to relieve those trouble spots.

For many a long dry spell with hot temperatures would be welcomed.



Long Lake Cloverdale ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Come Join Your Neighbors at our Annual Membership Breakfast Meeting!
9 am, Saturday, July 11
Camp Michawana—Dining Hall

Reservations Required by July 3

Email Your Name and the Number of People in Your Party to: info@longlk.org
or fill out the enclosed RSVP card and mail it to:

PO Box 133

Cloverdale, MI 49035

Annual Membership Dues = \$20 per household

In addition to a terrific breakfast and fellowship with your neighbors,
we'll be holding a 50/50 Raffle (\$1 per ticket; 6 tickets for \$5).

50% of the proceeds go to the winner and 50% will benefit LLCA.

Make a difference in your lake community—join the LLCA Board of Directors!
Submit your name, address, phone, & email address on the enclosed RSVP card to be
included on our election ballot.

And Don't Forget About the Mike Smith's Les Jazz Band Concert
on the Lake Later in the Afternoon!