



# Lake LeAnn

## PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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### Office Hours

Monday 9:00am – 12:00pm

Tuesday 12:00pm – 6:00pm

Friday 10:00am – 2:00pm

Saturday 9:00am – 12:00pm

*Log on to the website to view all current LLPOA information* ~ WEBSITE: [www.lakeleann.org](http://www.lakeleann.org)

If you would like to get in touch with the Board of Directors: Find them on the web-site, lakeleann.org, or call the office.

## NOTES of INTEREST

### UPCOMING DATES:-

June 7th LLPOA garage sale and *June 14th LLPOA Annual Meeting*

### GARAGE SALE:

If you would like to be included on our map of lake sales ... please contact the office with your address.

The Association Office is planning their own garage sale in August, more information to come.

### GUEST PASSES:

This year the LLPOA office will send you two guest passes with your property owner cards.

Your guests must carry the card with them to use the parks and/or fish without the member present.

This does **not** allow for guests boats or watercraft. All watercraft must be registered with a LLPOA member.

### BOAT INFO:

- ~ all boat decals go on the rear of the boat, either side of the motor and above the water line
- ~ Mooring Sites are still available – contact the office if you are interested
- ~ Leave mooring site marker poles where they are – if any problems, please contact the office.

### REMINDER:

- ~ no raking of leaves into the lake.
- ~ Any open fire, i.e. bonfire, located within 20ft. of shoreline must be in a self-contained fireproof receptacle where the ash can be confined, collected and disposed of properly when cooled.

A Thank You to the ice fishermen for keeping the parks and ice clean !



## **OTHER COMMITTEE UPDATES**

### **NEW OFFICE COMMITTEE**

LLPOA will have a new office at Fr. Richard Park soon! The office will be accessible off Waldron Rd. just south of Crystal Lake Dr. More information will be available soon.

### **MOORING COMMITTEE**

The mooring site fee monies are being put to good use. The mooring site committee has applied for a permit for 416 feet of boulder retaining wall at the Cherry Park mooring sites. The job should be completed in early summer.

The next area we are looking at is on the South Lake: Royal Shores, Outlots D and F. Hopefully, the area at the South Lake will be completed sometime this summer.

After these areas are completed with the boulder sea wall, it is imperative that the boulders are not moved. Boats should be moored so as not to disturb the boulders.

You are allowed to build step platforms and the office has the specifications for these.

As always, you are required to secure your watercraft both front and rear so as not to damage other member's watercraft.

*Have a safe, fun filled summer on our beautiful lakes.*

Thank you,

The Mooring Site Committee

### **MAINTENANCE**

The Maintenance Committee of LLPOA has had another busy year.

We have a new steel sea wall at the South Boat Launch. The grading and seeding will be finished this spring.

Currently, we are waiting for our permit for a sea wall at the North Launch. We have requested a permit for a boulder sea wall. The bids have been received and the job has been awarded. Because of the length of this wall, a public notice will have to be posted. After the waiting period, work will begin. Our goal is to be finished by mid June.

Another large job in process is the installation of electrical in our barn on US12. The supplies have been purchased and work is scheduled to begin as soon as the weather breaks.

In the spring there are always lots of general maintenance jobs to be done to prepare for the upcoming summer months and our list is growing. If anyone is interested in helping, we can always use another hand and a smiling face.

### **BUILDING CONTROL COMMITTEE**

As the weather breaks – Please take time to contact the office with any building projects you are planning. We will be happy to send the Association Building Information to you to help the process go smoothly. Information is also available on the website ... [www.lakeleann.org](http://www.lakeleann.org)

## ANOTHER WAY TO HELP PRESERVE OUR LAKES

There are few things that unite our membership more than our belief in the importance of the water quality of our lake and how it relates to our enjoyment of the lake, the health and welfare of our members and their guests and our property values. This is all too evident in the amount of money the LLPOA budgets to help treat our lake and the number of staff and volunteer hours spent on helping to keep our lake in tip top shape.

There is no easy fix or guarantees concerning water quality. The studies of our lake have indicated that there is a problem and we could face more serious consequences including, increases in weed and algae growth, decreasing water clarity, and most importantly decreasing water purity if we do not take some proactive steps. As you all know the recent defeat of the township sewer proposal has resulted in our having to take a new look at what can and should be done to assure high water quality until a more permanent solution such as sewers can be found.

With this in mind the board has taken steps to keep our membership informed about what each property owner can do to help reduce chemicals in the lake such as: creating greenbelts, reducing use of phosphates in fertilizers, eliminating any and all burning within at least 25 feet of the lake or in an area that will drain into the lake, and picking up and disposing of all pet waste. In addition, recognizing that a major contributing factor to chemicals in the lake is due to improperly functioning septic systems, and the fact that all septic systems have a maximum life expectancy of approximately 17 to 25 years, depending on use and care, a new rule has been instituted that we hope will significantly help in our fight to keep our lake safe and clean.

**Starting this year, each homeowner will be required to show proof that their septic system has been pumped and checked at least once every five years. In other words, each homeowner must present proof to the LLPOA Office, no later than March 1, 2013.**

The recommended frequency of septic system pumping is every two to three years, but we felt that this may create a hardship on some of our members so we chose every five years which would also take into consideration those homeowners who do not live here year round or who use their systems less. This new rule will assure that by 2013 each septic system in our association will have been pumped and checked at least once. It is our hope that this will also help our members to identify any systems that may not be functioning properly and allow them the opportunity to take corrective actions. It will create a healthier lake environment for all of our members. Membership privileges will be withheld from anyone who does not abide by this important new rule. Please bring a receipt or some proof of your septic being pumped and checked to the office and our staff will keep a record on file. We will also send you a reminder when you are due to have your system cared for again if we do not receive the needed verification of care every five years. We are working on trying to establish some preferred rates for our members and will keep you informed of our success.

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: Committee Member, Office Angel, or Director  
: The office keeps a current list for contacting.  
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