

# **Letter to the Woodstock and Lakepoint Residents**

**From the (WLHA) Woodstock and Lakepoint Homeowners Association**

**Many good things happened in the WLHA in 2003 and I shall try to reprise them in this letter.**

**In the newsletter that I wrote to you last year, I stated that I had permitted Mike Summers to retain \$500.00 of our funds as payment for the expenses he had incurred during the attempt to stop the Cranberry Lake Improvement Board from assessing all the lot owners in Lakepoint for Cranberry Lake improvement costs. We were successful, however, the attorneys Fee for this effort was expensive. Later, I prevailed upon Mr. Summers to return all monies he had withdrawn from WLHA, and send bills to association for what we owed him. With further conversation, Mr. Summers generously agreed to donate the cost of that program to WLHA. This offer was gratefully accepted.**

## **Accomplishments**

1. Grass removed from the beach to provide more swimming area. About 70 yards of sand was removed from the upper parking area at the beach to reduce parking problems, and another 50 yards of sand was brought in.
2. The barrier that was placed half way down the parking area, which limited parking capability, was removed and placed at the end of the parking area at waters' edge.
3. With the recovery of all funds to the WLHA, which amounted to about one year's dues collection, we decided to create a boat launch area at the neck of the two peninsulas adjacent to the beach, the spot recommended by Northern Development many years ago. The ground was prepared and a concrete pad was laid from the waters' edge back 20 feet. Crushed limestone was added to the front of the concrete pad to prevent washout.
4. Signs were erected at the beach, along the road, and at the launch area to provide directions to the launch area. It is understood that this launch area is for the use of fishing and other light craft; heavier boats should be launched from the public boat launch are of the northern end of the Arnold Lake with access from Arnold Lake Rd.
5. Repairs were made to all the picnic tables at the beach, and they were all painted. We did not have the time or money to repaint the pavilion.

6. All of the wooden panels on the toilet were replaced. Several of the original panels were broken, and the users were visible from outside. Mrs. Linda Brundage donated the wooden panels, Thank you. Two coats of paint were applied, both toilet seats, although broken, were usable.
7. Our permit for use of the bathing beach had lapsed, so the permit was renewed. New corner buoys were purchased; new lines were added with small floats spaced periodically along the lines to mark off the swimming area, as required by state law. These were removed this fall and stored to prevent winter damage.
8. One of the association directors, Jeremy McDonald, mowed the grass at the beach all summer. He and the other directors and I did much of the work at the beach all summer. All of us owe them a vote of thanks for their effort.
9. One of our directors ran a fund raiser at the beach during holiday weekends. We hope this effort can be continued. You can help defray the food expense by dropping off your empty pop bottles at Ron Allen's house, 5100 Lakewood.
10. The toilet was pumped out this fall, and we attempted to remove the cans, bottles, and other debris that people had thrown down it with little success. We will try again this year after the tank is filled. Please stop throwing anything in the toilet.
11. Paperwork had been processed, and this year we will ask for a grant for the installation of a dry fire hydrant on the canal through the wetlands south of Arnold Lake. Through the Saginaw Bay R.C. & D. In the case of a fire, the puruper's from Harrison would have to return to Harrison to renew their water load. The dry fire hydrant offers a much closer alternative.

## **Projects for 2004**

1. Pay Cody Beemer for the crushed limestone he added to the boat launch approach area.
2. Install light at the beach with pole and meter.
3. Add a 4-foot high chain link fence at the beach for better definition of the parking area.

These 3 activities were chosen in the order listed at the WLHA meeting on the beach on 8-31-03.

The following activities will be performed by the WLHA officers, members, and others as time and money permit and are not listed in any order of preference.

1. "Day at the Beach", which ended disastrously in 2002. Written apologies have been given to Jerry McDonald and the other participants. We hope that Jerry can get this together this year.
2. Paint pavilion inside and out. Our secretary, Jennifer Challenger, has offered to supply the paint and rollers.
3. Jennifer has one toilet seat and has offered it to us; we will purchase another and replace both seats in the toilet.
4. Signs for swimming area to keep boats off the beach, If we buy the wood, another director, Don Schankin, will put them together, paint and stencil them, and install them at the appropriate locations. I have been assured that the Sheriff's office will handle these complaints.
5. Add "Handicap" signs where possible or necessary.
6. Add a sign at entrance to boat launch similar to the one at the beach.
7. A grant proposal has been written through the Soil Conservation Service and The Saginaw Bay R.C. & D. for the purchase of the materials for a dry fire hydrant, and I believe the Road Commission will install it.

**A financial report is supplied with this letter. Approximately half of the remaining balance will be used to mail this letter to the lot owners of Woodstock, Woodstock #2, and Lakepoint homeowners.**

**In 2003, we had 74 members. When I was president years ago, we used to average 100 members. The association dues are \$20/year. Please send your dues in as soon as possible so we can plan our activities for the summer. It would be helpful if we had some volunteers other than the officers to lighten the workload. Remember if you don't send us any dues we can't accomplish much. Please send your dues to keep the beach for your children and grandchildren.**

**If you wish to have your dues card mailed to you, please send a signed and stamped envelope to me with your dues money. Otherwise, you can pick up your dues card at one of the three association meetings this summer.**

Have a good time this summer,  
George B. Randall,

Treasurer of WLHA

The three meetings for this year will be held at the beach pavilion at 2 PM.

1. Memorial Day: 5-30-04, Sunday Elections.
2. Fourth of July: 7-3-04, Saturday
3. Labor Day: 9-5-04, Sunday

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