Lake Ogemaw Summer Resort Association

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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Spring is arriving fast, and hopefully, we'll all be back enjoying our lake for another great season.

We have two openings for board positions up fore election this year. If you think you'd like being a part of the board, this is your opportunity. If you are interested, please have a 50 word or less resume to Carol in the office by early May.

I have the opportunity to listen to the comments, complaints, and praise from a wide variety of our residents. Here are some of the things I've heard, along with the comments from the board, (including myself).

Fewer dogs were brought to the sandbar, and in my observation all were on leashes. I'm a dog lover too, but we have to recognize that that feeling is not shared by everyone. Thank you for cooperating!

After a few misunderstandings, it now appears that everyone now knows that only grass and leaves belong in the yard waste area. These turn to compost and will be usable for fertilizing and planting. Some of that compost will help in planting the newly restructured hill beside and in front of the clubhouse, which was made using donated soil.

As always, our activities committee is in need of folks who would like to be involved. Poker runs, dances, and all the other activities take planning and preparation. If you help you meet more people and have a lot of fun in the process. All you have to do to be part of the committee is show up. Contact me, tell any board member, or leave a message in the office with your contact information. If you have suggestions about meeting times, events, etc. we want you! If you are a week-end owner, let us know, and we'll try to schedule convenient meeting times

Last year's goose round-up included 126 who were moved to Red Bridge Game Preserve, northwest of Cadillac on the Manistee River. If you want these round-ups to continue after this year you must sign the petition that will come in the same envelope with your annual dues in June.

Sincerely,

Just a few reminders—Our roads are not very wide

David Galbreath, President

Pedestrians should always walk against the traffic, bicyclists ride with traffic.

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Board Members

President: Dave Galbreath (989) 873-6183
Vice Pres: Debbie Seabolt (989) 873-6173
Treasurer: Ron Atkinson (248) 821-4806

Secretary: Mary Buyze (989)-873-5684

Trustees

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Cy Schultz, Jr. (989) 873-5995 or (989) 792-9284

Men's Committee Chairman Bob Gollehur (989) 873-6117	Activities Committee Joannie Van Antwerp (989) 873-4067
Fish Committee	Lake Coordinator
Tom Lukosavich	Mike Seabolt (989) 873-6173

Office Hours:

Monday & Friday 11-2:00pm Tuesday & Sat. 10-2:00pm

Closed Wed., Thurs., Sundays

Carol Hubbell, Clerk Sharon Wilgus, Assistant

Calendar of Events				
Potluck Dinners 1st Wednesday Monthly 5:30pm	Coffee Klatch Every Friday 9:00am (except Holiday weeks)	Board Meetings 3rd Saturday at 9:00am Mar-Oct		
DOCK LOTTERY	Saturday, April 18th	10:00am	Clubhouse	
Lake Ogemaw Clubhouse Garage Sale	Saturday, May 2nd	9:00am	Clubhouse	
BOATERS SAFETY (FREE Class) 14 yrs or older. No pre-registration	Saturday, May 23rd	9:00am	Clubhouse	
KID'S FISHING DERBY (free fishing weekend)	Saturday, June 13th	9:00am	Register at clubhouse Ernie Simas Chair	
ANNUAL MEETING	Saturday, July 4th	9:00am	Clubhouse	
*FIREWORKS	Saturday, July 4th	DUSK	DAWSPILLWAY	
JULY BREAKFAST	Sunday, July 5th	9am to Noon	Clubhouse Dave & Carol Galbreath Chair	
DESSERT & ICE CREAM SOCIAL	Saturday, July 11th	7:00pm	Clubhouse Jan Morse Chair	
SUMMER POKER RUN	Saturday, July 18th	12:30pm	Meet at Ka-Jacs	
ANNUAL ASSOC GARAGE SALE	Sat August 1st, Sun 2nd	9:00am	Individual Homes	
PIG ROAST	Saturday, August 1st	5:30pm	Pavilion	
FUN DAY	Saturday, Sept 5	Noon-3:00pm	Chair to be announced	
SEPTEMBER BREAKFAST	Sun, Sept 6	9:00am-Noon	Clubhouse Dave & Carol Galbreath Chair	

^{*}Please note: the activities committee will not be sponsoring the Boat Parade Contest during 4th of July this summer.

Wanted New Board Members

2 Board Positions Open

Support Lake Ogemaw Association by becoming a board member.

Submit a 50 word or less bio of your background, interests, etc.

Turn into the office by **May 1st 2015** to become a candidate.
Carol will take your picture (in the office) to accompany your submission.

Dock Drawing

The annual dock drawing will be held on

April 18th

after the monthly board meeting @ approximately 10am

Cost \$200

You will need a copy of your watercraft registration and proof of insurance in order to receive a dock. Only members in good standing can participate.

Dock lease is only for LOSRA members and not for sub-leasing

FREE FISHING WEEKEND

June 13 & 14

All fishing license fees will be waived for two days. Residents and out-of-state visitors may enjoy fishing on both inland and Great Lakes' waters for all species of fish. All fishing regulations will still apply.

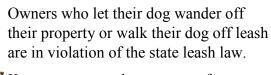
KID'S FISHING DERBY Saturday, June 13th

Registration 9:00am at the Pavilion

Polluck Dinners

The monthly Potluck dinners are on the first Wednesday at 5:30pm. Bring a dish to pass, place settings and beverage of choice.

OGEMAW COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL



Keep your pet and everyone safe.

Boater Safety

Those born on or after July 1, 1996, may operate a boat legally only if they have been issued a boating safety certificate and have it on board the boat.

Those born before July 1, 1996, may operate a boat legally without restrictions.

Those less than 14 years of age <u>may not</u> legally operate a PWC.

Those **14 and 15 years of age** may operate a PWC legally only if they have obtained a boating safety certificate **and...**

- He or she is accompanied on board by his or her parent or legal guardian or by a person as least 21 years of age who has been designated by the parent or legal guardian or...
- He or she is operating or riding the PWC at a distance of not more than 100 feet from his or her parent or legal guardian or from a person at least 21 years of age who has been designated by the parent or legal guardian.

Those at least 16 years of age and born after December 31, 1978, may operate a PWC legally only if they have obtained a boating safety certificate.

Those born on or before December 31, 1978, may operate a PWC legally without restrictions.

FREE Boater Safety Class

Saturday, May 23rd 9:00am—4:00pm

For those 14 years of age and older.

No pre-registration necessary

Must pass exam in order to receive a boaters certificate

Lunch included



NEW BOAT LAUNCH LOCK & KEYS!!

The locks will be changed along with new keys on July 1st. Only members in good standing with a zero statement balance can obtain a key. Only one per owner/household.

Holiday weekends you must present your current membership card to the guard—the guard can refuse entry.

Replacement keys \$25.00.

Keys are not to be duplicated or shared with non-members.

Water Patrol Concerns

These are the things officials are looking for when they patrol the lake.

- Current registration for your watercraft.
- Personal flotation devices— children under 6 yrs of age must wear a US Coast Guard approved Type 1 or Type 2.
- Improper distance—Have at least 100 feet between two boats towing people.
- Drinking and driving while operating a watercraft
- Please slow down in the area near the sand bar and islands.
- Posted NO WAKE areas—7:30pm until 11:00am DAILY applies to all types of motorized watercraft. Keep our lake safe!



Save the date!

Ladies tea and luncheon
Saturday, May 16th at 12:00 noon
Details to follow



Lake Ogemaw Summer Resort Association was incorporated on November 14, 1969

Membership Dues

Member Assessments will be mailed the end of May with payment to be paid on or before July 3, 2015.

If you would like your 2015/2016 membership sticker and boat launch key, Include a SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE.

One (1) boat launch key per owner Replacement keys are \$25.00

Cash/Check Accepted

WELCOME TO THE LAKE!

Wow, so many new people have bought a home or vacant land here. According our records, over 30 new land owners purchased property from January 1, 2014 through March 1, 2015. We wish we could list everyone however we don't want to miss anyone by mistake.

Even if you are only part-time please make some or all events so you can be introduced. Friday morning coffee hour and pot luck Wednesdays is a great venue for socializing.

There is a Men's Committee and Activities Committee for you to attend. You do not have to be present at all meetings and come when you can arrange time.

The monthly board meetings held the 3rd Saturday of the month from March to October at 9:00am is a good way to hear the happenings and upcoming events. Members can ask questions at the end of the meeting or just simply introduce you.

Check out the West Branch Chamber of Commerce website for upcoming local activities or stop in their office for a calendar of events.

Enjoy your new home or property here at Lake Ogemaw!

PICK UP A MEMBERSHIP CARD IN THE OFFICE IF YOU DON'T ALREADY HAVE ONE

You have probably heard of DUI, but you may have never heard of BUI (boating under the influence).



Michigan now has a new law laws designed to discourage drunk individuals from driving boats and other watercraft, snowmobiles or off-road vehicles. The law **reduced** the maximum blood alcohol content level for those operators **from .10 to .08**, matching the current limit for automobiles.





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When the settlers first arrived near Ogemaw Springs in 1875 they set up a lumber mill and the county was organized. The county seat is West Branch located at the junction of M-55 and M-30 which is also the largest city in the county (2003). This town was named because of its location on the west branch of the Rifle River and West Branch began as a result of the railroads building a line through the area to transport lumber from the mill in Ogemaw Springs.

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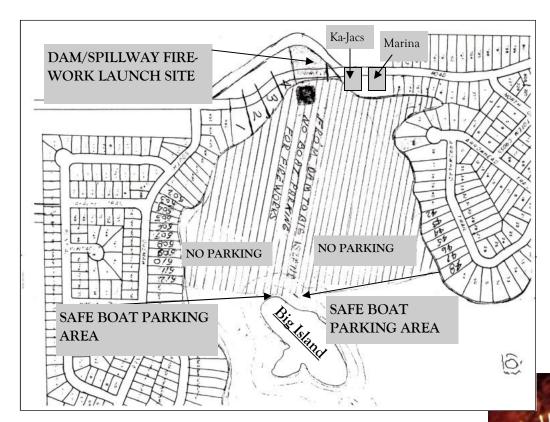


Lake Ogemaw Fireworks

Fireworks will be set off over the dam/spillway on Saturday, July 4th. For future reference, the association fireworks are scheduled for the first Saturday in July with Sunday being a rain day.

Many residents enjoy watching the fireworks from your boats. Firework regulations dictate no parking areas as indicated on map for safety.

Island owners must move their boats and vehicles from 3:00pm (if not sooner) on July 4th until Sunday morning the 5th.



Please note: the activities committee **will not be sponsoring** the Boat Parade Contest during 4th of July festivities this summer.





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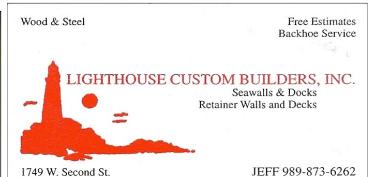
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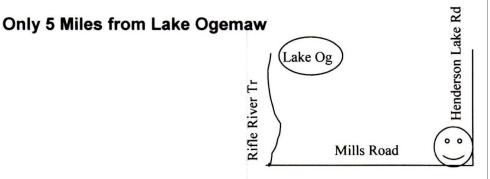
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