



Harper Lake Association

P.O. Box 53, Irons, MI 49644

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AUGUST 31 FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 9:00 am

Our Fall membership meeting will be held at the Elk Twp Hall located on Bass Lake Rd about a mile south of 10 1/2 Mile Rd. This is a great opportunity for you to learn what the Association is doing to maintain Harper Lake and to offer your suggestions.

Election of new Board Members will also take place.

Congratulations You Two from all of US!



Do you know your neighbor?

They just celebrated their 65th Wedding Anniversary and have been on Harper Lake almost as long. Read on to discover who they are.

AUGUST 2013

POKER RUN

July 6, 2013 on Harper Lake



Boat load after boat load lined up to meet Howie, the dealer and to vie for the best hand. In the past, 200 plus tickets were sold. This year, a whopping 365 were sold. After expenses, the remaining \$2,875 was split among 10 lucky players with first place paying \$775.



Many thanks go out to all the dock captains who served up fantastic treats and refreshments at each stop.

Thanks to all who stopped at Sue's dock to purchase Harper Lake shirts. Over \$1,265 in apparel was sold to some very happy members.

Michele Gill won the raffle for the Michigan Products basket donated by Bill and Julie Mullaly.

For more of the story and lot more pictures, go to ...

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POKER RUN VOLUNTEERS THANK YOU, THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR VOLUNTEERS THIS YEARS INCLUDING:.

Jim & Kathy Abbott.....organizer & co chairpersons
Howie & Lisa Mullen..... co chairpersons and dealer
Roger & Kathy Zeh.....use of yard and dock
Bill & Julie Mullaly....donated the Michigan Products
basket.
Sue Badalluco and Family.....HLA apparel sales

Our Dock Captains included:

- Scott & Phyllis Reyburn
- Joe & Erin Kozak and Mike & Diane Miller
- Frank & Janice Maggini
- Gary & Karen Humfleet
- Steve & Dawn May and Gary & Kim Santo
- Curt & Kim Walbridge
- Bill & Julie Mullally

Dock captains received a token \$50 to help cover expenses, but it seems they raise the bar every year. **We are taking names now for those who would like to get involved for July 2014. Contact any board member to get on the list now!**

LAKE CLEAN UP...LAKE RAKE!!

If you need to use the Lake Rake to clean up around your shore, good news.....we now have two rakes. Contact either Bill Mullaly on the south end of the lake, or David Kott on the north end. Members are asked to sign out the rake and plan on returning it after a week so others can also have an opportunity.

HARPER LAKE SHIRTS & HATS

If you have a Harper Lake logo shirt or hat, we would like a picture of you wearing the shirt or hat in an identifiable distant location...in front of the Eiffel Tower, on the Great Wall of China, in front of the Grand Rapids Museum, etc. You might win a prize for the most distant location. So far the Richard and Mary Blumenstein have the most distant picture...Alaska. You might just have your picture on Clothing page of the web site. Send pictures to:

dbadalucco@aol.com

GET INVOLVED

Do you have an interest in getting involved? We need volunteers to serve on the board, and all the committees. Call or email Richard Blumenstein. Go to www.HarperLakeAssociation.org for contact info.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBORS

Scott and Jessie Smith
9387 Blackburn Ln

Dan and Annette VanBall
9695 N. Granger

Derek Drudy
10100 N. Bass Lake Rd.

Gary and Ann Kozak
9913 N. Aqua Dr.

Good Bye to Others.....

Moments before going to press, we learned that Joe Hagerty passed away at his home on Kessler Dr. Joe has been around Harper Lake for many years and will be missed by his family and many friends.

2012 / 2013 Board of Directors

Dick Blumenstein	President
Randy Heemstra	Vice President
Kathy Abbott	Secretary
Lisa Mullen	Treasurer
Lance Lamar	
Susan Badalucco	
John Gochis	
David Kott	

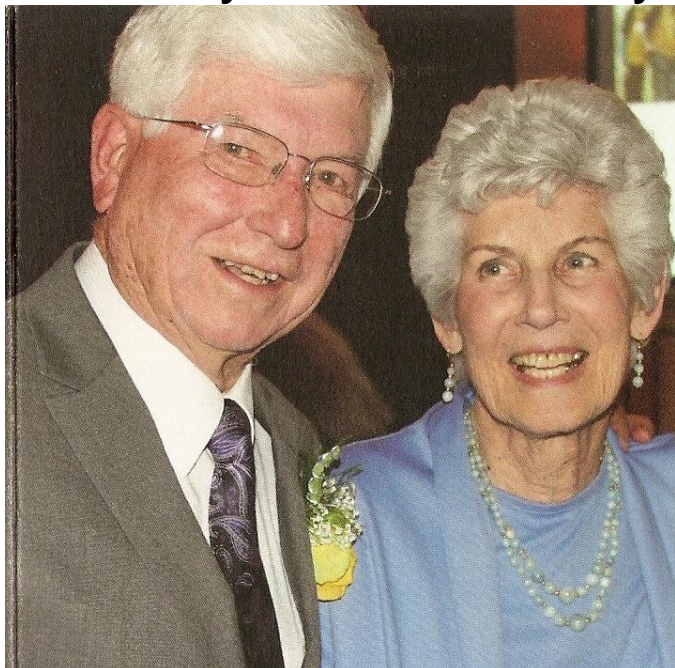
Phone numbers and email addresses can be found in the Harper Lake directory or on.....

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TREASURER'S REPORT

"Thank You"!... goes out to all those who stepped up and paid Association Dues for the 2013 calendar year. We have over 90 dues-paying members who are helping to pay for the Asian MilFoil treatments, on-going water testing, membership to Michigan Lakes and Streams Association and the fish planting program. The next newsletter in December will include the billing invoice for calendar year 2014. You can check on your account by contacting Lisa Mullen, Treasurer, lisamullen@me.com

Congratulations Joe and Bobbie Landis on your 65th Anniversary.



Fall Meeting Agenda Topics

Mark your calendar for August 31, 2013. Our Fall Membership Meeting will be held at the ELK TOWNSHIP HALL south on Bass Lake Rd.

MILFOIL AND WEED CONTROL:

This year, we did our normal MilFoil weed application in June, but on July 18th, we did a second application around swim rafts and around most of the docks near the launch area. Results and future activity will be presented at the Fall Membership meeting.

HARPER LAKE PICNIC:

Several members questioned if there would be a Harper Lake picnic this year. At the spring meeting it was decided to place all of our efforts into the Poker Run and the results were fantastic. If anyone is still interested in organizing a community picnic, please attend the upcoming membership meeting to offer suggestions for next year.

FISH PLANTING

Lance Lamar coordinated the stocking of 1500 Hybrid Blue Gill again this year. We are looking to evaluate the importance of this yearly project at the membership meeting. Member comments will be used to establish the plan for 2014.

ELECTION 2013

Members with one more year:

Richard Blumenstein.....President
Kathy Abbott.....Secretary
John Gochis.....Board Member

All of the above were all elected in 2012 and will serve until August 2014.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You to our out-going Board Members

Randy Heemstra has served three two-year terms. After six years of service, including selling ads for the Directory, marketing Harper Lake apparel with his wife, Molly, and serving as Vice President, Randy is termed out and is now stepping down. Thanks Randy!!!!

Lance Lamar was elected in 2010 and chaired the Fish and Waterfowl Committee. In addition to monitoring our fish habitat, lance contracted for our annual fish stocking program. Lance is stepping down this year. Thanks Lance!!!!!!

Incumbants up for re-election

Lisa Mullen was elected in 2011 and has served as secretary, co-chair for both the Poker Run & Picnic and most recently as Treasurer. Lisa is up for election for another two year term.

David Kott was elected in 2011 and has maintained the newsletter and web-site. David is up for election for another two year term.

Sue Badalucco accepted an appointment in March 2013 to fill the term vacated by Fletch MacGregor when the MacGregor family moved out of state. She has graciously taken over the Harper Lake apparel job. Sue is now up for election for her first two year term.

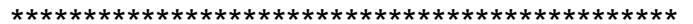
New Candidates

Joe Kozak has been a member since 2004. Joe, along with his wife Erin, and family are actively involved in the Harper Lake activities and takes a special interest in our fish habitat.

Jim Brown has decided that rebuilding his beautiful home on the channel wasn't enough of a challenge and is looking forward to getting more involved with maintaining Harper Lake.

ELECTION BALLOT FOR 2013

(Note: Residents Members who have paid Association Dues for 2013 are eligible to vote. If by some chance you have overlooked paying dues for 2013 please feel free to send in your \$55.00 along with your ballot)



Please vote for 5 candidates and return your mail-in ballot by August 20th to:

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Or better yet....vote in person at the HLA meeting on August 31th.

- _____ Lisa Mullen
- _____ Sue Badalucco
- _____ David Kott
- _____ Joe Kozak
- _____ Jim Brown
- _____ Write In Candidate
- _____
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