

The Maple Leaf

News and Information for Maple Lake Members

Upcoming Events

- Lifeguards Start - May 27th 12pm
- Opening Day Dinner - May 28th 5pm
- Woman's Club - June 5th 7pm
- Board Meeting - June 7th 7pm
- Woman's Club - July 3rd 7pm
- Fourth of July - July 4th 9am
- Board Meeting - July 5th 7pm

Lake Notices

Boats may return to the lake so long as they have their owner's lot number visible on the hull or foredeck.

Boats and watercraft should be stored neatly so that the caretaker can cut the grass.

Fishing is not allowed near the swimming area.

We have open positions for lifeguards this summer. Please contact Carl Hatfield for more info.

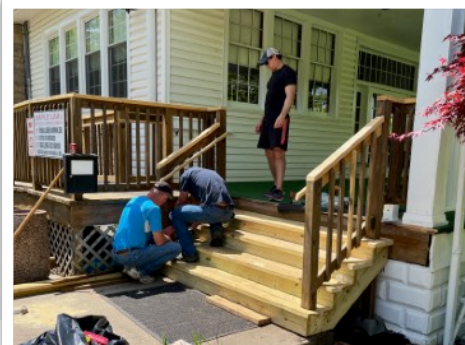


It is Spring at the Lake!

We have had a total of 9 new Stockholders in the past year so we have a number of new (and some returning) faces around the lake. As a reminder to Stockholders, old and new: Maple Lake is a private club in which we collectively own the Lake and its grounds. We make it what it is and we get out of it what we put into it. If you see something amiss, have a question, or need assistance, please contact a member of the Board of Directors. Their phone numbers are in the Maple Lake Phone Book that is distributed each year in the Annual Meeting packet. Read on to find out their names.

Work Day

During this year's Work Day, volunteers prepared the swimming area by installing the diving boards and launching the floating docks. The flower beds were mulched, the fixed dock was given a new coat of paint, the main clubhouse steps were replaced, and all of the windows were cleaned.





Caretaker's Corner

- Lawn bag pick up has resumed. Please place up to four clear plastic bags weighing no more than 40 pounds each on the Lake side of the road. Clippings, leaves, etc ONLY.
- Share the road. With the warmer weather there are a lot more people using the road for walking and riding bikes and golf carts. Please drive slower and with care.
- There are plenty of trash cans and dog clean up supplies. Please make our lake look good and use them.

Lifeguards

Summer is almost here... the cool lake water is so nice! Maple Lake's official swim season will start May 27th and continue through Labor Day. The Lifeguards will typically work Noon to 6:00 pm each day, 3:30pm - 6:00pm during school hours. This schedule is dependent on the lifeguard's availability and weather conditions. Children, under the age of 10, must be accompanied by an adult and watched at all times. Anyone on Maple Lake Club property must have and display current tags. Any questions/concerns should be directed to the Lifeguard committee.

Opening Day Dinner

Everyone looks forward to enjoying a delicious dinner with friends and neighbors. The Maple Lake Board is hosting the Annual Opening Day Dinner. Join us Sunday, May 28th, 2023 at 5:00 pm at the Clubhouse. Reservations are required by May 25th. Call Carl Hatfield at (304) 672-3637 or Guenter Metzger at (304) 842-3226 with your name, callback phone number, number of members attending, and number of guests attending. There is no charge for Stockholders/Members! Guests may attend at the following rates: \$5.00 for Adults, \$5.00 for Kids 6-12, Kids 5 and under eat for free. Take out will be available to Stockholders/Members who are not physically able to attend the dinner. You will be able to purchase fishing tags, t-shirts, sweatshirts, and 50/50 tickets at the dinner.

Waterfront

The big slide will be in operation again this summer. The water should be turned on prior to Opening Day. Please be aware that last year the water spigot was repeatedly vandalized to continuously send water down the slide. This resulted in a higher than normal water bill. If you see water pouring down the slide and no one is around, please turn off the water or contact the Caretaker or a Board member.



Annual Meeting Notes

The Annual Meeting was held on Friday, April 14th 2023 at 7:00pm.

In memoriam of the loss of Lake members and friends:

Betty Clark Betty Walker

There were nine new Stockholders since last April.

Stephen Johnson and Kayla Gerard	Cal and Wendy Everett
Mary Ann Weimer-Lentz	Wes and Cassie Spiker
Linda Locke	Jonathan and Holly Cooper
Steven, Linda, and Claire Marnic	Gary and Amy Dodd
Rose Newcomb	

Annual Meeting - President's Remarks

Michael Arnold made remarks on several topics, one of which concerns the search for a new website that can better handle keeping our stockholders informed of decisions and events at the

2023 Officers

President: Michael Arnold
 Vice President: Chris Cleghorn
 Secretary: Christy Cleghorn
 Treasurer: Mandy Sheldon

2023 Committees

Below is a listing of Committees of the Board and the current volunteers. If you are interested in working on a committee, please contact the committee chairperson.

Building Permit Committee

Scott Anderson
 Jeremy Griffin
 Guenter Metzger (Chair)

Clubhouse Scheduling Committee

Chris Cleghorn (Chair)
 Jodee Decker
 Jennifer Griffin

Communications Committee

Michael Arnold (Chair)
 Jennifer Griffin
 Guenter Metzger

Dam Committee

Gary Abate (Chair)
 Scott Anderson
 Jack Merinar
 Guenter Metzger

Entertainment Committee

Michael Arnold (Chair)
 Carl Hatfield
 Guenter Metzger

Financial Committee

Gary Abate
 Christy Cleghorn
 Jeff Owens (Chair)
 Mandy Sheldon

Lake. Some of the features might be private message boards, documents storage for Board minutes, a resident directory, and options for online payments.

Annual Meeting - Financial Report

Jeff Owens reported on the Club's financials. Multiple reports were provided in the annual packet and each was explained and questions were answered. The reasoning for and projected income from the increase in dues to \$750 and the additional assessment of \$285 were also provided.

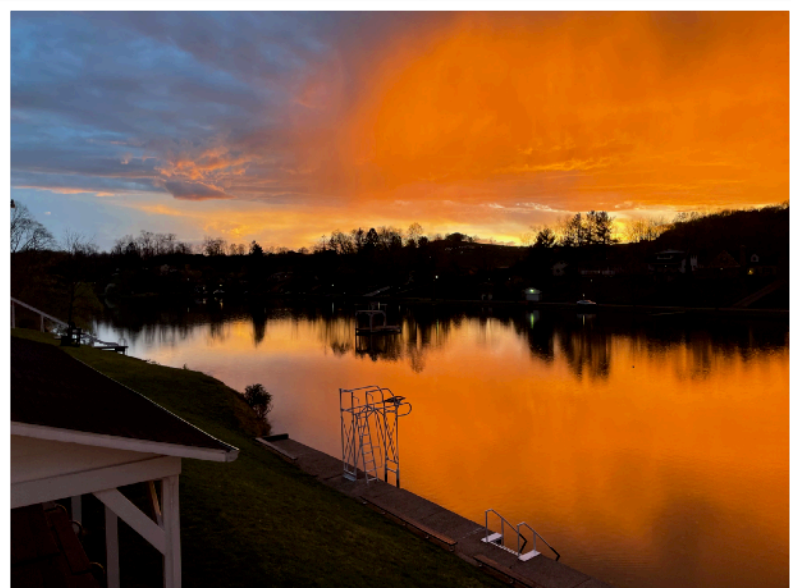
Annual Meeting - Dredging Report

While there were numerous attempts throughout the year to find someone willing to take the bags of dredging material, none had been successful. Chris Cleghorn contacted local businesses to bid on the project and brought in three bids. The stockholders voted to approve spending up to \$70,000 to contract with Shriver & Sons to haul the material away to the Sykes' nearby farm.

Annual Meeting - Updates to Rules & By-Laws

Rosemary Pinti proposed to add a new rule on quiet hours between the hours of 11:00 PM and 5:00 AM to the Rules and Regulations. It was hoped that this would allow members to call on law enforcement in cases where the peace was being disturbed. The motion was referred to committee for further review.

Mandy Sheldon proposed to update the by-laws to reflect the practice of having annual dues payable on the last day of April instead of the first day.





Lifeguards Committee

Gary Abate
 Scott Anderson
 Nathan Ferguson
 Carl Hatfield (Chair)

Long-Term Planning Committee

Gary Abbate
 Michael Arnold
 Christy Cleghorn
 Jeremy Griffin
 Guenter Metzger
 Jeff Owens (Chair)
 Mandy Sheldon

Security Committee

Jeremy Griffin
 Janis Leckenbusch
 Craig Moore (Chair)

Sewage Committee

Gary Abate
 Scott Anderson (Chair)
 Jeremy Griffin
 Jack Merinar
 Guenter Metzger
 Craig Moore

Water Quality & Fish Committee

Alex Hoskinson
 Jack Merinar (Chair)
 Guenter Metzger

Gary Abbate and David Decker proposed that if the Club needs to spend more than \$50,000 on a capital improvement project, that the stockholders should be involved. This would normally take place at the annual stockholders meeting, but if approval is needed sooner, a special stockholders meeting can be called at the same time as a special meeting of the board. If there are not enough stockholders to make a quorum at the special meeting, then the Board can decide the matter.

Michael Arnold proposed that the term of a Board member should begin at the start of the Board's annual organizational meeting which is held the Wednesday following the annual stockholders meeting. This prevents the possibility of the Club losing its President (and possibly Vice President) for the few days between the meetings.

All three by-laws proposals passed. The updated by-laws can be found on the maplelakeclub.org website. A printed addendum sheet is available for anyone who wishes to add it to their printed by-laws.

Board Update

Our newest Maple Lake Club Board members are Jeremy Griffin and Craig Moore. Returning for another term Michael Arnold. Christy Cleghorn has again been elected to the Audit Committee chair.

Board Meeting - Lifeguard Update

Carl Hatfield reported that there would be seven lifeguard candidates this year. Their first day will be Saturday, May 28th. All lifeguards are certified by the American Red Cross. **(We still have open positions for lifeguards this summer. Please contact Carl Hatfield for more info.)**

Board Meeting - Committee Update

The Board is working on updating the charters of all of the committees of the board in order to clarify purpose and responsibilities. Everyone is welcome to attend and participate in committee meetings.



More information about Maple Lake can be found on our website at <http://maplelakeclub.org/>