

# The Waterline

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Tom Stressman, WCLA President

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Greetings Everyone,

I don't think anyone enjoys our little community more than I do! From the monthly get together, to the annual golf outing, my wife and I love seeing new and old members come together. Being President I have to sometimes remind our residents to please keep our lake neighbors in mind when using our awesome resources.

Lately I have been getting complaints of wave runners on Woodbeck Lake just going around in circles for hours in front of member's homes. This is not just annoying it erodes the shoreline and is also dangerous and against the law. Wave runners are required to follow all of Michigan boating laws and also the laws specifically for personal water craft. You can find the entire Boating Handbook at <https://www.boat-ed.com/michigan/handbook/book.html>

Just because we live on private lakes doesn't mean we don't have to abide by the law and Sherriff's Deputies can enforce them at any time. Okay rant over! The association is always looking to get members involved in the activities and events available each year so if you would like to participate or volunteer, please attend a meeting or just contact a lake rep.

Please remember to keep up to date on lakes happenings on Facebook or the website at [www.woodbeckchainoflakes.com](http://www.woodbeckchainoflakes.com).

As always, stay safe everyone and I'll see you on the water soon!

Tom (Uncle Tom) Stressman  
WCLA President



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**2019 WCLA Board Meeting  
Dates  
7:00 p.m.  
Monday, July 8 – Stressman's home  
Monday, Sept 9  
Camp Greenwood**

**"FIVE LAKES – ONE COMMUNITY"**

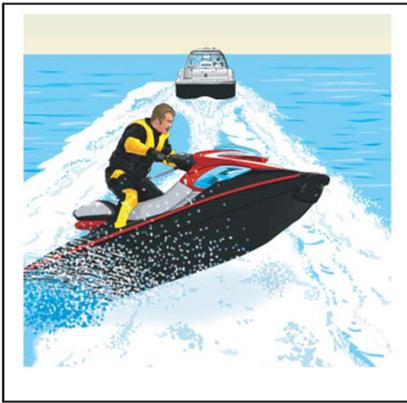
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Many residents are new to the lake and may not be aware that inland lakes, such as ours, are governed by Michigan's Boating Laws and must be followed. Please take a few minutes to read up on these boating laws and make sure to pass the information to your family and friends as, if not followed, someone may get injured. You can find the entire Boating Handbook at <https://www.boat-ed.com/michigan/handbook/book.html>

## UNLAWFUL AND DANGEROUS OPERATIONS OF A VESSEL

*Here are some important reminders while using your personal watercraft...please review these reminders with your family and friends.*

Michigan law designates the following dangerous operating practices as illegal.



**Reckless Operation** of a vessel or reckless manipulation of water skis, a surfboard, or similar device is defined as operation which disregards the safety or rights of others or endangers the person or property of others. Some examples of reckless operation are:

- Weaving your vessel through congested waterway traffic or swerving at the last possible moment in order to avoid collision
- Jumping the wake of another vessel unnecessarily close to the other vessel or when visibility around the other vessel is restricted
- Chasing, harassing, or disturbing wildlife with your vessel
- Causing damage from the wake of your vessel

**Failure To Regulate Speed** is operating a vessel at speeds that may cause danger to life or property of any other person or at speeds that will not permit you to bring your vessel to a safe stop. It is illegal to operate a vessel:

- In excess of 55 mph unless you are at least one mile offshore on the Great Lakes or Lake St. Clair
- At greater than "slow, no wake speed" when a person is in the bow of a vessel without proper seating

Faster than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions (weather, vessel traffic, etc.)

**Improper Distance** is not maintaining a proper distance while operating a vessel or towing a person. To maintain a proper distance when you are operating at greater than "slow, no wake speed" (except in channels that are not posted), the vessel or persons being towed must not be within 100 feet of:

- A shoreline (if operating in water less than three feet deep)
- Any moored or anchored vessel
- A dock or raft

### It's the Law

PWC operators must obey additional legal requirements that apply specifically to the operation of personal watercraft on Michigan waters.

### Requirements Specific to PWCs

Each person riding on or being towed behind a PWC must **wear** a U.S. Coast Guard–approved wearable Type I, II, or III PFD. Inflatable PFDs may not be used.

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## UNLAWFUL AND DANGEROUS OPERATIONS OF A VESSEL...continue

You may not allow a child under 7 years of age to ride on or be towed behind a PWC unless with a parent or guardian or designee of the parent or guardian.

The lanyard of a PWC's ignition safety switch must be attached to the person, clothing, or PFD of the operator.

**It is illegal to operate a PWC during the period that begins at sunset and ends at 8:00 a.m. "Sunset" means that time determined by the national weather service.**

PWCs must be operated in a reasonable and prudent manner at all times. It is illegal to:

- Jump the wake of another vessel unnecessarily close to the other vessel.
- Weave your PWC through congested traffic.
- Swerve at the last possible moment to avoid collision.

A PWC must be operated at "slow, no wake speed" if crossing within 150 feet behind another vessel unless the other vessel is also a PWC.

You may not operate a PWC within 200 feet of a Great Lakes shoreline unless traveling at "slow, no wake speed" perpendicular to the shoreline.

You may not operate a PWC in waters less than two feet deep unless you are operating at "slow, no wake speed" or are docking or launching your PWC.

It is illegal to harass wildlife or disturb aquatic vegetation with your PWC.

For a complete comprehensive handbook defining Michigan's DNR boating laws and regulations, navigation rules, weather emergencies, encountering other vessels, and much more, click on the following link:

<https://www.boat-ed.com/michigan/handbook/book.html>

## 4<sup>th</sup> of July Boat Parade



On July 4<sup>th</sup>, plan to decorate your boats for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Boat Parade.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR for the 2019 Independence Day Boat Parade being held on Thursday, July 4 at two different times.

The Horseshoe/Woodbeck Lakes parade will start @ 7:00 PM on Woodbeck Lake near the MacClain Bridge and will do one or two loops around the two lakes.

The Banks/Thomas/Half Mile Lakes parade will start @ 8:00 PM on Banks Lake near the pylons and will do one loop through the three lakes. For those who can navigate under the bridge, please participate in both parades.

Decorate your boats in a patriotic theme, bring your noise makers and, of course, refreshments and be ready to celebrate the holiday.

Viewers on the shore are encouraged to join in the celebration with applause and cheers as the parade passes by. At dusk after the parade, some fireworks may be displayed by local lakefront owners. Great viewing from the middle of the lakes!



**5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL WOODBECK CHAIN OF LAKES GOLF  
OUTING... JULY 27, 2019 at Cedar Chase Golf  
Course!**

Are you ready to have some fun? Have you put together your team? Don't have a team? Don't worry...Sign up as a single and Norm will pair you up! Get ready for another exciting golf outing put together by one of our own lake residents, Norm Davidson. We've had up to 64+ participants in previous years and anticipate more this year. So sign up quickly. Pick up a flyer at the Golf Emporium or call Norm any time for further information.

**Norm Davidson  
616-799-2425.**

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Call me anytime for a Woodbeck Chain of Lake Neighbor Quote. Cell# 616-799-2425. OH yeah, I almost forgot, did I mention Oak Crest Snow plowing Service. Keep me in mind for this year.

# Woodbeck Chain of Lake's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Adult Progressive Kayaking Saturday, July 20, 2019



It's that time of the year again where many are looking forward to one of our grand events of the season...Adult Progressive Kayaking/Canoeing. Last year's APK was a great success! Our first year we started with 45 participants, grew to over 60 participants last year ... and this year is promised to be a little bigger. Let's all thank Nan when you see her for putting this activity together! And thank our Host Homes which have once again happily agreed to participate. The Hoogerhyde's, The King's, The Trumble's and The Davidson's. What is progressive kayaking?... You must be 21 years of age or older to participate. It's a group of kayakers/paddle boats/board paddle/canoers (non-motorized watercraft) who will start at a "Host" home (starting on Horseshoe Lake).

Kayakers will be greeted at each "Host" location with beverages/appetizers/food... rest and mingle with your fellow kayaker for approximately an hour then you will all continue to the next lake. Norm & Wendy's home on Thomas Lake will be the last home and are welcoming all to more food, drinks, a swim in their pool and a chance to relax and enjoy the evening. Kayakers can continue to Half Mile Lake and come back to The Davidson's.

So here's the schedule: (make your way to Horseshoe Lake, last year many used Kindy Boat Launch as to not fatigue themselves)

- "Host Home #1" - 1:00 p.m. Start at Horseshoe Lake
  - Don & Lois Hoogerhyde- Appetizers/beverages will be provided– meet and greet your kayakers/paddlers.. then continue to Woodbeck Lake
- "Host Home #2" - Arrive at Woodbeck Lake around 2:30 p.m.
  - Wayne & Kathie King beach area, again other appetizers/beverages/food will be available, continue to Banks Lake
- "Host Home #3" - Arrive at Banks Lake around 3:30 p.m.
  - Ron & Maureen Trumble beach area, more appetizers/beverages...then continue to Thomas Lake/Half Mile Lake
- Leave Banks lake around 4:30...here's where many of you will have options:
  - Option 1 – you can all continue to Thomas Lake and Half Mile Lake (all or ½ way) then end up back at Norm & Wendy's for the after party– Nan Holmes will be the guide to each "Host Home" and Half Mile.
  - Option 2 – you can head directly from Banks Lake to Thomas Lake (Wendy and Norm's) and relax, drink and be merry.
  - Option 3 – you can head home to drop off Kayaks & drive to Norm and Wendy's
- **A dish/appetizer/dessert to pass at Wendy's and Norms will be greatly appreciated. You can drop off your dish by 11:00am (13337 Oakcrest Ave, Gowen) as they will be kayaking too.**

Every participant must RSVP. Please RSVP to Nan Holmes at [holmes.nanette@gmail.com](mailto:holmes.nanette@gmail.com) or call her at 616-213-8247 by July 13<sup>th</sup> ... so start contacting your friends and/or family (they don't necessarily have to live on our lakes) or come by yourself...you'll have lots of company!

## WCLA'S APPAREL WEBSTORE...

Woodbeck Chain Of Lakes Association (WCLA) Apparel is now available through a web store hosted by Steve and Lynn Monroe, owners of MSP Designs. The Monroes have owned a family cottage on Banks Lake for over 70 years and have owned and operated MSP, based in Lansing, Michigan, for over 35 years.

The web store, <https://stores.inksoft.com/ih20w> will carry the original WCLA t-shirts & sweatshirts and will also feature individual designs for each lake. New designs are added frequently so check back often for updated designs and new items.

Apparel for lake events can and will be made available, allowing groups and families to order as many or as few shirts as they choose. Order 1 shirt or 5000! Most orders will be shipped via USPS within 7-10 days. The web store can also host apparel fundraising campaigns for any occasion or event to raise funds for the association or any other organization. Contact MSP Designs for more info on this.

And speaking about lake events...MSP Design has created a T-shirt and Racerback Tank for our upcoming Progressive Kayaking Event. Order yours now! Cost \$20...Visors are also available now too...check out the website for all your options!

PS: I ordered a hoodie, sweatshirt and T-shirt and I am very satisfied with the quality and service. Easy website to place orders - Gloria

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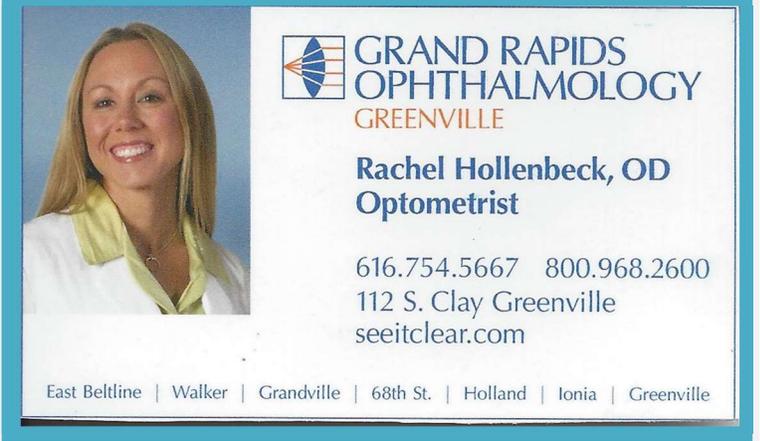


## Boat Launch Code Change Dates

Just a reminder... gate code, at both Kindy Ave and Camp Concordia boat launches changes every month through October ...So plan ahead...If you are a paid member, contact your lake representative for the latest code. Lake Representative list can be found in this Waterline or at our website: [http://www.woodbeckchainoflakes.com/lake\\_reps.html](http://www.woodbeckchainoflakes.com/lake_reps.html)

Here is Camp Concordia's boat launch schedule for 2019...plan ahead and view this schedule to view their available dates: You may need to copy and paste the link to your browser.

<http://www.campconcordia.org/wcla-information.html>



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Did you know the Woodbeck Chain of Lakes Association has a FB account? WCLA is constantly trying to keep you informed, reminding you of upcoming activities, important issues, important & informative DNR topics.

Many go to FB first before looking at emails...so we are covering all our basis. So click on the following link and Like Us on FB and Follow Us!

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/Woodbeck-Chain-of-Lakes-Association-133309000037956/>

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## MISSION STATEMENT

The WCLA will promote the preservation of lake/water quality, provide education about boat safety & etiquette and initiate social activities to promote community friendships and interaction. It will encourage membership and participation in the Association and will facilitate a sense of community amongst riparian property owners.

**I still need Help!!**

**Volunteer Needed!** Do you have a writing skill or a creative writing ability? If you do, I could use your help 3 times a year in putting together the Waterline Newsletter. Call or email Gloria Gibson at 616-894-0938 or [dggibson12435@gmail.com](mailto:dggibson12435@gmail.com)

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\*New lake representative this year

FIVE LAKES - ONE COMMUNITY

## WELCOME BACK TO THE LAKE WCLA PANCAKE BREAKFAST...

On June 1, our annual Pancake Breakfast was held and hosted this year at Camp Concordia.

Carolyn, cook on loan from Camp Greenwood, once again prepared a wonderful breakfast and enjoyed by all our friends on the chain of lakes. The fabulous crew that cooked up a storm made sure we were all well fed!

Thanks so much to Nan for putting this together, and picking up all the supplies. The cooks for keeping us fed! And Thanks to Camp Concordia for allowing us to use their facilities! We had 96 in attendance with several new faces! We truly missed those that could not attend or forgot!



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50/50 Winner, Diane Wilson donating money back to the Association

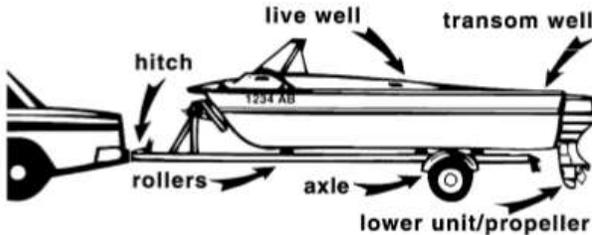


# CLEAN BOATS CLEAN WATERS



## WATERCRAFT CHECK POINTS

Stop Aquatic Invasive Species From Spreading  
Check Your Boat Each Time You Leave The Water!



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Anchor       | <input type="checkbox"/> Intake pipe   | <input type="checkbox"/> Rollers      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Axle         | <input type="checkbox"/> Ladder        | <input type="checkbox"/> Prop         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bait bucket  | <input type="checkbox"/> Landing net   | <input type="checkbox"/> Spare tire   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bunks        | <input type="checkbox"/> License plate | <input type="checkbox"/> Tackle       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bow line     | <input type="checkbox"/> Motor         | <input type="checkbox"/> Tow rope     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing line | <input type="checkbox"/> Wheels        | <input type="checkbox"/> Trailer      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Floor        | <input type="checkbox"/> Live well     | <input type="checkbox"/> Transducer   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hull         | <input type="checkbox"/> Lights/wiring | <input type="checkbox"/> Transom well |

Clean It. Drain It. Dry It.

[www.mymlsa.org/cbcw](http://www.mymlsa.org/cbcw)

Note from Bob Darvill, Chairman,  
Lake Quality Committee...

As boating safety, boating etiquette and boating courtesy are such important topics, here are a few more boating rules and regulations to keep in mind...please inform your family of this important information too.

Our boating season has arrived. It's too bad Mother Nature is not cooperating. I am sending this message for all residents, new and old, and young and old, as a reminder of some boating rules and courtesies.

1. All boats travel counter clockwise around the lakes.
2. All motorboats and PWC (jet skis) are required to stay a minimum 100 feet from docks, rafts and shorelines. As a common courtesy to our neighbors, boats that make large wakes should try to stay as far from the docks and shorelines as possible. This is to prevent erosion to shorelines and damage to docks, seawalls and shore stations.
3. Slow down long before entering a no wake zone, so your wakes do not follow you in.
4. Please turn on your running lights after sunset.
5. It is illegal to chase waterfowl with your water crafts.
6. We are very lucky, this spring, to have, at least, 1 pair of breeding loons. Please! please! Do not disturb them by going too fast by their nests or pulling up close to their nests. If they are not disturbed, hopefully, they will make our lakes their permanent summer homes and raise many families.

Have a safe & wonderful summer!

## New Boating Law Effective 2019

New requirements to stop the introduction and spread of *Aquatic Invasive Species!*

**It's the law:**

A person shall **NOT...**

- ▶ Launch or transport watercraft or trailers unless they are free of aquatic organisms, including plants.
- ▶ Transport a watercraft without removing all drain plugs and draining all water from bilges, ballast tanks, and live wells.
- ▶ Release unused bait into the water.

*Violation of the law is a state civil infraction. Violators may be subject to fines.*

**Follow these steps:**

- 1. CLEAN** boats, trailers and equipment.
- 2. DRAIN** live wells, bilges and all water.
- 3. DRY** boats and equipment.

Aquatic invasive species such as zebra mussels and Eurasian watermilfoil are often introduced and spread through recreational boating and angling activities and can have long lasting negative impacts such as reduced native species diversity, waterways choked with weeds and reduced opportunities for fishing, boating and swimming. Fortunately, boaters can help prevent the spread of invasive species with just a few simple steps.

- ▶ **INSPECT** boats, trailers and equipment and remove all mud, debris and aquatic plant material from trailers and watercraft before launching or retrieving a watercraft. Use a hose or power washer when available and dry all equipment thoroughly before leaving the access area.
- ▶ **DRAIN** live wells, bilges and all water from boats before leaving the access site. Disinfect live wells and bilges with a bleach solution (1/2 cup bleach to 5 gallons of water) when possible. Fish diseases and microscopic life stages of aquatic invasive species can be hiding in seemingly clean water, so draining is an important step.
- ▶ **DISPOSE** of unused bait in the trash. Do not release bait into the water. Release of bait and minnows can lead to the unintended introduction of aquatic invasive species.
- ▶ **DO NOT TRANSFER FISH** to water bodies other than where they were caught. This helps prevent the spread of both aquatic invasive species and fish diseases.

Inspection points on boats, trailers, and vehicles for aquatic invasive species decontamination.

## MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASING TO \$40 beginning fiscal year 2019-2020...

As mentioned in the March 2019 Issue of the Waterline, the lake reps voted at their February 11, 2019 lake association board meeting, to raise the annual dues from \$35 to \$40 effective with our new fiscal year which begins September 1, 2019.

The thought behind raising the dues is...When the WCLA Association was formed many, many, years ago it was mainly to keep our lakes "Private" meaning the state or local government could not install a public access. At that time \$35 per property was cheap insurance to prevent this. Then the WCLA included handling lake quality issues, overseeing weed treatments and such.

As you all are aware, the WCLA does so much more, like the Annual Golf Outing, Progressive Kayaking, Monthly Get Together's, fish planting and so on, all for the same \$35 per year as when the Association started. While our budget is in good shape, WCLA would like it to stay that way so it can offer more activities in the future. The extra \$5 per year will generate approximately \$1,000 and will be used to fund those activities.

The 2019-2020 Membership Form is being updated and will be available on our website by Sept 1, 2019.

## ELVIS IMPERSONATOR ON WOODBECK LAKE (south shore) SATURDAY, JULY 6...

Elvis is coming back for a repeat performance...once again we are all looking forward to his music, the gathering of friends, boats tied up together, jumping from one to another greeting your friends, great laughs, soaking in the sun and much more, so mark your calendar.

We don't have the specific time as yet (2:00p or 3:00p), but as soon as I know, an email blast will be sent out and will also be posted on our FB page. So "follow us" on FB to get updated information.



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**WCLA Committees:** Committees were established to challenge the board to become more dynamic with Committee activities. Each committee designated a chair person that will lead their group and bring ideas to each Board meeting for discussion and vote. As you will see in our “Calendar of Events” page, (in this Waterline Issue) we have a good full year of activities.

As you will see below, Nan Holmes has her plate full being Chairperson to numerous committees and could use your help! If you would like to volunteer and be part of any of these committees, contact the chairperson of that committee. **Volunteers are always needed and always welcomed...**your input and contribution is valuable!

**Woodbeck Chain of Lakes Association - Committee Roster**

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chairperson</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>e-mail address</u>
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**WATERLINE NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION DATES...**

The Waterline Newsletter is published 3 times a year, March, June and September and sent via e-mail.

WCLA Reminders & Other Information (aka e-mail blasts) is intended just to refresh our memories & keeping you up to date. We are all so busy that we sometimes just forget. Please let me know if your email address has changed so I can update the database. Send to Gloria Gibson dggibson12435@gmail.com

**SOCIAL GET TOGETHERS**

The monthly social get togethers bring our lake friends together to catch up, laugh, enjoy a few drinks and good food with friends and to meet new ones...mark your calendars for the next one:

**Thursday, June 20, Clifford Lake Inn  
561 Clifford Lake Dr, Stanton – 6:15p**

**Weather permitting, we will be seated outside on the deck**

You can find the full 2019 social get together schedule in our “Calendar of Events” included in this Waterline but could also be found on our WCLA website: <http://www.woodbeckchainoflakes.com/calendar.html>

## LILY PAD CONTROL

WCLA board members have received numerous calls concerning lily pad control. The following is a general review of what PLM, our lake management company is allowed by DNR to do, to help control lily pads. It must be noted that these plants are native species, thus PLM is limited in what action they can take.

1. Only a 40' x 40' area can be sprayed on any given water front lot. The spray is a contact defoliant. It is designed to kill the surface leaves. We had our first spraying this past Monday. There will be more later this summer as the plants sprout new leaves.
2. There is a different rule for lake lots set back a considerable distance from open water. A 20' wide path can be maintained by using a systemic spray which kills the plant's roots, so that there is lake access by boat.
3. Please remember that good plant life is needed for having a good quality lakes. The plants reduce shoreline erosion, make good cover for fish and thus help create good fishing. Many plants support food and cover for many forms of wildlife. We have a very good lake system. Lets keep it that way.

If you have any questions, please contact Bob Darvill, Chairman Lake Quality at 269-267-7692.

## WCLA ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER, SATURDAY, AUGUST 24<sup>TH</sup>

Please mark your calendar to attend the WCLA Annual meeting and Dinner.

The annual meeting will review the activities of the past year and seek input from the members for next year. We will hold elections for Lake Reps for each lake and encourage you to consider becoming a representative for your lake.

Date: Saturday, Aug. 24, 2019

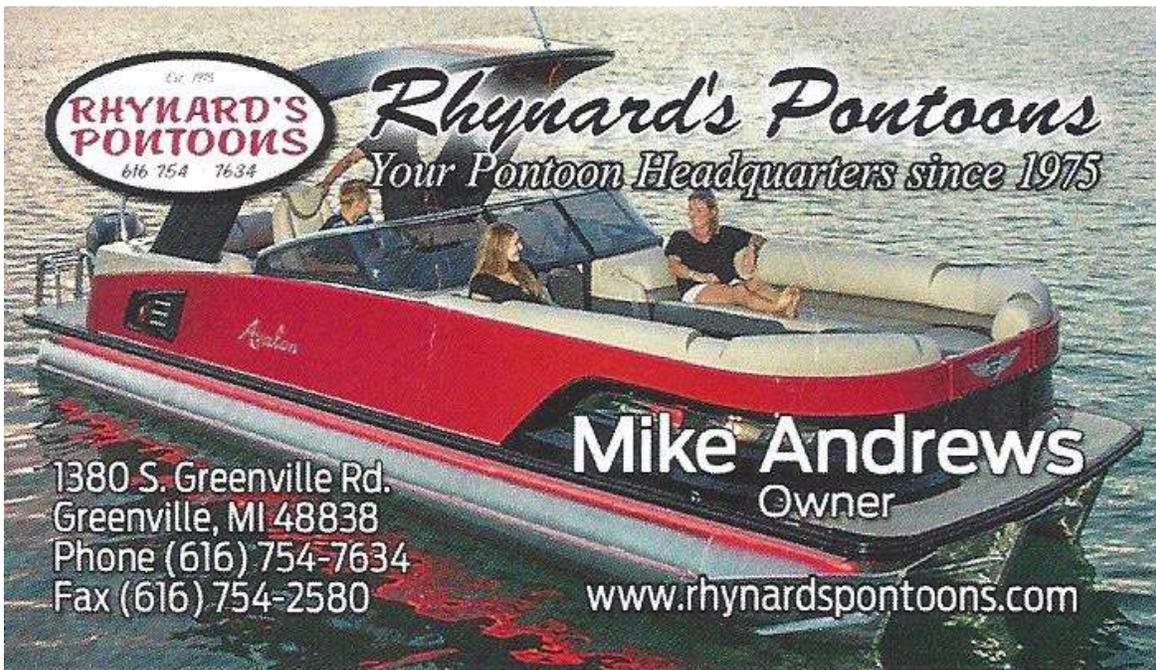
Time: 4:30p-5:00p- Social Half Hour

5:00p-6:00p- Annual Meeting and Election of Lake Reps

6:15p – Time to Eat

Place: Camp Greenwood

Cost: Free to all WCLA paid members and family



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Jon/Ruthanne Kohn, Thomas Lake having an awesome fishing season, blue gills above, walleyes below with Marv and D!!!



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**2019 Calendar of Events (mark your calendars!)**

Thursday	24-Jan	Social Get-Together @ Flo's - 6:15 p.m.
Monday	11-Feb	Board Meeting at Camp Greenwood, 7:00p.m.
Sat & Sun	16-Feb	Free Fishing Weekend
Tuesday	19-Feb	Social Get-Together @ 57 Brew Pub & Bistro - 6:15 p.m.
Tuesday	21-Mar	Social Get-Together @ Winter Inn Restaurant - 6:15 p.m.
Week of	8-Apr	Lake Treatment - Spring Water Quality Sampling
Monday	15-Apr	Board Meeting at Camp Greenwood, 7:00p.m.
Tuesday	16-Apr	Social Get-Together @ Turk Lake Restaurant - 6:15 p.m.
Week of	6-May	Lake Treatment - Spring Vegetation Survey
Week of	13-May	Lake Treatment - Weed & Algae
Thursday	23-May	Social Get-Together @ El Rancho Restaurant - 6:15 p.m.
Saturday	1-Jun	Pancake Breakfast - Camp Concordia - 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Sat & Sun	8-Jun	Free Fishing Weekend
Week of	10-Jun	Lake Treatment - Weed & Algae
Thursday	20-Jun	Social Get-Together @ Clifford Lake Inn - Stanton - 6:15 p.m.
Thursday	4-Jul	4th of July Boat Parade
Saturday	6-Jul	Elvis in the House! Woodbeck Lake, (south shore) - 2:00 or 3:00 p.m.
Monday	8-Jul	Board Meeting at Location TBD, 7:00p.m.
Week of	8-Jul	Lake Treatment - Weed & Algae & E-Coli Testing
Tuesday	16-Jul	Social Get-Together @ Candlestone - Water Tower Grille, Belding - 6:15 p.m. - the deck overlooking the golf course has been reserved for our group
Saturday	20-Jul	Adult Progressive Kayak Excursion - See June 2019 Waterline for details
Saturday	27-Jul	WCLA 5th Annual Golf Outing-4-Person Scramble, Cedar Chase Golf Course, 9:00a
Week of	5-Aug	Lake Treatment - Weed & Algae, Purple Loosestrife
Week of	19-Aug	Lake Treatment - AVAS, WQ
Saturday	24-Aug	Annual meeting, Election & Dinner, Free to all WCLA members, 4:30pm Social Time, 5:00pm Meeting, 6:15 Dinner, @ Camp Greenwood
Monday	9-Sep	Board Meeting at Camp Greenwood, 7:00p.m.
Tuesday	17-Sep	Social Get-Together @ Smyrna Bar, Belding - 6:15 p.m.
Tuesday	15-Oct	Social Get-Together @ Turk Lake Restaurant- Greenville - 7:00 p.m.
Thursday	21-Nov	Social Get-Together @ Winter Inn Restaurant - 6:15 p.m.
Saturday	7-Dec	Christmas Party @ - Location TBD- 6:00 p.m - 10:00p
Sunday	15-Dec	Cookie Exchange - 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.- location TBD

This "Calendar of Events" can also be viewed at WCLA's website:  
<http://www.woodbeckchainoflakes.com/calendar.html>

## WCLA CAN KOOZIE AND BOTTLE INSULATOR

Koozie's and bottle insulators, prepared by Nesting Owl Creations, are still available, all with WCLA logo.

Anyone interested in ordering the koozie or bottle insulators may do so by using the following on line Order Form link...

<http://bit.ly/WCLAOrder>



### Prices:

- 17oz stainless steel water bottles w/ decal - \$18
- 17oz stainless steel water bottle etched - \$20
- 25oz stainless steel water bottle w/ decal - \$20
- 25oz stainless steel water bottle etched - \$22
- 34oz stainless steel water bottle w/ decal - \$30

**Available water bottle colors: white, orange, black, mint green, blue, purple**

Navy blue stainless steel bottle insulator with bottle opener etched - \$20

Navy blue can koozies - \$6.00

**Payment will be due upon delivery**

Contact Rebecca McIntyre at 616-889-8621 or [rebeccmc@gmail.com](mailto:rebeccmc@gmail.com) or order online at

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### PLM NOTICE 2019 TREATMENT SCHEDULE

**Please watch your shoreline for a green or yellow sign for restrictions on the use of treated water for swimming, watering lawns, etc**

**Woodbeck Chain of Lakes** has been scheduled for the week of:

Date	Description	Date	Description
4/8/2019	Spring Water Quality Sampling	7/8/2019	Weed & Algae, E.Coli Testing
5/6/2019	Spring Vegetation Survey	8/5/2019	Weed & Algae, Purple Loosestrife
5/13/2019	Weed & Algae	8/19/2019	AVAS, WQ
6/10/2019	Weed & Algae		

**Photo by Robin Sheel..sun setting just right on the trees reflecting on the water – Woodbeck Lake**



# 2019 WCLA Boat Launch Use Dates at Camp Concordia (always check website for updated changes)

## WCLA Boat Launch Use Dates

The boat launch at Camp Concordia is NOT open to the general public. Camp Concordia (CC) is a non-profit children's summer camp. Church groups, school groups and family reunions who are registered guests at Camp Concordia will schedule times to put in and remove their boats - but access is limited for the safety of our children.

The Woodbeck Chain-of-Lakes Association (WCLA) has a special agreement with Camp Concordia to assist members in getting their boats in and out of the lakes. **CC does NOT get paid for WCLA members use of its private land.** It is offered as a neighborly gesture to WCLA paid members who follow the procedures as requested. Donations to continue this relationship are appreciated and are tax-deductible.

\*What do we mean by "following the procedures as requested"? Members of WCLA have cut the lock, broken the lock with a hammer, yelled at CC staff, shown up without telling us, left property gates open, left ramp lock unlocked "for a friend," bent the posts at the launch, hit the dock and not fixed it. These are examples of NOT following procedures.

In respect for the property of Camp Concordia, to ensure the safety of the children on site during the times of organized events, and to continue our good relationship; the Camp Concordia Board of Directors asks that the members of the WCLA kindly follow these guidelines for the use of the boat launch in 2019.

**Allowable Times:** The boat launch will be available on the dates listed on the calendar for WCLA members who follow the procedures below.

**May 2019 - October 2019**  
**(Notify Camp Concordia 24 hours in advance)**

<b>M</b> = Morning	8am-12noon	(example <b><u>20 M</u></b> )
Number = All Day	8am-8pm	(example <b><u>21</u></b> )
<b>E</b> = Evening	5pm-8pm	(example <b><u>22 E</u></b> )
BLANK	Not available	

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					<b>14 E</b>	15
						<b>29 E</b>

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<b>JUL</b>						
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<b>11 E</b>	12	13	14	15	16	
<b>25 E</b>						

## 2019 WCLA Boat Launch Use Dates at Camp Concordia...continue

### Boat Launch Use Procedure

(Notify Camp Concordia 24 hours in advance)

1. Be sure you have the current **combination** for the lock. You have received this as a member. If you do not have it contact your Lake Association Board of Directors representative.

2. Be sure to have your **membership card** on the driver's side dash.

3. **Contact** Camp Concordia *in advance (at least the day before)* when you plan to use CC's boat launch. Phone 616-754-3785, or email, [office@camconcordia.org](mailto:office@camconcordia.org), (<mailto:office@camconcordia.org>) with following information:

1. Your **name**
2. Your **phone number**
3. **Day and time** you plan to launch or pick up – or the company delivering or picking up your craft (example: May 20th at 6:00 pm)
4. **Color, make, and model of the vehicle(s)** camp staff will see on camp and/or the name of the company delivering your craft (example: Blue Jeep Wrangler). If you need to bring additional vehicles, they **MUST** also be identified.
5. Leave a message if no one answers.

**Example: “Hi! My name is John Smith. My phone number is 616.123.4567. I will launch my boat May 21, at about 6:00 pm. I will be driving a White, Chevy Suburban.”**

4. **Check the Boat Launch Calendar** for dates and times when the Boat Launch will be available for use by members of the Lake Association and enter Camp only during the available times.

Here is the link to the 2019 Boat Launch Use Dates at Camp Concordia’s website:

<http://www.camconcordia.org/wcla-information.html>  
(you may need to copy and paste link to your browser)

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<b>15 E</b>	16	17	18	19	<b>20 M</b>	
<b>22 E</b>	23	24	25	26	27	28
<b>29 E</b>	30					

S	M	T	W	R	F	S
OCT		1	2	3	4	5
<b>6 E</b>	7	8				12
<b>13 E</b>	14	15	16	17	18	19
<b>20 E</b>						

1. Abide by the 10mph speed limit and directional signs
2. ALWAYS close the gate behind you **on the way in and on the way out.**
3. Back your boat trailer in, (do NOT pull your vehicle up the hill as it damages the property.)
4. Replace the Association Lock and wire when finished.

5. If any **damage** is accidentally incurred to the property, or you see any suspicious activity, please contact the Camp Director at 616-754-3785.

