Hello Friends and Neighbors,

I think Mother Nature has been a bit confused...beautiful fall colors with summer time temperatures! I'm not complaining because it's Michigan and we know this weather won't last. Hopefully you are all enjoying a few last boat rides before they go into storage for the winter. If you are, you may have noticed the reflector stakes posted in the shallow area of the channel between Banks and Thomas Lake. Boats are getting stuck there because they didn't realize how shallow it was in that particular area. The stakes are temporary and we will be working on a better way to alert boaters for next spring.

Many of you have been sharing your thoughts and ideas in regards to what you would like to see for the association over the next year and I LOVE IT!! Great things can happen from tossing around little ideas. A successful association is one in which the board supports what all of you want to see. You all have ideas and perspectives that are needed and valued by the board. The best way to convey them is to be active within the association. Attending the board meetings is a great first step to hearing about what the board is working on, to share your thoughts and to participate. A little time volunteering makes a huge difference in what we can accomplish together. I am confident you will not only feed your soul by volunteering, but you will make new friends and have a great time doing it. The next board meeting is Monday, November 8th at 7pm at Camp Greenwood. I absolutely want you to attend!!

Speaking of Camp Greenwood, don't forget to lace up those walking or running shoes and get a little fresh air and exercise in a super fun way! The Camp Greenwood Gator Shuffle 5k Run/Walk/Hike is happening October 16th. You can get the details on the Woodbeck Chain of Lakes Facebook page. I'll see you there!

In addition to that, there are two other great events for you to join in on! The social dinner's at 6:15pm on Tuesday, October 12th at Turk Lake. We are going to eat, drink, laugh and enjoy great company! Don't forget to RSVP to Nan Holmes at holmes.nanette@gmail.com.

Next, Norm and I would like to invite all of you to the First Annual Cornhole-Chili Cookoff!! Yes, that's right! Show off your culinary skills and join in on some friendly cornhole competition on Saturday, November 6th. The fun starts at 1pm. It might be “chilly” as we eat “chili” but we will have plenty of areas to warm up as you need to. Dress warm and get ready for a great time. Although this is not a lake sponsored event, there will be a 50/50 raffle and the proceeds will go to the association to support social events for the next year. There may be a few other surprises as well! Please RSVP to davidsonwendi@gmail.com by November 1st. Also, if you have cornhole boards you are willing to let us use let me know.

That’s it for now...I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the board meeting, the social dinner, the camp run and the Cornhole-Chili Cookoff!
Stay healthy, stay safe and smile!

Respectfully,
Wendi Davidson
WCLA President