



Compass Rose

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Message from the President

Dear Members,

We recently completed our 3rd public meeting, and I would like to say thank you to all who attended. Also, thanks to our speakers from Lakeshore Towing Services and Captain Paul Greiner

All members were emailed a Lakeshore Towing mailer and membership form. Two items to consider: they have unlimited towing and your membership helps support a local business and by doing so, will help ensure that they can continue their services to our community. Having a towing service may benefit you some day, or someone you know. A membership also makes a great gift to a fellow boater.

Eric also explained the services they can provide at Wolverine Marina. Including early season and late season dock rentals to fishermen. He also informed us that they recently were given the former McAllister Marina docks to manage.

Captain Paul Greiner gave a very informative boater safety presentation. Paul did a very good job and I for one was reminded how important boater safety is. This is a topic we all should probably place more emphasis on it!

Reminder: Our Spring Trout Challenge will be on April 14th and registration deadline is April 12th. Must register on line. Also, there is an additional \$500 for the 1st place team. Teams must fish the Spring Trout to qualify for the Trout Cup.

At our April meeting, we will have the PFBC presenting on the state of the fishery. These are very informative presentations, and anyone interested in our fishery should consider attending. So, come on and hear what they have to say and catch up on all the latest fishery information.!

Sharp Hooks,

Captain Pete Alex

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Current Events:

The EPSFA will be doing some club fundraising this next year:

Raffle #1: Up to 5-person Lake Erie fishing charter aboard the **Black Top** with Captain Ken Nulph. Value \$800. \$10.00 per ticket

Raffle #2: Tackle prize package. Value: more than \$1,200.00. Cost: \$10.00 per ticket

Tickets are available at: our meetings, FishUSA, EPSFA tourneys, EPSFA.com, and from BOD.

- **Spring Trout Challenge: April 14th, 2019**
- **Pro AM: August 10th and 11th, 2019**
- **Fall Trout Challenge: October 20th, 2019**
(there will be an overall Trout Cup Champion)

Member News

- Through an anonymous donation, \$3,000 was added into this year's tournament payout. \$500 will be added to the winner's paycheck for the Spring and Fall Trout Challenges, and overall Trout Cup winner, \$1,000 to Open division and \$500 to AM division Summer Slam winners!
- Memberships are up for renewal for many of you. They can be renewed on our website. By becoming a member, you become part of a larger voice and are supporting the activities and agenda we represent and stand for. Remember-----**NO MEMBERS=No Voice**
- Want to donate? EPSFA is accepting donations through our membership registration page on our website.
- **Lakeshore Towing has \$5 discount to all EPSFA members.**
- The EPSFA has a face book page. Do you? If not, you can still find us and read what we have to say and look at our events-even though you do not have a FB page.

MEETING SCHEDULE:

Location: 4109 West 12th Street

Meeting at American Legion

April 16th, 2019 7:00 pm

**Note: all our winter meetings are open to non-members as well as members. We also welcome spouses and children.*

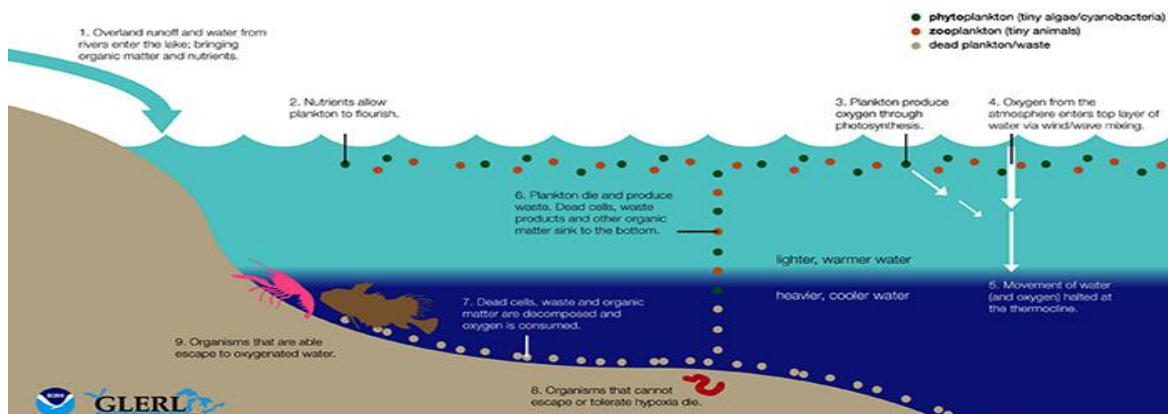
**Food and beverages are available, and folks can dine in on the member's side (west). Please stay on west side (bar/dining room) until 6:15 or so. The BOD will be meeting on the east side prior to our public meeting.*

EPSFA Speakers, Activity & Events: April Meeting: PA Fish and Boat

The DEAD ZONE

hypoxic zones, sometimes called [dead zones](#) by the news media, develop in response to nutrients and algae):

- Nutrients — nitrogen and phosphorous — run off into waters.
- Algae feed on the nutrients and increase in numbers.
- As algae die, they sink to the deep waters in large numbers.
- Decomposition of the dead algae requires oxygen. That pulls oxygen from the water, lowering the dissolved oxygen levels even lower, with regions of hypoxia developing. Hypoxia is the condition where oxygen becomes too low to support most life in the water.



Source: NOAA GLERL <https://www.glerl.noaa.gov/pubs/brochures/HypoxiaDiagram.png>

EPSFA Mission Statement:

The EPSFA was formed to educate, enhance and protect the sport fishing in Pennsylvania, especially in Lake Erie, Presque Isle Bay and its tributaries. To that end, we have established goals which we believe will define our organization's activities by their significant diversity. We welcome and invite you!