

Our Neighborhood Association...

Dedicated to the preservation of our beautiful slice of heaven!

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Upcoming Events

June 1, 2024: Board Meeting @ 10 a.m.*

June 15, 2024: Deadline to submit a Letter of Intent or recommend a candidate to join the NCBA Pentwater Board of Trustees

July 27, 2024: Board Meeting @ 9 a.m. followed by Annual Member Meeting, 11 a.m.*

**All summer meetings will be held at Centenary United Methodist Church, 82 Hancock St., Pentwater. All members are welcome to attend, in-person or remotely via Zoom.*

Dear Neighbors,

This spring we celebrate a new chapter for our neighborhood association. Most of the formal work is behind us and we expect the legal transition from NCBA to NCBA Pentwater to be complete by our June 1 Board meeting. Our focus can now return to our long tradition of building community and neighborly harmony, and protecting the natural environment we all love.

Each cottage owner within the traditional boundaries of NCBA received an invitation to join NCBA Pentwater mailed to the address of owner we have on file in early April. I hope each of you will choose to be part of our network of neighbors who work together to provide essential services and educational resources. Email ncbatrustees@gmail.com if you have questions about becoming a member.

Sincerely,

David Reynolds, for the Board

Jeff Johnson

Linda McClelland

Rob Turk

Martha Wagner Weinberg



**6/15, 10 am - 5 pm &
6/16, 10 am - 3 pm**
**Over 100 artist booths,
music and food!**

Don't forget to join NCBA Pentwater!

Each cottage owner within the traditional NCBA boundaries received an invitation to join NCBA Pentwater by mail in early April. If you plan to join and have not already done so, please mail your dues of \$200 to PO Box 11, Pentwater, 49449 **by June 1.**

Questions? Email ncbatrustees@gmail.com

Limited Access Dune Community (LADC) Forum

Our beach neighborhood is considered by public safety agencies as a "Limited Access Dune Community" or LADC. Responding to emergencies in LADCs represents a unique challenge.

Members are encouraged to attend an upcoming event that will allow attendees to connect directly with local leaders of public safety, and learn about the fire, EMS & law enforcement agencies that cover our area.

WHEN: Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 10:00 AM

WHERE: Epworth Heights Marine Dining Room, 1161 N Lakeshore Dr, Ludington

PARKING INSTRUCTIONS: Please:

- Stop at the guard gate to receive your event pass and map.
- If able, park at the Auditorium parking lot and follow signage to the Marine Dining Room. Limited public parking, including handicap parking, is available near the event building.
- Park only in unmarked or undesignated spots.

RSVP REQUIRED: Call or e-mail Connie Blaauw: cblaauw@mason-oceana911.org (231) 869-7911



Can Emergency Services Find You?

While many of us have fond memories of the posts containing an array colorful, creative name signs in the old days, it was not an effective way for emergency vehicles to find us. We all benefit from the consistent, readable name and address signage created and maintained by NCBA volunteers.

As an added protection, **we encourage you to create a Smart 911 account**, which allows you to provide important details about yourself, your family and anything relevant to locating your property. When you contact 9-1-1, call-takers can instantly see your given information, including address, medical and mental conditions, photos and details about your location and pets. This allows for faster, more accurate dispatch and drastically reduced response times. Click here: [Smart911 account](#)



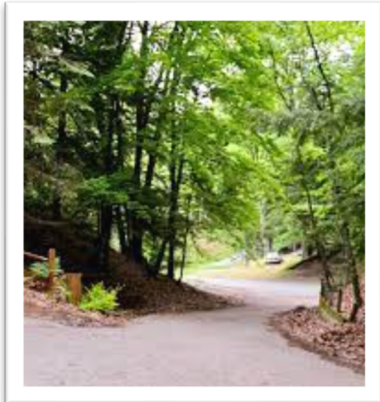
Seven Board Seats to Fill in July

The transition to our NEW voluntary neighborhood association is complete, and the by-laws of NCBA Pentwater approved by members last summer require that the Board of Trustees will consist of seven members.

Any dues-paying member may "throw their hat in the ring" or suggest someone else to serve on the Board. A Nominating Committee (appointed by the current Board) is tasked with reviewing all potential candidates and recommending a slate of seven. At the Annual Meeting on July 27, members will vote for up to seven nominees (from the slate and/or nominated at the meeting from the floor) to serve on the board.

Watch your inbox for a message from the Nominating Committee in the days ahead. Details about how to become or suggest a candidate and a job description will be provided.

Questions? Email Peg Barbour:
pegbarb1@aol.com



Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (HWA) Reminders and Resources

Please help protect our forest. All hemlocks that have not been treated for HWA will die within the next decade, resulting in habitat destruction, loss of scenic beauty, property damage and increased fire hazards. Options:

- Sign up for at-cost treatment with the Muskegon Conservation District. Go to www.muskegoncd.org or contact Lance McCarty at lance.mccarty@macd.org
- Hire a private contractor. To request a list, email ncbatrustees@gmail.com

Trash service...

is a benefit of being part of NCBA Pentwater. Let's all do our part to make sure our dumpsters don't become overfull. We've all seen the aftermath resulting from trash being left on top or by a full dumpster that has been torn apart and scattered by animals -- that becomes everyone's problem.

Please:

- If the dumpster is full, do not leave your bags outside the dumpster. Wait until it is emptied. Go to [NCBA PW](#) to learn current pick-up day.
- Items like building materials, inflatable beach toys, and old furniture need to be hauled to the transfer station. For most up-to-date info: [CLICK HERE](#)
- Flatten any cardboard boxes and recycling of paper, cardboard, tin, aluminum and glass at the transfer station is strongly encouraged.
- **Inform your renters, guests and any contractors working on your cottage that the dumpsters are for bagged household trash only.**



Message from the NCBACO Working Group

The Working Group sent an email containing information about the survey responses and next steps for meeting public access requirements to CO land on April 25. In case you missed it, you can read it [here](#).

The CO land in the southeast corner of the NCBA territory is scheduled to be surveyed between May 28 and June 14. The boundaries of the CO land will be determined in preparation for the short loop trail in that area.

Jay Goldner, Sue Johnson, Diane Jones-Palm, Fred Kooistra, and Carolyn Newberry Schwartz are continuing to serve as Working Group members in an advisory capacity to the CO Board. They will continue to act as a sounding board, help to refine the current proposals for public access to CO land, and work to ensure that the diverse perspectives and experiences of the NCBA community members are considered in the ongoing work of the CO to deliver its mission and to meet Michigan State requirements for qualified conservation organizations. Watch for updates!

Member “to-do” reminders:

- **Join NCBA Pentwater by June 1:** Your invitation was sent to the primary address on file via USPS in March. Mail your dues payment of \$200 to NCBA Pentwater, P.O. Box 11, Pentwater, 49449
- **Visit out website:** <https://ncbapentwater.org> Create a member account to stay connected, access all resources and documents (e.g. survey results, meeting minutes, complete By-laws). See the “vendor recommendation” page to submit or seek a recommendation of a trusted local service provider.

Want more information?

About NCBA/NCBA Pentwater:

Email ncbatrustees@gmail.com

Visit NCBA Pentwater website: [NCBA PW](https://ncbapentwater.org)

About NCBA Conservation Organization:

Email ncbacoptw@gmail.com

Visit CO website: A NEW website is currently under construction!

NCBA/NCBA Pentwater Newsletter: Comments, questions, suggestions for future content? Email ncbaac@gmail.com Editors: Jeff Johnson, Sue Eilert- Johnson, Patty Schwartz “Non-business” items welcome!

*You have received this quarterly newsletter because your contact information is on file with NCBA as an owner/co-owner of a cottage within the traditional boundaries of NCBA.
Future newsletters will be sent to those who choose to join NCBA Pentwater.*



NCBA PENTWATER CORE VALUES: collaboration, connection, transparency, inclusiveness, integrity and accountability

MISSION STATEMENT: NCBA Pentwater is an inclusive and collaborative association which provides services, resources, and support to all who live or work in, or visit our community. We strive to work together and in partnership with NCBA Conservation Organization and other area organizations to meet communal needs, preserve the residential character of our community, and protect our natural environment.