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# KEEP UP ON WHAT'S HAPPENING

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#### 2025 UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

- April 12, 2025 (On or Around) | Install Tennis/Pickle Ball Net
- April 12, 2025 (On or Around) | Install Boat Ramp Dock
- April 26, 2025 | Spring Clean-Up | 10:00 AM 12:00 PM
   Schworm Park Pavilion
- May 12, 2025 | Jeffery Tweedie Memorial Blood Drive
   10:30 AM 6:30 PM Landscape Management Offices
- May 17, 2025 | Spring General Meeting | 10:00 AM Schworm Park Pavilion
- May 31, 2025 | Annual Membership Payments Due
- June 7, 2025 | Peninsula Garage Sale | 9:00 AM 4:30 PM DLPSA Provides Record-Eagle Ads June 5th 7th
- June 20, 2025 | Summer Solstice Celebration | 8:00 PM Sunset Beach Park
- July 4, 2025 | Peninsula Parade | 10:00 AM Start Schworm Park
- July 19, 2025 | Annual DLPSA Picnic | 3:00 PM 10:00 PM Schworm Park | This is a community event open to all Peninsula residents, their families and quests. Special thanks to Jeff Beaton, Tom Fabatz & Mike Tokie.
- September 6, 2025 | Annual Meeting | 10:00 AM Schworm Park Pavilion
- September 22, 2025 | Autumnal Equinox Meet & Greet | 7:00 PM Sunset Beach Park
- October 31, 2025 | Trunk-or-Treat | 6:00 PM 8:00 PM
   Schworm Park
- November 1, 2025 | Removal of Tennis/Pickle Ball Net
- November 8, 2025 | Removal of Boat Ramp Dock

# A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Duck Lake Peninsula Residents. As we welcome Spring, we look forward to seeing our neighbors, friends and community members out enjoying this wonderful place most of us call home. I'm hopeful all of you are enjoying life on the peninsula.

The annual Spring general meeting is set for Saturday, May 17th. We've changed the time of this meeting to 10:00 am. Please visit our website www.DLPSA.net periodically for events updates.

Spring brings everyone the opportunity to clean-up and spruce-up their yards. There are a number of resources available to dispose of unwanted yard waste. Please do not dispose of this waste, leaves, branches, twigs, pine needles, etc, into the lake or canal. Your Board has elected to organize a community volunteer clean-up day for our many parks. Any and all members available are encouraged to join us on Saturday, April 26, at 10:00 am, in this regard. We'll meet at the Schworm Park pavilion. Clean-up will mostly involve picking up branches, sticks and other material cluttering these parks. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

Everyone should have their invoice for our annual Association Dues for 2025-2026 from Treasurer, Kathy Bickel. Please provide payment by May 31, 2025. Please reachout to Kathy with any questions.

We have some potential significant expenditures needed to protect specific assets within our community, most specifically, a new roof on the Pavilion and functionality of our shuffleboard courts. We are soliciting donations to help cover these costs. Any additional funds you can provide for this are greatly appreciated.

The number one concern expressed by our community members continues to be speeding. Please do your part to closely monitor your speed while on our streets. If you notice chronic abusers of the 25 mph speed limit please provide me with a description of the vehicle and

license plate number, if possible. I'll work with the Sheriff's Dept. to try to address chronic speeders.

On behalf of myself and our Board Members, we strive to make your time on the Peninsula special and enjoyable. If you have thoughts to improve life on the Peninsula do not heasitate to bring it to our attention.

Have a great Spring and Summer!

#### **US-31 REBUILDING PROJECT**

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) plans to rebuild a 7.8-mile section of US-31 from Reynolds Road to Sullivan Road in 2025-2026. The proposed rebuilding project includes widening to improve pavement condition and safety with the addition of center left-turn lanes, rumble strips and access management where possible. Interlochen corners, the South Long Lake Road/J. Maddy Parkway intersection will be rebuilt as a two-lane roundabout.

We also understand there will be a focus to make the intersection where East Duck Lake Road meets US-31 much safer. The addition of a dedicated right-turn lane on northbound US-31, realigned East Duck Road to reduce the curve there and grading/flattening improvements are planned.

Work in the Summer & Fall of 2025 will focus on preparing the detour roads that will be used while US-31 is closed most of 2026. Detour roads include Gonder (off US-31), Riley, J. Maddy Pkwy/Karlin, Youker and County Road 633. Temporary traffic signals will be placed at the intersections of Riley & J. Maddy Pkwy, Karlin & Youker, as well as Youker & County Road 633.

Scan this QR code for the project page and interactive map:



#### YOUR BOARD MEMBERS



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#### RESIDENT DIRECTORIES

Please refer to our website DLPSA.net



# WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS!

**Carr, Holly** 3897 Peninsular Shores Drive

Hanczewski, Marc & Whitney 4307 East Shore Drive

Ross, Marco & MaKenzie 3801 Central Park Drive

**Sichender, William & Melissa** 3993 Peninsular Shores Drive

# SCHWORM PARK FACILITIES

The Tennis, Pickle Ball and Shuffleboard Courts are some of our premier assets on the Peninsula and need to be treated as such. These courts are for the explicit use of tennis, pickle ball or shuffleboard only. We've had instances where there have been children playing on the courts with bicycles, skateboards or other wheeled toys, which must be prohibited for their safety and protection of these valued properties. Everyone's assistance to assure there is no misuse of these courts is greatly appreciated.

### WANT TO RESERVE THE PARK PAVILION?

Schworm Park & the Pavilion are available to community members for special occasions. To reserve these assets look at the "General Information" page on DLPSA.net for open dates. Contact Ken Chamberlain at (517) 881-5594 or email kenc@fnwusers.com to reserve your date & time.

### IMPORTANT: HELP KEEP OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE!

The posted speed limit on all Peninsula roads, past the narrows, is 25 MPH. Our streets are our sidewalks. It's one of the many pleasures living on the Peninsula that is enjoyed by walkers, runners, cyclists, golf cars, pets on leashes, etc. Please do your part by watching your speed closely. Report any habitual speeders to the Grand Traverse Sheriff's Department and/or a Board member.

Commerciall traffic continues to increase as more & more residents do online shopping and make improvements to their property. If you have work being done at your address, especially with multiple contractors, please have conversations with the contractor(s) to closely monitor their speed on peninsula roads, as well.

Finally, speeding and disregarding stop signs on Central Park Drive, especially the intersection of Ivan Drive, which are private roads, have been reported as a major concern. There are many children along Central Park Drive. Please be sure to use caution on this road and obey the stop signs.

#### **BOAT LAUNCH USAGE**

We need all community members utilizing the Peninsula Boat Launch to be vigilent in securing the chain and lock. DO NOT HANDOUT YOUR KEY TO ANYONE! If you have an outside source delivering your boat or needing access to the launch to install your dock or hoist(s), you should meet them at the launch to unlock it. And, assure the lock is secured when they leave. You're welcome to have friends and other family members use our launch however, it is expected residents will accompany anyone in doing so.

Space for parking is limited. If you could consider taking your vehicle and trailer back to your residence it would be very helpful. We have identified parking for golf cars, if available, at the top of the launch. In those situations where that is not possible, please be respectful of the property owners near the launch and never block assess to any or our roads, especially Ivan Drive.

#### **EMERGENCY RESPONSE**

To assist needed ambulance, fire department and/or emergency response to your home, especially in the overnight hours, please place reflective house numbers near the road or near your mailbox post. Green & white reflective house number signs can be obtained from the Green Lake Township Fire & Rescue in Interlochen. There is a \$20 fee.

#### **DONATE BLOOD & SAVE LIVES**

The Jeffery Tweedie Memorial Blood Drive, son of Henri & Tom Fabatz, will be held Monday, May 12, from 10:30 am – 6:30 pm, at the Landscape Management Offices, 3143 Mason Road, Grawn, MI. The Drive Goal is 33 blood products. This drive is coordinated through Versiti Blood Center of Michigan. Be a part of the amazingly ONLY 5% of the population that donates blood. Versiti supplies much-needed blood to local hospitals in the community where it is donated. On behalf of Henri Fabatz, thank you for your support!

#### MISPLACED YOUR BOAT LAUNCH OR PARK FACILITIES KEY?

Contact Paul Johnson, (269) 767-1826 or pljohnsonl4723@comcast.net. Paul's address is 4076 Peninsular Shores Drive. If you can't get in touch with Paul his wife Cathy would be glad to assist at (269) 639-7999.

# LIFE ON DUCK LAKE AND THE PENINSULA



# KNOW THE BASICS PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

- 1. Always walk facing traffic and try to be as far away from the traffic as possible.
- 2. Be as visible as possible, especially during sunrise and sunset where glare can be problematic for drivers. Wear bright clothing during the day and reflective materials or lights/flashlight at night.
- 3. Keep alert at all times. Don't be distracted by electronic devices/cell phones that take your eyes or ears off the road or your surroundings.
- 4. Watch for vehicles in all directions including those turning left or right at our intersections.
- Never assume a driver sees you as there's a good chance they're not paying full attention.
   Try to make eye contact with drivers to assure you are being seen.
- 6. Watch for vehicles entering or exiting driveways.
- 7. Be mindful of the many golf cars traveling our streets.
- 8. Avoid anything that might impair your abilities or judgment when enjoying our streets.
- 9. If you see habitual speeders bring them to the attention of the Grand Traverse County Sheriffs Office by calling (231) 995-5000.



## SHORT-TERM RENTALS ARE PROHIBITED

One of the greatest concerns or potential annoyances to our community members is living next to a property that might be used as a short-term rental. Short-term rentals, less than 30 days, is in violation of both Section A & C of our Protective Covenants. Section A states "lots shall be used exclusively for residential purposes." Section C says "no commercial enterprise or business of any nature shall be carried on upon any lot nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood.

#### JOINING THE GREEN LAKE AND DUCK LAKE ASSOCIATION

We are very fortunate to have the Green Lake and Duck Lake Association (GLADLA) protecting our lake. And, equally fortunate to have two residents on the Peninsula on the Board of Directors of this Association. The GLADLA regularly tests water quality, monitors and treats the lakes for invasive weed species and provides community outreach & environmental education on water quality. Of course, funding is always an important aspect of maintaining a successful association. Please consider becoming a GLADLA Member with an annual donation of \$25. To become a member, visit their website at www.GLADLA.org. As a member you'll receive periodic newsletters on important related watershed information.

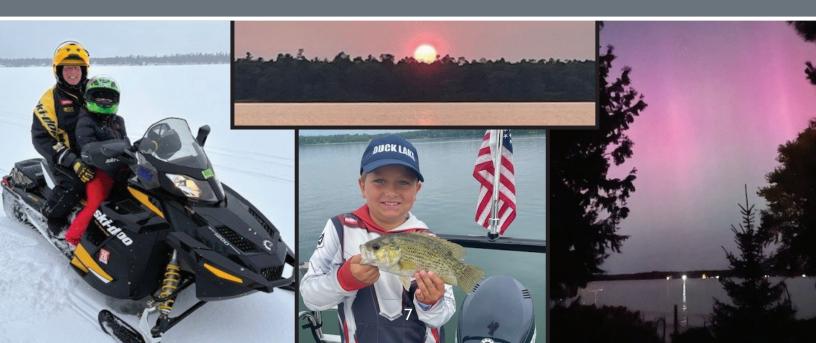
#### JULY 4TH PENINSULA PARADE

We're looking forward to our annual 4th of July parade around the Peninsula. This event just keeps getting better every year. We'll have continued support from the Green Lake Fire & Rescue Team, as well as the Grand Traverse Sheriffs Department. Everyone is welcome to participate whether on foot, bicycles, golf cars, classic automobiles, tractors, etc., proudly decorated in red, white and blue! Please join us at the Pavilion in Schworm Park no later than 9:45 am. The parade will start at 10:00 am. There will be refreshments. And, we'll provide candy for the kids to toss out along the route. We're always grateful to celebrate and recognize the many veterans in our community. We will, once again, have a wagon available for our veterans to ride on. If you're not able to join the parade, please come out on your street-side yard or driveway to cheer on those participating and salute our veterans.



#### MANAGING PETS ON THE PENINSULA

We've had complaints regarding dogs not on leashes and freely roaming Peninsula properties. The State of Michigan has a Leash Law that requires all dogs to be on a leash, which means the dog owner is required to enforce this law by keeping their animal securely on a leash and under control in public areas. Dog owners should also be reasonably responsible to clean up after their pets. There are dog clean-up bags available at all the Parks. These bags should be used and deposited in the owners trash, NOT LEFT ON PUBLIC PROPERTY ON THE PENINSULA! It should not be the responsibility of others to remove these filled bags from areas along the canal, at the boat launch or other access areas. C'mon dog owners, this should not be an issue!





#### **OBITUARIES**

**Beverly Marie Bodary**, "Bev," "Queenie," "Nana," 82, of Duck Lake Peninsula, and Lompoc, California, passed away December 25, 2024, after a fight with pancreatic cancer.

Bev graduated from Traverse City Central High School in 1960. She earned a Bachelors of Arts in Education in 1965 from Central Michigan University, and continued to earn a Masters in Special Education from Cal Lutheran University.

Bev married the love of her life, Daniel Andrew Bodary, "Danny," on January 26, 1963, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Southfield, Michigan. Bev and Dan piled everything they owned into their 1961 Ford Starliner and moved to Lompoc, California in August 1963 to take teaching jobs with Lompoc Unified School District. Bev taught at nearly every school in the Lompoc Unified School District over the years, from Kindergarten to Junior High / Middle School, as a Teacher, Special Education Teacher and Resource Specialist. Bev helped shape many lives during her 35-year teaching career.

Bev and Dan built their summer home on Duck Lake Peninsula in 1974, where they would spend their summers with sons Nate and Jon. This summer home became their residence when Bev retired from teaching in 2001, becoming "Snowbirds" returning to Lompoc in the winter months. Beverly is survived by her son, Jonathan Bodary, three grandchildren, two great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her husband of 58 years, Daniel Andrew Bodary, son, Nathan Bodary. who died October 31, 2015.



**Bobbie Lou Petoskey,** 77, of Grawn, Michigan, passed away peacefully at her home on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, with her loving family by her side.

Bobbie was born on April 22, 1947, in Roscommon, Michigan, to the late Robert and Anna Mae (Daroche) Sheppard. She graduated from Roscommon High School, where she met the love of her life, Peter Louis Petoskey. After high school, Bobbie attended Northern Michigan University before transferring to Michigan State University to be closer to Peter. They married on Christmas Day, December 25, 1969, and together lovingly raised three children.

As the wife of a colonel, Bobbie embraced the responsibilities of an officer's wife with grace and dedication. She enjoyed substitute teaching and was a talented Home Economics teacher, always ensuring her students and her

own children were well-prepared for life. Bobbie was also a gifted cook, known for her famous chili and her ability to turn Peter's bird-hunting hauls into delicious meals. In her younger years, Bobbie had a passion for fitness, especially racquetball and running. One of her greatest joys was spending time at the family cottage on West Twin Lake, where she loved playing Scrabble. A fiercely competitive player, she was known for her skill and determination in the game.

Bobbie is survived by her beloved husband of 55 years, Peter; her daughter, Elizabeth Petoskey; her son, Matt Petoskey; and her grandchildren, Alex and Addison. She is also survived by her beloved dog Susie. She was preceded in death by her son Peter Louis Petoskey III.



**Cathy Gray**, November 19, 1947 – October 23, 2024. A beloved mother, grandmother and great grandmother, age 76, of Grawn, MI met her Lord and Savior on Wednesday, October 23, 2024, after struggling with Parkinson's Disease.

Cathy was born in New York. She was a devoted healthcare professional and a leader in both state and national multi-discipline neonatalogy. Her life's mission was to ensure both mothers and babies, specifically those born prematurely, had every opportunity. She loved her family with every ounce of her being. She wanted to make sure everyone around her thrived. Cathy loved to make handmade crafts, kayak Michigan rivers and bike. Annually, she knitted and crocheted Christmas hats for newborns in Manatee County, Florida. Disney was a yearly part of her Florida life, where she enjoyed her

retirement 50% of the year. Cathy Gray was a devout Catholic who supported many charities.

She is survived by her daughters; Laurie Gray, Kristin (Joseph) Duncan, three grandchildren and two great grandchildren, brother, William "Bill" (Angie) Rothberg and lifelong friend Marjorie "Diana" Stephens who continues to reside on Duck Lake Peninsula.



## PARK BENCHES MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITY

We have a number of benches at our various parks and along the canal that are available to have a Memorial Plaque placed on them. To encourage use of this opportunity, we have reduced the price to \$250 for 2025. If interested, please contact Kathy Bickel or Ken Schonhoff. You can provide the copy for the plaque and choose from the available benches where you would like your memorial to be placed. If you would like to see some examples, there are benches at Sandy Shores, North Beach and South Beach Parks, as well as near the Tennis Court that contain plaques

