

Hardwood Lake Property Owners Association



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Summer 2005



A sign has been purchased by the Lake Association. It will be placed on Henderson Lake Road next to the lake outlet. The Sowa's have agreed to having the sign placed on their property. It should be in place by the end of July.

Lake Association dues of \$15 are now payable. A renewal form is enclosed with this newsletter.

Please mail your check or bring it to the picnic.

Lake News

Picnic and meeting

The Hardwood Lake Property Owners Association Annual Picnic is scheduled for Saturday, July 30, 2005 at the home of Ed and Sheryl Sowa at 3047 S. Henderson Lake Rd. beginning at 5 p.m. Bring a dish to pass and tableware. Meat & pop will be provided.

The picnic is open to all association members and their families. If you have guests visiting, bring them also.

Following the picnic there will be a short association meeting. Election for the office of President and Directors for the association will be held. Please consider running for a position.

Weed control

A public hearing was held last summer to determine the practicability of continuing the nuisance aquatic plant control for an additional four-year

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LAKE NEWS (from front)

period. The plan consists of nuisance aquatic plant control, inspection and oversight, administration and contingencies.

There was support from residents at the meeting and the weed control project will continue for the next four years.

Last year the entire lake was treated to control the non-native weeds. This year there will be maintenance and algae control treatments. The next full lake treatment is scheduled for 2008.

The annual cost for weed control is about \$18,000.

Wood Duck houses

Wood Duck houses were set up by Jim Macheliski in several locations around Hardwood Lake. He checks and cleans the houses in late winter when ice is still on the lake.

The wood duck is a colorful water bird that lives in forests of southern Canada and throughout wooded areas of the United States. Most wood ducks are found in the eastern half of North



America, but some live along the Pacific Coast. The lowland forests along the Mississippi River provide excellent habitats for wood ducks.

Male wood ducks are the most colorful North American ducks.

Their upper feathers glitter with green, blue, and purple. Underneath, the feathers are red, yellow, and white.

Females are brown above and yellowish-brown and whitish below. Both males and females have crests extending back from the top of their heads. Wood ducks are about 20 inches (51 centimeters) long.

Wood ducks frequent ponds, swamps, and other wetlands near

woods. They feed in shallow water on acorns, seeds, and insects. Wood ducks nest in tree cavities formed by woodpeckers and natural decay. Each female lays 10 to 15



eggs.

Wood ducks nearly became extinct in the early 1900's because of overhunting and the clearing of their forest habitats by people. Since then, conservation efforts have helped to increase the number of these birds.

Election of officers at the Annual Meeting of the Hardwood Lake Owners Association held July 10, 2004:

Vice-President - Rod McLain

Secretary / Treasurer - Judy Sheehan.

Alice McLaughlin, a long-time resident on the lake, died November 2004 of cancer.

Richland Township Hall

The hall is located at 3620 McLean Rd, south of Prescott off Scheffer Rd. Rental fees are available by calling Judy at 989 873-4566.

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Hardwood Lake campground

Richland Township officials are moving forward with the update of electrical at the campground. Last summer Consumers updated the main supply of power to the campground. Currently the sites remain with limited use of electricity. Township officials have submitted an application for a grant to provide the improvements.

Current rates for the 40 lots are:
Daily: Rustic \$8 / Electricity \$11
Seasonal: Rustic \$650 / Electricity \$850

Reservations will be taken by Sable and Jeff Arndt at 873-6581.

Pavillion rental is available at the campground. Deposit \$50 and rental \$50. Deposit will be returned after next board meeting following rental. Board meetings are held the first Monday of the month.

Beach and playground cost per vehicle is \$1/daily and \$10/yearly which includes use of the pavillion area.

Homes/Property for sale

Here are some of the properties for sale around the lake:

3047 S. Henderson Lake Road, Sowa
3177 S. Henderson Lake Road, Holland
3169 S. Henderson Lake Road, Krohn
3134 Hardwood Heights
3225 Hardwood Heights

SWANSON'S EXCAVATING, INC.

2733 Greenwood Road
Prescott, MI 48756
Phone 989-873-4419
Fax (989) 873-8123

Ed Swanson

Fill Sand
Topsoil
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Stones
Septic System

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Backhoe
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Dump Trucking

West Branch Computers

Local NEXTEL Phone Agent

Ken Sheehan, Owner

PH: (989) 345-4114

Fax: (989) 345-4113

107 S. Third St.

West Branch, MI 48661

Green Contracting

Dragline • Bulldozing • Top Soil

Fill dirt • Trucking • Ponds

650 E. Ogemaw Center Rd.
West Branch, MI 48661

Matt Miller
989-685-2110

McGregor's Country Store & Pizzeria

- Deli • Ice • Beer • Groceries
- Videos • Pop
- Broasted Chicken • Fishing Tackle
- Night Crawlers

3980 S. Henderson Lake Rd. at Mills Rd.

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Appraisals & Home Inspections



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Local Calendar of Events

WEST BRANCH EVENTS

JULY-SEPTEMBER EACH SATURDAY

Farmers' Market, fresh produce, home grown herbs, cut flowers.

JULY14 - 28 Summer Music Series, Irons Park, Free Admission

JULY15 Show Off Your Iron, Harley-Davidson bikes on display - Downtown

JULY15-17 H.O.G. Rally, Fairgrounds Harley Owners' Group annual convergence.

JULY 21-24 Antique Tractor & Flea Market Demonstrations and Rides, Steam engines, Threshing, & more.

AUGUST 4 & 25 Summer Music Series, Irons Park, Free Admission

AUGUST 5-6 Car Show, Fairgrounds

AUGUST 13-14 Victorian Art Fair, Irons Park,

AUGUST 16-20 County Fair at Fairgrounds

SEPT. 3-4 Antique Sale/Show 989 345-3060
TAWAS BAY EVENTS

May 1 - October 1 Every Saturday

9 am - 1 pm Northeast Michigan Regional Farmers Market

Tawas Summerfest 2005

July 13-16.....Midway/ July 15.....Kids & Pet Parade/ July 16.....Street Dance & Classic Car Cruise/ July 17.....Classic Car Show/ July 17.....Dawn Patrol Fly-in/ Pancake Breakfast

July 25-30 IOSCO COUNTY FAIR - HALE

August 4-6 Sidewalk Sale Days - Tawas

August 6-7 45th Annual Tawas Bay Water-front Fine Arts Festival & Children's Art Fair

August 26-28 Blues By the Bay

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