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Fall 2024

The newsletter is
in **color** on the website and Facebook.



Some of the 40 runners head out from the starting line at the annual July 4th Kids Fun Run. More summer events are in the following pages.

Lake Association update starts on page 2

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It's hard to believe summer is coming to a close but Michigan Fall weather can be delightful.

There have been several well attended social events on the lake for residents.

The continued lake weed control resulted in great water quality, Progressive engineering made the first inspection of the lake May 21. There was a small amount of algae along with some Eurasian Milfoil and Curly-leaf Pondweed. Treated were 22.5 acres of algae and 9.75 acres on May 29.



Lake inspections are usually done around the third week of the month with treatments as needed. Following the June 18 inspection engineer, Rick, (above) said he didn't see anything to treat, although algae did pop up towards the end of the month necessitating the July 1 treatment with additional algae treatments August 1 and August 26.

The Lake Association meeting was held July 6 with 19 members attending. Clay Dees was re-elected Vice President and Sandy Schaefer re-elected as secretary/treasurer.

Dave Sommers gave a report on lake weed control. 2024 is the fourth year of a five year weed control project which is paid by special assessment on property taxes. Next year there will be two public hearings, as has been done in the past. The first will be a hearing of practicality, basically do we continue the treatments. The second will determine the amount of the special assessment. This will be for a

five year period from 2026 through 2030. Everyone is encouraged to attend the Saturday, July 5, 2025 meeting starting at 9 am at the Logan Township Hall on M-55.

During the association meeting a member mentioned he read carp could be causing issues in creating turbid water. Another member heard barley straw could be used to control algae. In followup with Rick, he felt that carp were not an issue for Hardwood Lake. Barley straw has been brought up several times in the past. Rick still feels barley straw would not be effective as it is primarily used in ponds.

Over the summer Hardwood Lake Association hosted several social events. The Memorial Day golf cart parade was held May 25th with seven vehicles participating. The June Jam corn hole event was delayed one day because of rain. On June 23 there were eight teams. The July 4th Kids Fun Run is growing with over 40 kids participating this year. Later in the day the boat parade saw about 30 decorated boats making a trip around the lake. The August 17 Ice Cream Social was postponed because of weather. It was combined with the Sept 1 Gather at Sunset event.

Your Lake Association Board is considering holding a simple children's fishing contest on June 21, 2025. We are looking for a couple of residents to step forward to help run this event. If you would like to help contact President Kevin Ohlrogge.



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HLPO 50th anniversary is 2025. We were established in October 1975. It would be interesting for families that have been on the lake since or before 1975 to share memories. We will collect them and publish in 2025 newsletters. They don't need to be long, just a few paragraphs. Please send your memories to edithsommers@charter.net by the end of November 2024.



Association President Kevin Ohlrogge shows off his boat and family of water skiers.

2025 Upcoming Events

Here are some of the lake events planned for 2025 so save the date. More information to come in the Spring newsletter and on Facebook.

- Golf Cart Parade May 24, 2025 at noon
- Kids Fishing Contest June 21, 2025
- Lake Association biennial picnic June 21, 2025 at 5 pm
- Kids Fun Run July 4, 2025 Register beginning 9 am Run is at 10 am
- Boat Parade July 4, 2025 at 2 pm
- Lake Public Hearings July 5, 2025 At 9 am
- Lake association Meeting July 5, 2025 following public hearings
- Ice Cream Social August 9, 2025 at 7:30 pm
- Gather at Sunset August 31, 2025 7:30 pm
- Halloween Hoot October 18, 2025 at 4 pm

Halloween Hoot

The annual Halloween Hoot is Saturday, October 12, 2024 at 4 pm. at 3141 Hardwood Heights.

We will be donating 50/50 proceeds as well as asking for donations for the Gladwin-Ogemaw Fuller Center for Housing Re-Use Store.

Items of interest would be furniture, paint/supplies, appliances, renovation necessities, tools, doors, windows, home decor items, toilets, sinks.

Fuller Center will have a truck on site and can do pickups that day.



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The Memorial Day golf cart parade heads west along Hardwood Heights and always attracts a crowd



The Ice Cream Social was postponed due to poor weather in August and was combined with the end of summer sunset cruise which drew nine boats. It was a great turnout but unfortunately we ran out of ice cream.





About 30 boats joined in the trip around the lake for the annual July 4th boat parade.

Lake Board annual meeting
Monday, October 14, 2024
7:00 P.M.
Logan Township Hall
4507 E. M-55

• **Its the law** •
**High speed
boating hours**
11 am - 7:30 pm

Local laws adopted by the State of Michigan allow high speed boating on Hardwood Lake between the hours of 11:00 am and 7:30 pm Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

High speed boating is defined as the boat being on plane.

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