

Ripples

President's Message – Chuck Spencer

July 2012

Membership Meeting:

- **President Spencer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. July 14, 2102.**
- **49 members & 2 guests attended the meeting.**
- **Reports were made by each committee chairperson.**
- **Board elections were held.**
- **Guest presentation were made by Rick Harland, Grayling Township Supr. & Sheriff Kirk Wakefield. Q&A followed.**

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As we approach the final stages of the 2012 summer season, I hope you all have enjoyed the lake and its beauty.

Our recent meeting showed just how interested our membership is in the work of our association. About 50 members participated, voted for new board members, and showed concern for key issues. It is this type of support that energizes me and the board to work toward our goals and the interests of all property owners.

I hope the three association events contributed to your summer fun. We started with a fishing derby for kids. Next came the dinner show at the Camp Grayling Officers Club. On the 4th of July we had our final social program...a boat parade. We are all thankful to the efforts of board members and a number of members who contrib-

uted their time and creativity to make these programs fun for all of us. Stay tuned, because we are making plans for 2013.

While these social events are the most obvious LMPOA activity, they are in fact only the tip of the iceberg. The foundation of our association is built on measuring and controlling a number of conditions that affect the health, safety, and vitality of our lake.

For more than four decades maintaining lake levels at court ordered levels has been the purview of LMPOA. Next, measuring water clarity is another key metric that is tracked over many years.

In more recent years concerns with invasive species, acid rain, and e-Coli. Among those concerns, understand-

ing and remediating the growth of Eurasian Milfoil has become the most critical program managed by the board and many concerned members.

The results of our elections returned Doug Dodge and me to the board and elected new-member Bob Wilson. I am so very thankful to the board for their support and hard work.

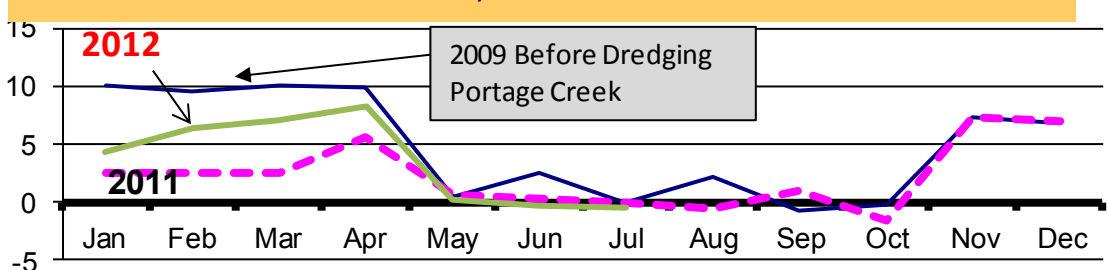
Please join me in saying thank you to Morrie Stevens for his efforts as a long-term board member.

Finally, our annual membership meeting is Saturday July 13, 2013

Information on activities will be posted on our new website: (www.lakemargrethe.weebly.com) Please check frequently. As always, we appreciate your support for the LMPOA.

Chuck

Water Levels—Inches above/below court order levels 2009 vs. 2012



July 14, 2012—Membership Meeting Minutes



PRESIDENT'S OPENING: The LMPOA Purpose Statement was shared with the membership.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Spencer reported a balance in the bank account of \$6,565.43 .

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Dodge summarized minutes from the May 19, 2012 special membership meeting held for the primary purpose of ratifying changes to the association's bylaws. Minutes were approved as submitted.

MEMBERSHIP: Spencer reported 215 paid memberships.

OLD BUSINESS:

- ELECTIONS:
 - Spencer reported that Hal Helterhoff had been appointed in May to fulfill the term of a board member who has resigned. Motion was made and seconded to ratify the appointment. MOTION PASSED.
 - Roe reported for the nominating committee (Roe & Porter) four nominations for three board seats. The nominees are Bob Wilson, Chuck Spencer, Doug Dodge, and Morrie Stevens. Hearing no nominations from the floor Roe moved nominations be closed. MOTION PASSED.
 - Ballots were distributed, collected, and tallied by Roe and Wojcik. Subsequently, Roe reported Dodge, Spencer, and Wilson were elected for three year terms.
- EVENTS:
 - FISHING DERBY: Hannan reported a successful annual program. We had increased participation and we were in the financial plus column due to several very generous donations. A special thanks to Roger Wilcox for his donation of hot dogs and soda.
 - DINNER SHOW: Hannan also reported over 100 people enjoyed dinner and a show at the Officers Club at Camp Grayling. The entertainment "Broadway On The Lake" by the Michigan Opera Theater Ensemble was exceptional.
 - BOAT PARADE: Dodge reported the Boat Parade on the 4th of July was well received and participation was very good. A special thanks to Judge Alton Davis who led the judging team.
 - For information on these events, go to our web site at: www.lakemargrethe.weebly.com
- MILFOIL REMEDIATION: Michalik reported that the efforts of Gary McConnell, Len & Diane Bingert, Ken Michalik resulted in locating, mapping, and treating the largest Eurasian Milfoil "hot spots" in the lake. Treatment of up to 12 acres of lake bottom took place on June 5, 2012. Michalik also reported she will be looking into a piece of equipment used by other lakes to vacuum up the milfoil weeds and thereby subvert the use of harsh chemicals.
- LAKE VEGETATION MAPPING; Michalik reported that with the help of Michigan State University, volunteers will be trained to identify all types of vegetation and map the existence in the lake . Comparing these data with similar mapping results from 2002 will help us maintain the health of our lake and its inhabitants.
- LAKE MARGRETHE FOUNDATION: No report. Member comments: Bob Young encouraged LMPOA members to participate in Lake Margrethe Foundation. This fund is only 14 years old, but has raised more than \$100,000 and only the interest is spent from the fund. This fund is the one that helps fund the Milfoil project.
- LAKE WATER LEVEL: See chart on page 1.
- E-COLI TESTING: No report. Annual samples will be taken in August.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

MEMBER COMMUNICATION:

- RICK HARLAND, GRAYLING TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR offered advice and comments regarding FEMA required flood insurance and the recent road-end legislation . Members can contact his offices for individual issues or questions.
- SHERIFF KIRK WAKEFIELD explained how road-end issues are being enforced by his office. He also briefly discussed the marine patrol and responded to question about speed limits and certain other issues.



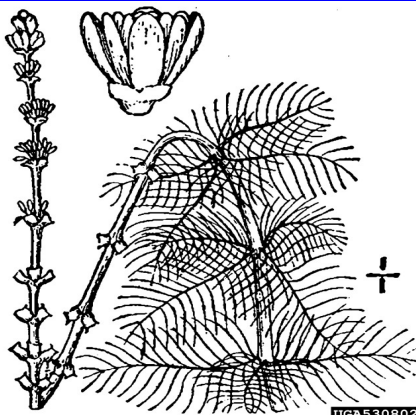
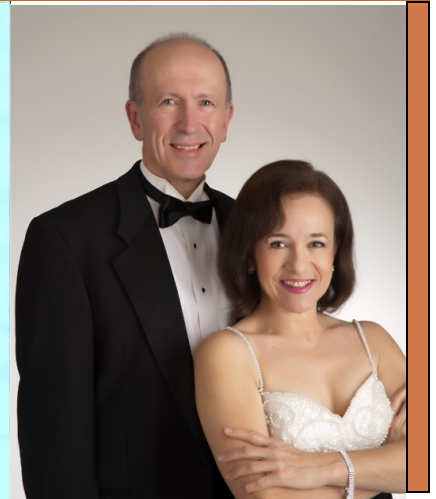
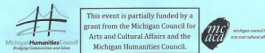
Sun Sets over Lake Margrethe

THE LAKE MARGRETHE
PROPERTY OWNERS
ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS....

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June 23, 2012

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Eurasian water milfoil is a submersed aquatic plant native to Europe, Asia, and northern Africa. Like most of the native milfoils, the Eurasian variety has slender stems curled by submersed feathery leaves. The stems of Eurasian water milfoil tend to be limp, and may show a pinkish-red color. The 4-petaled, pink flowers of Eurasian water milfoil are located on a spike that rises a few inches out of the water. The leaves are typically divided into 12 or more pairs of threadlike leaflets. The most common native water milfoils tend to have whitish or brownish stems, and leaves that divide into fewer than 10 pairs of leaflets. They are distinguished by the presence of many small bladders on the leaves, which serve to trap and digest small aquatic insects.

E. Milfoil

Lake Scenes



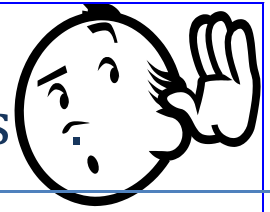
Banana Plantation wins 1st. in parade.



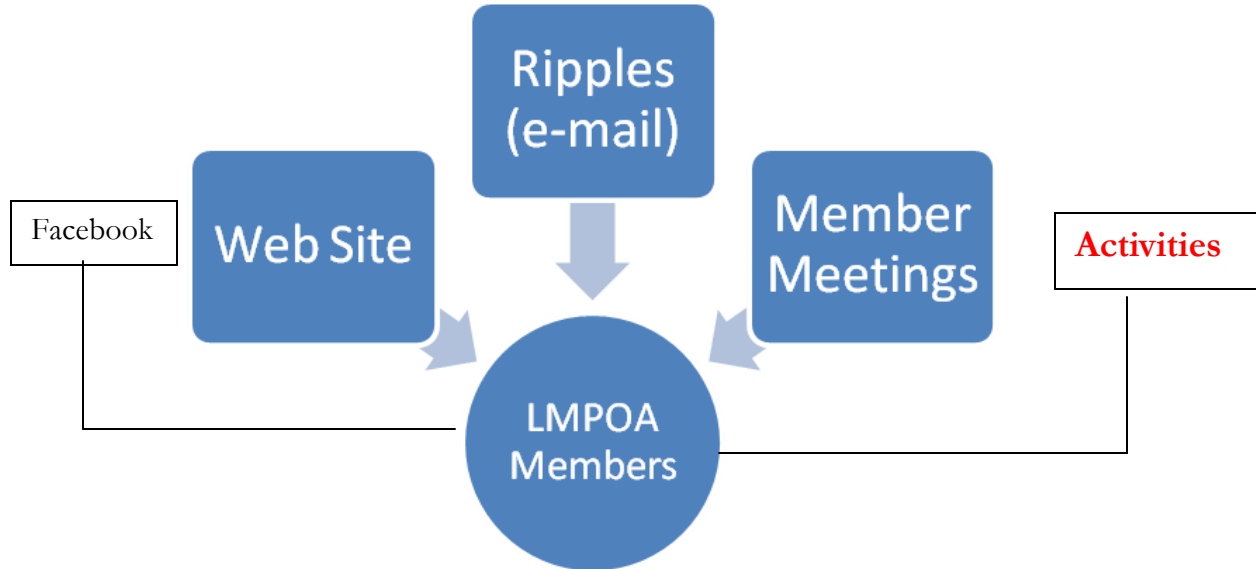
Fishing is fun...big or small.



The communication process



LMPOA Secretary's Report July 2012



Need e-mail addresses for the following 81 members:

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| ALEXANDER | BEVERLY | LOOMIS | SHELTER | WOLFE |
| ANDERSON | FIELDING | MATYN | SCHRODT | WURTZ |
| ATCHISON | FORBES | MCNAMARA | SCHULZ | ZELLEN |
| BECKWITH | GABRIEL | MELROY | | |
| BLAINE | GILLESPIE | MIKESELL | SMITH | |
| BOGGIO | GINGERICH | MILLIKIN | SMITH | |
| BRADLEY | HART | MILLER | SMITH | |
| BRANCH | HODGES | MOORE | STING | |
| BUCHHOLZ | HOLTON | NUNN | THOMPSON | |
| CADORIN | HUNT | OAKLIEF | THOMSON | |
| CAON | HUNTER | OHLMACHER | TOMCALA | |
| CARPENTER | HUTCHINSON | ORRICK | TRIM | |
| CHERVEN | HUTTON | PAMERLEAU | TURNER | |
| CONGDON | | PHILLIPS | VAN MILL | |
| COOK | KAY | PHILLIPS | WAKEFIELD | |
| DIEDRICH | KESSELER | PRATT | WEIMAN | |
| DIMEFSKI | KEYES | RAUCH | WELFARE | |
| DORSHIMER | KING | RHODE | WILLIAMS | |
| DUNWORTH | LAPP | RING | WILLIAMS | |
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*Our lake, our
responsibility!*



Next meeting: July 13, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.
Grayling Township Hall

Michigan DNR Report (Excerpts)

Lake Margrethe is a 1,922 acre lake in western Crawford County. It is the largest lake in the county. Lake Margrethe lies in the Manistee River watershed having Portage Creek as an outlet, which joins the Manistee River approximately seven miles downstream from where it flows out of the lake. There is a lake level control structure on the Portage Creek outflow. The lake level has been set by Circuit Court order. Lake Margrethe is a mesotrophic* lake with a maximum depth of 65 feet. The northern lobes of the lake are relatively shallow; the central portion of the lake holding the deeper water. The Lake Margrethe Property Owners Association is the primary citizen-based group for the lake. LMPOA was incorporated in 1968 and has been very involved in lake management since then.

Much of western and southern shores of Lake Margrethe are owned by the Nation Guard as part of the Camp Grayling, the nation's largest National Guard training facility, encompassing about 147,000 acres.

Lake Margrethe has some problems with Eurasian Milfoil prompting treatment by 2,4-D, as permitted by the MDEQ.

Eurasian Milfoil is an extremely aggressive exotic aquatic macrophyt that can crowd out native aquatic plants and cause problems for boaters, anglers, and fish populations.

**Mesotrophic lakes contain a narrow range of nutrients, principally phosphate and nitrate, the concentrations of which are considered to be neither high nor low.*

Financial Statement

July 14, 2012
General Fund \$6,565.43
Liabilities None
Paid Members 215

Lake Margrethe Foundation

Endowed Funds \$96,819.91
Grant Funds Avail \$32,375.52
Invasive Funds \$7,247.85
Lake Level Fund \$1,000.00

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Member Notes:

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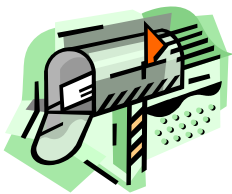
Meeting Minutes Posted to the Web.

Minutes of May & July Board and General meetings are posted at our web site.

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Blog in the "News" section.

**Membership
is important!**



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Next Lake Margrethe Property Owners membership meeting

July 13, 2013

9:00 AM

Grayling Township Hall

"Our Lake...Our Responsibility"



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