



LAKE SHORES ASSOCIATION • BOX 63 • HOWARD CITY, MI 49329 • JUNE 1999

Independence Day Celebration

We will celebrate the holiday on July 3rd (if it rains, we'll delay everything until the fourth).

Volleyball Tournament – sign up before 8:15 play starts at 8:30. 4 on 4 followed by 2 on 2. This is at Cedar Point Park (West Suwanee). Cost is \$10/team. The money will purchase a second net for Pawnee Points Park on Apache Trail

Boat Parade Registration – at the volleyball tournament from 9-10:30.

Boat Parade – Line up 1:45, We will take off at exactly 2pm. Remember the theme is cartoons. There will be three classes: pontoons, runabouts, and other. (Starting point is Shady Oaks Park – Chippewa Lane, the park closest to the lake entrance.

Ski Show – 7 PM in front of Warrior Island (between the island and the pumps). Please feel free to park on Apache to view the show from the VanDam and Walker family yards. Be sure to thank them and DO NOT bring your dogs.

Fireworks – Dusk (approximately 10pm). The show will start with one or two reports (big bangers) to warn you to get ready for a wonderful show. Remember that every penny you donated paid for this show, none of your dues money. The more generous the bigger the show.

Review of the Boating Rules:

Enclosed is a 100' brochure. **READ IT and KEEP IT.** A quick review: New laws for wave runners – you must be over 150' behind any other boat. Remember wave runners; do not play in the same place too long. You may love your wave runner (I love mine) but others may not. For everyone – 100 feet off the shore. **Everyone is to go counter clockwise at all times – you absolutely can not cut straight across the lake.** You must follow the circle (this includes pontoons – no matter your speed the rule still applies).

Lake hours – before 11 AM and after 9 PM is no wake time. This time is set aside for fishermen and sightseers. It is not appropriate to fly over to a fishing spot full throttle and then fish – it's no wake time for all.

Warrior Island Backfill

We will be backfilling the island on the fourth of July weekend. Please call Terry Veneklas to sign up for a 2 hour time block 937-6251. It takes two people at a time to run the pumps one to hold the hose in the sand in the lake and one to hold the hose where

you want it to go. It's going to take about 18 working hours to finish the job so please help. Let's make the island a swimmer/boater/sunbather's paradise.

Spring Clean Up Thank You's

A special thank you for the hours of work donated by the following people. They worked very hard on Cedar Point Park and Shady Oaks Park raking, cutting, burning, digging etc. They are special people and deserve a special thank you. Dan and Zac Coulson, Chris and Tammy Nielson, Mr. And Mrs. Godley, Brian and Jamie Cheek, Garry, Kathy, Megan Thompson, Kyle Boss, Stacy Smith, Dave and Marge Kasperzack, Diana, John and Cherylyn Brooks. (I hope I have everyone's name, if I missed you please forgive me.)

Ballots due before the Annual Meeting (July 31 – 10 AM)

Please send to PO BOX 63, Howard City 49329.

Annual Meeting will be at the Abbott Pavilion on July 31 at 10 AM. There will be a community potluck at 6 PM. Bring a dish to pass (and flatware) and meet your neighbors.

Loon Update

(By our newly appointed Official Loon Ranger, James Anderson)

Kathy had always told me that the Loons were nesting in the pond just north of my home (on West Suwanee) so this year I purchased a canoe and lo and behold I discover a pair of Loons around the end of April. I took my VCR camcorder and 35 mm camera out with me and captured some wonderful pictures of the two Loons and also found their nest with two eggs. Watching them for days on end, I discovered one night that the Indian Lake pond became parents of two healthy Loon chicks (which I also have pictures and movie film of all of them). I was asked to accept the honor of being the official Indian Lake Loon Ranger, which I'm very happy to say I accepted. I do ask that all Lake residents that if the Loons wander over to the lake that we all respect the birds and please do not chase them by motor boats or jet skis. These birds are just coming back so lets all of us join in and keep these birds here for all to enjoy. I ask all to give this WONDERFUL PAIR OF LOONS AND CHICKS room to breathe and enjoy.

Yours Truly

The Loon Ranger

P.S.

I assure all of you that the pond can be dangerous so please take great care in going out there with supervision. In fact I would suggest that no go out there unless they can swim real well and have a life jacket on. The reason I bring this to everyone's attention is that the wind blew me over with cameras and all but I did come out of it okay.

Boats at the Parks

Boats that are at the parks will be on a dock *in the water*. All others will be removed after the 4th weekend. ALL MUST BE STICKERED or they too will be removed.