



Negaunee Lake Association

To improve and protect the property of its members

Newsletter, June 2017

www.negauneelake.org

Welcome back to the Lake!

Please join us in the park on Saturday, July 1st at noon for our picnic and NLA Annual Meeting to immediately follow. Rain date is July 2nd. We are pleased to announce the cost of the picnic this year is waived due to the cost savings and tremendous help during the fall cleanup. As a result, we are requesting donations only!

If there are any motions you would like addressed at the annual meeting, please contact a board member at least a week prior to the meeting to allow for Board review and research so it can be added to the agenda. As we learned last year it is difficult to handle motions brought at the meeting and it can become very confusing. Any motions not brought to the board prior to the meeting will be tabled for review.

The following officers will be elected. Election will be by secret ballot, two ballots to a NLA member family. Each office is for a two-year term with the exception of filling the vacancy for President as our former President Mike Vogas has recently sold his home and resigned his position.

- President (One Year Term)
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Area 1 Rep
- Area 3 Rep

If you are interested in serving our community as an officer on the NLA Board, please offer some information on yourself so we can share it with the membership. Please send an email with your name, the office you would like to run for, and some information you would like us to know about you to info@negauneelake.org. This information will be shared on the web site and on the printed ballot. Nominations at the meeting will be open as well. We are all volunteers working to make our community better. Please join us!

The fish committee will have its garage sale again this year. If you are interested in participating, please contact Tim Workman. Donations can be made to the fish committee with annual dues or to Treasurer, Linda Cochran, 389 Negaunee Lake Dr. Ewart, MI 49631.

We can always use volunteers to organize/run kid's games/prizes during the annual meeting. Please contact one of your NLA board members (contact info on negauneelake.org) if this opportunity would interest you.

The gentlemen who voluntarily, regularly, maintain NLA grounds/roads invite you to join them. Work party begins at 9 a.m. each Wednesday throughout the summer. For those who cannot be here during the week, some Saturday dates will be posted on the website as projects are evaluated. Come out and join the work crew or tackle some of these chores on your own:

- Pick up of twigs/sticks/branches in parks to prevent mower damage. If you can't remove them make piles
- Clip branches from road edges
- Each park needs mowing/weed whacking several times a year
- Pavilion needs to be swept out

Annual dues are \$330 for homes on and off the lake, \$165 for lots on the lake, \$110 for lots off the lake and were due May 1st. If you remain unpaid, please forward your payment to our Treasurer, Linda Cochran, 389 Negaunee Lake Dr. Ewart, MI 49631. Unpaid members are reminded that the boat launch access and use of the parks is not available until dues are paid in full. Use of the dumpster, without paid dues, is considered trespassing which can incur a \$500 fine. Attached is a dues form to include with your payment.

Boats should have been removed from NLA property by May 1 and leaves/debris that may have collected during storage removed. Listed here are some local boat put in/removal services: Ed's Rental in Big Rapids 231-796-5508, EMS Boat Storage in Big Rapids 231-972-4813, and Lake Miramichi Marine 231-734-5274. Boat launch gate key is with any Board member or Bob Lancaster. Contact information at www.negauneelake.org.

We will again make a directory available to paid members at the annual meeting, or by request, to keep you in touch with your neighbors in case of an emergency. NLA cannot release your telephone number without your consent. Attached, along with dues information, is a "permission slip" for that purpose if you have not done so already. You can email or snail mail your consent to the Secretary Babs Gunderson (901 Negaunee Lake Dr., shawbab79@gmail.com) or submit with your dues payment.

Campbell Excavating & Snowmen Plow Services did a great job maintaining our roads again this winter. Please thank Bob Lancaster for the assistance he gave Linda Cochran for coordinating and fielding complaints/questions.

Reminder! DO NOT pile your garbage next to the dumpster if it's full. The dumpster is monitored and arrangements will be made for pickup ASAP. Waste management will not pick up from the ground and usually Bob Lancaster and others have to schlep your leavings into the dumpster. Remember to shred/destroy any information you don't want someone else to have as dumpster divers have been seen going through trash here at the lake in previous years.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Break down boxes before putting in dumpster- better yet, recycle! Information posted on www.negauneelake.org
- No leaves, brush, building materials, propane tanks, carpeting or undried paint cans in dumpster
- Members may call Waste Management at 800-796-9696 for bulk pickup of items, i.e. furniture, etc. Scrap metal only may be placed behind the shed in park at no cost. Any proceeds to benefit the Association. There is a \$25 charge payable to NLA for refrigerators and freezers because of the Freon. Make sure any appliances are made child proof. Car and boat batteries also accepted.
- Please do not put leave and other yard debris in the lake – yard debris can be deposited on Bob Lancaster's property – contact him
- Leaves should never be left in the road as they inhibit proper road grading
- Snow plow/snow blower debris should never be left in the road as it inhibits proper snow removal
- Power wash and empty bilge on any boat that has been in waters other than our lake before you launch. Contact a NLA board member for launch access
- Speed limit is 15 mph for ALL vehicles on our roads. With all the hills and curves on our roads it is very difficult to see those who are walking, biking, playing on and around the roads. This includes motorized bikes and ATVs. Ride single file, not two abreast and be aware of other vehicles on the roads. Wear a helmet. Pass this information on to your visiting friends and family.
- Please keep all dogs on a leash
- Please inform the Secretary of any change of address you may have and give us an email address if you have one to cut down on postage costs. Contact information at www.negauneelake.org Email addresses are not published and you can choose not to have your address included on the published NLA directory
- Lake traffic moves counter clockwise (to the right – just like driving a car), and is subject to all state boating laws.
- Please remember to make your guests aware of any of the above information as you are responsible for their actions while visiting Negaunee Lake.

Check the www.negauneelake.org website for contact information and more!

Enjoy your summer and hope to see you at the picnic!

2017 NEGAUNEE LAKE ANNUAL DUES

Home on or off water \$330 Vacant land off water \$110 Vacant land on water \$165 Please remember if you own a home plus vacant land (on or off water) you only have to pay \$330. If you own more than one vacant lot (on or off water) you only have to pay for one lot.

Membership fees are due January 1st – required by May 1st.

Please remit payment to: Negaunee Lake Association Treasurer Linda Cochran, 389 Negaunee Lake Dr., Ewart MI 49631 phone (231)734-2004

Name _____

Lake Address _____

Dues Amount \$ _____

FISH FUND DONATION \$ _____

PERMISSION TO INCLUDE your phone number on directory handout available to members: yes/no

Name _____

Lake Address _____

Phone number _____

Please PROVIDE EMAIL ADDRESS – **not to be shared**