

## NEGAUNEE LAKE ASSOCIATION (NLA) NEWSLETTER

[www.negauneelake.org](http://www.negauneelake.org)

June 2016

Welcome back to the Lake! **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 1<sup>st</sup>. 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](http://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 Bailey (address on return label of this letter, [shawbab79@gmail.com](mailto:shawbab79@gmail.com)) or submit with your dues payment.

Please join us in the park on **Saturday, July 2 at noon** for our picnic and **NLA Annual Meeting** to follow immediately. Please bring \$3.00 per person for brats and burgers (children under 12 are free), register as you arrive for the election of NLA officers. Rain date is July 3. The following officers will be elected. 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. Election will be by secret ballot, two ballots to a NLA member family. Each office is for a two year term.

- President
- Treasurer
- Representative at Large
- Area 2 Rep
- Area 4 Rep

Send an email including the office you would seek and some information you would like us to know about you to [info@negauneelake.org](mailto:info@negauneelake.org) It 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.

We need 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](http://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

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 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](http://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 leaves 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 an 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](http://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](http://www.negauneelake.org) website for contact information and more!

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

**2016 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. Your 2016 dues include \$9,165.82 for road maintenance 8/1/2014-7/31/2015 (\$109.12 per membership).

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Membership fees are due January 1st – required by May 1st. Please tear this portion off and return with your 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 handout available to members (if not already provided):

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Lake Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Please PROVIDE EMAIL ADDRESS – not to be shared

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