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Presidents Report

Jody Payne



Greetings Lake Sherwood
Neighbors!

Hello, my name is **Jody Payne** and I am your newly elected President. It is a privilege and honor to be in this position. I will do my best to represent and successfully lead the LSA Board as we focus on the many projects in the upcoming year to maintain Lake Sherwood at its highest levels. My husband and I have lived on **Ledgewood Court East** for the past 12 years and I have been on the LSA Board for the past 7 years. I really have enjoyed being part of this amazing community and feel blessed every time I walk out onto the back deck. I would like to take a moment to thank **Steve Biebel** for his outstanding leadership and all that he achieved as President these past two years. Steve did an amazing job and I was very lucky to be at his side as Vice President. He wore many hats and was always willing to jump in when needed. **WE appreciate all you did Steve – THANK YOU!!** Spring is approaching soon with some warmer temps than expected and I am sure everyone is ready to get out on the water. As you know, water quality is at the top of our list to continually maintain and improve upon. In your dues letter, you saw a note from the recently expanded **Water Quality Committee** with some tips that

WE, the residents, can do to help improve the condition of the lake. There were eight detailed suggestions on some best practices that could prove to be helpful. This effort is not just something that the committee is solely in charge of, it is something WE all must participate in to make even the smallest level of improvement. We will communicate any and all findings as we continue down this path.

Volunteers are the fabric of this neighborhood, but we are always in need of more! Everyone on the Board and the various Committees have volunteered their time to support this neighborhood and all that it takes to keep it maintained. Let me introduce you to **Pam Thomas of Ledgewood Dr**, our Volunteer Coordinator. If you want to get involved by volunteering, then Pam is the person to reach out to. You can find her contact info on the **Committee** page of our website at www.lake-sherwood.org/committee-chairs. She is also listed on the **Reference Guide** directory page in this and every copy of the **VIEW**. Thank you, Pam, for taking the lead on this task!

On a final note, I want to ask that as boating season approaches, we remember that safety and courtesy be top of mind. We live on a very unique and special lake with wandering canals, islands to picnic on, and a main lake where we enjoy

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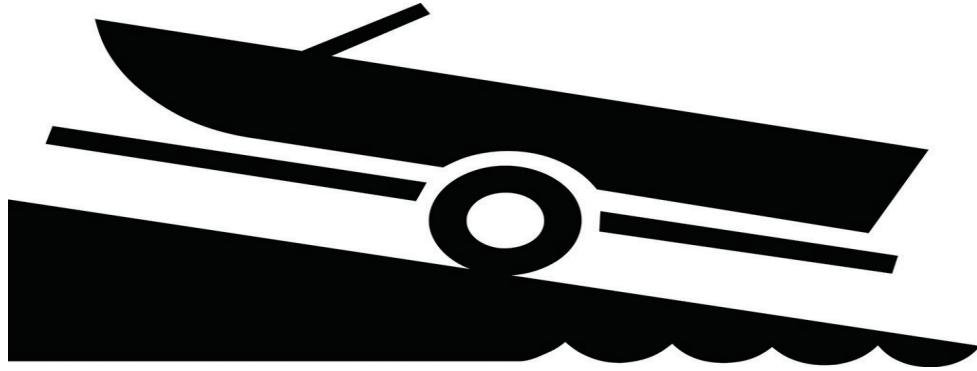
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June:	8:00AM — 9:00PM
July:	8:00AM — 9:00PM
August:	8:00AM — 8:00PM
September:	8:00AM — 7:00PM
October:	8:00AM — 6:30PM
November:	8:00AM — 5:00PM

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Reminders

Allow two weeks for your dues payment to be processed until your access card is activated.

Reach out to the boat ramp committee to register any new watercraft to ensure your card is activated and you aren't flagged for a violation by launching an unregistered boat

Never use your access card for your friends or neighbors, as you aren't able to be sure if their dues have been paid or if they are a member in good standing.

Always make sure the gate closes completely after each use. The quickest way to do this is to use the Close Gate button, located on the south side (right) of the ramp on the LSA sign post.

New users must fill out, sign and return the User Agreement and provide proof of ownership of their watercraft. The User Agreement can be found on the Lake Sherwood website.

If you have any questions, or have problems while using the gate, please contact a committee member listed above.

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Lake Sherwood A-Lot

Linda Gepper



HERE COMES SPRING!

We currently have 6 regular/jet ski slips and 5 pontoon slips open.

Dock Repair notices have gone out. There are 5 docks that need attention. Call if you have questions about yours.

Last year we were able to add 6 pontoon slips around the lake by repositioning docks.

When one slip became available recently, it started the "musical boats" process. As a result, 5 a-lot users have moved to their preferred a-lot.

As always in the spring, check your dock for safety, including decks, poles, crossbars & clamps. Check to see if your slip space needs cleaned out. Raking will give you a sandy bottom.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Gepper

Boat Ramp Memorial Brick

A memorial brick was added at the boat ramp in honor of **Harry Tucker**, a Ford design engineer, **Jack Kline**, an owner and master plumber, and **Phyllis Tracey**, security guard and pre-military mom. Three unlikely people who for over 20 years made the Lake Sherwood boat ramp run smoothly. Each year they would improve its operation by creating a guest boat policy and form, providing a service to residents to pay their dues and launch their watercraft on the same day, providing a scheduling system for boat haulers to launch resident's boats with pre-authorization, and always maintaining the docks, gate and surrounding area. Thanks to the board and Dan Devine, their names will be remembered by a well-deserved memorial brick.



Submitted by Linda Tucker

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Social Happenings

Jody Payne



2024 Spring Social Happenings

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Children's Easter Egg Hunt

Mark your calendar's for **Saturday, March 23rd** in **Kendall Park** starting at **3pm** for the Annual Kid's Easter Egg Hunt. Our hosts **Ferris Kelley of Sleeth Rd.** and **Debbie Hieronymus of Driftwood Dr.** have been preparing over 1,500 eggs for the kids to hunt in the park and be greeted by the Easter Bunny. This is a kid and parent favorite to start out our spring season. So, grab your easter baskets and join us for an afternoon of fun in the park. There will be three age groups designated for the egg hunt so that all ages get to enjoy this event. **This year the event will be sponsored by Cheryl Mueller on Driftwood Dr. of Cheryl Mueller Real Estate.** I would like to thank the Wilcox family and Randy Wilcox for sponsoring this event for the past 15+ years. Our prayers go out to his family. Keep an eye out for the weather and Martha emails as the rain date will be Sunday, March 24th.



Perennial Exchange

Join us on **Sunday, May 19th** for the **Annual Perennial Exchange at Kendall Park from 3:00pm to 4:30pm.** This is always a fun event for beginner and expert gardeners gathering to swap plants and conversation. This is sponsored by **Sue McFarland from ReMax Classic of Milford** who will be providing delicious sub sandwiches and tasty beverages for all to enjoy. If you have not had a chance to join us in the past, I highly encourage you to come on down to the park. There will be several great garden give-away prizes, and of course the grand prize of a gift card donated by **Boogie Lake Greenhouse** with a value of \$40. So, fill those wagons and wheel barrels with plants and flowers and come on down for an afternoon of socializing and garden tip sharing.



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2023 LSA Lighting Contest Winners



1st Place
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2nd Place
Manthey Family at
3560 Ravinewood Ct.

3rd Place
Mullins Family at 3241
Stumpwood Dr.



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Goings Family
Ravinewood Ct.



Budziak Family
Driftwood Dr.

Social Happenings

Jody Payne



SAVE THE DATE FOR SUMMER:

Neighborhood Garage Sale

The **Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale** will be held on **May 30th, May 31st, June 1st** this year. The posted times will be from **9:00am – 5:30pm** for Thursday, Friday and Saturday. **Martha Klemmer, our Email Manager**, will be creating and printing the **Shoppers Map** that will help those garage sale enthusiasts find your house more easily. She will be circulating these to the houses nearest the entrances, so you can post them up or hand them out. If you would like to be featured on this map, please contact Martha by email at **MarthaKlemmer@comcast.net** before May 23rd. Please title the email '**LSA Garage Sale**' and be sure to include your house address. So, start looking around the house and garage and get those treasures ready to sell.



Boat Poker Run

Reserve your spot earlier for the most popular event in Lake Sherwood. **Save the date for Saturday, June 15th to join in the 8th Annual Boat Poker Run!** This has become one of the most popular social events we have. It sells out each and every year, so be sure to get your entries in early. To participate in this event, you will need to Venmo **\$50 per boat entry to Andrea at @Andrea-VonBehren**. Be sure to include your name and street either in the envelope or in the description of the Venmo payment so Andrea can secure your boat. The captain's meeting is at **2pm sharp on Higgins Island** where you will receive the rules and regulations of the event. **CASH prizes are awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th places.** Winners are determined by the best 5-card poker hand of 7 cards that are delt to each boat along the way. The event is **limited to only 30 boats**, so get those entries in as soon as you can to reserve your spot. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to **Andrea at 248-563-8930.**



Presidents Report

Jody Payne



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all kinds of water sports. So, I want to ask that we all be mindful of the no-wake areas, be courteous to the other boats around you, always have a spotter on the boat, be considerate during late night cruises and remember, we are ALL neighbors! If you are new to the lake, then I encourage you to visit the LSA website **Lake Map** page at www.lake-sherwood.org/lake-maps to understand the wake and no-wake zones, the traffic patterns, learn who your Area Rep is and other important information.

So, to close my first Presidents report 😊, I would like to say how excited I am! I sincerely hope that I can make a difference. I look forward to seeing and talking with you at the first General Membership Meeting (GMM) on Wednesday, May 22nd at 6:30pm at Oak Valley Middle School.

Happy Spring and Thank you
– Jody Payne

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The Beautification budget seems to be always stretched to the limit due to storm damage. The entrance signs are usually weeded three times per year and mulched as necessary.

We have so many great gardeners in the neighborhood so I am asking if any volunteers would like to adopt an entrance sign for the summer. Since the signs are already mulched and planted and the area around the signs is rather small, the actual upkeep would be just a few hours per season. A volunteer gardener could add or subtract plants so that the signs are still visible. It is still in the budget to weed a few times per year.

Please let me know if you would like to adopt an entrance sign.

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Annual Perennial Exchange

Sunday, May 19th from 3 – 4:30pm
Kendall Park @ (Ledgewood at Stumpwood)



Pull, clip or pot your favorite extra perennials and cart them down to the park to swap them out and chat with your Lake Sherwood neighbors. It will be a great afternoon of sharing gardening tips and exchanging of beautiful, assorted perennials.

We will have a several drawings for GREAT backyard prizes and a lovely 1st Place Gift Certificate valued at \$40 from Bogie Lake Greenhouse
ONE entry per household please

There will be some delicious snacks and fun beverages, so please come on out and visit with your green thumb neighbors!

Graciously Sponsored by our very own neighbor
Susan McFarland of ReMax Classic of Milford

Kids Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 23rd ~ starting at 3pm

In Kendall Park @ Ledgewood at Stumpwood



Bring Your Baskets and join the Easter Egg Hunt. We have 3 different age groups to accommodate all the kiddos. There will be the Famous Egg-n-Spoon Races and you can take part in the Guessing Jar Contest under the pavilion.

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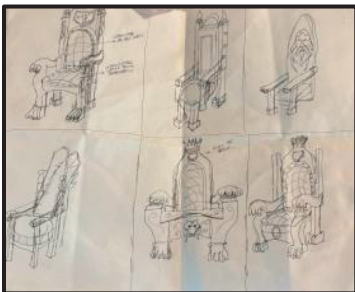
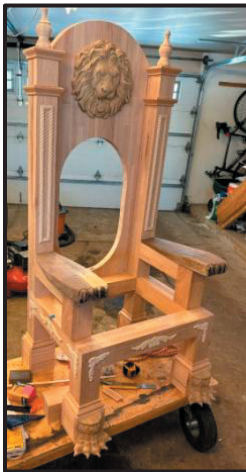
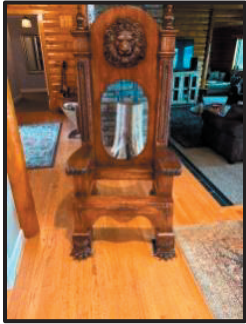
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HAPPY 4TH OF JULY

Friday, July 5th

**Night of Lights Boat Parade
9:30pm in Winewood Bay**



Saturday, July 6th

**Fireworks on the Lake
10pm from Higgins Island**



Sunday, July 7th

**Music on the Lake – Bruno McSorely
3:30pm-6pm on Main Lake**





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Parents Meet & Greet

Kendall Park

(Ledgewood near Stumpwood)

Every Weekday

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Parents can meet new neighbors.

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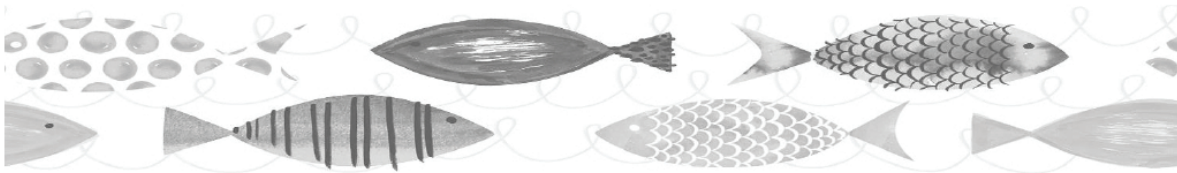


Save the Date!

4th Annual Anchors Down, Bottoms Up! Saturday, August 3rd in the Ravinewood/Windwood Bay. **The Pulse band is playing from 3-6pm** on Katzman's point.



21st Annual Fishing Tournament! Sunday, August 18th from 7am – 11am everywhere on the lake! Prizes and awards given on Higgins Island following the fishing. Sign-up on Higgin's Island on the day of the tournament.



5th Annual Boat Bash! Saturday, September 7th from 3-5pm down at the South end of the lake near U-Turn Island with **DJ music from Mr. Moody!**



Featured Neighbor

Reporter:
Patti Koseck
pkoseck@aol.com



Whether you've been living here for years or are new to the neighborhood, chances are you've danced the night away to the incredible music of our very own **Penny and Dan Shanahan**, of the band **Mr. Moody**.



Penny and Dan, of **Inverrary Ln**, moved to Lake Sherwood in 2002. Penny, a talented singer, and Dan, an accomplished guitar player, were brought together by their mutual love for music. Their original band was named Cloud Nine. In 2000, upon releasing a CD, they changed it to Mr. Moody; drawing inspiration from the Shel Silverstein poem titled "Mister Moody".

Despite their busy schedules as a podiatrist and an elementary school teacher, Penny and Dan have dedicated much of their weekend time playing music together for the past 26 years. Their commitment paid off as they became local favorites in the Commerce, Milford Area, Highland, White Lake and Brighton area.

Not surprisingly, Mr. Moody became a beloved fixture at Lake Sherwood entertaining residents at private parties, birthdays, graduations, weddings, memorials and community events such as Anchors Down Bottoms Up. Additionally they were a mainstay at the Island Party performing for an impressive 14 consecutive years!

Penny, who recently retired from teaching, now tutors elementary students in math and reading. When they're not playing, Penny enjoys working out while Dan is an avid hockey player. The couple also loves visiting Boston to cheer on their daughter Callie, a goalie of the Boston University Women's hockey team.



These days you can catch Mr. Moody rocking around town at least one night a week. So grab your dancing shoes and plan for a fun night out. You can stay updated on their schedule on <https://www.facebook.com/mrmoodyband/> or <https://www.instagram.com/mr.moodymusic/>



Treasurer's Report

Paul MacDonald



2024 Year-To-Date Results and 2023 Annual Results

	2024 YTD Results thru 3/3/24	2024 Approved Budget	Positive (Negative) Variance	2023 Full Year Results
Revenues:				
Current Year Dues	\$184,707	\$247,150	(\$62,443)	\$251,875
Prior Year Dues	-	900	(900)	970
Advertising for VIEW	-	10,000	(10,000)	10,752
Interest Income	2,304	12,000	(9,696)	5,656
Total Revenues	\$187,011	\$270,050	(\$83,039)	\$269,254
Expenses:				
Lakes Committee - Weed Control	\$1,632	\$108,500	} 121,341	\$82,927
Lakes Committee - Ramp	72	1,000		1,832
Lakes Comm.(water testing, fish stocking+)	0	13,545		13,507
Ongoing Grounds Maintenance	825	43,576	42,751	40,980
Beautification Committee	0	6,900	6,900	835
Newsletter/Communication Costs	97	21,704	21,607	16,238
Fireworks	12,500	25,300	12,800	24,300
Social	0	3,695	3,695	2,808
Insurance & Legal	0	10,670	10,670	7,939
Island Committee (including docks)	0	19,150	19,150	10,827
Utilities - Street Lights	35	2,700	2,665	2,596
Pontoon expenses	23	650	627	1,400
Storage Unit Rental	0	1,000	1,000	960
Supplies, billing & collection, office	21	900	879	583
Total Expenses	\$15,206	\$259,290	\$244,084	\$207,732
Net Income (Loss)	\$171,805	\$10,760	\$161,045	\$61,523

*** 2024 Financial Notes:

- The DUES INVOICE & SURVEY HAVE BEEN MAILED AND ARE NOW DUE! (a copy is in this VIEW) Please be sure your \$400 is paid timely. Be mindful that if you are paying electronically that you also pay the applicable fee in addition to your Dues.
 - We've collected Dues from about 75% of the membership. Thank You to all those that have paid and we look forward to collecting from everyone. This is imperative to keep the Association running smoothly.
 - As mentioned in prior correspondence, **the due date** before the \$50 late fee is applied, is **March 15, 2024**
 - Also of note, you won't have access to use the boat ramp if your Dues are not paid. PLEASE allow ample time for us to process your payment, and the Ramp Committee to get your ramp access activated.
 - Because we are so seasonal, we have not spent a great deal of money towards the 2024 expense items.
 - The largest expenditure to date is for the fireworks. We pay a 50% deposit to hold our preferred date as well as lock in pricing on the display shells.
- + We currently have unencumbered cash of approximately \$590,000 at 2/29/24.

*** 2024 Approved Budget Notes. (As presented and voted on at the Annual Membership Meeting in October.)

- The Board recommended holding the 2024 annual dues at \$400, and the membership approved at the October Annual meeting. This would result in a small amount of Net Income, but there is always a chance of overruns given the complexities and age of the subdivision.
- One of the larger items in our budget every year is the weed treatment for the lake, and we anticipate that we can hold that at the same amount as the 2023 budget. This line will also be used for the Eutrosorb bag concept that was implemented in 2023, and Phragmite eradication if needed.
- The Water Quality / Wildwood River issue is still delayed. Once we satisfy what EGLE requires and obtain a permit, we can move forward. Due to the uncertainty surrounding this project, we aren't budgeting any additional dollars in 2024, but we are going to implement some new concepts to help contain the problem (ie: the Bio-Health Pod System). As noted above, there is a reserve already for this, but we may need to request additional funding if the project scope or pricing changes.
- The Beautification line has a new amount to improve the look of the Surfwood isthmus that faces both the lake and the ramp bay.
- There is a newly formed Island Committee that began in 2023. This group has presented the Board with a 5-year plan to maintain and improve the various islands. In the not so distant future, this will include seawall replacement at the islands in need. Although there is not a proposed budget for all 5 years, there has been significant thought put into the possible needs, and when to act on them. The \$19,150 budget for 2024 includes a possible sun shelter on Skier's Island, follow-up work on the shoreline barriers at Sunset Island, goose droppings cleanup, dock install/removal, and other smaller items.

Paul MacDonald - LSA Treasurer

email: Treasurer@lake-sherwood.org

May 30th, May 31st & June 1st
(Thur-Sat)
9:00am – 5:30pm



Shopper Maps will be available!

LSA will provide neighborhood map starring all the homes hosting a garage sale. If you would like to participate, please email **Martha Klemmer** at marthaklemmer@comcast.net before **May 23rd** so your address can appear on the Shopper Map.

8th Annual Boat Poker Run

Saturday, June 15th

Starts at 2pm on Higgins Island

Entry fee is **\$50** is per boat



Send your entry fee to Andrea von Behren by Venmo to @Andrea-VonBehren

Entries Limited to 30 Boats!

Captains Meeting at 2pm SHARP on Higgins Island
Lake Maps Provided for Card Locations

CASH Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th!

Winners Determined by Best 5 of 7 Cards

For additional questions feel free to reach out to Andrea at 248-563-8930



The Good Guys

Complete Good Guys List on the
Lake Sherwood website
www.lake.sherwood.org



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If there is a problem with a business listed below, please notify Martha Klemmer at MarthaKlemmer@comcast.net

Type of Business	Business Name	Phone	Recommended by	Comments
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Septic Cleaning	Hartland Septic Service	517-548-2487	George Duncan Ravinewood	They came out gave me a fair price, found my lid and did an amazing job!
Electrical	Don's Electrical 10891 Dixie Highway Davisburg, MI 48250	248 394 2151	Dan Gilmer Driftwood	Good customer service, fair price, high quality, clean.
Carpenter	Mike Grosse	402 318 2099	Jerry Klemmer Tamwood	Inexpensive and clever repair of wood light ceiling fixture
Tree trimming	Dreadknot Services Jason	248-884-1681	Jim Prokes Tiquewood	He has done work for me since 2018, he is a gentleman and he does things correct. I had a lot of work done since I moved to Lake Sherwood.
Remodeling, Interior/Exterior	Newmyer Distinctive Remodeling Walled Lake https://www.facebook.com/newmyer.distinctivere remodeling/	248-669-3500	Dennis & Monica Moore Ledgewood	Very professional. Creative designs. Attention to details. Highly recommended. Multiple projects


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Water Quality Committee

Why we Need to Kick the Fertilizer Habit

Lake Sherwood's beautiful blue waters are changing to shades of green from algae growing on the water. Algae can be toxic making it unsafe for humans and animals, including our pets. One of the contributing factors is the use of fertilizers used in landscaping and the second is the way we are using our outdoor space. Many homeowners have cleared trees and plants to create panoramic views of the lake. As a result, a significant number of properties around Lake Sherwood have no natural buffers to stop excess nutrients from entering the lake. When homes have hardscapes to the lakes edge, nutrients intended for our plants are not absorbed and they flow directly into the water.

Fertilizing your lawn is helping algae to grow in Lake Sherwood

More homeowners have chosen to grow green lawns down to the shore, rather than maintaining a buffer between their lawns and the lake. In addition, an increasing number of homeowners are having contractors fertilize their lawns 4-5 times every year. Stormwater run-off flows across your lawn and carries excess fertilizer directly into the lake or into a ditch, then down the road and into the lake. It also percolates into our groundwater.

There is no such thing as a lake friendly fertilizer

The best way to grow green grass is to build healthy soil, which takes a few years. Healthy soil contains microbes that gradually decompose organic matter (leaves & grass clippings) releasing nutrients gradually, without the need for additional fertilizers.

Chemical fertilizers, derived from petroleum products, add nutrients but do not add anything else to soil. Organic fertilizers, made with natural materials, add nutrients AND provide food for microbes to build healthy soils. Better organic fertilizers include humus, compost, and peat—which contain microbes. OR just use your own FREE grass clippings.

You can make a difference for the health of Lake Sherwood!

Step 1. Stop fertilizer from leaving your lawn and entering the water. Establish a No Mow Zone or Install a Buffer Garden between the lawn and water. Plants have deeper roots than grass, so they can take up more nutrients.

Step 2. Less lawn means less fertilizer. Shrink your lawn to only the area you need for play, paths and picnics. Rethink your attachment to your lawn. Rewild your property by Planting Trees and Planting Native Shrubs and Flowers.

Step 3. Apply organic fertilizer less often.

Step 4. DONT APPLY FERTILIZERS AT ALL. Grass clippings, and watering with the lake water provides the nutrients and nitrogen that grass needs.

Choose a water-friendly lifestyle - make a difference! Ensure the lake is safe for all to enjoy

The Water Quality Committee

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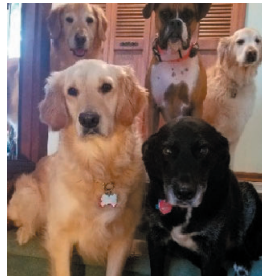


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Social Happenings

Jody Payne



4th of July Celebration Weekend – July 5th, 6th and 7th! We will start our weekend celebration on **Friday, July 5th** with the traditional Night of Lights Boat Parade starting at **9:30pm** in the east bay's off **Winewood Ln., between Tamwood Ct. and Windwood Ct.** The parade is about a 2-1/2-hour cruise through the canals and out to the main lake. On **Saturday, July 6th** is the highlight of the weekend with a **spectacular fireworks display** launched from **Higgins island around 10pm on the lake.** Be sure to grab and anchor spot and be amazed at the Zambelli Show! And then we wrap it up on **Sunday, July 7th** with **Music on the Lake from 3:30 – 6pm** between Higgins Island and Commerce Rd. **Bruno McSorley** will be back to rock it out on the shore. **This event is sponsored by Charlie's Still on Main** in Milford. A special Thank you to Gloria and Tom Hughes for hosting this event each year! So mark your calendar's for a spectacular 4th of July weekend celebration!





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2024 LSA Annual Survey

Your responses provide input to the Board and committees, helping them to determine initiatives that require deeper study. Your responses will remain anonymous, unless you explicitly grant permission to share your name with the effected study group/committee.

1. Are you interested in *potentially* receiving your copy of the View via an eMail notification instead of a physical hard copy (sent via USPS)? Circle one... Yes - or - No
 If yes, name _____ eMail _____
2. What type of articles / information would you like to see more or less of in the View and/or LSA eMail?

3. The new boat ramp electronic access system has been in operation for 1-1/2 seasons. What aspect(s) of the new system do you like? _____
 What aspect(s) do you believe need improvement? _____
4. Do you believe there is sufficient information for operating the “**close gate**” function at the boat ramp? Circle one: Yes - or - No. If no, why? _____
5. Which commons areas do you believe are in need of improvement to help the overall quality/aesthetics of the neighborhood?

	Yes	No	If yes, Description of Desired Improvement
Kendall Park			
Boat ramp/Causeway			
Recreational Islands (Higgins, U-Turn, Skier's)			
Other Islands (Sunset, Castaway, Jungle)			
A-Lots			
Other (entrances, etc) _____			

Note: Lake water quality issues were recorded in the 2023 Survey. A new water quality committee is working on several issues. Please refer to the enclosed “Best Practices” reminders and the View for periodic updates from the committee.

6. Some areas in Lake Sherwood have recently explored road improvement options. Others with “newer” roads, (specifically east of main lake & south of Commerce Rd) might benefit from crack filling as a preventative measure. Such an effort would be paid via a supplemental LSA dues fee that will **only** be assessed to the homes on the affected streets. If you live in this area, do you support an LSA initiative to research a crack fill/sealant program and present proposals at a Membership Meeting? Circle one: Yes - No – NA

If No, why not? _____

6. Any other comment(s) or suggestions?



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The **Recycling Run** program has been the official collection program for boat covers in Michigan for over 10 years and we invite you to join marinas, boat dealers, and individuals across the state in participating – **at No Cost to LSA Residents.**

Since our trash collection company GFL cannot process (for recycling) the thicker plastic used for shrink-wrapping boats, our goal is to reduce the amount of plastic that is currently going into landfills.

The program provides clear plastic bags which are filled with the shrink-wrap from 2 boats and are then taken to Commerce Township Offices which is a newly designated recycling drop-off center.

To make it easier for Lake Sherwood residents to participate in this program, we are offering 2 Options per below

Option #1: You have 2 boats or would like to buddy with a neighbor to fill a bag with 2 shrink-wraps. Text/Call **Nick Polcyn** at 248 863 8410 to arrange for a bag

Option #2: We are offering to collect (receive) individual shrinkwrap and stuff the bags so that residents do not need to look for a partner to fill each bag.

Gary Koch (2978 Ravinewood) is volunteering to use his garage as the drop-off location where bags will be stuffed with the shrink-wrap and filled. Double bags from Option #1 can also be dropped off.

Drop-off will be accepted on Saturday & Sunday's from 11-12 during April/May

If you cannot make it on Sat/Sun you can text/call Gary at 248 982 6402 to arrange for an alternate time

This program only accepts the shrink-wrap material – **All strapping, plastic vents, fasteners etc. must be removed to enable your shrink-wrap to be accepted.**

Thanks for your participation
Nick Polcyn & Gary Koch

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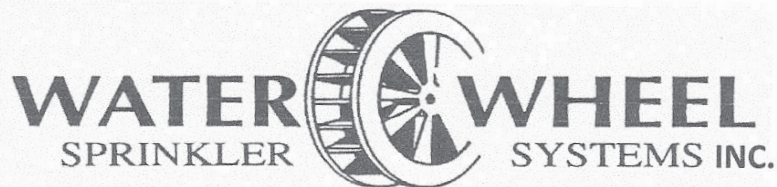


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