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THE NEWSLETTER OF LONG LAKE CLOVERDALE ASSOCIATION

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Presidents Corner



David Jackson

Any day now our weather will cooperate, and it will look and feel like the start of summer! It's been wet, it's been cool, the temps swing from 55 to 75 and back to frost warnings. I would complain, but I did choose to live here, and I love it here on Long Lake.

Calling all Long Lakers: I hope you will join us for our Summer Kick Off event at

Ackers Point on May 27th from 10am – noon. It's a fantastic opportunity to meet and socialize with your neighbors and your LLCA board. Long Lake is known as a warm and friendly community and we want to invite all new families to get connected to your community. Bring the entire family, enjoy some sweet treats, renew your membership to Long Lake Cloverdale Association.

<https://www.longlake.org/membership.html> Your annual \$25.00 donation is one of the smallest amounts for any lake association in the area and goes to support your lake conservation, communications, and social activities. Also, I hope I can count on your continued support for Celebration of Long Lake 2019. Once again, your 16-member association board is busy planning a fantastic day of events starting with the association annual membership meeting at 9:15 am and we will have on hand expansive array of new designs of LLCA wear. We will continue the traditional fun run on the water, ice cream social & kid's games at Ackers Point, live music on the lake front at 7:30 pm and at dusk the famous Long Lake Fireworks show. The Long Lake Fireworks have been the envy of the area, but it doesn't happen without your generous support. Watch your mailbox for the LLCA membership renewal and Celebration donation envelope.

Calling all Business Owners: Do you have a business or a service you want to promote? Please join a growing list of other business owners who annually support Celebration of Long Lake. It's a great way to advertise and get your message out to our community and the many people who will visit Long Lake for Celebration 2019.

If you have ideas to help improve our lake community or make your experience on Long Lake better, please reach out to myself or one of our board members. With over 200 families that call Long Lake home, we strive to keep our focus on conservation and community. The health &

Raffle and Auction Items Requested

We need your help. Over the past few years we have found out how talented our Long Lake community is with several creative gifts donated to LLCA annual meeting raffle and auction including corn hole boards, pictures, amazing cakes, fish sculptures and several other unique items. If you have a talent or an item you would like included in this year's raffle or auction, we would love to hear from you!

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The Buoys at the Sandbar

The buoys on Long Lake identify rock hazards at the north end near the sand bar. Soon after the lake association formed, the first buoy was purchased. Subsequently, two more were assembled by members of the board. Since that time, my husband and I have been the "Buoy Tenders". We put them in around mid-April and take them out by mid-October. We are retiring from that task and the purpose of this article is to find a volunteer to take over the task for a few years. At that time, it could pass to another volunteer. The buoys are approximately five feet tall and about 8" diameter. They are internally weighted by cement to cause them to only show two to three feet above the water. They weigh approximately 50lbs. They are anchored by an eye bolt in the bottom of the buoy with a chain to a standard cement block. Both connections are stainless steel clips. The clips last a couple of years, the chains much longer. To make handling them easier, we cleaned them each fall with SOS pads. They were stored in the garage.



If you are interested in becoming the "Buoy Tenders", please e-mail me at nyla.stevens@yahoo.com

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wellbeing of our lake and the quality of life in our community are always the top priority for your association. As the water table in the great lakes area continues to set new highs, we witness many of our friends on neighboring lakes struggling with high water levels (some over 4') and ongoing flooding. We are blessed to have a great community and a lake that isn't plagued by many of the high-water issues of the area.

Please enjoy another great summer on Long Lake – I promise - the beautiful weather is coming. Please be safe, be respectful, and be a member of the Long Lake Association! See you on the Lake!

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The History of Long Lake and Area



This year's Long Lake Apparel includes a pair of T-shirts that include the logo of the CK&S Railway. And this year's calendar will give you the full story of the CK&S. South Shore Drive was the roadbed for the CK&S and the railroad was instrumental in the

development and building of Acker's Point Resort by John Acker. This year's calendar will be devoted to the past and present places on Long Lake. Each month's pictures will show some of the past on Long Lake and how the present still reflects the past. There will be a short description of the pictures, but each month there will be an expanded story posted on the Association Website that will go into greater detail and further explain the story of the pictures. In order to plan for what the demand will be for the calendar I would ask that you email me with your desire to reserve one or more of the calendars. My email is kschandler@sbcglobal.net. The calendars should still be priced at \$10 each. This will be an opportunity for you, if you are new to the lake, to discover some of the history of the lake and its surrounding area. The first month will picture Acker's Point Resort and it's past and present. Did you know that it was instrumental in supplying ice for the Summer to places as far away as Chicago using the CK&S Railroad? I think we are going to have fun learning about the past and how Long Lake developed from a place that the native Americans lived near and fished to what is now "An Exceptional Place To Live".

Weed Management Program

As most of you know, we received our first of two flouridine treatment a little over two weeks ago and will receiving the follow-up bump treatment in the next few days. The watering ban will continue for approximately one week after that treatment. Swimming will have a 24 hour ban immediately after the next treatment.

Around mid-June, depending on water temps, we will be treating Cabomba and Northern Milfoil in several areas of the lake, depending on the rate of growth. Any restrictions on these treatments will only affect the areas treated. If we do any follow-up treatments later in the summer on these there will be an email and Facebook announcement on the dates involved.

Late August will see the lily pad treatment in areas we are allowed to treat by MDEGLE (formally MDEQ) followed in September by the fall survey to see how this year's treatments worked and to map out next year's plan.

Last year we joined the Cooperative Lakes Monitoring Program, starting with water clarity and phosphorus levels in our lake. Our results showed water clarity ranging from 9.5 feet to 15 feet with an average of 11.8 feet. Statewide average was 12.6. Phosphorus levels were 8 parts per billion in the spring and less than 5 parts per billion in the fall. Statewide averages were 12.8 in the spring and 14.1 in the fall. This year we have added Chlorophyll testing too the other two. This will involve doing five different tests between now and September and is somewhat complicated. Outstanding results on our phosphorus reading, keep on using those non-phosphorus fertilizers.

Doug Bamfield
Vice President



Spring into Summer Party

On March 30th we hosted the annual winter party for Long Lake Cloverdale Association members. It was an evening full of great food, Minute to Win It games, raffle and camaraderie. We'd like to thank everyone who came out to join in the fun. We had a record breaking turn out, around 80 people. Here are a few pictures of this fun event.



Mark Your Calendars

- **Donuts on the Dock** - Monday May 27th, 10am – Noon, Ackers Point Resort.
- **1st Apparel Pickup and Sales** - Saturday June 15th, 10 am -12pm Come and pickup your pre-paid items and shop for more at: 5075 Hurt Drive, Delton, Beige Pole Barn
- **Annual Membership Drive Renew now!** The annual membership fee is only \$25. This helps to support the events throughout the summer and provides funding for many lake improvements. To pay your membership go to: <http://www.long-lake.org>, click the Donate button on the left!
- **Celebration & Fireworks - July 13th** The Celebration of Long Lake will take place on Saturday, July 13th. We rely entirely on your generous support to fund the day's events, ending with a live concert at 7:30 pm and some of the best fireworks in the area. To donate to the Celebration & Fireworks fund go to: www.long-lake.org
- **2nd Apparel Pickup and Sales** - July 13th Camp Michawana - 8:30 am - Before Membership Breakfast
- **Taste of Long Lake** – Sunday September 1st, 1-3pm Only 200 tickets are sold for this event, we are looking for volunteers to be a Taste Host.
- **New to Long Lake?** If you are new to the Long Lake community, please go to the Members Update page, www.long-lake.org/member-update.html
- **Long Lake Recycling** Did you know that Hope Township Hall has a recycling programs available to all Long Lake Residents? Click this link for more information: <https://bit.ly/2HEBBM8>
- **Spring Clean Up** - If you have trash / junk that your trash collector won't take. Hope Township is offering fee vouchers for the transfer station good for one pick-up load of your junk. Voucher are available at the Hope Township Hall Wed. 9am-3pm, Thurs & Fri 1pm – 3pm.



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