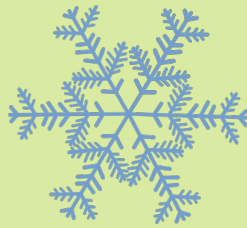


The Columbian



Winter 2023

President's Corner by Tom Crampton

The Communication Committee thought it would be fun to interview Tom, so everyone can get to know him.

A little bit about our President: Tom has lived on Royal Shores since 2003 and is a full-time resident here on our lovely lake. He has been on the LCPOA Board for 5 years holding the position of Secretary prior to his current position of President. He has three beautiful daughters and five wonderful grandchildren all living within two hours of his Lake Columbia home.

What do you do for Fun? He loves his lake neighbors, enjoying potlucks, cards, games, social time, friendship, and support. He also goes out with a group of folks from the Grotto Club located in Jackson. With about four hundred members, they have weekly dinner gatherings such as Taco Tuesday, Burger Wednesday, Friday Specials, Sunday breakfast, football games, euchre tournaments, and other gatherings. It is a social club group filled with side splitting laughter and endless fun.



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President's Corner . . . continued

Favorite memory on Lake Columbia (LC): Tom's favorite is when he and his wife built their retirement home on Somerset Drive, his wife had a fear of water, did not swim, nor had she ever fished, so he knew it was going to be a hard sell. Shortly after they settled in, they bought a pontoon. After that purchase, his wife started fishing and just LOVED it especially from the security and convenience of their pontoon. Tom purchased her a fishing pole, and she selected a special bobber from Cabela's so she would have the latest equipment. She was so excited and enjoyed her new-found passion, that she claimed to be the best Bluegill Fisherwoman on Lake Columbia.

Key projects in 2022: After he was voted in as President May 1, 2022, one of Tom's main goals was to get the grassroots members to be heard, the Board to listen, and representatives from the LC members to participate in the decision-making process. After a couple of months, he was able to work with the Board and the LC members and we now have ten committees with forty-eight people involved. He feels that the input from these committees is crucial to improving and maintaining the long-term health of Lake Columbia. In just a handful of months, these groups are now providing viable information to better our lake. Getting these ideas into a plan for future action is the next step, which is moving forward.

Elderly Neighbors

Be sure to keep an extra eye on your elderly neighbors during the winter season. With the snow and ice, it may be difficult for them to get around and they may need a helping hand. Particularly during cold weather, you might not see them around as much as you would in the warmer weather.

It is always good to check on them occasionally to make sure everything is okay or if they need some help.

Looking forward to 2023: Tom indicated that with the LC membership survey that was completed mid-2022, Water Shed and Water Quality were number # 1 in priority for our members. He indicated Watershed and Water Quality will be a major focus in 2023 and going forward as this is essential to the future asset value, health of Lake Columbia, and a lifetime project. The committees established will be working on their respective needs and actions that contribute to improving Lake Columbia as well as the Community through the actions of the Lake Columbia Property Owners Association.



Vice President's Corner by Sam White

Our LCPOA Newsletter Spotlight this month is our Vice President, Sam White.

Sam currently lives full-time in Grande Point Shores but has lived around our wonderful Lake Columbia for the past 30 years. Since May of this year, he has held the position of Vice President of the LCPOA, but he has been on the Board for 2½ years.

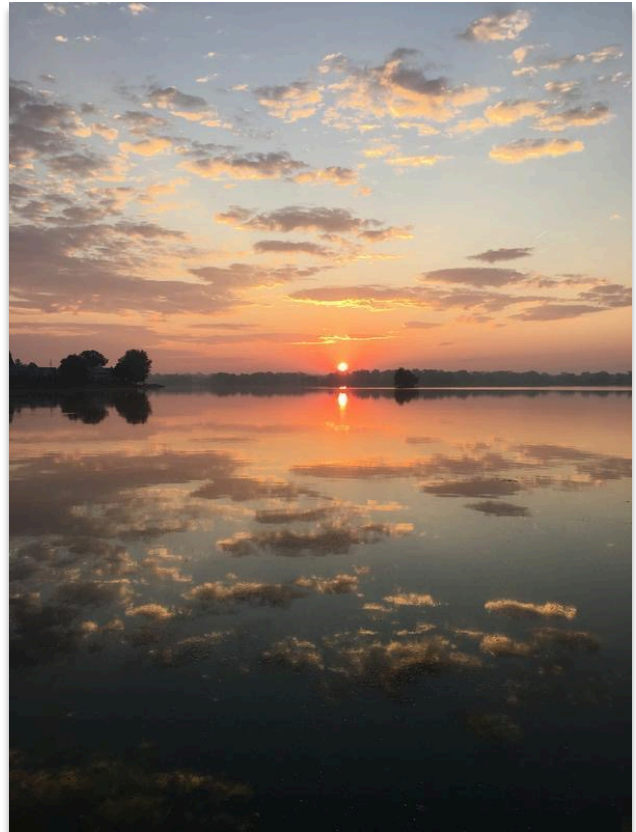
He doesn't have any children but has three fur babies. They are his pride and joy and keep him very busy.

For fun he enjoys our Lake during the Summer months and travels as much as he can during the Winter months.

Since he has lived on our Lake for some time, one of his favorite memories has been watching the Lake's shoreline evolve with new houses as well as watching all the amazing improvements to our 16 Parks.

His key projects in 2022 were to establish and work on the Dam and Strategic Planning Committee. Just last month he oversaw preventative measures taken on our Dam to ensure its continuity.

While there are many items on the docket for Lake Columbia in 2023, he is most enthusiastic about what is instore with the improvements with regards to the Watershed and Lake Quality. He already sees great suggestions coming out of the other newly created LCPOA Committees and is excited as they all work toward the betterment of our Lake.



Treasurer's Report by Cory Borgeson

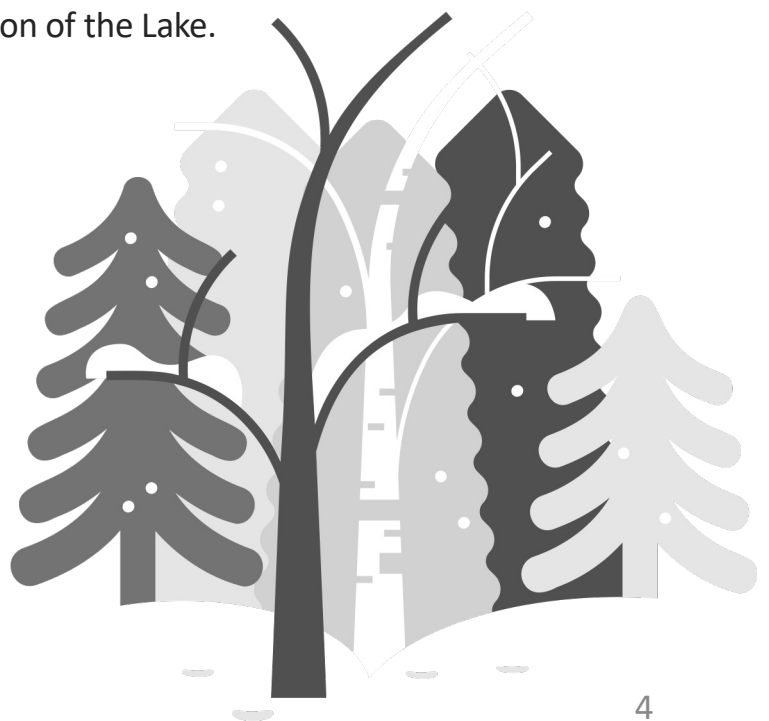
Cory and his wife Diane bought their house on Castlewood in November of 2016. They started looking for a home in Michigan in anticipation of retirement. They both grew up in Michigan and met at Oakland University.

They followed job opportunities to Fairbanks, Alaska and raised 4 children. When they both retired in 2021, they were excited to realize their dream of coming back to Michigan and Lake Columbia. They retained their home in Fairbanks so are only part-time at Lake Columbia.

They are thankful for three grandchildren, two of whom live in Monroe, Michigan with one of their sons, who is a nurse. Anticipation is in the air for 2023 as their other son and his wife (who live in Ypsilanti, MI) are expecting their first child in April. Both Cory and his wife are grateful to come back to Michigan and connect with their extended families. Diane is a quilter and Cory likes to play the piano. They both do consulting work as well.

During 2022, Cory was appointed as Treasurer for LCPOA where he developed a new investment pool. This is anticipated to bring in an extra \$20K in investment income without any risk to the Association. He also oversaw the audit and review of the past accounting records. In 2022, he and the LCPOA Board spent quite a bit of time on the budget and provided it to members at the November meeting. Due to the changes in the proposed budget, the Board postponed making a final decision on it until the January meeting so members could provide comments and input. His focus in 2023 is on our Lake quality and the budget reflects that, with significantly more funding for efforts on improving the condition of the Lake.

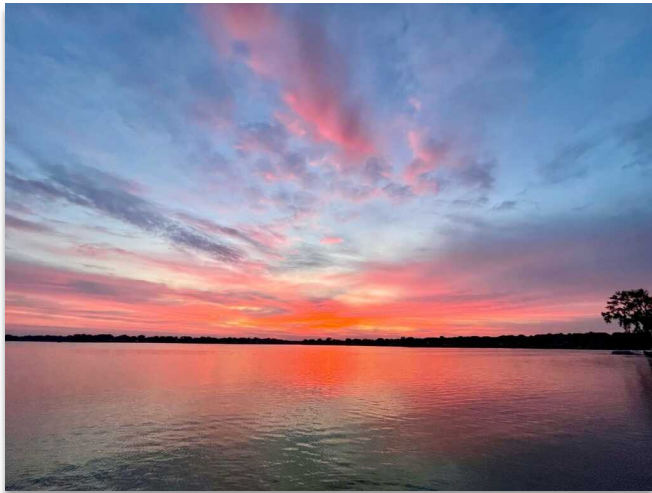
"Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home." — Edith Sitwell



Secretary's Scoop by June VanBuskirk

June has lived in Holiday II shore for over 29 years and is a full-time resident here on Lake Columbia. She became the LCPOA Secretary in May 2022 with this being the first time she has served on the Board. She was on the LCPOA staff from 1998 to 2011 where she performed the duties of Office Assistant then General Manager. She is a proud Mom and Grandmother and enjoys her cat fur-babies.

If you wish to contact June, she asks that you reach out to the LCPOA office at 517-592-2361. The office will get messages to her to handle your needs via phone, email, or in person.



What you do for fun: She loves camping in upper Michigan and tries to get away a few times a year to enjoy what our great State has to offer. Summertime is her favorite time of year that affords her many summertime activities and events to attend.

Favorite memory on the Lake: June has lived in Brooklyn (her hometown) most of her life, so she has many favorite memories. She remembers that when she was a little girl, she lived in an original farmhouse here on Lake Columbia which is still intact today.

Last year she attended our Lake's annual picnic at Castlewood Park and had an amazing time. She looks forward to attending this year and encourages everyone to attend the event this year and get to know their neighbors.

Key projects in 2022: Almost immediately after her appointment as Board Secretary in 2022, she turned her attention to helping in the LCPOA office when unexpected vacancies transpired. She even took a short hiatus from her Board position and worked full-time as Office Manager until the Board hired new staff. She returned to her Board Secretary position and is working very closely with Christine Hensley, who is the LCPOA Board Office Assistant. June spoke very highly of Chris for performing the very tasking job of the Board administrative duties.



Looking forward to 2023: June's most excited about the ten new sub-committees, specifically the Water and Watershed Committee, which she feels is the most crucial part of keeping our beautiful Lake thriving. Park and lake security is also very important to her. The lake activities are also another area that she hopes can continue and improve to bring our community closer together. 5



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(Closed - Friday)



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Office Notes

Dues Reminder: The 2023 LCPOA Dues have been mailed. \$425 for the first lot and \$40 for each additional lot. Payable via cash, check (made payable to LCPOA) or credit card, due – April 3, 2023





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Secretary – June VanBuskirk



Tom



Sam



Cory



June



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517-592-3122

Columbia Township
517-592-2000

DNR
517-284-6000

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517-788-4230

Jackson County Sheriff
517-768-7900

Sewer Emergency & Maintenance
517-768-2515





Activities Committee by Patrick Jones

The Activities Committee members have brought many fun and entertaining activities to our wonderful lake over the past eight years. Activities include the Annual Picnic, multiple food trucks throughout our parks (Kona Ice, Primal Pizza, Tiki Sam's, Maria's Mexican, Krystal's Kitchen, and many more), Movie Night, Boater Safety Classes, Live Bands at the Park, Arts & Crafts Fairs in the Park (Spring & Fall), Christmas Light Contest, Ladies Night Out at Cherry Creek Winery and The Pointe, Trunk-Or-Treat, plus many more. They also oversaw the Lake Columbia (4) Social Media accounts and advertisement for all our events, including the Fishing Tournaments, Lake Tours, etc.

They have been diligently working on many ideas for 2023 and have firmed up five Petey's Donuts dates throughout our parks, with other food truck appearances in the works. The Committee has many other items planned, which will be announced when finalized.

For the past eight years, this Committee has been made up of **Robin Bates**, **Karen Kiss**, and **Des Dukate**, with **Patrick Jones** as the Board Liaison.

Bubbles,
Bubbles,
Bubbles!



Activities Committee . . . continued

They have done an **AMAZING** job, so please reach out and thank them the next time you bump into them.

They are actively looking for new Committee volunteers as these folks are moving on to other endeavors. Please contact your Shore Director or the LCPOA office at 517-592-2361, to throw your hat into the ring to continue with the great work the current members have been doing and follow through on what they have outlined for 2023.



Building Committee by Dennis Blain

We are currently working on two Instructional documents to assist members with process compliance with the LCPOA Deeded Restrictions Policies along with the Procedures for land-based Construction projects to ensure compliance with State of Michigan (EGLE, DNR, etc.) and LCPOA Policies and Procedures. This is for both Waterfront Construction projects as well as a Park Use supporting document. In 2023, they plan to work closely with Columbia Township to eliminate problems with the variance process.



For any construction project, the **FIRST STOP** is the Lake Columbia Property Owners Association (LCPOA) – More info to come!



Parks Committee by Dennis Blain

During 2022, an inspection of all the Parks took place along with taking pictures of signage etc., inspected all bathhouses, roofs, doors, etc., inspected all the wooden picnic tables including the permanent tables and closed the bathhouse for the season on the second Sunday of October.

It was noticed that the East side of the dam spillway fence needed repair. Reviewed and prioritized the 2023 Parks Budget. Plan 2023 Spring Park inspection, reviewed SME dam inspection recommendations, restored some of the wooden picnic tables, and performed the Fall Park inspection.

Strategic Plan and Infrastructure by Sam White

Currently they are focused on the Dam infrastructure routine inspection protocol and future cost of replacement. For 2023, they will be working with the Finance Committee on what assets should be classified as Infrastructure and how we finance the future cost of maintenance, repair, and replacement.





Policies & Procedures by Mike Parks

We have decided to meet once a month instead of quarterly due to the urgent nature of some items, and we hope to submit some of the priorities to the board before the spring boating season begins.

When possible, we always try to include a reference to either By-Laws or Deeded Restriction reference. This makes it easier for cross reference for members to understand the meaning of the changes.

We will always update each revised document with a revision number and date for reference purposes. We will strive to have a solid system of document control when possible.

To date we've had several communications with other committees for updates as to the items they are working on.

- Boat ramp policy including decals for boats and vehicles
- Complaint policy review
- Purchasing policy review
- Contractor policy review
- Insurance policy review
- Large group requests
- Land building and waterfront alteration construction review

Security Committee Report – coming soon

Watershed and Water Quality Improvement by Ron Puczkowski

A whole Lake Evaluation Plan RFP was sent out November 8, 2022, to numerous companies. After an extensive review of submissions, the Committee selected two that they thought would provide objective evaluations. Their returned proposals were scored with the best being recommended for consideration by the Board. Details on the organization and what will be performed for our lake will be provided once they are engaged to do the work. There will be follow-up with the plan to include an emphasis on Sediment in bays, Channels, and Inlet, ensuring corrective actions are taken for whole lake prevention and mitigation.

Recommendations will be presented to the Board for consideration. For 2023, they have begun an evaluation of Whole Lake Plan and starting projects to improve Watershed and Water Quality.



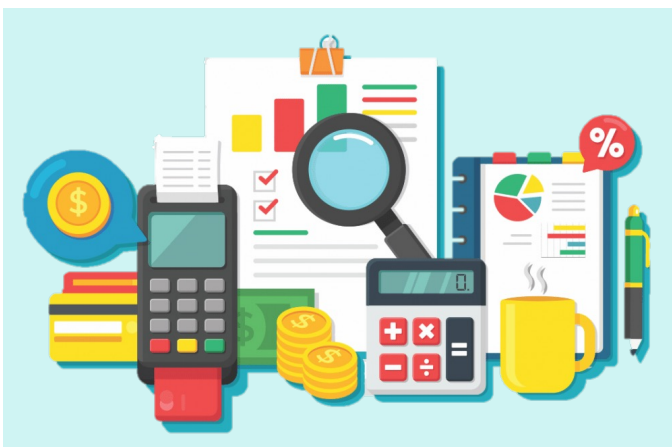


Finance Committee by Cory Borgeson

The group completed the 2023 Budget, established budget reserve accounts, allocation of portfolio investments, and year-end positive income to reserve accounts.

Many reviews were completed, including the following: dues needed for 2023, the purchasing policy, and the IRS refunds for 2019, 2020, and 2021 federal income tax.

In 2023 they will be working with Strategic Planning and Infrastructure committees to review what assets should be classified as Infrastructure. Additional time will be spent to determine how LCPOA finances and the future cost of maintenance, repair, and replacement, as well as ways to improve the asset depreciation procedure.



Fishing Committee by Chris Bowman

The team worked on the Winter 2023 Ice Fishing Tournament (details, when, what, etc.) as well as hosting a free fishing weekend in February. NOTE: The tournament has been postponed from January 21, for unsafe ice until **February 18, 2023**.

In the Spring of 2023, we plan to stock fish (depending on the collections and the price) and hold tournaments on Memorial Day and Labor Day in 2023.

In addition, the committee will locate docks for watercraft launching parks, and work to create fish habitats on the lake that are not treated with weeds treatment, so fish have a more natural habitat, and stock fish in the fall of 2023.





Lake Columbia Property Owners Association

Trash Schedule

Trash will be picked up on Monday and Friday. Please put your cart out the night before pick up. Modern Waste, 96-gallon carts are provided, and regular household trash will be picked up on these days. If you have a large item to be disposed of, please contact the office to make arrangements. Recycling pick up is every-other Wednesday as per the calendar.

(see reverse side for more information on trash service)

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HOLIDAY TRASH SCHEDULE CHANGE

Memorial	Trash pick up moved to Tues, 5/30 & Sat 6/3 Recycle moved to Thurs 6/1
July 4th	Friday trash pick up moved to Sat 7/8
Labor Day	Trash pick up moved to Tues 9/5 & Sat 9/9 Recycle moved to Thurs 9/7
Thanksgiving	Friday trash pick up moved to Sat 11/25
Christmas	Trash pick up moved to Tues 12/26 & Sat 12/30 Recycle moved to Thurs 12/28

SPECIAL TRASH DATES

	RECYCLING EVERY-OTHER WEDNESDAY	
	Christmas Tree Pick Up	January 5 & 12
	Saturday Compost Service Starts	April 1
	Spring Clean Up	June 10
	Last Compost Service	November 18

LCPOA SPECIAL DATES

	Monthly LCPOA Board Meetings-4th Mon/mo except Dec.	
	Annual Membership Payments Due	April 3
	Annual LCPOA Board Meeting 1 PM @ CCHS	May 21

LCPOA ACTIVITIES

	Fishing Tournaments	May 28/Sept 3
	Annual Garage Sale	June 3
	Fireworks Display (July 2 raindate)	July 1
	Annual Family Picnic	August 19

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517-592-2361 or lcpoa@comcast.net

LAKE COLUMBIA TRASH SERVICE

- **Twice a week normal household trash pick up**
 - Monday & Friday - put out night before
- **Christmas Tree pick up**
 - Thursday, January 5 and 12
- **Voluntary Recycling pick up (use cart with yellow lid)**
 - Every-other Wednesday - put out night before
- **Yard waste pick up**
 - Every Saturday from April 1 to November 18
- **Clean-up Day**
 - Saturday, June 10
- Modern Waste uses an automatic loading arm that will load your trash and recycling items into their trucks. Only the cart provided will be serviced. Please place cart 3 ft. from mailbox with the handles facing house.
- Please bag all loose trash and contain loose recycling to prevent a mess when the arm lifts above the truck to dump.
- In the case where a holiday occurs, the service days will be shifted one day forward the entire week. The compost service will still be completed on Saturdays. (See reverse for schedule)
- The supplied 96-gallon trash and recycling carts are owned by Modern and should be left at the home if moving. Please contact the LCPOA office if moving in or out. The carts will be repaired or replaced by Modern for normal wear and tear at no cost. Cart cleaning is the responsibility of the property owner.

SPECIAL PICK UP SERVICES

CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP: Please put trees to the curb the night before pick up. Do not place trees in trash carts.

Yard Waste/Compost: Must be in yard waste/compost bags or loose in containers clearly labeled, "Yard Waste". Compost will consist of grass, leaves, and brush. Brush is accepted and must not be larger than 2" in diameter. Brush must be bagged or bundled in lengths less than 3 ft. All items must be placed outside by 5:00 AM for Saturday service between the April 1 – November 18. All bags and cans set out for service must be able to be safely lifted by one individual. Please note that when the weather drops below freezing, if using a can for compost, the materials will freeze to the bottom of the can. Modern Waste will not warranty or replace customer owned cans placed out for compost services.

CLEAN UP DAY: A curbside clean-up will be conducted one time per year. All items need to be placed curbside by 5:00 AM on the scheduled collection Saturday. Loose items must be bagged or placed into a cart or can. Larger items may be set out for collection if the items do not weigh more than two people can safely lift. Hazardous wastes, construction material, tires, compressed gas cylinders, and items containing Freon will not be accepted.

BULK ITEMS PICK UP: Bulk items consist of an item that is too large to fit into the provided cart during a normal scheduled service day. Bulk items must be pre-authorized and scheduled by the LCPOA office staff. There will be an additional fee of \$10/item paid to the LCPOA office. Carpet would need to be tied in 4 ft. rolled sections not to exceed 50 lbs. per roll. Bulk items should not be heavier than what two people can safely lift.



RECYCLING

LCPOA RECYCLING COLLECTION: Modern Waste uses "single-stream" or "comingled" recycling. This means that all recyclables do not need to be sorted by you. Materials are sorted at a single-stream sorting facility after collection

ACCEPTABLE RECYCLING MATERIALS

- Newsprint including glossy magazines, phone books and junk mail
- Tin, aluminum and scrap iron
- Plastics – HDE #1 and #2 ONLY
- Cardboard, paper bags, newspaper, office paper and paperboard (no wax-coated paperboard)

MODERN WASTE DOES NOT ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS FOR RECYCLING

- Vinyl siding, hangers, toys, shrink-wrap, flower trays, plastic fencing, plastic bags, and automotive fluid containers
- Glass of any kind
- Window glass, drinking glasses, sliding glass doors, dishes, and light bulbs
- Metal-non-food containers, gas cans, air conditioners, burning barrels, chairs and garage door openers
- Wood, Styrofoam, or garbage

If you miss the every-other Wednesday recycling, you can drop off at Modern Waste Systems, 7245 S. Brooklyn Rd. Napoleon, MI

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Mark Your Calendar



February

06 – Open Activity Committee Meeting

18 – **RESCHEDULED** – Fishing Tournament

27 – 7 pm, LCPOA Regular Board Meeting @ Clark Lake Golf Course

April

03 – **2023 Annual Dues**

24 – 7 pm, LCPOA Regular Board Meeting @ Clark Lake Golf Course

March

27 – 7 pm, LCPOA Regular Board Meeting @ Clark Lake Golf Course

May

21 – Sunday, 1 pm, 59th Annual LCPOA meeting, Columbia Central High School, includes (*board elections*)



Ice Safety

Despite Michigan's freezing temperatures, some are headed out onto the ice this winter to fish, snowmobile, skate, and enjoy the winter activities. Knowing the risks of being out on the ice will help keep our families, friends, and neighbors safe.

How thick does the ice need to be to skate or snowmobile?

- Five inches thickness minimum for ice fishing and ice skating
- Eight inches thickness minimum for snowmobiling and Off-Road Vehicles
- It is never recommended to drive your car or truck on the ice
- Ice conditions change every day on a lake

[Michigan DNR – Ice Safety](#)



Signs that ice could be thin or unsafe

- Slushy areas
- Depressions in the snow
- Heavy snow acts as an insulator and weakens the ice
- White–milky or black-colored ice

What to do if an animal is on thin ice

- If your pet goes out onto the ice, do not go after them, stay in a safe position on shore and encourage them back to safety.
- Call for help, 911
- If the ice cannot hold your dog, it cannot hold you
- Invest in a life vest for your dog
- Always walk your dog on a leash near frozen bodies of water



4" 5-7" 8-12" 12-15"
MINIMUM GUIDELINES FOR NEW, CLEAR ICE

Ice is never 100% safe!

Staying safe when going on the ice

- Do not go out on the ice alone, always take someone who can call 911 or go for emergency help.
- If you hear the ice crack, lie down immediately, and crawl back to safer ice in the same way you came.
- Dress appropriately for weather conditions. Dress in layers and appropriate gear for cold weather to protect all exposed parts of your body.
- Consider wearing a personal floatation device.
- Double-check the ice thickness with an ice spud, auger, or cordless drill

What to do if someone falls through the ice (Preach, Reach, Throw, Go)

- **Preach** - Shout to the victim to reassure them that help is on the way.
- **Reach** - If you can safely reach the victim from shore, extend an object such as a rope, tree branch, jumper cables, or ladder to them. If the person starts to pull you in, release your grip on the object and start over.
- **Throw** - From shore, toss one end of a rope or something that will float to the victim. Have them tie the rope around themselves before they are too weakened by the cold to grasp it.
- **Go** - If the situation is too dangerous for you to perform a rescue, do not go out onto the ice. Call 911 for help. Untrained rescuers can become victims themselves.

Falling through ice to the cold water below is a truly life-threatening situation and requires quick action. It only takes a minute or two before the victim becomes too weak to escape the water on their own. Once back on the ice, the victim is still in danger of falling through again or of succumbing to hypothermia. They might also have frostbite. Saving a victim from icy water is dangerous but following these few simple tips can help.



Think Twice Before Driving on Ice



DRIVING ON ICE?

Don't drive on the ice if you can possibly avoid it. If you must, follow these safety tips:

Stay off the ice at night, especially during a snowfall or foggy conditions. If that's unavoidable, be extremely cautious and drive slowly since holes can open up quickly.

Roll a window down and unlock doors or keep a door slightly ajar to speed escape.

Don't wear a life vest while riding inside a vehicle. The extra bulk could hamper your escape through a window.

Don't go back into a partially submerged vehicle to retrieve equipment or other belongings.

VEHICLE ESCAPE

If your car or truck breaks through the ice:

Immediately attempt to escape through a door or side window. The vehicle will stay afloat for a few seconds to a few minutes.

If windows and doors won't open, try to kick out a side window.

If the car begins to sink, find the door handle and keep trying to get a door or window open. As water fills the vehicle it should become somewhat easier to open a door.

Push open the door and exit the vehicle. Your vehicle may have landed on its roof. To get your bearings, let your natural buoyancy guide you as you swim toward the surface.

Historical Tidbit

Did you know that back in the year 1963, Lake Columbia held some of the best Hydro-plane and Utility Boat races to be seen anywhere. The top racers from all over the midwest met at Lake Columbia and competed for prizes and trophies in their various classes. There were spills and thrills in all the races, but happily there were no casualties to mar the excitement.

Secretary of State, James M. Hare, was present and gave out trophies to the winners.

This tidbit was in the July 1963 issue of The Columbian.



Donations are always welcome for Fish Tournaments, Fireworks Display, or for any other LCPOA amenity. We accept cash, checks (payable to LCPOA), or you may utilize our new credit card payment method. These events are funded by the LCPOA, however, donations always help insure the best experience for our members.

We have donation forms online for your convenience or you may come to the LCPOA Office for assistance. Even though we are a private lake, we are still a non-profit organization, and your donation is tax deductible.

**Donations
Accepted**



Please Slow Down!

School is back in session and many children are now on our streets waiting for the school bus. Let's all slow down and keep our children safe!



Walking in the Dark

Some members, while driving while it's dark, either at night or in the early morning hours, have almost struck a walking pedestrian who was not wearing any reflective clothing. Not wearing such clothing makes it very difficult for drivers to see people walking along the street when its dark.



Please, when walking, when it's dark wear some reflective gear.

We all want to avoid a tragedy happening on any of our roads!

Welcome

New Members

A very special welcome to new residents, thank you for becoming a part of our community.

Bayview Shores

Holiday II Shores

Blakely Shores

Imperial Shores

Cambridge Shores

Riviera Shores

Fletcher Shores

Royal Shores

Grand Pointe Shores

Sherwood Shores

Hill N Shore

Southern Shores

Holiday I Shores



COMING SOON

Starting in 2023, we will be welcoming new neighbors to LCPOA, and the office will be providing this information, stay tuned.



Meet Your **NEIGHBORS**

WE NEED YOU!

We are looking for neighbors who would like to share their story (***we all have one!***). This will be an on-going feature and we will try to include a few of these in each newsletter based on the input from our neighbors. Please contact us at LCPOA@COMCAST.net indicating that this is for the newsletter **Communication Committee**.

Here are a few prompts to help develop your story:

- Name – Family member names, ages
- Tell us about your family
- Where are you from and what do you do
- Where are you located on the Lake (Shore/Street)
- When and why did you first come to Lake Columbia
- Provide us with any history on your home; what year it was built, any improvements, photos
- What are your favorite Lake activities
- What is your favorite memory on Lake Columbia
- Why is Lake Columbia special to You
- Photos of you, your family, boat, house, pet, etc.
- ***Provide your email and phone number – for contact information/not to be published***

Additionally, if you are aware of someone moving in, a new baby, or a graduate, we would love to have that information so we can showcase this exciting news. Lastly, if we have lost an LCPOA member or aware of a neighbor that has passed, please let us know so we can honor them.



LCPOA Remembers . . .

There are some who bring a light so great to the world, that even after they have gone the light remains.

There are several members of the LCPOA who have passed recently. Many were long time LCPOA members, and they were all true lake lovers. We are fortunate to have great memories of them. These neighbors will forever be in our thoughts.



Name of Member

Biography and history memorial



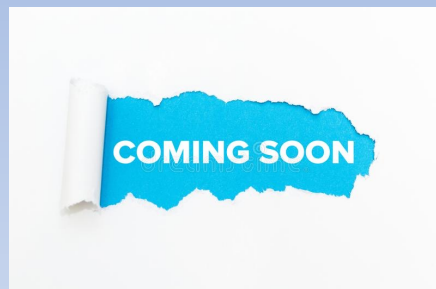
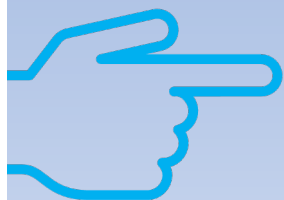
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Lifetime Moments . . .

Make time to celebrate your
accomplishments,
no matter how **big** or small

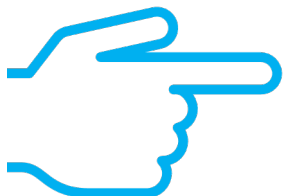
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The sharing of good news and accomplishments is always exciting; we would like to celebrate our members, both young and old, and honor their achievements.

- New baby, engagements, weddings, anniversaries, graduations, etc.
- Please contact us at LCPOA@COMCAST.net indicating that this is for the newsletter **Communication Committee**
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Newsletter



Spring 2023 Submission Deadline – April 1, 2023



[Email news article](#)



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- Lifetime Moments



Lake Columbia related photos

(If you would like to share photos from around the lake, action photos, close-ups are preferable of groups; they must be jpg format)

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