

Douglas Lake Improvement Association Inc.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer is on its way and I know that we are all looking forward to it. It was a very long winter! For the first time this year I was able to be at the lake when the ice went out, an annual event that those of you who live here year around always anticipate. For me it was very exciting. I look forward to seeing the transition from ice to water in the years to come since I will now be making Douglas Lake my home.

This summer will hopefully be a quiet and relaxing one. We have not planned an association social event for this year. Instead we will begin plans for a special celebration next summer for our 35th anniversary. However, there will still be plenty of things to do! If you are looking for activity, just check the calendar included in this newsletter. You will find sunfish races, a regatta, merchandise and cookbook sales, an art and craft fair, book club meetings, various local community events and of course, our annual meeting in August. It should be a fun summer!

There are some changes on the DLIA Executive Board that all of you should note. There will be four new Zone Representatives. Let me begin this announcement by extending our sincere appreciation to those retiring from their zones after serving the association long and well. We all thank you for your tireless service to our organization. Our Zone Representatives are not only the backbone of our association but they are also its eyes and ears. We could not function without them. We sincerely thank **Donna Rae Gaunt**, **Margaret Gilbertson**, and **Isabelle Maleitzke** for their service. **Katie Haensel** is the new Zone Rep for **Zone 92**, **Betsy Naumer** is the new Zone Rep for **Zone 102**, and **Thomas McCarter** is the new Zone Rep for **Zone 71**. **Julie Kennedy** is the new Zone Rep for **Zone 101** replacing my husband, Steve. We thank all of you for being willing to serve. We also thank **Betty Young** again for her many years of service to the Association in general and especially for the years that she was Zone Representative for what was then Zone 10. Betty continues to act as an advisor to our Board.

I conclude this message with a personal note to all of you. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for being the wonderful, caring community of people that you are. This past winter was especially difficult for Steve and for me with his

illness and eventual passing. Without all of the cards, letters, telephone calls, and general help and support from our Douglas Lake friends and neighbors, a very difficult time would have been even worse. I thank you. Your support then and now means a great deal to me more than words can ever say. Best wishes to all of you for a truly wonderful summer. I look forward to seeing you!

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Linda Farmer

"Douglas Lake Cooks!"

Just in time for the Memorial Day Weekend
The First Sale of "Douglas Lake Cooks!"

Saturday May 25th

10:00am to 12 noon 9441 MacArthur Road (The Wilkinson's).

Hard Cover Three Ring Binder Cookbook \$15

The cookbooks will also be available at most of the merchandise sales as well as the Northwoods Art Fair. If you are unable to attend the sales you may phone Barb Wilkinson 537-4911 or Beth Reynolds 537-2250 to make arrangements to purchase the cookbooks.

WE WILL MISS

Stephen Farmer passed away March 22, 2002. Steve first came to Douglas Lake when he was 10

years old as the guest of his aunt and uncle, the Ratcliffs. Over the years he returned to spend time with his cousin Lea and her husband Steve Alexander. Steve introduced Linda, his wife to be, to the lake in 1967 and not only did they have a wonderful time, but they developed a lasting love for the lake that was to play a large part in their lives. Almost 20 years later they purchased the first lot at Manitou Shores and built their home. Steve was a 1968 Ball State University graduate and after serving in the army graduated from Northwestern University School of Law in 1974 where he later served on the board of trustees. He practiced law in Chicago for 1974 to 1981, was an investment banker with John Nuveen from 1981 to 1999 and at the time of his death was managing director of the Chicago office of U.S.Bancorp Piper Jaffray specializing in hospital finance. At the lake we will remember Steve for his quiet sense of humor, his intelligence, his conversations and his willingness to become involved and lend a helping hand in both the D.L.I. A. and environmental organizations of northern Michigan. To Linda, we offer our wish that memories serve to give you strength and enrich the days to come.

Joshua Douglas Hiles, 15 years old, was killed in an automobile accident on Saturday Dec. 22, 2001. He was an honor roll student as well as a member of the Cheboygan junior varsity football team, the wrestling team, and was a shot put and javelin thrower for the track team. We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of this bright, active, kind-hearted young man. He will be missed by his father, Chip Hiles and his grandmother, Joann Hiles, both residents of Douglas Lake.

Tom Pattison died January 27, 2002 at age 70. He spent his last summer at his cottage on Douglas Lake to be near family and friends just as he had done all of his life. Tom loved the outdoors and nature. He was an avid fisherman and had many hobbies. His interests were varied from organic gardening to making bird houses. He was a master carver of Indian pieces, animals and birds and spent many hours at his carving bench outdoors where he could visit with friends and neighbors. Those who knew Tom will remember him as a friendly, happy man with a ready smile, many stories to tell and always willing to lend a helping hand. We extend our condolences to his wife Debbie, his daughters Susan Urata and Kelly Lohman, his twin brother John and to his sister Jane McKathnie.

Jacqueline 'Jackie' Rose passed away on Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2002 at Hospice House of Cheboygan. The daughter of George and Kathryn Lesher and granddaughter of Lambert Wilson of Ingleside she was a resident of Douglas Lake for much of her 64 years. Jackie loved the beauty of Douglas Lake, tending her flower gardens, bike riding in the country, watching the birds and other wildlife in her yard. Douglas Lakers will long remember her for her fall walks around the lake, her loving spirit and joy of life.

Douglas Lake Cooks!

The long awaited Douglas Lake As-

sociation Cookbook is due back from the publisher just in time for the Memorial Day Weekend. To mark its arrival we will hold the first sale of the cookbook on Saturday May 25th from 10:00am to 12 pm at 9441 MacArthur Road (Wilkinson's). The cookbooks will also be available at most of the merchandise sales as well as the Northwoods Art Fair. If you are unable to attend the sales you may phone Barb Wilkinson 537-4911 or Beth Reynolds 537-2250 to make arrangements to purchase the cookbooks. The hard three ring binder cookbooks are only \$15.00 each, so be sure to think ahead and purchase several as gifts.



EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Barbara Wilkinson

A new feature with this issue is a column "News from the University Biological Station." In each issue we will try to include an article on a timely topic, a bit of UMBS history or

article on a timely topic, a bit of UMBS history or introduce a member of the facility or staff. This issue briefly introduces the director for this year, Dr. Brian Hazlett. Bob Vande Kopple has included a bit of news and also the address of his web site. Let me know what you would like to hear from South Fishtail. Also in this issue we are including the official DLIA summer calendar. **Please be sure to save it for future use** and note the dates and activities that interest you. An expanded version of this calendar

The next newsletter is scheduled for July and will include notices and proxies for the annual meeting. If you wish to contribute please forward your articles or announcements to me no later than the first week in July. We do publish events that are **not** necessarily DLIA sponsored. However, they must be open to all members of the DLIA. Please mail or e-mail the announcement to me.

will also be posted on our Web site in a few weeks.

Please be sure to send us your address or phone (area code) changes. They can be sent E-mail or snail mail, but <u>please no changes over the phone</u>. Changes may be sent to President Linda Farmer, included with your dues to Liz Verhoeven or sent to the editor Barb Wilkinson. You may e-mail any newsletter announcements, comments or address changes to: info@douglaslake.org



Bob Vande Kopple, a resident biologist at the University of Michigan Biological Station, invites people to visit his web site www.umich.edu/umbs/research/research.htm. He is building information about Douglas Lake and has a new bathymetric map as well as lake level and ice data. Bob reports that right now the lake is about .25 foot above average at 714.00 feet. 2001 was the year of zebra mussel establishment in our lake. One of the students found 5 adults on her cages and someone else brought in some from the DLB area. Periodically Bob will be submitting information or sending in articles pertaining to Douglas Lake. You can also access his web page via Douglaslake.org, and clicking on links.



UMBS Director – Dr. Brian Hazlett Ph.D. Professor of Biology, University of Michigan

Research Interests: Animal communication, behaviors involved in resource distribution, the development of behavior, the role of learning in ecological interactions, and the organization of behavior.



The Book Club continues with weekly meetings at the DLB at 10:00 am on Wednesday mornings.

This is not DLIA sponsored. New members are welcome. Join in when you can.

SUNFISH RACING DATES

Once again this year there will be Saturday Sunfish Races. (please note this is <u>not</u> a DLIA sponsored event). The first race will be June 29. In July the races will be held on the 6th, 13th, 20th (regatta), and the 27th. The August dates are the 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th. Mid week races will also be held. For locations and times please contact Linda Orlow (537-4484) or Jay Butler (537-4537).

The Second Area Wide Sunfish Regatta will be held on July 20th on Douglas Lake. Please call Linda Orlow at (537-4484) or Jay Butler at (537-4537) for times and locations for the Regatta.

NOTICES

Beautifully remodeled 3BR/2BA cottage (sleeps 8) at 9231 MacArthur Rd. available for seasonal rental. Call Houseworth Realty at 231-548-5578 or visit their website at www. houseworthrealty.com for pictures and information.

Rod Searles will be launching pontoons in place of Ken Rogers who is ill. Please contact him at 231-537-4803

Kelly Lohman is selling a custom made roofed shed. Kelly will be at the cottage 9061 MacArthur Road over Memorial weekend, June 10th - June 14th, June 29th – July 6th. She can be reached at 231-537-2280 (lake) or 260-489-4051 (home).



Northwoods Art Fair

The Northwoods Art Fair will be held

Time: Friday July 26th 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday July 27th 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Place: 10850 Northwoods Shores. This is not a DLIA sponsored event!

Please contact Carma Case for more information

(231) 539--0954

PLEASE DO NOT

Please do NOT use fertilizer on your lakeside property.

Fertilizers can seep into the lake where they enhance the growth of aquatic plant life and decrease the water quality of the lake.

Please do NOT dump garbage in the woods.

Pets and wild animals can find the garbage and become sick or ill.

Please do NOT dump general debris (such as vard clippings and debris).

Debris can pose a hazard to persons walking or hiking in the woods.

Toddler & Youth Stiched Henley Tee Shirts Sweatshirts & Bucket Hats

2002 **DLIA MERCHANDISE SALE DATES**

Adult Wind Shirts & Jackets
Golf Shirts

Linda Farmer is the DLIA Merchandise Manager

NEW SELECTIONS NEW LOOKS Saturday June 22nd 11:00 am to 1:00 pm 9655 Manitou Shores Trail (Linda Farmer) Thursday July 4th 10:00 am to noon 11654 Seabrook Lane (John Kurkjian) Saturday July 13th 9411 MacArthur Rd. (Beth Reynolds) 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Friday July 26th 10:00 am to 4:00 pm 10850 Northwoods Shores Drive (Art Fair) Saturday July 27th 10:00 am to 3:00 pm 10850 Northwoods Shores Drive (Art Fair) Saturday August 10th 7:00 pm U of M Biological Station (Annual Meeting)

Saturday August 24th 11:00 am to 1:00 pm 9440 Silver Strand Road (Diane Billingsley)

Saturday August 31st 11:00 am to 1:00 pm 9655 Manitou Shores Trail (Linda Farmer)



FREE TRASH PICKUP

Munroe Township is having a general garbage and trash pickup on July 6th 2002. (household items only)

They will NOT take; construction materials, concrete, tires, batteries, large metal items, brush, leaves, grass clippings, hazardous waste, appliances.

Please have your trash at the road side for pickup very early July, 6th 2002. The truck may be very early depending on your location.



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In the upper right corner of your address you should see a year listed. If this year is 2002 or later, you own nothing now. However, if it shows 2001 or earlier then please send your check (\$10.00 per year) payable to the DLIA

to:

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