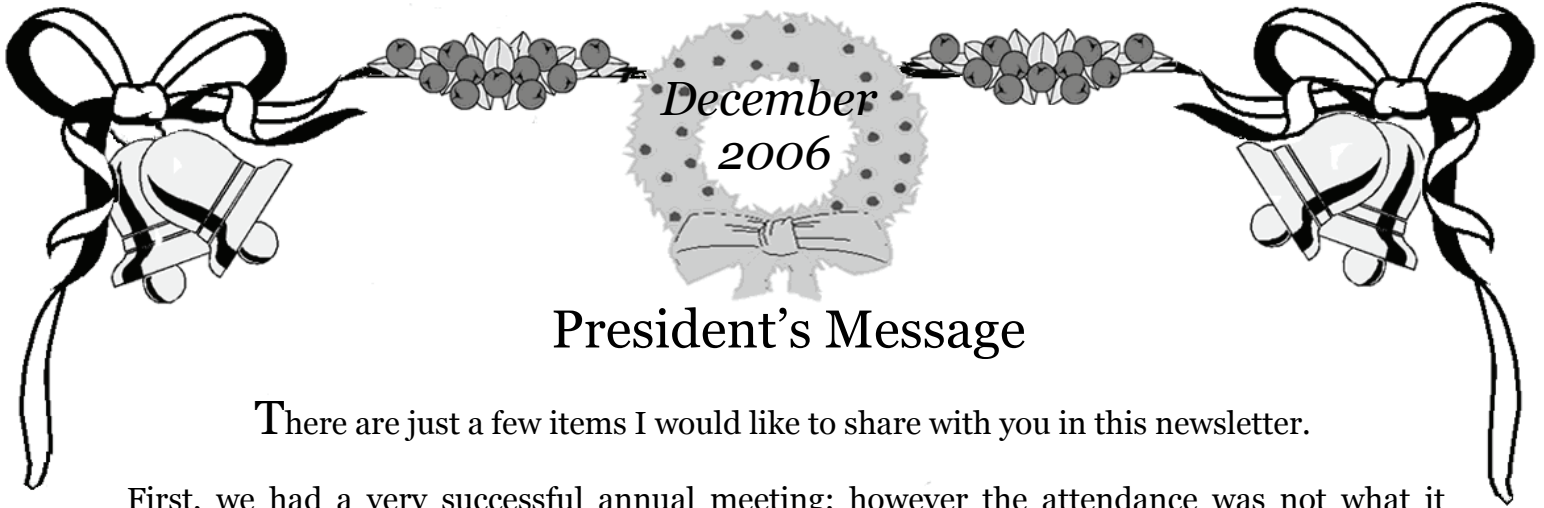


# Douglas Lake Association Newsletter



## President's Message

There are just a few items I would like to share with you in this newsletter.

First, we had a very successful annual meeting; however the attendance was not what it should have been. One way to view the low attendance is to recognize that everything is going smoothly with no real issues that need to be addressed, thus members do not feel the need to attend. However, we do try to have an interesting and knowledgeable speaker at the meeting and this past year was no exception. Dr. Knute Nadelhoffer was superb. Those members who attended know how he addressed issues in his personable and informed manner, and, for those of you who missed this meeting, perhaps next year you might make a special effort to attend. In the February issue we will review the meeting.

Second, mark your calendar for Sunday August 19, 2007; we are going to have a celebration. You will not want to miss this one, so come one come all but by all means save this date and plan on being at the lake. The location is different from other barbeques, the menu is different and the planned events are different – need I say more.

Third, Anna Nows has agreed to sell the DLIA merchandise over the winter months. So please remember our merchandise as you do your Christmas shopping. Her address and contact numbers are listed on the merchandise listing in this newsletter. Next summer brings new merchandise and new managers so now is a good time to fill the stocking with the items you have enjoyed or never got around to buying as we reduce our stock and make way for the new. Sandy Segrist did a wonderful job during the past 4 years and we all owe her a very large thank you. Being merchandise manager is a time consuming job that requires dedication. Sandy took the time and brought a new look and many new items that we all enjoyed. Sandy, thank you very much.

One final thing, I need to let you know that I have a new e-mail address and it is an easy one, [barbwilkinson@comcast.net](mailto:barbwilkinson@comcast.net)

If you are south bound – enjoy your time in the sun with balmy temperatures; if you are a winter purest, well let's enjoy what can be the most beautiful season of all.

I wish you all the Happiest of Holidays rich with love and friendship,

Barbara Wilkinson



# WE WILL MISS

We offer our condolences to the families of Lila M. Dean, Alice Phillips and Helen DeKruif

**Lila M. Dean**, Submitted by her daughter *KayDaly*. Lila died at Bortz Health Care in Petoskey on August 3, 2006. She was born on September 18, 1915 in Harbor Springs to Frank and Blanch Lauer. She first came to Douglas Lake in 1934 and spent her honeymoon at the lake in 1935 when she married Kenneth Anderson. They spent their vacations at the A.D. Anderson cottage for many years until purchasing the Phares cottage next door in 1954. Ken preceded Lila in death in 1968. She later married Dr. Donald Dean and they divided their time between Douglas Lake and Sarasota, Florida. After Don's death in 1985 she continued to do the same. Lila was a former zone representative. She moved to Independence Village in Petoskey to be closer to her daughter and son-on-law. Kay and Ralph Daly, their children and grandchildren will continue to enjoy time at the cottage on Douglas Lake.

**Helen DeKruif**, Submitted by her daughter *Maureen Defruif*. Helen passed away very peacefully in her sleep on July 30, 2006. She and my Dad Adrian built their home on the lake in the spring of 1981. They loved the lake and liked to fish and visit with all their friends at the lake. They also liked to travel, go on cruises and visit their grand children. After Adrian passed away Helen continued spending her summers at the lake until her health would not allow it. She was active with the Church of the Straits and enjoyed the Church's ladies group. She is survived by a son, daughter, 3 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

**Alice Phillips**, Submitted by her friend and neighbor *Donna Segrist*. Alice and her husband Lex were among a fine group of native Hoosiers, from Rushville IN. who enjoyed cottage life on Douglas Lake. Alice was born on June 21, 1923. She married Lex in 1947 a marriage that lasted for 58 years. The year was 1960, when Alice had her first visit to Douglas Lake, where by 1964 they became summer renters—and 20 years later, in 1984, they purchased the cottage at 7101 Pells Island Drive, off Bryant Rd. south shore. Alice's death occurred at the age of 82 years on November 2, 2005 in Levonia MI. As Lex said "She took off on reading books and articles, a lot! And she surely did enjoy playing bridge." Alice was right there with Lex, as he managed the plans and use of the Public Access area near their cottage for a number of years. Two sons, Todd and Douglas and two granddaughters also survive.

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# The History Corner



**Can you identify all of these pictures? The person who mails (NO e-mails or phone calls) the first and most complete identification will be awarded a Douglas Lake Pennant. Please send your identification information to:**

**Barbara Wilkinson,  
P.O. Box 1067**

**Jackson, Michigan 49204**

**The deadline is Jan 30, 2007. The winner and answers will be announced in the February 2007 newsletter. Even if you cannot identify all please try to identify what you can.**

## History Facts

The railroad car ferries that connected Michigan's two peninsulas pioneered the use of bow propellers on ice breaking ships. Duplicates of the straits' ferries were built for use in Russia and other arctic nations.

The nation's first practical highway snowplow was built in Munising, Michigan in 1921.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Douglas Lake Bar & Steakhouse

"A Gourmet Roadhouse"

Winter Reopening Thursday night Dec. 7



## Editor's Comments

Once again you will notice a page of ads, these are the businesses that supported our directory and part of the cost of the directory ad was a one time listing in our newsletter. Consider it as a reminder that these companies would appreciate our business and we certainly appreciate their support. Also, we will publish a list of membership changes in a future newsletter so please let us know of any corrections. The next issue is scheduled for mid February so if you wish to contribute please have the information to me by February 1<sup>st</sup>. My new e-mail is: [barbwilkinson@comcast.net](mailto:barbwilkinson@comcast.net).

Wood Chips Construction has taken on a new partner. Steve Ball has come on board as a partner with Chip Hiles to extend the services Wood Chips has to offer. Wood Chips has been in business since 1994 specializing in custom furniture and architectural products such as mantels and custom kitchens. Services now include cottage maintenance, repair, remodeling, additions and restoration. Wood Chips is a license builder who has remodeled cottages in the Tip area using products for that special northern look. If your cottage is in need of repair or you just want to make a new look that is comfortable to vacation in give them a call at 231-537-4752.

# THE D.L.I.A. MERCHANDISE IS AVAILABLE THIS WINTER

Anna Nows will be happy to let you see and purchase from a selection of our merchandise.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE

be sure to **phone her** for a convenient time to stop by her home at 9370 Star Trail.

The phone number is 231 537-2790

For an additional fee she will mail packages to you if you are not at the lake.

So....

Shop For Presents

Shop For Yourself

Tiles      Afghans      Candles      Flags      Pennants      Grocery pads      Note pads  
Napkins      Note cards      Golf balls      Kitchen towels      Douglas Lake magnets

Some toddler sweat pants, sweat shirts are left  
Some youth hoodies and a shirt or two  
Some men's raglan T shirt and a vest or two  
Some ladies t-shirts and a collar shirt

And of course remember we do have cook books. \$15 per book or \$20 if we ship  
Please give the order either to Anna Nows or Barb Wilkinson



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## Douglas Lake Cooks!

Once again this winter we will ship directly to you.

**\$20 Per Book** (includes postage & handling)

**Hard Cover Three Ring Binder Cookbook - Featuring over 500 Recipes**

A great gift for any special occasion! Holiday, Valentine's Day, Easter, Showers, Hostess Gifts, Birthdays, etc.  
Please send this form along with your check made out to the D.L.I.A. to:

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P.O. Box 1067  
Jackson, MI 49204-1067

Number of books \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail books to: Name \_\_\_\_\_

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