



# Douglas Lake Improvement Association Inc.



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We promised a special newsletter to pay tribute to our celebration of last summer. The Polynesian flavor, in food, decorations, and entertainment, only added to the event as we transformed the UMBS beach to a tropic paradise. This was accomplished with the hard work and planning of many individuals. Julie Kennedy chaired this committee of dedicated DLIA members who went out of their way to put together a very special afternoon. John Perkins led the way with his artistic talent pulling together the decorations and their placement, revolving around the crazy zany entertainment program. Speaking of entertainment, what perfect lyrics Noelle Clark wrote. Lorayn Perkins and Martha Beechler spent many planning hours with John during the winter and then came the hard part, making all the decorations that their brain storming had created. They had many other individuals who helped at morning building sessions for much of the summer. Sue Nelson, Nat Wilkinson and Diane Ellman managed to find a menu that went right along with the theme. Linda and Steve Alexander, Betsy Howe, and Tom Kennedy spent hours on the set up and tear down of just about every decoration, table, chair and trash can. Oh and how about the salesmanship of Linda and Steve, they sold hundreds of dollars worth of raffle tickets with all money going to the UMBS. So many people took part in the preparations that I really could not list everyone so I have mentioned by name only the original committee that began work back in October, but to everyone who volunteered their time, labor and talent on behalf of the entire DLIA membership I say a very heart felt THANK YOU for a job extremely well done.

So sit back and enjoy remembering that Polynesian day and while you are at it celebrate another part of the world with St Patrick's day. What a great way to end a long cold snowy winter. You supply the corned beef and Guinness and we'll trigger the memories. As a wise old leprechaun once stated " St. Patrick's Day is an enchanted time -- a day to begin transforming winter's dreams into summer's magic."

'Sláinte!'

## Who Says There Are No Fish in Douglas Lake?

Elaine Heike, a lake resident on the west shore proudly shared the news of her grandson's (Evan Sobetski) catch on Douglas Lake. The Department of Natural Resources sent a letter to Evan congratulating him on his Master Angler catch. The smallmouth bass which weighed 5 pounds and measured 21 inches was caught on July 5, 2007.

Way to go Evan – Keep up the good work.





University of Michigan

## BIOLOGICAL STATION

University of Michigan Biological Station Mini-Courses, June 11-15, 2008

The U of M Biological Station would like to invite members of the Douglas Lake Improvement Association (and their families) to participate in any one of several Mini-Courses being offered at the station on Douglas Lake in Pellston from June 11 to 15, 2008, including a fun, outdoor education program for children (ages 8-12) to be held simultaneously with the adult enrichment classes. A description of the mini-courses being offered is below, and a registration form is available on the website at <http://www.lsa.umich.edu/umbs>. For more information, please call the Station's Pellston office at (231) 539-8408.

**Birds of Northern Michigan** (*Mary Whitmore and Bob Hess*): This class, which takes place when early summer singing and nesting are underway, will feature lots of time in the field, where participants will identify birds and observe bird behavior. The class begins early in the mornings with the traditional bird class breakfast and coffee. The main instructor is Mary Whitmore, director of SEE-North, a respected environmental education center in Petoskey. Mary has a rich background in ornithology and is very familiar with the birds of northern Michigan and their habitats. She will be assisted by Bob Hess, former director of the Non-game Wildlife Program for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

**Flora of Northern Michigan** (*Ed Voss*): With only a couple sessions inside for lecture, slides, and laboratory work, this class will take place primarily outside. It includes a fair amount of hiking and a little climbing (but no big dunes). Participants will identify late spring and early summer plants, including basic structures and terminology. The class features a field trip to Whitefish Point and Tahquamenon Falls in the Upper Peninsula, as well as some area bogs. Ed Voss has taught botany at the Biological Station and the UM-Ann Arbor campus for more than four decades. He is the author of a three-volume definitive botany guide about Michigan flora.

**Digital Photography in Nature** (*Kim & Chris Cerrudo*): This class opens the doors to a photographic odyssey, through which participants can photograph an abundance of birds, mammals, flowers, tree foliage, dunes, lakes, and other spectacular natural scenery in northern Michigan. Traditional SLR cameras are welcome, although there are no facilities for processing conventional film at the station. Instead, the course emphasizes how to capture, store, recall, and edit electronic images via digital photography. The class is taught by Kim and Chris Cerrudo, of Petoskey. Chris teaches digital photography at North Central Michigan College's Institute for Business and Industry Training. Both Kim and Chris are former Station students and long-time instructors of this popular Mini-Course.

**Bio-Explorers: Science Adventures for Kids** (*Marty Samson*): Especially designed for young scientists (ages 8 to 12), and for children of Mini-Course participants, Bio-Explorers provides a guided exploration of northern Michigan habitats. The aim is for kids to experience science as a "real" field biologist or ecologist would. As such, the class will use actual scientific equipment ranging from bug nets to microscopes. As part of the class, participants will visit and learn about the Biological Station's research facilities and various research projects. The course will be taught by Marty Samson and Jane Mooradian, of SEE-North (which specializes in youth education), along with UMBS staff experienced in environmental education and classroom science teaching. The class is at the same time as adult mini-courses, so all family members may be simultaneously engaged in outdoor educational activities.

**The University of Michigan Biological Station Centennial Celebration  
will be held on the Weekend of August 21 to 24, 2008.**



## Editor's Comments

As we look forward to spring and then to Summer it is fun for us to remember last August and our D.L.I.A. Luau. This issue is a celebration of that event. For those of you who were able to attend, we hope this will bring back happy memories and for those of you who were unable to attend we hope you will enjoy seeing pictures and reading about your Douglas Lake Friends.

Our next issue will be in May. If you wish to contribute please forward your articles or announcements to me no later than the May 1st. If possible e-mail the information to me at [barbwilkinson@comcast.net](mailto:barbwilkinson@comcast.net)., otherwise please type and mail your information to me at P.O. Box 1067 Jackson, MI 49204. We do publish events that are not necessarily D.L.I.A. sponsored as long as they are open to all or of general interest to part of our membership. Remember to keep in touch with any address changes, lake news you wish to pass along or obituaries we need to print.



## Thank You

Thank you to the sponsors of the DLIA Polynesian Picnic who donated the following Raffle items.

Pellston Market (pasta basket)  
Joan Kleinstiver (watercolor)  
Marilyn Stover (pottery)  
Douglas Lake Bar & Steakhouse (gift certificate)  
Village Inn Restaurant (gift certificate)  
Jenny Chamberlain (Silpada jewelry)  
Holly Gedert (photographs)  
Holiday Inn Pellston (gift certificate)

Thank you to Sea Shell City for allowing us to use their fish nets to help lend a South Seas feel to the party, and thank you to everyone who bought a raffle ticket at the picnic.



## Douglas Lake Bar & Steakhouse

New owners the Duffey Family  
of Douglas Lake

Will Open the DLB Thursday May 1st.

Thursday thru Sunday Dining at 5:00 P.M.  
Note: Due to a Private Wedding Party the  
DLB will be closed Saturday May 3rd.

Plenty of dock space will be available.



## Sunfish Regatta

Mark your calendar!  
The 2008 Douglas Lake  
Sunfish Regatta  
will be held on August 2  
For more information please  
contact:  
Jay Butler  
[jaybutler@ieee.org](mailto:jaybutler@ieee.org)



## High speed Wireless Service on Douglas Lake

You can choose from 2 different  
bandwidths (speed)  
512 Kb/s both ways symmetrical  
1.5 MB/s both ways symmetrical

### SHORT TERM SERVICE RATES

HOURLY \$7.50  
DAY \$10.50  
WEEK \$25.00

512 Kb/s

1 MONTH	\$38.00
3 MONTHS	\$109.00
6 MONTHS	\$216.60
9 MONTHS	\$316.35
12 MONTHS	\$410.40

1.5 MB/s

MONTH	\$ 68.00
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## Rental Wanted

### Cottage Needed For Rent

Mindy Masterson is looking for cottage rental for a good friend the week of July 12 - 19.

Dates are flexible. North shore preferred but not mandatory.

Please contact with information.

mindymasterson@msn.com or call 502-445-2156.

## For Rent

### MacArthur Road Cottage for Rent

Robertson's Cottage at 9231 MacArthur Rd. is available for rent August and September

\$1,000 per week, or \$3,500 for a month.

Call Victoria Robertson at 239-571-7183

### Cottage For Rent

Two Bedroom Full-size cottage with two extra sleeper-sofas

(sleeps 8)

for rent from May thru October.

NO SMOKING.

Washer/Dryer, screened porch, small dock and rowboat.

Located on Silver Strand near Van Rd.

\$ 800/week or \$3000/month. Discounts for longer rentals up to 6 months.

Contact Karen Mertaugh 231-590-7956 or e-mail tmertaugh@gmail.com

### Cottage For Rent

One bedroom with 2 additional beds on front porch

Sleeps Four

No Smoking

Located between Douglas Lake Bar & Island

\$600 per week

Contact: Jim Trimpe 502-296-5340

james.trimpe@wachoviasec.com

### Cabin For Rent

Clean, lakefront cabin near Maple Bay.

No smoking or pets.

Maximum accommodation-six.

jaynemorse@yahoo.com

(419) 537-1570

## DOUGLAS LAKE AERIAL PICTURES NOW AVAILABLE

The photographer of the book "Above the North" was privately commissioned to take a variety of beautiful, colorful pictures of our lake on Oct. 20, 2007.

Available sizes include 8 X 12, 10 X 15, 16 X 24 and larger, with or without a mat and frame. Packages of ten note cards featuring one of the aerial lake prints are also available. To see a few of the proofs and get an order form you can e-mail Linda Orlow:

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## DOUGLAS LAKE IS THE LAKE WE LOVE *to the tune of Bloody Mary*

Douglas Lake is the lake we love  
Douglas Lake is the lake we love  
Douglas Lake is the lake we love,  
Now ain't that too darned good!  
NOW... AINT ...THAT... TOO  
...DARNED.... GOOD!!!!!!!

## DOUGLAS LAKE IS CALLING

*to the tune of Bali Ha'i*

Douglas lake is calling  
Douglas lake sparkling clear  
Here am I your special water  
In your hearts oh so dear.

Your own special shores  
Your own special feel  
Northwoods, Manitou  
Silver Strand and HERE!

If you try, you'll find me  
Where the waves meet the sun  
Here am I your special water ...  
We are all, we are one.  
Douglas Lake... Douglas Lake...  
Douglas Lake



## SOME ENCHANTED EVENING *to the tune of Some Enchanted Evening*

Some enchanted evening  
You will see a sunset  
You will see a sunset  
Over Douglas Lake  
And it will be  
So Beautiful  
That you will never  
want to leave.  
Once you have seen it  
You will never go  
Once you have seen it  
You will never go!



## THERE IS NOTHING LIKE OUR LAKE *to the tune of There is Nothing Like a Dame*

There is nothing like our lake  
Nothing in the world  
There is nothing you can make  
That is anything like our lake

We've got sunlight on the sands  
We've got loons in Maple Bay  
The DLB is cooking  
And our students work all day  
There are eagles on Pells Island  
Sunfish sails on NUTTINGS Bay

No condos here...  
AND THAT'S OK

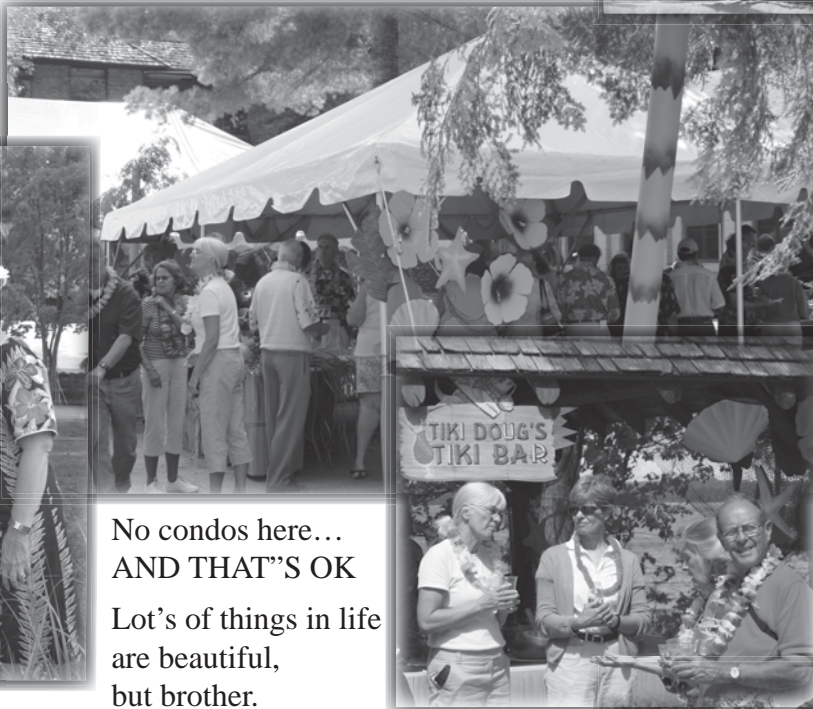
Lot's of things in life  
are beautiful,  
but brother.

There is one particular thing that  
is nothing whatsoever  
In any way shape or form like  
any other  
What's that

WHAT'S THAT????

WHAT'S THAT????????????????

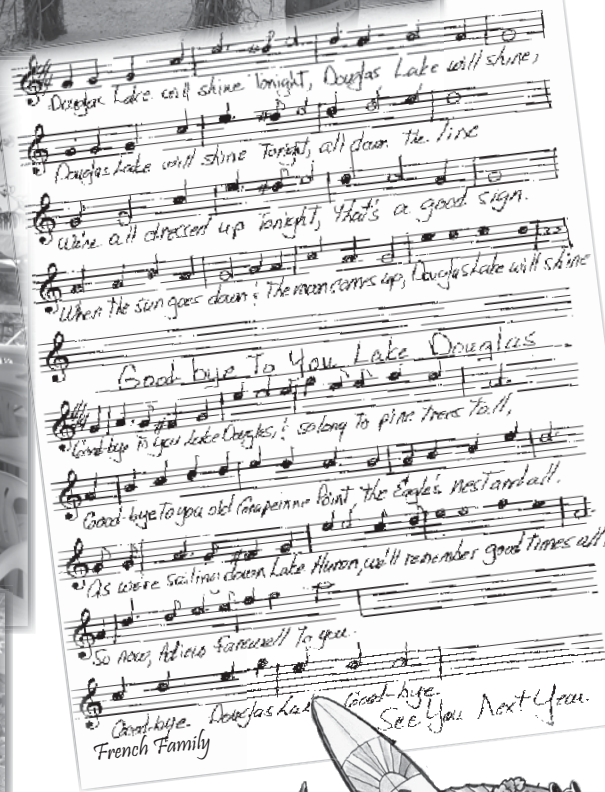
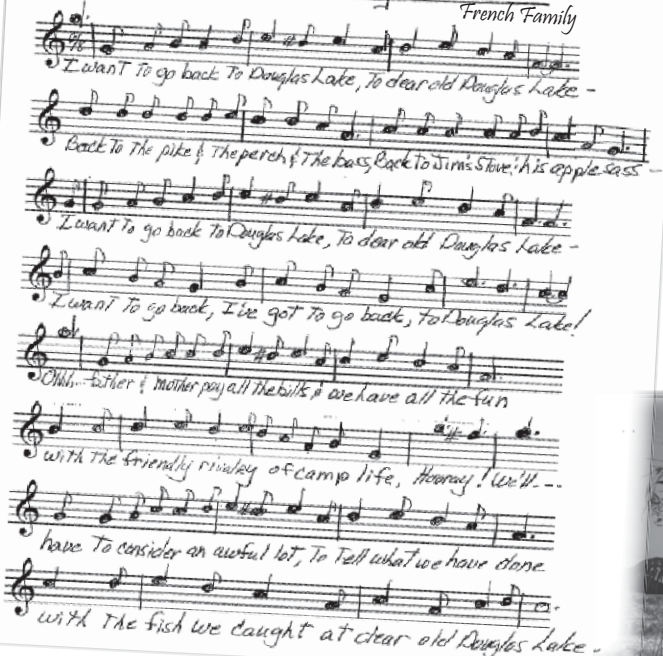
There is nothing like our lake  
Nothing in the world  
There is nothing you can make  
THAT IS ...ANYTHING....  
LIKE...OUR ....LAKE





# I Want To Go Back To Douglas Lake

French Family



**WE'RE GONNA WASH THOSE ZEBRAS OUTA OUR LAKE to the tune of I'm gonna wash that man right outa my hair)**

We're gonna wash those zebras outa our lake  
We're gonna wash those zebras outa our lake  
We're gonna wash those zebras outa our lake  
And send them on their way

Don't try to patch em up  
Tear them out, tear them out  
Wash them out, dry them out  
Pull them out, throw them out

Annihilate them...then say good-bye  
YEA SISTER

We're gonna wash those zebras outa our lake



We're gonna wash those zebras outa our lake  
We're gonna wash those zebras outa our lake  
AND.. SEND ..THEM...ON ..THEIR WAY!!!

