

## 2019-11 W.V.P.O.A.C. Newsletter



### **Prez Sez:**

Well .... Happy Winter, a bit early I would say but here we go .... Some people are tickled we have snow already and some are anxious to begin their journeys to warm weather.

First of all, thanks to the folks that who showed up to enjoy the wonderful hayride. We had a smaller turnout (maybe because of the weather forecast), so we only needed one trailer. Thanks to Bill Harding for having his on standby and to Blair Wickman for letting me use his trailer to transport the 16 or so people around the lake to see the beautiful colors that Mother Nature provided.

Now let me take this opportunity to update you on what took place at the Labor Day Meetings and since.

The Wildwood lake front property owners meeting started off with a moment of silence for Bob Chadwick. Bob was a strong supporter of the club and was helping out with every project or work detail we put together. He was a Past President and current Board Member. He will be greatly missed.

Blair then gave an update on the loons and what is happening with the lake treatment. Please see Blair's report on page 7.

Dave Dohring then brought everyone up to date on last year's successful drawdown and stated that the committee's recommendation (approved by the Board) was to drawdown the lake 18" for 2019. At the time of this meeting we had not received approval from EGLE (DNR/DEQ) to draw down the lake. Eventually we received a letter that denied our permit, but offered modifications they would approve. The committee reviewed the EGLE proposal and had issues with a few points. We then met with the representatives at the Gaylord Field office and came to a compromise and finally received our permit on November 1, 2019.

We had the ability to begin the drawdown immediately but it must end on December 1, 2019. We have started the drawdown, but with all the precipitation we're not sure how much we will attain. Stay tuned and watch the shoreline.

Ernie introduced Denny Gallagher who chaired the Deed Restriction Committee for the transfer of the Wildwood Lake bottomlands from Bottom Land Up LLC to the WVPOAC. Denny presented the Deed restrictions and answered questions from the floor. After questions, the following motion was made by Denny Gallagher, and seconded by Bill Harding. "For WVPOAC to accept the deed to and ownership of the bottom lands of Wildwood Lake from Bottom Lands Up LLC (BLU) with the agreed upon deed restrictions and with the responsibility to, over time, completely reimburse the members of BLU less the proceeds they receive for the sale of Lot 186 which was included in the bottom lands purchase." The motion passed. Since then BLU LLC has received and accepted an offer to sell Lot 186. We will present an updated status at the May Meeting.

We took a 10-minute break and reconvened to discuss WVPOAC specific topics.

On the facility side, the deck on the clubhouse is finally done. Yes, Bob Chadwick and Dave Dohring's (B&D Construction) project is complete, Bobby was with us, throughout the construction, yelling at Dave. Many thanks to our builder who also built our clubhouse addition, Rich Jurewicz. Thanks also, to our other retired builder who worked and helped us along, Steve Wilhelm. Thanks to the many workers that labored and I mean labored for several days to make it happen. Please note that with the new deck a 20-foot perimeter around the clubhouse was approved to be No Smoking. Additionally, the club purchased 44 new matching chairs and the place looks GREAT. Thanks, Dave Dohring, for coordinating this effort. Thanks to those members who have donated chairs to the club in the past, but please do not donate any more, we now have enough. We also have a new firepit out front, and thanks to Kathie for donating it and thanks to Bill Harding and Dave Dohring for helping me pick it up and install it.

Kathie reported that membership was at 105, but since then we have received 9 more and now have 114 members. Keep asking your non-member neighbors and friends to join ... it is working.

As you know we kept the clubhouse open last winter and it was so successful the Board approved doing it again this year. Start making plans for the New Year's Eve Party, Super Bowl Party (which is also our stump cutting party) and watch for blasts announcing other pop-up events.

Paula Brown from Operation Injured Soldier, Brave Hearts Estate was on hand to receive a \$4850 check from our Club. Thanks to George and Cindy Jackson and all the hard-working people that put on our most successful golf outing EVER!! Also, thanks to all the sponsors and people that participated in the event that raised so much money. See the 2019 Golf Outing results and area sponsors on pages 4 & 5.

In our last newsletter, I asked for volunteers to step forward to help keep our club strong and viable, because we are so active, we need all the help we can get. Well, you responded BIG TIME!! I'm proud to announce that Doc (Greg) Perry has agreed to take over as chair of our Golf Outing. George and Cindy will be by his side to help him succeed and I ask all of you to help also by volunteering to help Doc with next year's scramble. Additionally, Dennis McCarthy has agreed to take over as Treasurer and will be transitioning over with Kathie throughout the rest of her term. Lastly, Steve Johnson has volunteered to be chair of our Dam and Drawdown Committee; Dave Dohring has agreed to be co-chair. Thanks to all of these people for stepping up to the challenge.

Lastly, thanks to all our volunteers, members and especially our Board of Directors, it has been a great year and I look forward to an even better one next year!

**Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and I'll see ya at the New Year's Eve Party!!**

*Jim*

## **The 2019 WVPOAC Golf Outing Results**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place Team: Jack Steele, Nancy Steele, Jeff Koon, & Katie Koon**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team: Jerry Hurst, Jordan Hurst, Jaiden Hurst, Connie Beardsley**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team: Al Myers, Nate Cardinal, Ryan Damm, & Ashley Brandt**

**High Score Team: Jim Nihls, Kathie Nihls, Janice Adams, & Ken Adams**

**Closet to the Pin-Men: Phil Williams (4'-1")**

**Closet to the Pin-Women: Bonnie Gallagher (6'-5")**

**Long Drive Senior Men: Jack Steele**

**Long Drive Senior Women: Susie Pankey**

**Long Drive Men: Jaiden Hurst**

**Long Drive Women: Bonnie Gallagher**

**Closet to the Squiggly Line: Jeff Ferrier**

**Closet to the Loon: Jerry Hurst**

**Longest Putt Men: Ernie Zack**

**Longest Putt Women:**

**Thanks to all our Sponsors and Volunteers who helped out to make this year's outing the biggest and best ever!!!**

**George & Cindi**

### **Hole sponsors and/or donated gifts:**

2 Blonde Girls

Allied Metals

Alpine Tavern

Awakon

BC Pizza IR

Berkshire Hathaway

Bill's Farm Market

Bishop GMC Cadillac

Black Bear Golf

Black Lake Golf Course

Black Sheep Baa & Grill

Blind Squirrel

McLain and Eakin

Michaels Tavern & Steakhouse

Mill St. Diner (Vanderbilt)

Mulligans

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NO. Country Insurance

North Shore Auto & Detail

North Star Gardens

Northern Dreams Log Home

Northern MI Appraisal

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Bliss Salon  
Bob Evans (Gaylord)  
Bob Evans (Petoskey)  
Buffalo Wild Wings  
Cheboygan Country Club  
Cheboygan Brewing Co  
Choc Haus  
Connelly Ford  
Cuppa Life (coffee)  
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Golf Gaylord  
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Indian River Log Homes  
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Iron Pig  
Jason Goodale State Farm  
Jays Gaylord  
Lakes of the North Golf  
Lange & Assoc  
LaPeer Farm  
The Loon Golf Course  
Lowe's  
M& M Plumbing  
Mancino Pizza (Gaylord)

Paul's Glass  
Pier M-33  
PT in IR  
Railside Grill  
Rental Express  
Rippling Rapids Golf Course  
Roast and Toast  
Schultz's  
Seasons of the N Winery  
Sunshine Wedding Barn  
Southwoods  
Spicy Bob's  
Standard Cooper  
Step Inn  
Stone North Star  
Sturgeon Rivers Sweepers  
Sunshine Painting  
The Boat Doctor  
The Coop Flower Shop  
Thirsty Sturgeon  
Timothy's Pub  
Top Shop  
Trailside Deli  
Tri River Collision  
Tri-County Realty  
UAW Local  
Vivio's  
Wagar Buick GMC  
Walmart  
Wheeler Motors  
Wilson's River Edge  
Wink Salon  
Wolverine Auto Care  
Wolverine Cabinet  
Wolverine Custom Homes  
Wolverine Small Engine

## **Winners of the WVPOAC Raffle on September 1, 2019:**

### **The 5-\$100 prizes:**

Elaine Berardi

Scott Logan

Pat Shelp

Bob Ermiger

Joe Wildberg

**The \$1000 grand prize:** John Smither and WVPOAC

Thank you to, Scott Logan, Bob Ermiger, and Joe Wildberg for donating half of your winnings back to the Building Fund and to John Smither for adding the WVPOAC to his ticket to split the winnings.

Thanks for all who participated and to all who sold tickets (we sold 402 [a record] of the 500 tickets) and had a profit of \$2420.

**THANK YOU TO WHEELER MOTORS CHEBOYGAN FOR  
SPONSORING THE TICKETS**

**WVPOAC Membership: currently at 114 paid members!! Thanks  
for all the help encouraging new membership!**

**Welcome new members:** Ken & Janice Adams, Mike and Holly Blunt, Brave Hearts Estate (Mike & Paula Brown), Bryan & Robin Buczkowski, Brad & Sandra Carter, Cycle and Dyan Cornish, Jerry & Rebecca Forrester, James & Judy Hecker, David & Nagwa Hultquist, Dennis & Colleen Mahaney, Anthony & Lauri Palazzolo, Paul & Michele Pena, Doc & Annie Perry, John and Kellie Schwarz, Gary & Frankie Stewart, Don & Paul Stopjik, and Paul Tousignant.

**Welcome back to returning members:** Jerry & Terry Forrester, Scott & Donna Logan, Powers/Prusaitis--Lisa, Mike & Randy, Don & Miriam Shanklton, and Tom Walker.

**Loon's Update:** Loons laid 1 egg on our nest but our nest was apparently to close to shore, and dogs chased the Loons off our man-made nest.....so the Loons built a nest on the private island. Loons laid 2 eggs, and the loons sat on them until they should have hatched, but appears the nest was raided by raccoons, so Loons left early this year. Based on this year's events, Blair Wickman suggest we place the man-made nest close to the private island next year. Also, Wendy & Linda may rebuild nest this year.

**Lake Treatment:** Blair Wickman noted that PLM stated Wildwood Lake is a "healthy" lake based on their annual report.

For 2019, the same three (3) treatments were/will be performed, as well as the approximate timing, as was done in 2018:

1. June 27<sup>th</sup> --- for the treatment of Eurasian Milfoil (EM) and "nuisance" weeds. A lot of nuisance natives were treated all over the lake; overall treatment was extensive and took over 5-1/2 hours.
2. Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> --- treat EM and other weeds. Also did some special treatment in the dam area (as no water flowing over) and the Loons nest cove since we could not treat it during the first treatment.
3. Fall treatment: 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> weeks of Sept. for lily pads and bull rush (fall treatment is required as there is a four (4) month water irrigation ban after treatment).

Blair Wickman noted that our lake water is very clear, which is good, but allows sun through to promote weed growth, even in deep water. Also, we can only treat native plants when they get thick and become a nuisance and restrict use of the lake. We can only treat nuisance natives within 250 ft. of shore...and we cannot treat in front of non-developed properties.

**Fishing Contest:** Winners announced by chairperson Bob Nickodemus----

- Pike-25" Daryl Nichols
- Blue Gill-8-1/2" Sandy Harding
- LM Bass-18-1/2" Joe Wildberg
- SM Bass-19-3/4" Dean Celsi
- Catfish-approx 8" Mike Von Hagen (not official but I did catch one)

**WILDWOOD VALLEY PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION & CLUB  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - MAY 1 TO APRIL 30**

**NEW MEMBER**    **RENEWAL**    **RENTALS**

**Membership dues are due May 1**

**For renewals please fill in any changed information**

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**EMAIL ADDRESS (if prefer):** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_ **LAKEFRONT? (Circle one)**   **Yes**   **No**

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**DUES are \$75.00 per year   \$150 for Rental Properties**

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**P.O. Box 284**

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