



The Dunham Laker

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

HELLO SUMMER!

BY SCOTT OSWALD



I'd like to start out by thanking your Board and neighborhood volunteers for a very productive spring season. They've accomplished many things and have been hard at work to get your park and common areas ready for summer. With a successful Workbee, kicking off the Fish and Water Study, implementing the gate locks, signs, and hang tags, completing the

Resident's Survey, updating the website and re-vamping the look of the Dunham Laker—they've all been very busy! But there's always more to do!

Who We Are and What We Do

We are all volunteers to help our community and we commit a great amount of personal time each week in service to our neighborhood. With full-time jobs and raising families—please keep this in perspective when reaching out to the Board. We will always do our best to respond promptly and appropriately to each inquiry; we are sorry if some requests may not see immediate action or cannot always be accommodated—we are working to help everyone.

We trust, you will work together and cooperate as good neighbors to resolve conflicts within the guidelines established. The common parkland we all enjoy during the summer is a wonderful place to gather with family and friends—and if we all take into consideration the park rules such as reserving space for parties, sharing available picnic tables, reducing the amount of vehicles and parking whenever possible to accommodate those who cannot walk to the park areas. And also respecting the no dogs, no smoking, and no glass rules on the beaches. Your cooperation ensures a pleasant experience for all who visit the park and beaches this summer. *continued on page 2*



In The Know

Sheriff's Numbers

Oakland County
248-858-4911

Livingston County
517-546-9111

For Emergencies Dial
911

DLPOA Park Patrol
(Nathan) 248-534-9053

Report Road Problems and Missing Signs to:

Oakland County
Road Commission
248-858-4804

Livingston County
Road Commission
517-546-4250



OUR DUNHAM LAKE HISTORY

I hope you enjoy the upcoming stories of the Dunham Lake history that will be shared in the newsletters. It is our goal that more of this history will be posted on the website as it is further developed. Thank you to our contributors past and present for these articles, we have a rich base of knowledge and history within our ranks and it is truly a blessing you are willing to share this with our community. If you have a story to share, a memory to capture or a item you believe would help preserve this history, please contact a board member so we can help you document it appropriately.

NEW SIGNS AT THE PARK

You will notice a few new signs at the parks this season. Hopefully they will serve as simple reminders to be courteous to your neighbors, refrain from smoking and disposing cigarette butts on the ground, no dogs on the beach for sanitary reasons, no smoking on the beaches, no glass on the beaches for safety reasons, personal tents or canopies are not acceptable, and that if you desire to have a party at the parkland, groups of 10 or more must be registered in advance. Thank you for your cooperation so that all may enjoy their experience down at the lake.



THANK YOU FOR HELPING US OUT!

You should have all received a copy of the Resident's Survey a number of weeks ago. By now I trust you have filled it out and returned it, right? Thank you for our survey committee who prepared this document and will be recording and tabulating the data received. This document will be **very** helpful in guiding the Board to better serve the neighborhood and ensure we are properly representing your interests. This is an easy way for your voice to be heard, so please make sure you take a moment to complete the document, fill in the comments, and drop it back in the mail.

DON'T FORGET!

The neighborhood Pig Roast and Annual Fishing Derby is Saturday, August 4th. Kids games in the morning, Annual Fishing Derby, and picnic in the afternoon. Volunteers will be needed to help out, so if you can help with the kids games or any pig-roast activity (Pig prep, shifts for watching the grill, picnic prep, like cutting and serving, please reach out to the Board and we will connect you with the right people.

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SEE ALL THE FUN YOU MISSED?



Thanks to all the neighbors that came out and helped clean up this spring. All your hard work makes it great for everyone to enjoy the parks and beaches.

COME VOLUNTEER AND JOIN THE FUN!



DON'T FORGET!

NEIGHBORHOOD PIG ROAST
Saturday, August 4th
 Kids games in the morning, Annual Fishing Derby, and a picnic in the afternoon. Come and join in all the fun!
 Come be a volunteer to help out with all the festivities.

BABYSITTING

Hannah Brian	Age 18	248-330-0128
Emma Brian	Age 15	248-330-0128
Mia DeLaBarre	Age 14	810-588-9773
Ella Gardner	Age 14	248-981-4820
Daeya Hermanson	Age 14	248-798-9825
Ashleigh McFall	Age 16	248-860-3169
Grayce Nist	Age 16	810-210-6303
Katy Nist	Age 14	810-210-6303
Sam Ralston	Age 13	248-459-6582

PET SITTING

Hannah Brian	Age 18	248-330-0128
Emma Brian	Age 15	248-330-0128
Mia DeLaBarre	Age 14	810-588-9773
Nick Haley	Age 14	248-904-9833
Ashleigh McFall	Age 16	248-860-3169
Grayce Nist	Age 16	810-210-6303
Katy Nist	Age 14	810-210-6303
Jack Ralston	Age 18	248-459-6582

YARDWORK

Cole Pettengill	Age 17	810-650-5017
Jack Ralston	Age 18	248-459-6582
Sam Ralston	Age 13	248-459-6582
Garrison York	Age 17	248-807-1704

MATH TUTOR

Mia DeLaBarre	Age 14	810-588-9773
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YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Would love your help to keep this list current with updated ages and phone numbers or if you would like your contact information removed from the Dunham Laker newsletter. Are you for hire? I would be glad to add your name to this list.

Please email Pam Moran at **beachmoran@comcast.net** with names, ages and phone numbers.



Little Free Library located on Briarhill

IF YOU STORE YOUR BOAT

Please make sure you visit it often to dump it out and remove any standing water, which will help keep your boat from becoming a breeding ground for mosquitos which can spread the West Nile Virus!

THANK YOU!

A special thanks to the Hartland Fire Rescue Dive team members who help set-out and bring-in our rafts each Spring and Fall season. We look to continue our support of the University of Michigan Burn Unit in honor of your service to our community.

E-GROUP

Please make sure we have your email address so we can add you to the E-group forum. Stay in touch with neighbors and receive information specific to the neighborhood!

WEBSITE UPDATE

The website update is well underway thanks to Gary Burke! Nice job! Check us out at www.dunhamlake.com

If you wish to submit photos or articles to either the website or the Dunham Laker, please contact Gary or Scott. We are open to suggestions, please let us know if you would like to see anything added that would be useful for the community. Pam would also be open to interesting tidbits or photos for the Dunham Laker newsletter!

DO NOT TRIM OAK TREES IN THE SUMMER

Please do not trim the Oak Trees during the summer. This must be completed during dormant (winter) months. If you must cut, please consult a certified arborist and if you have storm damaged trees, please address them ASAP (within 24 hours recommended) and seal ALL wounds with an appropriate latex tree product.

SPRING TIME PERIMETER WALK

The Annual greenbelt perimeter walk took place May 20th. Board representatives assessed the entire border of the common property known as the greenbelt where it abuts resident's properties to make certain the common boundary is properly maintained. We noted a few encroachments and will be notifying those lot owners. For those residents who are fortunate to live on the greenbelt, you have a responsibility to make sure you do not encroach on the common property. Please check your property line to make sure you do not have any structures or landscaping, have not placed any brush, lawn clippings or leaves, or have not cut/mowed or trimmed any part of the greenbelt beyond the numbered 4x4 wooden posts marking the property boundary. For a full copy of the common property management and encroachment policies, please check out the newly updated website at www.dunhamlake.com!

I hope you enjoy the summer!
— Scott Oswald, Board President

THANK YOU CANDI!

Now it's my turn to say a BIG THANK YOU to Candi Good for helping me transition into taking over the Dunham Laker newsletter! Candi has been the Editor of the Dunham Laker for a total of 17+ years, off and on, which is a feat in itself!

Thank you Candi for volunteering so much of your time for our community! ♥
— a grateful Pam Moran

CALLING ALL ANGLERS!

We are in the process of a fish and water study this summer season and we could **REALLY USE YOUR HELP!**

The more information we collect about the fish and water in our lake, the more accurate our fish study will be. There are forms for you to fill out about your catch, attached at the **Information Board located at the Main Park**. When you are fishing, please take one of the fish forms with you and complete it. Information that we need you to collect and instructions are on the form.

We have a biologist, who is working up a comprehensive study, taking microbial water samples to study. He has already collected a sample earlier this spring and will be returning later this summer to collect another sample from the lake.

When all the water samples and the fish forms are returned to him, he can then complete his study for our lake. The plan is for him to return later in the year with his findings.

Please call **Ed** at **248-496-8789** with any questions. Thank you again for all your help with this important study!

— Ed Cesa and Cinda Everhart

Fish Study

"X" approx. location where you caught the fish

Remove 4-10 scales below lateral line, place in bag (does not require freezing)

Date Fish Caught: _____, 2018
 Time Fish Caught: _____ a.m. or p.m.
 Length of Fish: _____
 Species of Fish: _____

If fish is consumed, please remove the entrails, place in plastic bag and FREEZE.

The more input we receive the more comprehensive our study will be.

Call when you have fish samples or questions.
 Thank you! Ed Cesa (248)496-8789



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Nature's MINUTE

WITH PAT HERREL

SOUNDS OF DUNHAM LAKE

At Dunham Lake, you do NOT need a calendar to know what season it is; just listen to the sounds around the lake. Spring is around the corner when the Cardinals start singing at the end of February. Then, when the Spring Peepers start peeping and the toads start whistling, warmer weather is close at hand. Early spring is when birds of every size and shape start singing their love songs to each other. We have heard 14 different songs, how many have you heard? When the Spring Peepers stop to rest their throats, it is a sign that summer is fast approaching. The Bull Frogs and tree frogs announce the arrival of summer, so get down to the lake and enjoy the warmer weather. Like a weather siren, the cicadas warn us that the days of summer are running out. Crickets take over for the cicadas to announce the arrival of fall. Did you know you can tell what temperature it is by how fast the crickets chirp? With the arrival of winter, most Dunham Lake critters either hibernate or fly south (like a lot of our neighbors). But, winter has its own sounds. Crows and Blue Jays make up for the lack of sounds by screeching loud and often. Once again, we wait for the cardinals to announce spring is coming.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBORS...

These families are new to our neighborhood!

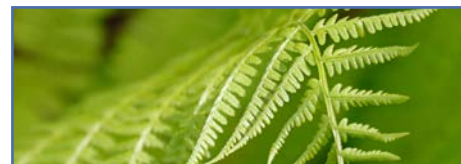
- John Fagan on Woodcock Way
- Shaun & Kenna Giddings on Woodcock Way
- Nikkoli Sodini & Celia Ramirez on Parkway Place

SPEED LIMITS

PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY AND WATCH THE SPEED LIMITS!

Now that summer is here, there are more joggers, walkers and families enjoying the outside, taking walks to the beach, daytime & evening walks, so please drive with caution and at the posted speeds.

Note: The rules of the road also apply to the golf carts that are used more in the summer to take families and gear for a day at the beach. Parents, please make sure the younger drivers of these golf carts are well informed to these rules and drive in a safe and responsible manner.



THE DUNHAM LAKER HAS A NEW LOOK AND A LOGO!

I hope everyone enjoyed reading the latest spring issue of the Dunham Laker. Being a graphic designer, I thought it would be so much fun to design this newsletter for our community. I am excited to create a fresh new look and will enjoy sharing a new perspective with you. I have also created this logo for our lake community—giving us a brand! I am planning on bringing back some of the past history articles for the new residents in the area—Part One starts on page 8 in this issue. Being the new Editor, if anyone has some interesting stories or past history of our lake that you think others would find interesting—please share! You can contact me at beachmoran@comcast.net. I hope you find the newsletter a valuable resource to see all that is happening in our area.

— Pam Moran, your new editor

FORWARDING MAIL

Neighbors need to know that in order to save money mailing out the Dunham Laker newsletters, it is not being sent First Class mail, and will not be forwarded to those residents while they are out of town. Please contact the board to pick up any missed newsletters.

\$200 REWARD

Did you know there is a reward offered of \$200 for anyone with information that leads to the arrest of someone vandalizing our DLPOA property? Please contact the police or a board member if you have any information. Thank you for any assistance in helping to protect our beautiful neighborhood.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCIES

We now have physical addresses indicated at the three beaches to help direct responders in a potential emergency situation. They are:

- **Main Park:** 1010 Murray Hill
- **East Beach:** 1161 Plover
- **West Beach:** 2850 Parkway Place



The DUNHAM LAKE WEBSITE has a NEW LOOK!



Colorful and engaging images of the lake and park areas

Easy navigation through the site with clearly defined tabs

This is only a preliminary design at the time of this printing. The website will roll out later this summer.

IMPORTANT DATES!

- Boats In – 4/1/18
- Spring Workbee – 5/5/2018
- Pig Roast & Fishing Derby – 8/4/2018
- DLPOA Annual Meeting – 10/16/2018
- Fall Workbee – 10/27/2018

Keep in the know for dates on upcoming activities or events

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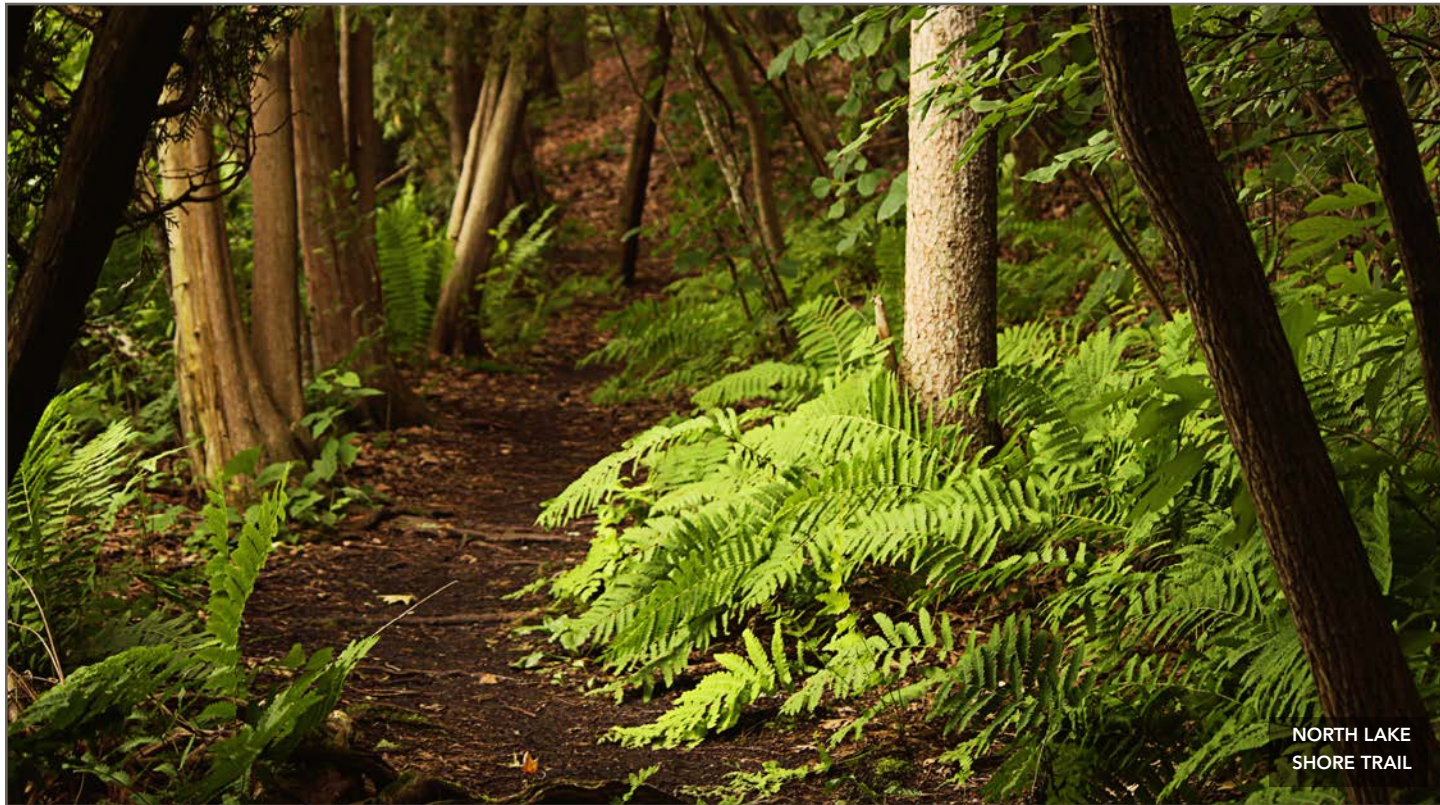


Come and check out the newly updated look to the neighborhood website at www.dunhamlake.com. Board member, Gary Burke has put his expertise into updating our website with a new look and a much easier way to navigate. Pam has supplied images, and with Gary's inviting design, this has made a much more engaging and informative place to visit online for residents. You will find links to the current meeting minutes, association bylaws, park and lake policies, property covenants, a Dunham Lake site map, articles on the neighborhood history, ongoing park maintenance and greenbelt activity, as well as the association contact information. This update will be an ongoing process, so be sure to check back.

PLEASE NOTE: There is a revised Dunham Lake site map on the website and also in this issue of the Dunham Laker on page 16.

The History of Dunham Lake

PART ONE: BEFORE THE WHITE MAN – By Carolyn Richards



NORTH LAKE SHORE TRAIL

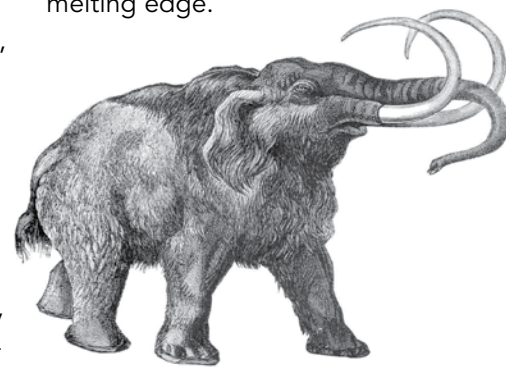
Carolyn was a longtime resident of our area who had a great interest in the history of Dunham Lake and had researched and put together a series of articles which appeared in past issues. It's a good time to be shared again for new residents to enjoy!



Starting at the Beginning

Once the Dunham Lake area was covered by thousands of feet of ice: the continental glacier of the last great ice age. As the climate warmed, the glacier melted and retreated northward. The melting edge passed this spot seven to twelve thousand years ago. It was then that our 110 acre lake was formed. A large block of ice broke away and was buried in the glacial debris that the melt water dumped here. When that block finally melted, it left a "kettle lake", irregular in size, shape, and slope, corresponding to the irregularities of the original block. The lake had three basins, the deepest being about 125 feet below the present water table, and a central submerged mound which rises to within a few feet of the present level of the lake. There is no deeper lake in Oakland or Livingston counties.

The hills of sand, clay, and gravel and the rocks throughout our subdivision are also debris left by the glacier's melting edge.



Following the Trails

Some Indians followed the mastodons and mammoths that wandered north with the glacier, and some remained over the thousands of years to hunt deer, elk, bear, raccoon, or opossum with spear and atlatl to fish turtle and snail from our lake and eventually to begin to farm corn and squash.

Surveying the territory

After the land had been relinquished by the Indians, and before any white man could legally settle in Michigan, the land had to be surveyed by federal surveyors. The tremendous task of literally walking over the entire surface of Michigan and marking township and sections corners at half mile intervals began in earnest in 1815. Then Lewis Cass, who became the governor of the Territory of Michigan after the War of 1812, ventured out beyond Detroit to see the beautiful and fertile land of Oakland county, dispelling the previous notion that Michigan was the "home of every species of malarial disease, a land of irreclaimable and swamps and sand hills."



Sibley and Wampler were Surveyors of Dunham Lake

In 1823, S. Sibley and his party surveyed the

Livingston side of our lake, and Joseph Wampler did the Oakland side. They were probably the first white men to set foot on our land. They put government marks near trees and rocks and described those locations in their field notes. In June, they suffered much from the mosquitoes, "both men and horses weak from loss of blood and want of rest." The surveyed lands could then be purchased at the U. S. land offices in Detroit, which opened in 1818.

We are so lucky to have such an extensive and beautiful path system around this lake. There are many times when I am out walking on certain portions of the path that I actually do think about the Indians probably having walked here in the past. And I enjoy how each side of the lake has a different look and feel to it.



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EAST LAKE SHORE TRAIL

FROM ICE LAND TO WONDERLAND

THE FORMATION OF DUNHAM LAKE

By Larry Falardeau

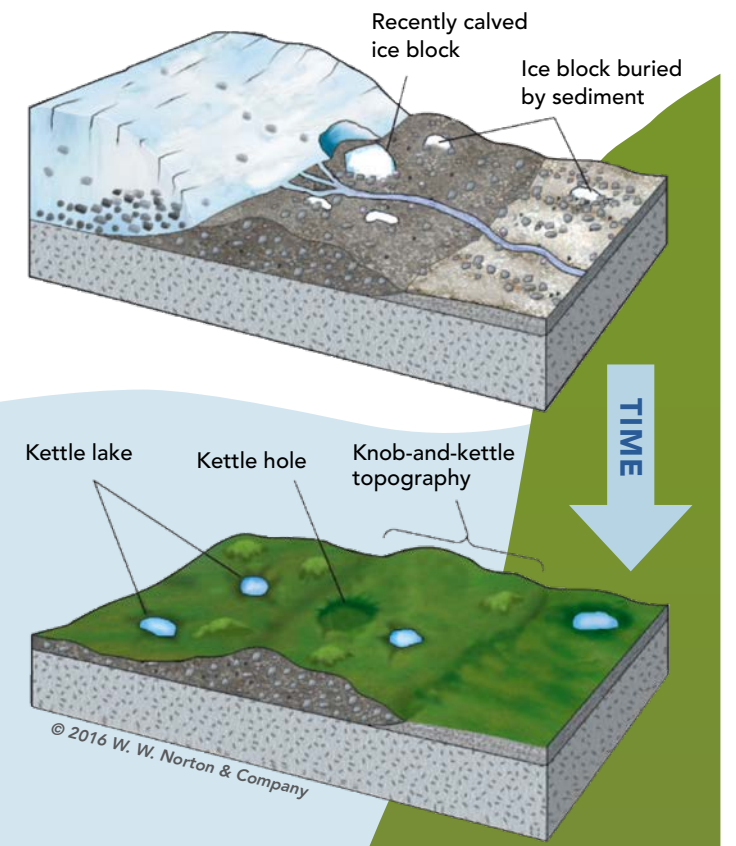
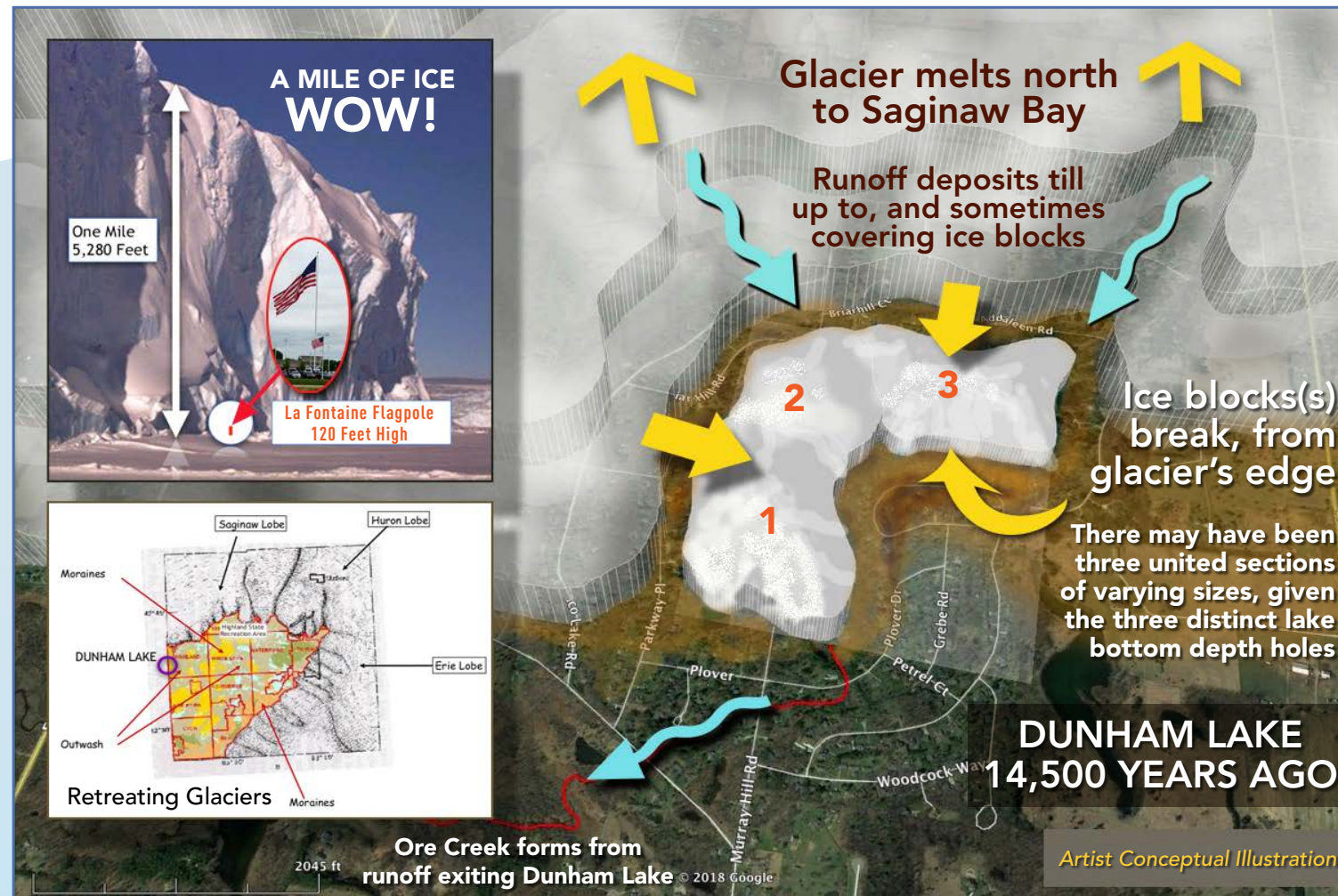
Dunham Lake was born from ice approximately 14,500 years ago during the last ice age that covered our area with up to a mile of ice. It was termed the Late Pleistocene (Wisconsin Glacial Period).

15,000 years may seem like a long time but in geologic time it is a relatively short period. To get this in perspective use your imagination to visualize 180 people in a room. Adding consecutive lifespans of 80 years for each of these 180 individuals would take you back around 14,500 years to that mile of ice covering our landscape — a not so distant past.

Now to try and grasp how thick this glacial ice pack was. Think of the majestic 120 foot height of the flag pole at our local La Fontaine car dealership and then take it straight up another 44 times higher. Or you might think of the distance between Hickory Ridge and Tipsico Lake roads straight up in the sky! That was a load of ice that makes today's worst winters seem balmy by comparison.

Locally, the glacial ice slowly melted opening on a diagonal from Brighton in Livingston County on to South Lyon in Oakland County and proceeding northeast to Rochester to expose our newly formed ground plain. One lobe of the glacier retreated northwest to the Saginaw Bay forming Dunham Lake and the other south and east to ultimately form Lake Huron and Lake Erie. Hence the region is known in geologic terms as an interlobate zone (between glacial lobes).

As the glacier melted back, large irregular blocks of ice occasionally broke free from the retreating glacial edge and settled into the melt deposited sand and gravel (till) carried to our area by the glacier from as far away as the Canadian Shield. The ice blocks depressed the landscape and once melted formed Dunham Lake. Dunham Lake along with the multitude of lakes in Livingston and Oakland Counties are called kettle lakes.



How does a kettle lake form?
 A kettle lake is formed when blocks of ice left behind from a glacier bury into the outwash. Eventually the ice blocks will melt leaving behind a depression in the ground.

The steep embankments on the north, east, and west lake margins are evidence of the till deposits up to the ice block wall, like a kettle. On the south melt-water formed an out wash plain with multiple drainage paths ultimately coalescing into today's Ore Creek, a tributary of the Shiawassee River which empty's into the Saginaw Bay.

When the retreating edge of the glacier remained relatively stationary do to temperature consistency large deposits of till formed undulating hills and valleys of sand and gravel termed end moraines hence the rolling landform that makes our area so attractive. Chemistry also played a role in the unique

environmental diversity that evolved in our area such as the formation of a special wetland feature called a Prairie Fens supported by calcium rich hydrology. The Shiawassee River basin is particularly rich with these relatively rare ecosystems. Dunham Lake has its own just south of the water weir footbridge.

Our lake and region have a special story to tell of their uniqueness. So the next time you are on the south end trail, look north over the lake and try to imagine that mile high glacier rising far above the north horizon while retreating to the Saginaw Bay some 14,500 years ago.



Larry Falardeau is a 22 year resident of Dunham Lake and former Principal Planner for Oakland County. Today he is a full-time watercolor artist and community volunteer. Visit: lifestrandsart.com



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2018
Meeting called to order 7:34 pm

Members present: Scott Oswald, Kristina Oswald, Wes Watt, Ed Cesa, Kate Griswold, Carla Gorton, Gary Burke, Cinda Everhart, Fred Everhart and Tom Teeters.

Others present: Pam Moran and John Griswold.

President's Report: Scott Oswald –

- He will distribute the contact list of the board members soon. Board meetings will be the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm.
- Carol VanSpybrook is creating a separate e-group of the board members. She has issued invitations to everyone on the board. Some people have had issues joining, because it wouldn't accept their email.

Vice President's Report: Fred Everhart – He should have more information about the resident survey at the March meeting.

Secretary's Report: Carla Gorton – Read minutes from last meeting. The minutes were amended. Kate made a motion to accept the amended minutes and Kristina seconded her motion.

Treasurer's Report: Jane Debbrecht – No report, as she is out of town. Cinda will reimburse some of the board members for Dunham expenses.

Civic Committee Report: They have an open position. Jane Debbrecht was appointed to stay on the committee for another term.

Security Report: Notices have been put at the gates about the plans to start locking them. Scott also sent out an email about it. He received both positive and negative feedback. Ed and Scott are going to be working on getting that project implemented. The new hangtags will be distributed this spring. The board will be ordering them in 2 year intervals to maintain the stock.

Infrastructure Update: News from Carol VanSpybrook – They are working on putting some posts in. Tom will check on the Porta Johns and the dumpster. Scott is going to check with a diver that he knows to see how deep the swim dock anchors are, as someone thought that the East Beach ones are too shallow and not safe.

Activities Update: Kristina is going to show Carla how to sign up kids for the summer beach clean-up.

Natural Resources:

- Megan is going to try to meet with John about the invasive plan. Does Fred want to be at the meeting too? How much money do we really want to invest trying to keep the invasive species out of the greenbelt? Will it do any good?
- Three people volunteered to be on the Oak Wilt Observation Team. They will watch for Oak Wilt on the greenbelt and in the neighborhood and report back to the board.
- There is still at least one day of professional tree cutting left to be done. Scott will contact them to do it before March, as it is safer to trim the trees in the winter. Cinda talked to the Fish Study person. The whole study will cost \$6,000. We will vote on whether to go ahead with the study at the March meeting. If we decide to do the study, then Ed will help Cinda with it. John said that he would start doing the study at ice out if it is O.K.'d.

Communications: Pam Moran presented what she has so far for the next Laker. It should be complete soon. Pam has also been working with a local printer to create a mail merge for the addresses of the residents. Gary is going to check with some printers that he knows too. Gary is going to talk to Jane Debbrecht about updating the webpage.

Old Business:

- Cinda ordered the 3 signs for the beach and parking lot and also the "No Trespassing" signs for the walk-in areas.

- The boats that were still left at the lake after Boats Out were taken to the park in January and tied up. Since then, they have all been claimed by residents.

New Business:

- There is a path on the west side that comes out to Dunham Road. It has logs across the path for water issues. It has been proposed that we put a boardwalk there to make it safer to use. It was decided that we are not going to address the boardwalk at this time.
- Kristina suggested that it would be easier if residents fill out a formal form when they are requesting action from the board. She created a sample form to show members. The board will refine it and then it will be put on the website.
- There seems to be more boats than ever at the lake. May need to address that issue more at future meetings.

Adjournment: 9:21 pm

Next meeting: Wednesday, March 14 @ 7:30 pm at the home of Ed Cesa's house, 1031 Plover. Minutes recorded by Carla Gorton.



Photo: Wes Watt

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018
Meeting called to order 7:46 pm

Members present: Ed Cesa, Wes Watt, Fred Everhart, Carla Gorton, Scott Oswald and Kristina Oswald.

Others present: Mary Cesa and Sharon Watt.

President's Report: Scott Oswald –

- Most of the gate locks have been installed. Scott has had both positive and negative feedback about them. He is working on the closers to get them ready to install.

Vice President's Report: Fred Everhart – He is still working on the survey for residents.

Secretary's Report: Carla Gorton – February's minutes were amended and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Jane Debbrecht – She provided the 2017 Year Review and the board approved it. Jane also provided the 2018 year-to-date report and that was approved.

Civic Committee Report:

- The post repairs have been completed.
- Do we need to address the fence issue in the neighborhood? Should the board come up with some rules about what type of fence can be used?

Infrastructure Update:

- There are trees that have already been marked for professionals to cut down. We need to contact them and set a date to have that done soon. Wes and Ed will supervise that project.



- Two of the three gate locks have been installed. There have been some issues with the locks working properly. Ed will work on them to try to get them functioning better.

- The signs for the parking areas will be installed at the spring workbee. We still need to figure out where they will be located.

- The Hang Tag Parking Passes will be distributed to residents Spring 2018. There will be a replacement fee of \$50.00 if they are lost.

- Spring workbee tasks: The locations of the swim dock anchors will be checked to make sure they are deep enough to be safe for swimmers.

Activities Update:

- Should we arrange for a music event at the lake this summer? Some residents have been asking about it.
- In the future, we need to put signs out to notify residents of different events.

- Kristina showed Carla how to sign up and oversee the beach cleanup crew.
- Diane Blakely has again volunteered to handle the park reservations.

Natural Resources:

- The meeting with NCS went well. Fred made a motion to complete the payment to NCS. Wes seconded the motion. The amount of the payment will be \$1,150.
- Scott is going to check to see whether Megan is going to arrange spring invasive control events to help keep them under control.
- Oak Wilt Concerns: After checking the greenbelt, it looks like there is only one tree on the greenbelt that has oak wilt at this time. There are five other oaks around it that have a chance of also getting oak wilt. We will have the tree person trench around the six trees, as trenching around them is a way to help keep the disease from spreading through the roots.

- Should we have some other burns done to contain invasive species and to help control the Norway Maples. It costs \$500 to have a burn plan written and about \$400 more to conduct the burns. Fred made a motion to approve for Megan to spend up to \$1,000 for a burn. Kristina seconded.

- Fish Study Update: Cinda received a detailed report and breakdown of the costs to conduct a water quality and fish study for the first time in ten years. The total cost will be \$6,000. It will be paid in segments during the study. After much discussion about the pros and cons, the board has decided to go ahead with the study. Fred made the motion and Wes seconded it.

Communications: The spring Dunham Laker Issue is almost completed. It will be uploaded to the Dunham website and hard copies will be mailed out to residents.

Old Business: We are still trying to get physical addresses assigned to the beaches and the main park, in case there is an emergency. It will make it a lot easier for emergency responders to be there quickly.

New Business: Do we need to inform people about the dangers of spreading invasive plants to Dunham Lake? One of the most common ways of spreading them is by boat. Kayaks tend to be the most likely kind of boat to spread them, as they are often used on different bodies of water, because they are light to transfer.

Adjournment: 9:42 pm

Next meeting: Wednesday, April 11 @ 7:30 pm at the home of Wes Watt, 1356 Grebe.

Minutes recorded by Carla Gorton.



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2018
Meeting called to order 7:38 pm

Members present: Scott Oswald, Kristina Oswald, Kate Griswold, Ed Cesa, Wes Watt, Cinda Everhart, Fred Everhart, Carla Gorton and Tom Teeters.

President's Report: Scott Oswald –
• Gates: Positive feedback after putting locks on the gates.

Vice President's Report: Fred Everhart – Still preparing the survey to send out.

Secretary's Report: Carla Gorton – The minutes from the last meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Jane Debbrecht –
• Jane paid the balance to NCS and Precision Tree and put it towards the 2017 budget. The 2017 expense report was approved and came in at \$8,000 under budget.

• 7 Liens will be placed on lots for non-payment of dues during 2017 and 2018.

Civic Committee Report: No report.

Security Report: Nathan's contract will be renewed for 2018. The contract for the Park Patrol phone has also been renewed.

Infrastructure Update:

• 8 trees were cut down and removed. Some debris still needs to be removed east of the East Beach during warmer weather.

• At this time, the gates at the ends are not locked. Closers for the gates have not been purchased yet. Scott will order those.

• Need to check the contracts for the Porta Johns and the Dumpster

• Checking into purchasing inserts for the Dunham sandwich board sign. We need inserts publicizing the work bees and the annual meeting.

• Need to install the new signs at the parking areas.

• Wes will get a diver to check on the depth of the anchors that secure the East Beach dock, to make sure it is at a safe depth for swimmers.

• The fees for the boats left at the lake from 2017 have been paid and the boats are being released back to the owners.

• The contract for our mowing company TPC is up for renewal. In the past, they have done a very good job. They also offer additional services if we are in need of them. The board approved having them do the spring leaf clean-up. The board also voted to renew their contract for the 2018 season.

Activities Update:

• Still checking out possible events for the summer season.

• There has been an overwhelming response to the beach sign-up this year. We are trying to fit as many kids in as we can.

• We are now taking park reservations for the 2018 season.

• Hangtags will be mailed out soon with a cover letter. There will be 2 parking hangtags per lot.

Natural Resources:

• No news back from Megan yet about scheduling a NCS burn.

• No volunteers yet to form an Oak Wilt Observation Team.

• Will start work on trenching around the tagged oak wilt trees.

• A volunteer is also needed to head a team to help control the Norway Maples.

• A Perimeter Walk is tentatively scheduled for May 12th.

• Need to document the areas around the greenbelt where encroachments are present

• Fish Study Update: They took a boat out on the lake to measure the depth of the water. More testing will be done on the water later. David will also put gill nets out this summer to test some of the fish. When he is finished, he will comprise a report of his findings and present it.

Communications:

• The Laker came out and was widely praised in the neighborhood.

• Gary is working on updating the website.

• Scott had a few responses to his email asking if anyone had history information about Dunham Lake that they could share for our records. They are going to get it to him. Cinda also has some papers that may have good information.

Old Business:

• We still need someone to scan and file the Laker collection for our records.

• Wes was able to get physical addresses for the East Beach, Park and West Beach, to help in a potential emergency situation. The addresses are as follows:

— Park – 1010 Murray Hill

— East Beach – 1161 Plover

— West Beach – 2850 Parkway Place

• We need to put a mailbox at one of the three addresses. A locking mailbox was suggested. We also need to put address signs at all three sites in case of an emergency.

• Facebook – Kate volunteered to research a Facebook page for Dunham. No decision was made yet on whether to go ahead with one.

• Kristina is going to check prices for a sign for the fen. She will get together with Megan on purchasing one.

• Kristina is going to email the action proposal to board members to review.

New Business:

• The invasive warning signs at the park need to be updated.

Important Dates:

• Spring Workbee – May 5

• Perimeter Walk – May 12

Adjournment: 9:31 pm

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 9 @ 7:30 pm at the home of Fred & Cinda Everhart', 1020 Harlequin St.

Minutes recorded by Carla Gorton.



WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2018
Meeting called to order 7:38 pm

Members present: Scott Oswald, Kristina Oswald, Wes Watt, Ed Cesa, Carla Gorton, Fred Everhart and Cinda Everhart.

President's Report: Scott Oswald –

• The workbee went well. All the tasks were completed. Hoping to see more young families next time.

• Pam sent Scott a preview for the next Laker. She is going to try to get it out by the end of July.

Vice President's Report: Fred Everhart –

Survey Update: After a few changes are made, the survey will be mailed out to all residents. The survey will also be posted on the Dunham website. Great job Survey committee!

Secretary's Report: Carla Gorton – Read the minutes from last meeting. They were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Jane Debbrecht – Scott went through the expenditures made during 2018.

• \$875.00 in past dues has been collected.

• The new dues were mailed out with the Parking hang-tags.

Civic Committee Report: Carol Vanspybrook –

• A portion of a trail that has always been on the west side of Parkway has been removed due to a homeowner improving their lot. All of the trail was on the south side of the fence and partially on private property. No date has been set yet for the next Civic meeting. No date has been set yet for the next Civic meeting.

Security Report: Kristina talked to Nathan. Nathan will start working Memorial Day weekend.

Infrastructure Update:

• There was a tree down on the Upper East Trail after a storm. A volunteer cut it up and took care of it.

• Tom Teeters will continue checking on the dumpster and porta-johns.

• The Spring Bee was very successful. One of the grills either needs work or to be replaced.

• The new slide is much easier to put out than the old one.

• A new anchor was put on the East Beach float and the chain was shortened.

• The ladders will be attached soon – Wes will take care of that.

• Cinda is going to contact TPC and go over what needs to be mowed.

• Need to place an order for more doggie bags.

Activities Update:

• Kristina will schedule *Howell Nature Center* to come out and do a presentation again.

• Kristina is going to hold a craft event at her house.

• Wes has a friend who is in a band. He is going to ask him if he and his band would do a concert here this summer.

• The Beach clean-up list is full for the summer season.

• Party Reservations – reservations are coming in.

• The Ralston's will lock the gates at night.

Natural Resources:

• Megan is going to schedule a Garlic Mustard event soon.

• No one volunteered yet to be on the Oak Wilt observation team.

• We may create a plan to help deal with the Norway Maples in the fall.

• Fish Study Update: Ed & Cinda put a notice for fishermen at the park, asking them to share samples of their catch for research.

• The Perimeter Walk will be on 5/20.

Communications:

• Gary has been working on the Website to update it.

• Scott got a historic document from a resident for the records.

• Kristina is purchasing insert signs to put on the sandwich board, in order to keep residents informed about activities in Dunham.



HUGE MUSHROOMS FOUND ON THE PATH THIS EARLY SPRING

• Pam Moran is looking into coming up with some apparel ideas with the new Dunham logo on it.

Old Business:

• The address signs at both beaches and the park have been installed.

• Ed put some information about invasive species in the cabinet at the park to raise awareness.

• Kristina will email the Resident activity/action proposal request form to Gary to put on the website.

New Business:

• The board is working hard this year and progress is being made.

Adjournment: 9:23 pm

Next meeting: Wednesday, June 13 @ 7:30 pm at the Main Park with Tom Teeters and Kate Griswold hosting.

Minutes recorded by Carla Gorton.



REVISED SITE MAP



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COMMON REAL ESTATE QUESTIONS → ANSWERED



After 29 years in the real estate business, I am frequently asked questions that pertain to homeowners... here are just a few:

→ Should I perform updates prior to selling my home?

- If you mean paint...by all means – nothing makes a house look better than a fresh coat of paint! Make sure to keep the color neutral.
- If you mean updating the kitchen and/or the bathroom – this is determined on the cost and when you plan to market the home. A good rule of thumb, you can have an 85% return on your investment with kitchen and bath updates.

→ Should I have a pre-inspection performed prior to marketing my home?

- This is a good idea since the buyer will also be performing an inspection as part of the buying process. This way you can discover and remedy any unknown issues that you have.
- One of the most important parts of preparation for marketing your home is to have the attic checked. The attic is one of the biggest “secret mold” areas that are discovered at inspections and you may have a ventilation issue you are unaware of.
- The other area of concern is the existence of radon in the home. Whether you are looking to sell your home or continuing to reside there, it’s important to test for radon and make the necessary EPA recommended remediation.

→ Other items to check:

- When did you last have the furnace and A/C checked and cleaned?
- When was your well checked and your water tested for bacteria? You’d be shocked at how many people unknowingly have bacteria/e-coli in their drinking water and in need of having their well chlorinated or the well cap infested with insects.

If there are additional questions you may have or need further information with regard to these suggestions, please feel free to call or email me anytime.



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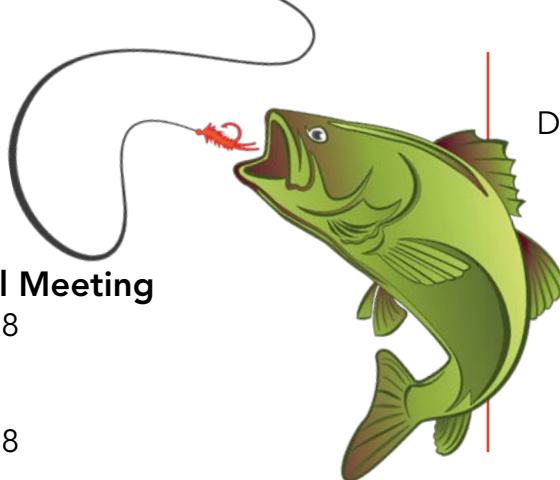
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IMPORTANT DATES: Mark your Calendars!

**Pig Roast &
Fishing Derby**
August 4, 2018

DLPOA Annual Meeting
October 16, 2018

Fall Workbee
October 27, 2018



DLPOA Board Meetings

DLPOA Board Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Summer (June, July, August) meetings are held in the Main park, weather permitting. Other meetings are held at DLPOA Board member homes.

The DLPOA Annual Meeting will be held at the Dunham Hills Golf Course conference room this year on October 16, 2018.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!