



The Dunham Laker

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

SPRING IS HERE!



BY FRED EVERHART



2021 Promises a Bright Future

The DLPOA board has been working on many projects to help support the neighborhood, but I feel that our three main goals are to **protect**, **preserve**, and **enhance** the value of our community.

Our Plans and Outlook

I think first and foremost, we must protect our lake. We are in the process of testing water and discovering run-off areas that could be contaminating our lake. Many thanks to Ed Cesa for spear-heading this monumental and ongoing project. This is an ongoing project, and one which our greenbelt committee has prioritized. Ed has also maintained the locks on all the beach gates, organized the addition of the electrical outlet at the main beach and arranged for the purchase of the new rafts coming this summer.

We are adopting 200 trees for planting on the west side of the lake. Please contact Scott Oswald for details if you would like to adopt and care for a tree. Thank you, Scott, for the many hours you have devoted to the refurbishing process of the west side of the greenbelt. Last year's seed planting didn't generate the growth we had anticipated, but we will not, and cannot give up!

Thank you to Wes Watt for working a multitude of projects. Wes manages tree services, building signs, moving boats, and concerts. He maintains a surveillance camera and is always available to meet with contractors (lawn maintenance and sanitation) and to take deliveries for us at the lake.



In The Know

Important 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

Park Addresses:

1010 Murray Hill, Highland
(Main Park)

2850 Parkway Place, Hartland
(West Beach)

1161 Plover, Highland
(East Beach)



COME JOIN US AT THE SPRING
WORKBEE—SATURDAY, MAY 8TH





Jenny Vanderlist, Kate Griswald, Kate's husband, John, and Gary Burke have put an enormous amount of time and work into our new website (DunhamLake.com) and community on-line discussion in Google Groups. Although not a board member, John lent his expertise to finalize these major projects. Having such talented people serving our neighborhood is invaluable! Thank you, Jenny, Kate, John and Gary!

We are truly lucky to have Jane Debbrecht continue as our treasurer! She keeps the books balanced, pays our bills, manages our insurance, and still finds time to help with other board projects, such as adding the newest boardwalk sections on the lake's east side. Thank you, Jane!

Carla Gorton has been our secretary for four years. She puts our meetings to pen and paper and gets it posted to the website for us. Carla, along with Jenny Vanderlist, hires the beach maintenance and gate locking personnel. Carla attends every meeting and brings her positive attitude to every meeting, and I greatly appreciate it!

Kate Griswald, Kristina Oswald, Jenny Vanderlist and Gary Burke



have done their absolute best to still have events happening at the lake during the past year. We had several successful events because of the hard work of this group. Hopefully we'll be able to do more this year. Thank you all for your continued effort!

Kristina Oswald has led our summer security for quite some time. All her efforts are greatly appreciated, and this year, we formed a committee to work with her in this area. Kristina and Kate have also been working on getting t-shirt and sweatshirt apparel with the Dunham Lake logo available (see page 5).

Tom Teeters has been an all-around help in so many areas of the greenbelt, from maintaining the volley ball court, to helping with boat security, and garbage pick-up, among so many other things. Tom has decided to step down from the board and he will be sorely missed. Thank you, Tom, for your time and contributions.

We are looking for a replacement. Please contact a board member if interested.

I would also like to thank a few non-board members for their contributions.



- Diane Blakeney has volunteered again this year to schedule parties at the main beach.
- Pam Moran continues to lend her expertise and talent to the Dunham Laker. She has developed our Dunham Lake logo and branding.
- Candi Good delivers welcome packets to new neighbors in the summer time.
- Ann Skendi continues to bring us the annual Halloween bash at the main park which kids AND adults enjoy!
- John Schiltz organized our last concert and quite often participates in monthly board meetings.

I know I have probably forgotten someone, but please know that I truly appreciate all your time and effort!

On another note, board members have no special authority. It's up to all of us to speak up if we see someone doing something wrong or destructive on the greenbelt or beaches. If it's severe enough, please do not think twice about calling the Livingston or Oakland County Sherriffs.

As I start my second year as president, I want to say I truly appreciate the effort and dedication given by board members and other volunteers. We have done a lot of work over the last year in a very difficult environment and still have a lot more to do. I'll be counting on your continued support and look forward to seeing you at the lake this summer!

— Fred Everhart, Board President



The Instinctive Drowning Response

This response, so named by Francesco A. Pia, Ph.D., is what people do to avoid actual or perceived suffocation in the water. And it does not look like most people expect. There is very little splashing, no waving, and no yelling or calls for help of any kind. To get an idea of just how quiet and undramatic from the surface drowning can be, consider this: It is the number two cause of accidental death in children, aged 15 and under (just behind vehicle accidents.) Of the approximately, 750 children who will drown next year, about 375 of them will do so within 25 yards of a parent or other adult. In 10 percent of those drownings, the adult will actually watch them do it, having no idea it is happening (source: CDC). Drowning does not look like drowning. Dr. Pia in an article in the Coast Guard's *On Scene Magazine*, described the instinctive drowning response like this:

1. **Except in rare circumstances, drowning people are physiologically unable to call out for help.** The respiratory system was designed for breathing. Speech is the secondary or overlaid function. Breathing must be fulfilled before speech occurs.
2. **Drowning people's mouths alternately sink below and reappear above the surface of the water.** The mouths of drowning people are not above the surface of the water long enough for them to exhale,

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inhale, and call out for help. When the drowning people's mouths are above the surface, they exhale and inhale quickly as their mouths start to sink below the surface of the water.

3. **Drowning people cannot wave for help.** Nature instinctively forces them to extend their arms laterally and press down on the water's surface. Pressing down on the surface of the water, permits drowning people to leverage their bodies so they can lift their mouths out of the water to breathe.
4. **Throughout the Instinctive Drowning Response, drowning people cannot voluntarily control their arm movements.** Physiologically, drowning people who are struggling on the surface of the water cannot stop drowning and perform voluntary movements such as waving for help, moving toward a rescuer, or reaching out for a piece of rescue equipment.
5. **From beginning to end of the Instinctive Drowning Response people's bodies remain upright in the water, with no evidence of a supporting kick.** Unless rescued by a trained lifeguard, these drowning people can only struggle on the surface of the water from 20 to 60 seconds before submersion occurs.

Thanks to Terry Gannon for sharing this important information. Let's all keep an eye out for each other during the summer months with our activities in the water.

BABYSITTING

Emma Brian	248-330-0128
Ella Gardner	248-981-4820
Abby Gardner	248-981-4820
Daeya Hermanson	248-798-9825
Grayce Nist	810-210-6303
Katy Nist	810-210-6303
Sam Ralston	248-459-6582
Cora Mason	248-890-0760
Emily Zinter	248-977-8476

PET SITTING

Emma Brian	248-330-0128
Nick Haley	248-904-9833
Grayce Nist	810-210-6303
Katy Nist	810-210-6303

HOUSESITTING/PET SITTING

Hannah Brian	248-330-0128
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YARDWORK

Sam Ralston	248-459-6582
Ella Gardner	248-981-4820
Abby Gardner	248-981-4820

ARE YOU STILL FOR HIRE?

I would love your help... to keep this list current with kids that are still interested in their **services for hire OR** if you would like your contact information removed from the *Dunham Laker*—please let me know. On the other hand, **Are You for Hire?** I would be glad to add your name to this list in the areas you would like.

Please email Pam Moran at: beachmoran@comcast.net

If you would like to be added to this list, be sure to include your name and phone number.



Nature's MINUTE

WITH PAT HERREL

LOON-ATICS OF DUNHAM LAKE

What is this rich yodeling call you hear on Dunham Lake in April and May? The sound is so haunting, it makes you wonder if you have been transported into the U.P. of Michigan. You are NOT going "loony." It is the common loon, which often stop at our lake on their way to summer nesting sites in Northern Michigan and Canada. Dunham Lake offers solitude (no motorboats) and clear water so they can see and catch fish.

The common loon is a migratory diving bird that is known for its haunting calls. Both male and female have black heads that appear almost iridescent, long dark pointed bills, white necklaces around the black necks and white spots on a dark black back and sides. The loon has a white breast and belly with dark, webbed feet. Their eyes are red to better see fish when diving.

Fun Facts

1. Loons have four unique calls, but the one you will hear on our lake at dusk is the wail. The call can be heard for miles and is their way of communicating to each other... Where are you?
2. Their bones are not hollow. It can take up to a third of a mile to get airborne, splashing their wings and feet on the surface.
3. The oldest nesting pair of loons, at 33 years of age and counting, has been documented in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.



I was so excited to photograph a loon on the lake this spring. Thanks to Pat, my bird spotter!

KEEPING YOU IN THE KNOW!

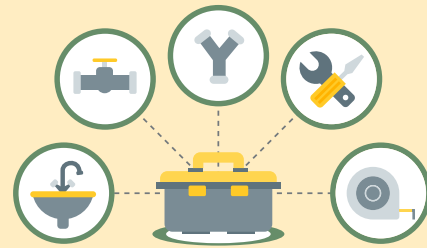
WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBORS...

To the new families who have moved into the neighborhood recently — **WELCOME!**

- Molly Boyle
- Daniel & Andrea Caldwell
- Charles Cole
- Joseph DeLellis & Amy Frauhammer
- Brandon & Stephanie Gardener
- Geralyn Heitchue
- Clyde & Jill Mason
- Mary H. O'Leary
- Dave & Mary Ann Pruden
- Chad Robar
- Andrew Tersigni & Razma Rudnickaite
- Hayden Wheeler & Emily Fitzgerald

Looking forward to seeing you down at the lake this season to enjoy all this lake has to offer. Please be sure to check out our neighborhood website at dunhamlake.com for additional information and resources. While you are there, be sure to sign-up for the private **Google Groups** links so you can receive association news and communicate with your neighbors. On the website, you will also find links to the association bylaws, park and lake policies, property covenants, pictures, a site map, articles on the neighborhood history, ongoing park maintenance and greenbelt activity, as well as the association DLPOA board members' contact information. Be sure to also check out the link to view past issues of the Dunham Laker newsletter.

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LOOKING FOR NEW LAKE HISTORY CONTENT Have an early memory to share?

I've completed the series of our history from Carolyn Richards and would like to reach out to our neighbors to recall their early memories when they first moved here. If you would like share your memories of the lake in upcoming issues please contact me at beachmoran@comcast.net. I would love to hear from you!

I want to send out a special thank you to Judy Powers and Pam Dear for their graciously offering to help with the writing of our newsletters. I am truly grateful for all their help so we can offer exciting new content.
— Pam Moran, Dunham Laker Editor

FOR OUR DUNHAM LAKE COMMUNITY

LOOK WHAT IS COMING... Dunham Lake Apparel



We are super excited to be offering cozy fleece sweatshirts and cotton t-shirts in adult, 2 women's styles and youth sizes branded with our Dunham Lake logo! There will be a choice of 3 adult styles of sweatshirts— crew neck, hooded with front pouch pocket as well as a zippered front with hood and pockets. There are also 3 colors to choose from: dark heather grey, heather royal and a lime.

The sweatshirts are a 7.8-ounce, 50/50 cotton/poly fleece. Air jet yarn for a soft, pill-resistant finish and a removable tag for comfort. The youth sweatshirt has a front pouch pocket with no drawcord at the hood.

The t-shirts have a classic silhouette and are a 5.4-ounce, 50/50 cotton/poly blend and they also come in the dark heather grey, heather royal and lime color options.

You will be able to select just the logo OR a logo with an added fun saying. This portion of the text can also be applied running down a sweatshirt sleeve with the original logo alone on the front.

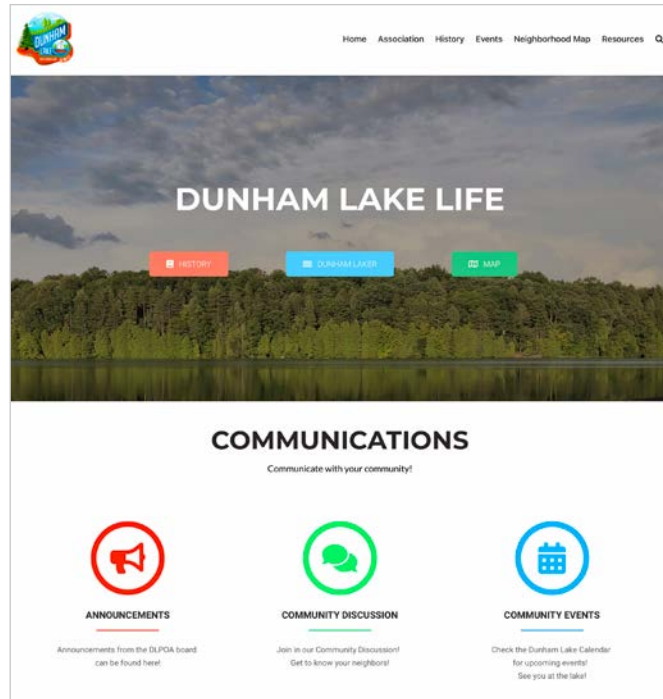


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• THIS IS WHY WE LIVE HERE •



We will be using a fulfillment company for these and you will be able to order your items through their website at cascade-creations.square.site. Square site is a retail host website and payments are accepted quickly, easily and securely. Once on the website, you will just need to click the **Dunham Lake Apparel** link and it will take you to our selections. Initially, we want to pre-order from May 7th through June 18th for a delivery to homes sometime around July 16th. After the initial pre-order is fulfilled, the site will be available for you to order items as you would like them. All product pricing will be found on the cascade-creations.square.site

Pre-order items May 7th to June 18th at: cascade-creations.square.site



▶ dlpoa-community@googlegroups.com

Google Groups

- ▶ Do you have something to sell OR something you are looking to buy?
- ▶ Did you find something OR lose something... maybe a friendly pooch or car keys? The group may help you out by keeping a lookout for lost items and get them returned.
- ▶ Do you have something important to share with your neighbors? Do you have an interesting story to share?
- ▶ This is the place to post it, see it and share it!

COME CHECK OUT AND JOIN THE PRIVATE GOOGLE GROUPS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

We would love to have all neighbors come and join the **Announcements** and **Community Discussion** through *Google Groups*. It's a great way to have discussions about a topic you can post or respond to with the neighborhood, as well as get important timely messages from the board. You can easily find these links on our website. Remember to check out the **Community Events** with a calendar that will help keep you up to date with upcoming events throughout the year.

Announcements is only for the DLPOA board to communicate announcements important to our community, and you will not be able to respond to this group, as they are read-only messages.

Community Discussion is for posting communications to the DLPOA property owners in discussions and general information sharing. You will be able to respond to any of these messages. **NOTE:** Make sure to choose "reply all."

Our private groups will require you to request a membership. After you've asked to join the group, you will get a confirmation email once your request is approved. Then you can participate in the groups.

Both **Announcements** and **Community Discussion** communications will come directly to your email inbox.

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

If you have a Google account you can self-register. Go to groups.google.com.

- Search for DLPOA-announcements OR DLPOA-community
- Click on DLPOA-announcements OR DLPOA-community
- Then click "Apply for membership"
- In the text box please include your name, home address or lot number, email address, and phone number

If you do not have a Google account and prefer not to create one, please email us your preferred email address at dunhamlake.com@gmail.com. Please include in the subject line, Request to Join. And in the email, please include your name, home address or lot number, email address, and phone number.

THAT'S IT!

Once we receive your request, you will receive an email telling you that you have been added to the DLPOA-Announcements and another email for the DLPOA-Community groups.

WHO CAN I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS?

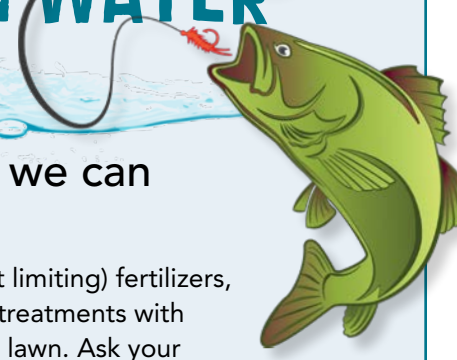
Please email dunhamlake.com@gmail.com if you have questions or need additional assistance with this process.

We had reached out to our residents in an earlier mailing, in response to results we received from our most recent water quality study of Dunham Lake, and are asking for your continued attention to these findings as we head into the spring/summer growing season.

Recent studies comparing results in 2009 to those of 2018, are showing a degradation of oxygen levels in our lake. This affects the depth at which cold water fish species can exist and also affects the amount of algae on the water's surface. The study shows a narrowing depth due to the dissolved oxygen level—and we are seeing that Dunham Lake cannot support the quantity of fish it used to. Additionally, we are seeing an increase in algae at the top of the lake. This decrease in oxygen is occurring because of an internal loading of nutrients (increased levels of both nitrogen and phosphorus in the water). It is important to understand that even with this degradation, our lake still remains one of the cleanest in lower southeastern Michigan. This important new data tells us a lot about what we all need to do to keep our lake thriving and support the fish quantity as well as a clean surface for our swimmers.

Because we do not know all the sources that contribute to these increased nutrient levels, the board is currently working with professionals to develop a plan to identify them. In the meantime, we have been advised to also educate homeowners (our residents) on steps we can all take to control our contribution of nitrogen and phosphorus into the ground water.

HELP SAVE THE FISH WITH CLEAN WATER



Here are a few steps we can all do to help:

- 1 Consider not applying (or at least limiting) fertilizers, weed killers, and other chemical treatments with nitrogen and phosphorus to your lawn. Ask your lawn treatment company to test your soil before applying treatments to ensure only the necessary amounts are applied.
- 2 Take any unused medications to your local police station for disposal. Do not flush them down the toilet so they do not end up in the water supply.
- 3 Have your septic system pumped out periodically and check to see your tank/field is in good working order.
- 4 Make sure driveway culverts are open and ditches are clear enough so that water can flow freely into areas designed to absorb nutrients before getting to the lake. Contact the county drain commission if your water isn't flowing. Typically, they will come out and assist with a blockage, as these lie on their right-of-way.
- 5 **STAY INFORMED**—see the list below for additional informative website resources available to you.



For further information and resources, check out these links:

Dunham Lake Website — You will find copies of the previous water quality and fish studies, along with the 2020 Fish Study and Report. From the website homepage, go to **Association > Conservation Committee**. There is also a recording of the 2020 DLPOA Water Quality Presentation by Dr. David Jude from September 21, 2020. www.Dunhamlake.com

Michigan Natural Shoreline Partnership — Is a great resource for homeowners with videos and informational documents. www.mishorelinepartnership.org

Michigan Shoreland Stewards Program — Is a stewards program of the Shoreline Partnership. It has an online survey that individual property owners can use to assess their own property. www.mishorelandstewards.org

Lake Conservation Planner Tool — The Midwest Glacial Lakes Partnership (MGLP) tool will provide a "big picture overview" of the impact development is having on Dunham Lake. <http://midwestglaciallakes.org/resources/conservationplanner/>

Lakeshed Planning Process — The Nonpoint Source Program website has information to help with preventing and reducing nonpoint source pollution (polluted storm-water) from getting into the lake, which is imperative. This can be done through a "lakeshed" planning process. This process creates a map of actions that can be implemented to protect the lake from nutrients. The main part of this process is to inventory and map all the areas that are sending water (and nutrients) into the lake and identify solutions. www.mi.gov/nps

The History of Dunham Lake

A TIMELINE: EARLY DAYS FROM THE MINUTES – BY Carolyn Richards

The very first meeting of the Dunham Lake Property Owners' Association (DLPOA) took place in 1958 with the development company's encouragement. Minutes from early meetings reveal that some problems are timeless: controlling access to the lake and parks, keys, guest tags, vandalism, teenage parties and beer, pets, boat storage, and maintenance are some.

The following is a coronological overview of some of the accomplishments and decisions that have helped protect and improve our park and subdivision in past years.

The Dunham Laker newsletter masthead has seen many variations over the years as well as many editors dedicated to working on it. Until our website, the newsletter was one of the best ways to keep up with the news in our community. Being the latest editor, I was excited to introduce the first full-color newsletter in the Spring/Summer issue of 2019!



1958

- Dues \$20.00
- Adopted the bylaws
- Boats must be marked with property owners' lot numbers
- Acreage of northeast lakeshore has been subdivided into Dunham Heights. Meetings will be held on occasion with that subdivision

1960

- Dues \$15.00
- Cooperate with conservation department to survey fish
- Keys to gates available
- Trash cans suggested

1961

- Asked development company to provide sanitary facility at picnic area
- Agreed to screen dam to keep fish in the lake

1962

- Keys to new outhouses available at sales house. (the cement slab is still there behind the park bench, just west of the main park.)
- Considered \$400 fish study

1963

- Purchased picnic tables and water slide, installed dock
- Development company orders: no motors allowed on Dunham Lake; future Livingston subdivisions will have the same restrictions, except for a 200 square-foot larger house size; soon a new beach will be made on the Livingston County side.

1964

- Voted against connecting Addaleen Road in Dunham Heights to Blue Heron Drive, so that the subdivisions would remain separate
- Decide no brush burning allowed—must take brush to the gravel pit for burning

1965

- Voted to accept property owners in Livingston County's Dunham Lake subdivisions into the DLPOA

1967

- Much discussion over concern that the Civic Committee owns the parkland (park is tax free.) Prefer it to be turned over to the DLPOA

1968

- Road oiling discussed—DLPOA collects money for road oiling
- Trees sprayed for bugs in beach and picnic areas

1969

- Voted not to spray park with DDT again because of new evidence of its effect on wildlife

1970

- Gate put up at West Beach
- Each lot owner owns 1/396th of the park and pays taxes on it (due to change in Michigan tax law)

1971

- Fence along west side of lake had been pulled out
- Fence on Briarhill with a walk-in gate will be installed

1972

- Light approved for picnic and beach areas
- Committee established to improve fishing, and a limnology study of the lake was conducted by resident committee

1973

- Dues \$25.00
- Lake stocked with fish
- Perennial discussion of oil vs. chloride on roads
- \$10.00 of dues collected to go towards road oiling
- Purchased pump to water sod on West Beach until it takes hold
- Outhouses removed and portable toilets brought in

1975

- Volunteers to patrol park on weekends—must wear tags
- Oakland County received speed limit signs at last! Livingston County not densely populated enough for speed limit signs yet
- Had park perimeter walk and sent letters to encroachers

1976

- Group working to get power boat ordinance approved by state

1977

- Dues increase to \$35.00 partly because of Donohoe lawsuit

1978

- Speed limit signs installed on Livingston County side

1980

- Getting safe road oil a problem—DNR says oil must have no contaminants

1982

- At last, roads in both counties will be paved this summer!
- Historical committee began its study

1983

- Liens placed by Civic Committee on lot owners not paying dues
- Gypsy moth committee formed

1984

- Dues \$40.00
- Decided to name picnic area after (Pat) Van Wagoner
- Will cap the well in the picnic area

1985

- Dues \$50.00
- Water quality survey done by Wally Fusiler—lake is clean due to greenbelt—need another study in five years
- Hired Sacky Security
- Tags for cars

1987

- Dues \$55.00
- Completion of greenbelt survey in Livingston County

- Became members of the Michigan Lakes and Stream Association
- New policy of removing boats by November 15 until ice-out in spring



- Dunham Laker published by the board—historical articles began

1988

- Night lock program instituted: special locks put on gates at 10 p.m. and removed at 7 a.m.

1989

- Greenbelt survey completed
- Fishing group formed to help Cornell University with a fish study—suggest we provide structures to help newly stocked fish reach maturity

1990

- Dues \$65.00
- Dunham Lake video shown—alternate dump site announced
- Second five-year water quality survey completed—little change
- Enlisted attorneys to help with greenbelt encroachers—made encroachment chart

1991

- Increased dues to \$75.00 for an increase in the security budget
- DLPOA and Civic Committee set up common area management policy

MEET THE PEOPLE WHO SERVE ON YOUR DUNHAM LAKE BOARD!



2020 ANNUAL BOARD MEETING HELD AT THE MAIN PARK



These dedicated folks do it all, from making informed decisions for our neighborhood's welfare, to organizing activities; from managing funds and administrative duties to keeping our parks safe and clean; from sharing lake and greenbelt news to publishing this very newsletter ... these hardworking neighbors give of their time and talents throughout the year to keep Dunham Lake a treasure we can all feel proud to share. We even have a couple husband and wife board members! Consider getting involved yourself and come join the board! Love to have you!



Fred Everhart
President



I was born and raised in Livonia and graduated from Clarenceville High School. I've lived in Highland since about 1994. My wife, Cinda, and I moved to our home on Harlequin Court in 2005. We have one son, James, who is 31, and a beagle named Dude. I love our unique community, and I am proud to be part of it. I enjoy bow and gun hunting white tail deer. I also fish (catch and release) and golf. I work as warehouse supervisor at SW North America.



Jane Debbrecht
Treasurer



I hail from the Toronto area and moved to Michigan in 1991. My husband, Jim, and I moved to Plover in Dunham Lake in 2002, where we could better enjoy the outdoors than at our previous house. Whatever the season, Dunham Lake is beautiful. Over the years, many nieces and nephews have enjoyed the pond frogs, the turtles in Turtle Cove, and the many deer who call this home, too. They and grandchildren loved playing in the lake, on the slide and rafts. The only downside for us is the yearly battle with the blue heron, who dine on our pond fish. We had to switch from koi to inexpensive goldfish. (If we're providing the sushi snack, it doesn't have to be the best!) I also appreciate the strong sense of community at Dunham Lake, and I have made lifelong friends here. I have been on the board for 12 years, the first two as secretary, and the last 10 as treasurer. It has been a chance to give back and be involved in the neighborhood. I like the way the board considers the disparate goals of the neighbors and uses a fiscally balanced approach to accomplishing them. By profession I am a chemical engineer, with a long career in manufacturing operations. For the past 20 years I have been an independent management consultant, advising companies on improving their manufacturing processes, management approaches, and positioning in the market.



Scott Oswald
Vice President, Security and Natural Resources



Kristina and I moved to Dunham Lake in 2006. We discovered the neighborhood through longtime resident Ed Krupa. Once we saw the lake and found we had a great uncle on the Hartland side, we knew we wanted to raise our family here. We built our home on a lot on Grebe and found the best neighbors ever! I'm originally from West Bloomfield. I've been on the board since 2008 and enjoy representing neighbors and completing projects around the neighborhood. I'm currently focusing on the lake and the greenbelt. I would like to see more participation in neighborhood activities, including board-sponsored events, improvement tasks, and board meetings. I'm a project manager at George W. Auch Construction of Pontiac, and Kristina is a stay-at-home mom. In my spare time, I enjoy off-roading, camping, fishing, hunting, and working on my 1978 Jeep CJ 5.



Carla Gorton
Secretary, Activities and Beach Clean-up



I grew up in New York, then moved to Livonia, then Milford. Finally, in search of a bigger house for our growing family, we moved to Grebe Road in 1998. We have enjoyed raising our now-grown children, Sam and Kaitlyn, at Dunham Lake and have always loved the lake, community activities, and the great neighbors here. My four years on the board with wonderful fellow board members has helped inform me of what we all need to do to keep our lake beautiful. I would like the board to continue keeping our lake clean and maintaining the strong unity among Dunham families with fun group activities, especially those involving the lake. I would also love to see more volunteers, as there is much to do to maintain the beauty here. I have really enjoyed working with the young people who help keep our beaches clean so our residents can enjoy the lake, and I appreciate all their hard work! I work full time at J & B Meter in the office and am blessed with great colleagues. My husband and I love to camp, and I enjoy walking, reading, and spending time with my family, which includes two dogs (Zeus and Stella) and one cat (Jovie).

2021 DLPOA BOARD MEMBERS



Kristina Oswald

Activities, Communications and Security



I'm originally from Kingsford, a small town in the Upper Peninsula, much like the Dunham Lake area. We have a six-year-old daughter, Abigail. Scott and I enjoy the lake in every season. We walk the trails and sled at the point. The three of us have also recently taken up downhill skiing. I enjoy scrapbooking and spending time outside. We have two German shorthaired pointers (Lilliana and Iris) and two cats (Vinny and Ali). I've been on the board since 2011, I enjoy serving residents, meeting people, and working on projects and social activities. For us, the board has been a great way to learn of the deep history here and to be part of what brings everyone together!



Gary Burke

Communications



My wife, Jessica, and I discovered Dunham Lake by chance while looking for our first home. We loved the community feel, the trails, and the casual, quiet, low-key atmosphere of a no-motor lake. We've lived on Murray Hill for three and a half years with our children, (Lily, 4; Lucas, 9; Emma, 12; and Jacob, 13), our cat (Sally), and our dog (Shobe). In the three years I've been on the board, I've enjoyed working as a team to foster ideas and solve problems. I'd like to see more focus on keeping our lake and greenbelt as natural and rustic as possible and to raise awareness of speeding in our neighborhood. I work in the marketing department of FANUC America Corporation, an industrial robotics and machine tool producer. In my free time, I enjoy mountain biking, camping, hiking, woodworking, gardening, exploring, and brewing beer. Our family loves cruising around on our paddleboards, taking evening walks on the trails, and spending weekends at the lake. If you see us walking to the lake on a Saturday morning or on a lovely sunny evening, please honk, wave, or stop and say hello!



Kate Griswold

Activities, Communications



After living in Madison Heights for 25 years, my husband, John, and I moved to North Tipsico Lake Road four years ago. We found this gem of a neighborhood by complete chance: Zillow! Our daughters are 25 and 28. (Our eldest was a pandemic bride.) They both live out of state but love to come and visit and enjoy the lake with us! One of our favorite things about the lake and greenbelt are the hiking trails, which we walk regularly—especially since adopting Snoopy, a Jack Russell/Chihuahua, last summer. He'll be a year old in April and thinks he's much bigger than he actually is. We also enjoy kayaking on the lake and floating out there with one of our daughters when they visit. I joined the board six months after moving here and have enjoyed getting to know my neighbors better as a result. I also own Great Lakes Scrapbook Events, an event production company. We produce both live and virtual paper crafting events. Our flagship event is the Great Lakes Mega Meet Scrapbooking Convention, usually held Mother's Day weekend at the Suburban Collection Showplace.

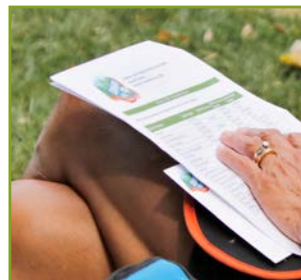


Jenny Vanderlist

Communications, Security



My husband, Ryan, and I have lived on Blue Heron for about 10 years. We are blessed with two children (Ben and Henry) and just love that we can "get away" right here, so close to home. After three years on the board, I am most fulfilled by connecting with other board members and residents, and contributing regularly to our community, from website updates to lake projects. I have a master's degree in Health Informatics from the University of Michigan and am a regulatory/strategy consultant at Trinity Health. I enjoy a lot of things, but reading and going to the library rank pretty high on the list.



2021 DLPOA BOARD MEMBERS



Ed Cesa

Infrastructure, Natural Resources



My lovely wife, Mary, and I have resided here on Plover Dr. for the past 34 years. We have two sons and are blessed with seven grandchildren. I am originally from Milford, and my wife is from Dearborn. We are grateful for having been able to raise our children here and now have our grandchildren enjoying the lake. We have one pet, Mr. Jules, a very demanding Siamese cat. Having been on the board for three years, I would like to continue helping the board to make improvements that benefit all residents.



Wes Watt

Infrastructure



My wife, Sharon, and I both grew up, married and lived in Redford in the same neighborhood as our mothers. Five years ago, after they had moved to assisted living and we had retired, we moved to Dunham Lake, having known of this area through my uncle who lived on Addaleen. We live on Grebe surrounded by the best neighbors you could ever want. The best part of living here is that on holidays, I don't have to drive up north to go to a lake; I just walk a quarter mile. Having served on the board for several years, I consider my role in infrastructure to keep our lake and neighborhood clean, safe, and fun. Our daughter and two grandsons come over to enjoy the lake almost weekly. Sharon and I have been cross country skiing for more than 45 years, and both of us have mountain biked since the mid 80's. I've also been into photography since I bought my first camera in the Navy 50 years ago.



Cinda Everhart

Administrative Assistant (Keys & Boat Tags)



A native Highlander, I moved with my husband, Fred, to Dunham Lake 16 years ago. I love our beautiful lake and the small-town feel of our area. I have volunteered 15 years in the admin position on the board. I work as a paralegal for Heritier, Nance and Smothers in Troy. My main sources of enjoyment are cooking, gardening, playing piano, and beading.



Pam Moran

Dunham Laker Editor



I wanted to introduce myself to you all since you may see me out and about at the lake taking pictures. I may not be a member of the board, but I am an enthusiastic volunteer with my time and expertise to design and be the editor of this Dunham Laker newsletter, as well as creating the brand for our community, from the logo, which will go on the new apparel, to the updated Resident's Guide and all the DLPOA mailing materials you receive.

I had worked for a marketing agency for over 20 years as an art director. Now for the past 12+ years, I've worked freelance and have been able to work with clients from my home office. Best job ever! I love that I am able to go for a walk anytime during the day and not having to commute to work, especially during snow storms!

There was a moment in 2018 when things work-wise slowed down, and I thought I would offer to do the Laker. That was the best jump-start to get my business flowing again! But, to be honest, I had been thinking about volunteering to do the Laker for years. I have lived here with my husband, Ron, for 21 years, and since doing the newsletter, I have met so many new people. I am excited to be able to really showcase where we all live—it is the most beautiful neighborhood, and I never get tired of taking the nature walks around all the trails.

So, have YOU ever thought about getting involved in our community? There are many ways to do this without the commitment of being on the board. Help is always needed at the spring and fall workbees, or helping out during the awesome events we have during the year. Think about it... It's fun to join in and meet some great people!

A quorum was not reached for the August board meeting, so the meeting was not official, and there will be no minutes to include in this newsletter.



THURSDAY, OCT. 8, 2020
Meeting called to order 6:36 pm

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

Others present: John Griswold

President's Report: Fred Everhart –

- North Stairs – After listening to residents, I think the biggest concern about replacing the stairs with gravel seems to be whether or not there will be a hand rail. A motion was made and passed to add a metal pipe hand rail to the project.
- We also need to get a quote for a hand rail for the hill at the West Beach, as the stairs can get slippery when wet.
- Are the board members happy being on the same committees next year? The members seem to be content where they are.

Vice President's Report: Scott Oswald –

- The board would like clarity on audience of Chip's proposed letter:
 - Majority of board members disagreed on self-certification and proposed tone.
 - Board agreed to meet with Chip to discuss further and finalize next steps.

Secretary's Report: Carla Gorton – The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Jane Debbrecht – Jane presented the October report and it was accepted. Patrick McFall offered to help with our annual audit.

Civic Committee Report: No report.

Infrastructure Update:

- We have had two recent offers to donate benches around the lake. Herb has constructed a bench with the intent to install it for us by the swim steps on the northwest trail. A family is also donating a memorial bench that we are ordering from the company we have purchased past benches from. We discussed placing that bench at the point.

Natural Resources Update:

- Scott is going to meet soon with the company who seeded the west side to see if they can redo it, since it did not grow as they said it would.

Lake Quality: Ed Cesa –

- We need to come up with a plan to improve the lake before we can change anything.
- Water samples are the key to getting the correct information before action is taken and money is invested.

- Ed is going to ask Dr. Jude if he would be willing to consult with us on the best way to reduce the phosphorus and nitrogen in the lake, in return for compensation.

- It was agreed that no actions would be taken without first getting the board's consent.

Old Business:

- The gate closers will be installed in the spring.
- The gates will be left open during the winter months.

New Business:

- Fall Workbee: October 24th — Scott will bring the task list, and there will be donuts and coffee provided for the volunteers.
- A resident inquired about a garden club and children's garden: board requested additional information on the idea. The resident will present more information at the spring meeting.

Adjournment: 7:36 pm

Next meeting: Thursday, November 12, 2020 @ 7:30 pm.

Minutes recorded by Carla Gorton.



THURSDAY, NOV. 12, 2020
Meeting called to order 7:30 pm

Members present: Fred Everhart, Wes Watt, Carla Gorton, Scott Oswald, Kristina Oswald, Jenny Vanderlist, Cinda Everhart, Kate Griswold, Gary Burke, and Jane Debbrecht.

President's Report: Fred Everhart –

- The new group that is being formed from volunteer residents to improve the lake quality will have to work with the board, in order to get the best results for our neighborhood.
- Thank you to Cinda, Jenny, and Pam for the great informative flyer you designed.
- Fred thanked all the board members for a good year of working together, despite the challenges of Covid.

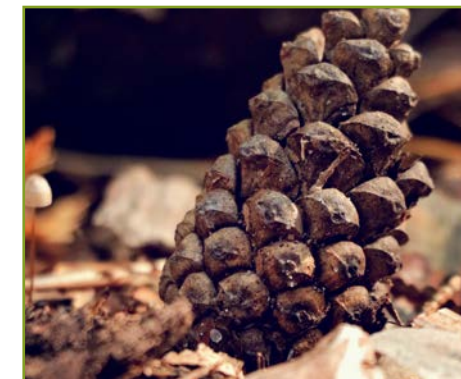
Vice President's Report: Scott Oswald – Before we can move forward with any solutions to the lake quality issue, we have to find the source of the pollutants. This is crucial for success.

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

Treasurer's Report: Jane Debbrecht –

- Jane is still waiting for bills from some of the companies that have done work on the greenbelt during 2020.
- The Treasurer Report was approved and accepted.

Civic Committee Report: No report.



Infrastructure Update:

- Recent offers to donate benches – The board decided that the one that Herb Cole is donating will go at a swimming area on the west side along the lake, and the bench being donated as a memorial will go at the point on the north end.
- Per Ed – The new gravel path will be put in at the north gate in the next few weeks.
- Ed is also going to check into the cost and materials for installing a railing next to the new path, as some residents have expressed a need for one there.
- Fred will ask Ed to unlock the gates for the winter season.
- Gary will put the "Boats Out" sign at the entrance to the sub soon. They need to be removed by December 1.
- Scott or Tom will talk to the porta-potty company and have them change to the winter schedule.
- Rafts – the board is debating between replacing the current rafts with aluminum rafts and wooden rafts. They are looking at the pros and cons of both types and also the cost. The board has approved up to \$5,000 for the purchase of two rafts in 2021.
- Wes is going to have the tree people come do some work on the greenbelt soon. They work for a discounted rate during the winter. The board discussed the best way to handle the leftover wood, as some residents have



expressed interest in it in the past. It was suggested to have interested residents fill out a form, in order for the process to be fair to everyone.

Natural Resources:

- Scott and Ed have been working with different sources to gather information to help us find the causes of Dunham Lake's declining water quality, so that the board can then come up with the best and most affordable solution to improve it. We need to first determine where the phosphates and nitrates are coming from before we make any decisions.
- Ed said he will continue to work with Dr. Jude to get his input and suggestions.
- Jane suggested that we hire an agriculture student next year to be in charge of the greenbelt during the summer. That person would also coordinate volunteers to help. The board thought it was a great idea.

Old Business:

- John at NCS is supposed to provide some seed to us for replanting on the west side, since hardly anything grew there this past year after the first planting. We are looking for more of a shade type of seed this time.

New Business:

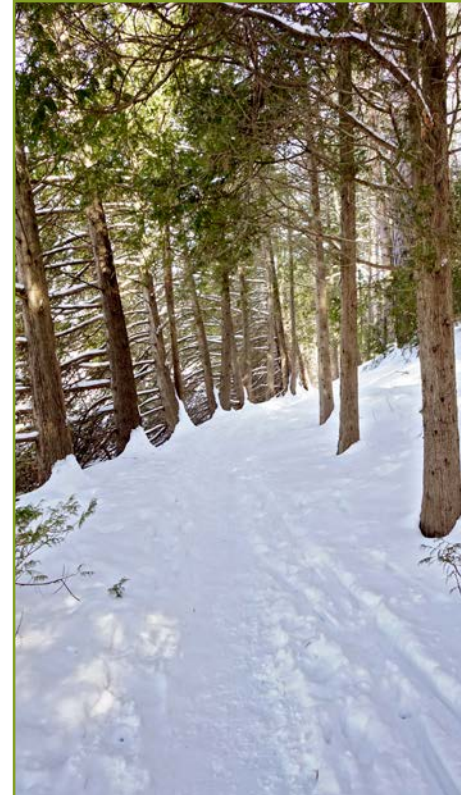
- Fred will send an email out to board members to see which night works best for meetings in 2021.

Adjournment: 8:47 pm

Next meeting: The next meeting will be determined by email.

Minutes recorded by Carla Gorton.





THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021
Meeting called to order 7:30 pm

Members present: Fred Everhart, Ed Cesa, Scott Oswald, Kristina Oswald, Cinda Everhart, Carla Gorton, Jane Debbrecht, Jenny Vanderlist, Kate Griswold, and Gary Burke.

Others present: Todd Bazzett.

President's Report: Fred Everhart – No Report.

Vice President's Report: Scott Oswald – Residents did a great job of removing their boats, at the end of the season. Only two were left and they were taken to the main park and locked up until the owners were located.

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

Treasurer's Report: Jane Debbrecht – Jane showed us how the 2020 budget finished up at the end of the year and went over some of the highlights from her reconciliation.

- Spending for the year came in at around \$2,000 under budget.
- Almost \$7,500 was collected in past-due membership dues last year.
- All accrued bills from last year have been paid in full.
- A motion to accept the reconciliation was made, and the report was accepted.

Civic Committee Report: No report.

Infrastructure Update:

Some more trees and brush were cleaned up by the tree company. Most of the recent work was done on the northwest side.

Natural Resources:

- Scott – A 40 lb. plus bag of seed was given (without cost) to us by NCS to plant on the west side of the lake where the planting last spring didn't yield as much growth as NCS had indicated it would. This bag is a different variety from before that hopefully will do better in the shady area we are targeting. We are working on planting native species that will enhance the greenbelt.
- Jenny came up with the past and future steps that the board has taken and will take to improve the water quality of Dunham Lake:
 - We had a water study done and got the results back.
 - The board provided education to the residents via Dr. Jude's presentation.
 - We educated the residents through mailings and the Dunham website.
 - We need to identify the sources of the pollutants that are getting into the lake.
 - We need to find effective and affordable solutions that will improve the quality of the lake.

Old Business:

- Ed Cesa is going to find out the current price, warranty and other information for the aluminum rafts that the board is considering to replace our existing aging rafts.
- Kristina – Dunham apparel – Pam Moran came up with several different designs to put on shirts or sweatshirts. They also found a lady who will print the logo on the clothing and offer it on her website so that residents can order them directly online. Kristina and Kate are going to do more research on this.

New Business:

- A group of Dunham residents who have been working on improving the quality of our lake have initiated a Zoom meeting with the state of Michigan concerning our lake. It will be tomorrow (January 12). Some board members and Dr. Jude will also attend the meeting. They will report on what they learned to the rest of the board at our February meeting.
- Jenny – Pam made improvements to the Dunham New Resident's Guide. Jenny asked if board members could read it over and get any changes or corrections to her before the February meeting.

Adjournment: 9:15 pm

Next meeting: The next meeting will be Monday, February 8 at 7:30 pm.
Minutes recorded by Carla Gorton.



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2021
Meeting called to order 7:32 pm

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

Others present: Georgianna Paul, Katheryn Krupa, Carole Gannon, and Terry Gannon.

President's Report: Fred Everhart –

- Getting the Dunham welcome packet finalized and printed is a priority. There are 9-10 families that are new to the neighborhood who are ready to receive them.
- We need to start scheduling 2021 events and putting them on the calendar. If Covid still presents an issue when the event draws near, then we can always reschedule or cancel.
- Some of the events being considered at this point are a concert, an arts and crafts show and the pig roast

Vice President's Report: Scott Oswald –

- Oakland Conservation District is going to be selling tree and shrub seedlings this spring at a very reasonable cost. It would be a good idea to purchase and plant some on the greenbelt. The order is due April 6, and we would pick them up on May 1. Scott is going to send an email out asking if residents would like to adopt trees or shrubs in pots after we receive them to help them grow and stay healthy until they can be planted on the greenbelt. Native species to this area would be preferred.
- We really need to attack the invasive plants this year. Even though we made some good progress last year, there is still a lot of work to be done.

Secretary's Report: Carla Gorton – The January minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Jane Debbrecht – No Treasurer's Report this month.

Civic Committee Report: No report.

Infrastructure Update:

- The display case/sign at the west beach (which holds pamphlets, lake info., etc.) is broken. We are not sure if this is the result of an accident or vandalism, but it will have to be replaced.

Natural Resources:

- The state of Michigan meeting (via Zoom) with Barney (their representative) went well.
- We are taking some good steps towards improving the water quality. It was encouraging to know that we are actually ahead of where the state of Michigan people thought we were.
- There seem to be a lot of areas on the west side of the lake where there is runoff water draining into the lake. There are some retention ponds, but they don't seem to be working correctly. Also, there are some culverts that are not diverting the water away from the lake, which is desired.
- Dr. Jude thinks that a treatment of alum in the deep basins (kettles) only may be beneficial to the lake. The state of Michigan would have to approve the alum treatment before we could use it. In order for it to be approved, a whole plan has to be put together showing what has been happening (measurements, etc.). If we hire a graduate student this summer, maybe that person could help put the plan together to present to the state.
- Carole Gannon is taking a Michigan State University Lake course to gain better insight on how to improve lake quality.
- Georgianna Paul emailed pictures and videos to the board showing locations of runoffs and the actual runoffs happening, along with a summary sheet of her observations. They show a lot of sediment washing down into the lake.
- We need to continue to identify the sources of the runoff water and take samples of it to see if it is detrimental to the lake, and then find ways to slow down the water or divert it elsewhere.

- Ed will talk to Dr. Jude and see if he is willing to help us and to what extent.

Old Business:

Along with the bag of seed we have already received from NCS to plant on the west side, the board is also thinking of purchasing and planting another type of seed to plant there, to raise the probability of success this time. Scott is going to research types of seed and then propose the most compatible one for that area at the March meeting.

- Ed got a quote for aluminum rafts to replace the current wooden rafts. They are 7' wide by 16' long and weigh 500 lbs. They anchor down in four different spots. The cost for two rafts would be \$5285.00. That price includes the choice of either carpet or vinyl on top. Ed is going to get more information on warranty, etc. and the board will make the final decision on whether to purchase the rafts at the March meeting. The order needs to be placed by April 1.
- Kristina—the logo designs for Dunham shirts and sweatshirts are being finalized, and soon will be offered for sale. Thank you, Pam, for donating the designs.

New Business:

- Meetings will continue on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 pm until further notice.
- Diane Blakeney has offered to handle park reservations again this year. Thank you, Diane.
- Ed is going to purchase and install the rest of the gate closers. They will cost about \$1,000 and have already been approved by the board.
- Kristina, Carla, Jane, and Jenny will meet soon and discuss how to handle security in 2021.

Call to Public: Carole Gannon and Katheryn Krupa both requested that we encourage residents more to not fertilize their lawns or at least to fertilize them less often. Scott mentioned that we already put literature out to residents about fertilizer 8-10 times last year via mail, the newsletter, and the website.

Adjournment: 9:40 pm

Next meeting: The next meeting will be Monday, March 8 at 7:30 pm.

Minutes recorded by Carla Gorton.



The following regulations are designed to assure members and their guests of the maximum benefits of the association facilities. Strict observance of these rules is necessary for the accomplishment of this purpose. Any member violating any of these rules or engaging in conduct that is not in the best interest of the association members will subject himself to such action as the Civic Committee and Property Owners Association deem advisable.

- 1 Park property (trees, brush, equipment, etc.) must not be destroyed or removed without the permission of the Property Owners Association and the Civic Committee. Violators will be subject to treble damages.
- 2 The use of water from Dunham Lake for private water systems is prohibited.
- 3 Members shall be personally liable for any damages to association property resulting from careless, willful, or negligent acts by their families or their guests.
- 4 Glass containers are not allowed on beaches. All refuse in the park areas must be deposited in the trash containers supplied for that purpose. The dumpster is for park trash only.
- 5 Entrance gates to the association parks must be kept locked at all times.
- 6 Minors must have proper adult supervision when using association property.
- 7 Parents shall be held responsible for minors' actions when using association property and facilities.
- 8 Boat docking on the beaches or swimming rafts is not permitted.
- 9 Picnics are not allowed on the swimming beaches.
- 10 There shall be no open fires for any purpose on the DLPOA common grounds, excluding approved charcoal and gas grills. Exceptions to this rule include family camp outs, pig roast, and the haunted trail, all of which are board-sanctioned events with an approved container provided.
- 11 Overnight camping is not permitted in the park areas or on any subdivision lots.
- 12 All state fish and fire hazard laws are to be observed.
- 13 Boats must be identified with a DLPOA boat sticker to permit easy identification. All boats shall be completely removed from the water when not in use.
- 14 No private docks or rafts are permitted along DLPOA property.
- 15 No motors (gas or electric) are allowed on Dunham Lake.
- 16 No motorized vehicles of any kind are allowed on lake or park areas. This includes minibikes, motorcycles, snowmobiles, and all-terrain vehicles.
- 17 The use of firearms, air rifles, or weapons of any description is prohibited at all times in the subdivision and park areas.
- 18 No dogs are allowed on the beach areas due to sanitary and safety reasons. All dogs in the main park area must be restrained by a leash.
- 19 Swimming, picnicking, or congregating is not permitted after 10:00 pm.
- 20 No horses are allowed in the park or beach areas due to sanitary and safety reasons.
- 21 No guest will be admitted to the park and lake areas unless the lot owner host is physically present in the subdivision. Guests at the park who are 18 years old or younger must be physically accompanied by their DLPOA resident host at all times while in the park.
- 22 The number of guests shall be limited to 10, except upon approval by Park Reservations of the Association.
- 23 All privately owned boats and apparatus associated with those boats must be removed from the park area by December 1 and are allowed back on the greenbelt April 1.
- 24 Each property owner is limited to 2 parking places in the parking lots.
- 25 Smoking is prohibited on the beaches, and all residents are required to properly dispose of cigarette butts.
- 26 If members and or guests violate any of these rules, they will be asked to vacate the DLPOA property.

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TO MAKE PARK RESERVATIONS call Diane Blakeney at 248-408-7012

The DLPOA Board has set rules that are intended to allow residents the use of the park for gatherings, but not to infringe on the rights of other residents using the parklands. The DLPOA is asking each gathering sponsor to support the spirit of these rules and ensure their enforcement. In April, 2017, the DLPOA Board approved a park reservation rate increase effective June 1, 2017. Rates will be raised to \$20 per reservation and \$20 refundable deposit for parties of 10-30 people. For parties of more than 30 people, the rate will now be \$40 per reservation with a refundable \$40 deposit.

Your deposit will either be refunded or shredded, depending on whether or not the rules have been followed. The fees will go for the cleaning of the porta-potties and general park cleaning.

Main Park Dumpster

The dumpster at the main park is for park trash only, it is not intended for household use. Please use the metal can located next to dumpster for ashes from charcoal grilles. Do not empty hot coals into the dumpster.



DLPOA KEY POLICY

- Only two keys will be issued per property owner.
- Replacement keys will be \$75.00 each.
- Property owner must sign for any keys issued to them.
- All dues must be paid prior to keys being issued.
- Property owner agrees to retain possession of issued keys.
- If there is a transfer of property, the seller agrees to turn the keys over to the buyer.

DLPOA RULES are as follows:

- 1 A scheduled party will have access to 3 picnic tables.
- 2 The party is restricted to the sponsor's parking space plus the two additional passes provided with the reservation.
- 3 No tents or tarps are allowed.
- 4 Each gathering is responsible for emptying the garbage cans in the area into the dumpster. Please replace garbage bags into empty cans.
- 5 Each gathering is responsible to thoroughly police the area for trash.
- 6 Each gathering is responsible for the safe disposal of burning charcoal. Please allow yourself enough time to cool the coals. DO NOT LEAVE BURNING COALS IN THE GRILLS. We have had fires in the dumpster, so please follow this rule for safety purposes.
- 7 Party cleanup should begin with enough time to ensure your party is completed and complete by 8 p.m.
- 8 Glass bottles are not allowed on beaches.
- 9 As the sponsor of the party, you are responsible for the behavior of your guests. If you require assistance, there may be park security on duty or you may call 911 for the police. Please be courteous and responsive to the security people. They are there to help and do their job to enforce rules.
- 10 Please contain the noise of your group: have fun but be aware of your neighbors who border the park area.
- 11 Do not park on the surrounding streets near the park. You may receive a parking ticket.
- 12 Please keep GATES LOCKED AT ALL TIMES.
- 13 It is possible to have more than one party booked on the same day. Please be considerate to all who are visiting.
- 14 If you are going to reserve tables with signs or tablecloths prior to the start of your party it is recommended that someone from the party be present in the park. The DLPOA will not be involved in settling disputes on reserved picnic tables.
- 15 Please do not dominate the volleyball, basketball, and playground areas as well as open spaces of the park.
- 16 PLEASE clean up cigarette butts and SMOKING is prohibited on beaches.
- 17 Please ensure that the woods are not used in place of the porta-potty.

DLPOA PROPERTY, PARK, AND LAKE BOAT REGULATIONS

Please review the following regulations that have been adopted by the DLPOA Board. Failure to comply with these regulations could lead to removal of your boat from the greenbelt until the appropriate fine is paid.



BOAT STOWAGE ON THE GREENBELT IS FOR RESIDENTS ONLY!

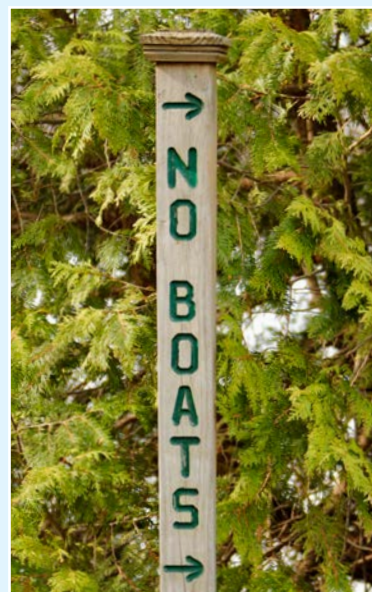
Boat Regulations

- By Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) statute, boats operated on Dunham Lake are to be NON-motorized. No motors, gas or electric, are allowed.
- Boat docking on the beaches and swimming rafts is not permitted.
- All boats stored on DLPOA lakeshore **MUST** have a **DLPOA BOAT REGISTRATION** sticker to permit easy identification. (If your sticker cannot be seen when the boat is stowed, use a permanent marker to write your sticker number on a visible part of the boat or boat cover.) Contact Cinda Everhart at 248-889-4419 to obtain your sticker.
- All boats shall be **COMPLETELY REMOVED** from the water when not in use.
- All privately owned boats and apparatus associated with those boats must be removed from the park area by December 1 and are allowed back on the greenbelt April 1. Boats left on the lakeshore after December 1 will be relocated and restrained at the main park at the expense of the owner.



Boat Stowing Courtesies

To all who store their boats down at the lakeshore — please be aware of the “**NO BOATS**” posted areas. There are 4x4 sign posts indicating where boats may **NOT** be kept due to ecologically sensitive areas. Boats found in these areas may be relocated by the board and held at the main park at your expense.



- DO NOT place a tarp under the boat, as it kills off the natural vegetation.
- No part of a stowed boat may be on the walking path.
- No part of a stowed boat shall hang above the water line.
- If a boat is leaned against a tree, that tree shall be mature and strong enough to support the boat without damage to the tree.
- If a boat is leaned against a tree, the shortest side of the boat shall be upward.
- Water should be removed from each stowed boat on a weekly basis to minimize the breeding of mosquitoes.
- The choice of a location for boat stowage should, as much as possible, preserve the natural view of our beautiful lake.

We are lucky to keep our boats on the greenbelt. Please be sure to follow the rules of our lake!

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Extreme Demand Continues to Out-Muscle Supply Shortages

Extreme buyer demand continues to put pressure on Southeast Michigan inventory levels, which are down 61% compared to last year. Despite depleted inventories, closed sales and weekly showing activity are up, values are rising, and market times are dropping.

The average sale price is 98.5% of asking, and over half of sales are at or above full list price—both higher than any time since 2015. Market times continue to shrink—lower than any time since 2015. Year-To-Date (YTD) average market times are down to 42 days, and 43% of listings show up as pending within 10 days.

Inventory shortages, especially in the entry and middle price ranges, continue to fuel buyer competition and multiple offers that drive up values. Typically, price per square foot declines during the 4th quarter, as inventory gets picked over and demand drops off. Year-Over-Year average price per square foot was up 15% in February!

Expect demand to remain high and supply levels to remain low through 2021. Prices will continue to rise.

Anyone thinking about moving in the next year or two may want to jump in early to take advantage of lower interest rates and prices. Buying sooner will also lock in property assessments with lower caps.

These advantages benefit both buyers and sellers.

Contact me if you are even considering a move...

SELLERS: Knowing the value of your home at this time is vital for you to know where you stand with your portfolio!

BUYERS: Interest rates are historically low and no clue as to how long this will last!

Thank you and stay well!



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IMPORTANT DATES: Mark your Calendars!

- 📅 **Boats IN!**
April 1, 2021
- 📅 **Spring Workbee**
May 8, 2021
- 📅 **Neighborhood Pig Roast**
TBD, 2021
- 📅 **DLPOA Annual Meeting**
TBD, 2021
- 📅 **Fall Workbee**
TBD, 2021
- 📅 **Boats OUT!**
December 1, 2021

Due to the continued COVID-19 restrictions, some usually scheduled events are still TBD.

The board is hoping to bring back some activities at the lake this summer, like the fun educational presentation from the Howell Nature Center, the concert at the park, a wine and beer event, perhaps a kid's day at the park for families.

The Board will inform you through the Announcement Group emails (see page 6 for sign-up instructions). Be sure to sign up so you don't miss any newly scheduled events!

DLPOA Board Meetings

(will be virtual meetings among board members until further notice)

DLPOA board meetings are held the second Monday 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 on Tuesday, TBD, 2021.

Typically doors open at 7:00 for people to sign in. Meeting starts at 7:30.

STAY SAFE EVERYONE! • HAVE A WONDERFUL SPRING AND SUMMER SEASON