

Loch Erin News
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Meetings:

2nd Monday Every Month
(Except Holidays; 3rd Monday.
May meeting is 3rd Sunday at
2pm)

Cambridge Township Hall 7:00
pm

All members are encouraged to
attend.

A message from our President Dan Fahrer...

This summer season has provided us with unique weather starting with the Memorial Day holiday starting with a great day and then soon cooler and windy days. Hopefully everyone has been able to enjoy the lake and surrounding parks within our community. I would like to thank FOLE (Friends of Loch Erin) and the Events Committee who assisted with coordination of the food truck at Eberly Park. I am pleased that everyone safely enjoyed the water (a bit cool for some of us). However, I would be remiss in not reminding everyone about water safety as we continue with the summer season and the upcoming July 4th Holiday. So, please have a conversation with your guests and remind them about swimming and boater safety guidelines. Check out the Handbook of Michigan Boating Laws and Responsibilities for a quick reference. At the Annual Meeting on May 19th, the Loch Erin election occurred for the Board of Directors. First, I would like to recognize and thank outgoing Board members Christiam Malcolm, Daphne Williams and Tom Ciepichal for their dedicated service. The Board would like to welcome Randy Hutchison, Bob MacDonald and Chris Denunizo to the LEPOA Board. Randy has accepted the Treasurer role, Bob has Fish & Wildlife and Chris will serve as the Vice President. The other Board members are Phil Kittridge (Water Quality), Eric Cullum (Compliance), Kathy Zmijewski (Parks Committee), and in addition to the President's role I will continue as the Building Committee chair. On behalf of our entire community, I'd like to thank them for agreeing to serve our LEPOA community and for contributing their time and effort to make Loch Erin such a great place to live. The Board is working on numerous issues that are important to our community. Our highest priority is to continue our focus on water quality and work with the State agencies on our watershed management plan. In addition, we will be working with our Sub-Associations in support of their issues. Please attend or review on the LEPOA Website (locherinpoa.com) our monthly meeting minutes for updates on the various issues discussed and acted upon by your Board. Although the new & re-elected Board will have their first meeting on June 10th, they are involved with numerous items to improve our community and our Parks. You will see evidence of that activity in the upcoming weeks. Here are some highlights;

- A boat washing event was coordinated by Tim Husband at Eberly Park on June 9th to provide a service and education to those LEPOA members who participated regarding preventing invasive species transfer to our Lake.
- Watershed management revised plans are being coordinated by Phil, and they are focused on a Statewide ordinance for septic tank and leach field inspections, please contact Phil to see how you can reach out to our elected officials to encourage them to support this needed legislation.
- Although mother nature has been kind to us considering last year's ice damage on the parks and trees in our community. Kathy has been very active with her Liaison team to patrol and keep our parks looking good. Kathy had arranged the work on the Pickleball Courts to approve their appearance and she is working with Chris D. to review the communication and reliability aspects of the gate at Eberly Park.
- Our community is still a desired place to live. This is evidenced by the building committee permit reviews for new homes. Since last year 2023 (June 1st) the Building Committee reviewed and approved 11 new homes within our Loch Erin community. The Building Committee is represented by Chris Denunizo, Patrick Coulter and Don Deneweth.

Last, but not least, enjoy the lake this summer! Be safe and courteous when on the water (and land). Believe it or not the Fireworks will be upon us soon!

See you on the water!
Dan Fahrer
LEPOA President

UPCOMING FOLE EVENTS

Loch Erin 4th of July Fireworks
Friday July 5th at DUSK

(rain date of Friday July 12th)

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

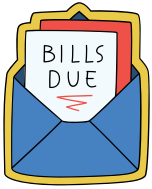
5pm - BOAT PARADE GATHERS AT
EBERLY PARK - OPEN THEME

5:30 - PARADE MARSHALL WILL LEAD
THE PARADE ALONG THE PARADE
ROUTE.

THE PARADE ROUTE WILL BE
ANNOUNCED ON THE FOLE WEBSITE
THE WEEK OF THE EVENT ALONG
WITH INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO
VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITES.

1ST PRIZE GETS THE TROPHY AND
BRAGGING RIGHTS FOR ENTIRE YEAR.
2ND AND 3RD PRIZES WILL ALSO BE
AWARDED.

THE FRIENDS WILL SPONSOR A CHILI
COOK OFF, GRILLED HOT DOGS,
CRAFT AND BAKE GOODS SALE AT
THE SHELTER BUILDING FROM 4:30-
7:PM. ALL PROCEEDS TO FUND
(LABOR DAY 2024) AND 2025 EVENTS.



Association Dues

Loch Erin Association dues of \$175.00 are due May 1, 2024.

Non-payment will result in gate card deactivation on September 1, 2024

If payment is not received or a payment plan established, a lien will be filed shortly after June 1st



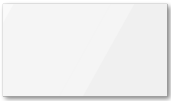
Dock Slip Renters

Our docks are in and so are most boats! Please make sure to let the office know if porta johns are tipped over or if the parks are in need of any maintenance or repair. REMINDER boats are to be on a lift or tied to dock poles and NOT our docks



Vehicle Sticker Reminder

Make sure the correct **PURPLE** sticker is adhered to the vehicle and is visible to avoid being towed. You must be a member in good standing and have paid your 2024 dues. To get stickers please call or email Jordin at the office.



Need a Gate Card?

Gate Card agreements are available on our website. Only members in good standing will receive a gate card. Dues for 2024 must be paid before submitting a request. The form is available on the website or you can reach out to Jordin at the office!

Important Numbers: EMERGENCY CALL 911

LEPOA General 517-467-4834
Drain Commission 517-264-4696
County Sheriff General 517-263-0524
DEQ (local officer) 517-648-5847
Boating/Hunting Laws 517-373-1230
Cambridge Twp. 517-467-2104
Road Com. /snow removal 517-265-6971
Franklin Township 517-431-2320

Parks Updates

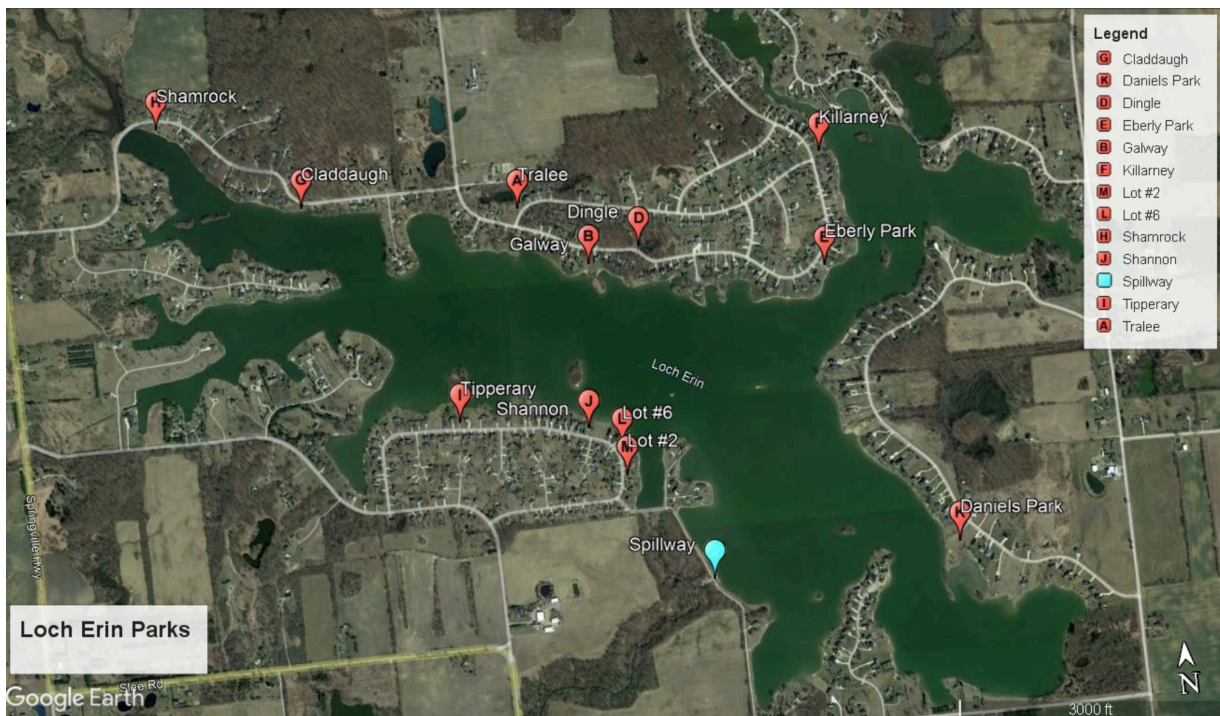
The Parks Chairman wants to thank all of our wonderful Park Liaisons, and volunteers. We could not do all that we do without you. We still have many projects still going on, and are many projects in the planning stages. The Parks are very busy, and seem to almost be a full time job.

We still need more volunteers, for upcoming projects that are still in the works.

We still also need at least 3 Volunteers for Galway Park, to help with the raking of the sand, and 2 or 3 to help with the installation of the swim area.

Please feel free to reach out to me if you see something that needs to be done, or if you would like to be on the Volunteers List .

Kathy Z
517-403-4930



Water Quality Updates

Our multiyear study of the watershed will be completed in the next few months. This initiative was supported by a \$100,000.00 grant from EGLE/EPA and when finalized will expedite both funding and approval of remedial action identified in the plan document. A key finding of the work indicates excessive phosphorous presence both in the lake and the drains, streams and ditches feeding into the lake. Phosphorous is one of the key nutrients contributing to the growth of Cyanobacteria (Blue/Green Algae) present in lakes and streams. Excessive Phosphorous is generally considered a result of agriculture runoff in our area, but DNA analysis indicates a large presence of human DNA implying household septic systems upstream of Loch Erin may be a large contributor. Things you can do to help decrease phosphorus in our water:

- Ironically, Michigan, the water wonderland State with over 12,000 lakes, is the only state in the country without a statewide septic code. Contact your state and local representatives and commissioners encouraging them to support an effective and meaningful septic code for Michigan.
 - Ensure lawn fertilizers used on your lawn do not contain phosphorus. Those watering with lake water will get more than enough from the lake water.
 - Establish native plants or a no-mow buffer zone at your shoreline. This will absorb runoff before it enters the lake and has the side benefit of discouraging ducks and geese from entering your property.
 - Do not deposit yard or pet waste in the roadside ditches surrounding Loch Erin. Material in the ditches will decompose and runoff into the lake as excess phosphorous. Dog walkers should always pick up after their pets and dispose of it properly.
- Four rounds of water sampling are scheduled for this year starting in mid-June. Again, this year, minimal aquatic plant treatment is being planned for mid-summer.

DID YOU KNOW?

1. Inland Lakes observe a standard counter-clockwise direction around the lake to minimize potential for accidents.
2. There is a 100 foot no wake zone around the shoreline of all inland lakes. This includes islands and the ends of docks.



Pickleball News



The Pickleball Court renovation is now complete!
THANK YOU to member, Mickey Contos, for donating her time to take the photos.



Do you like Pickle Ball? The Men's Team plays Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 am until 11:30am. The Women's Teams play Tuesday and Thursday from 9am until 11am.

Need Equipment? Consider using our code at checkout!
pickleballcentral.com
Code : CRLOCHERIN

