

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...

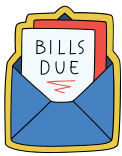
Here we are again, another summer season is fast approaching its end. Although, Mother Nature has been providing us with some spectacular weather during the first 3 weeks of September. However, do not be fooled, things have a way of balancing out. I anticipate everyone will be cruising the waterways and start capturing the change of color over the next 4-6 weeks!

I would like to acknowledge both Kathy Z and Phil K for their continuing efforts on our LEPOA Park's and Pickle Ball courts, and of our water quality testing and watershed management plan since this is the primary focus and why we have chosen to live within the Loch Erin community. As we have said is past Newsletters, and from past Presidents and Board members, Our lake water and Parks are the cornerstones for Loch Erin and that allows everyone to enjoy our lake community, and I know we have numerous volunteers that support both Phil and Kathy in their efforts, so THANK YOU to EVERYONE that was involved. In addition, here are a few highlights from our past meetings and a look to the future.

- We have discussed a 'Stakeholder Engagement Plan' where we (LEPOA) need to express our support or concerns to various elected or appointed officials within the local and State regarding issues that may impact our community, such as water quality, zoning/master planning within the Township/County, road and drain commissions...(Stay tuned, as there may be some volunteer opportunities) This was deferred at the start of 2024 since we had a few Board resignations and then new Board members elected in May. Also, we have an election (Federal/State/Local) in progress and anticipate some of the local elected offices will have fresh faces beginning in January 2025. So, we ask for your patience but please consider signing up as a volunteer as noted in this newsletter.
- The Board will be developing a proposed 2025 Budget, and the Capital Expenditure criteria, scoring and weighting factor tool will be used to prioritize various potential projects, so everyone will be able to see long range planning efforts, recommendations, and decisions made by the Board. We are also moving forward with developing scope documents and an issue capture/resolution log to improve our Board effectiveness. As discussed during the September Board meeting the Budget for 2024 based on the 8 & 4 forecast, we should end the year at budget or a little below.

So, let us enjoy the Fall season, extended summer, the vibrant colors, fishing, and boating opportunities over the next 6 weeks or so. Stay safe on the water!

Respectively,
Dan Fahrer
LEPOA President



Association Dues

Loch Erin Association dues of \$175.00 were due May 1, 2024. If you have not paid them this year you are no longer a member in good standing and gate cards have been deactivated. Payment plans can be set up with the Secretary. Please call or email the office with questions.



Dock Slip Renters

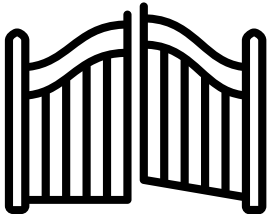
Please make sure to have boats and poles removed before October 20th. Our docks will be removed on October 21st and any poles left in the lake may be subject to a charge.



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.

Note that stickers will change color for 2025



We are continuously working and reviewing our options to make the Gate System at Eberly Park more user friendly. We have approved a new upgrade that should make life easier for the installation and removal of boats. We will be disconnecting the inside card reader behind the gate and installing a sensor behind the gate so that the delivery drivers are not stuck inside the gate, and that once the system senses a vehicle behind the gate, it will open.

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**



We are seeking member volunteers who are skilled in building positive relationships and can attend local Stakeholder meetings as representatives of LEPOA. Our local Stakeholders play an important role in impacting the health and well being of our lake community through decision making. It's important we begin to build bridges and have an influence in the process.

The sand at Eberly Park needs attention and needs to be raked. If we could have 2 to 3 volunteers that worked on this monthly, that would be very helpful. Also, for the spring, we are looking for 2 to 3 more volunteers to help with our rubber mulch on the walkway between Kingsley and Norfolk. As a reminder, if you see something at any of the parks or main entrance that needs attention, please always let Kathy Z know. She will get working on the issue right away.



Women's Pickleball Team

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.

Anyone that wants to join in is welcome to play, just bring your paddle.



Siena Heights University students learning to evaluate water quality at Loch Erin.



Retired Siena Heights professor and Loch Erin resident Tim Husband hosted two groups of Siena Heights students this September to collect and analyze water samples from our lake. About 20 students utilized remote control diving robots that they conceived and constructed with PVC pipe and small electric motors to collect water samples from the deepest parts of the lake. Analysis started on Tim's picnic table as soon as they returned from gathering the samples (notice the petri dishes) and continued in the Universities Biology and Chemistry labs. This was a great way for students to receive practical field experience!!

