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Fall 2007



Aquatic Services spray Hardwood Lake for algae control. Weed control will continue in 2008.

Board members elected, weed control update

Members of the Hardwood Lake Property Owners Association held their annual meeting at the campground pavilion on Saturday, July 28, 2007.

David Sommers was reelected president of

the association. Dan Brady was elected to the board as a trustee joining returning board members Sue Young, Clay Dees and Randy Nasuti.

Sommers talked about the continued weed control program. The program will continue in

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Following the meeting, 13 families enjoyed a potluck picnic, above. At left, Director Randy Nasuti tends the fire as newsletter editor Edith Sommers, Director Clay Dees, his wife Margo and Secretary/Treasurer Judy Sheehan cook the burgers.

tinuation and tax district public hearing starting at 9 a.m. Saturday, July 12, 2008 at the Richland Township Hall. All property owners will receive a letter next summer notifying them of the meeting. The Lake Board is hoping to be able to reduce taxes as there is excess funding in the account. The final decision will be made at the meeting.

In late October the Lake Board met to dis-

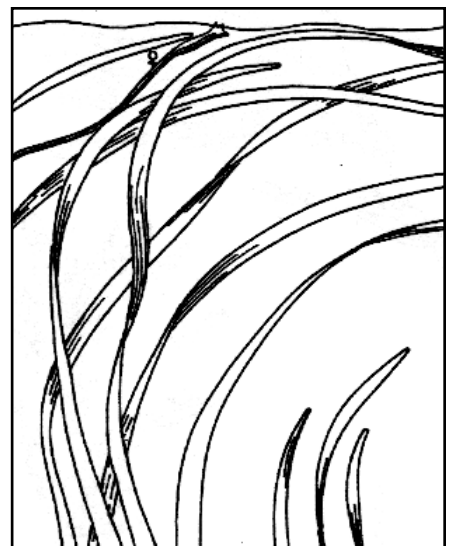
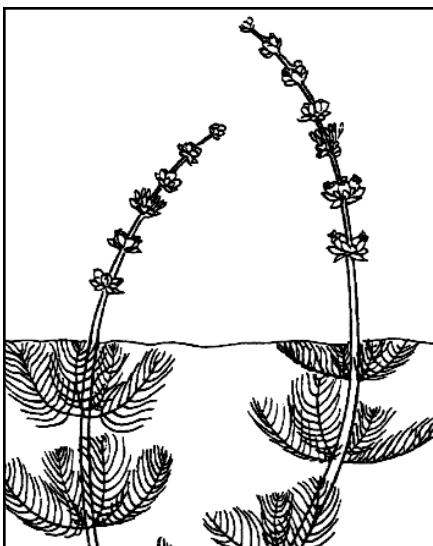
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2008, which is the fourth year of the current four-year program.

Next summer the Lake Board will hold a con-

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Eurasian Milfoil, left, and Curley-leaf Pondweed, center, are two non-native weeds in Hardwood Lake that we are controlling. Wild Celery, right, is a native species that is making a comeback.



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cuss the weed control program. Our engineering firm, Progressive Applied Engineering is planning an entire lake treatment for 2008. This is as planned. The last full lake treatment was in 2004. The 2008 program will cost about \$36,000. The primary objective is to control the non-native Eurasian Milfoil. It is a very aggressive growing plant that could choke the lake in a few years.

In other business the annual Lake Association potluck picnic is scheduled for Saturday, August 2, 2008 at the campground.

The association also voted to spend up to \$400 for landscaping to be constructed around the Lake Association sign on Henderson Lake Road. The project was completed before Labor Day with a brick border done by Padget's. Trustee Dan Brady planted mums and will take care of planting Spring flowers.

Dan Brady and Judy Sheehan will look into establishing a propane gas club. More information will be coming at a later date.

Picnic door prize winners were:

Gonya - free membership

Nasuti, McLane and Falsetto - \$5 gift certificates from G's in West Branch

McGregor's Country Store donated several prizes

Fernandez - 2 lunch specials

Sheehan - 12 piece family style chicken bucket

Schanz - 16 piece chicken bucket

Young - 18" pizza special

Sommers - 18" pizza 3 items

Bylaws need updating

The current Lake Association Constitution and Bylaws is several years old and needs to be updated. Included in this newsletter is the current copy. Please email or send update suggestions to Dave Sommers or Judy Sheehan. Their contact information is in the front page masthead.

Hardwood Lake Retreat

The property in the southeast corner of the lake is for sale. Benjamin Denno is offering 10 lakefront lots. It is advertised as a private upscale waterfront gated community. More information is at www.hardwoodlakemi.com

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HARDWOOD LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION and BY LAWS

Article 1

NAME

* The name of this association shall be HARDWOOD LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION (non- profit organization).

Article 2

PURPOSE

- * To respect the rights of all property owners and help secure improvements.
- * To assist in maintaining and improving lake conditions.
- * To cooperate with and promote enforcement of all existing federal, state, local and subdivision regulations for the benefit of all.
- * To maintain the policy of regulating gasoline-operated motor boats on the lake.

BY-LAWS - MEMBERSHIP

* Membership in this association shall be limited to concerned property owners. **Dues must be currently paid up to maintain membership and voting privileges.**

VOTING

* Property, whether one parcel or more, shall constitute one membership and shall be entitled to one vote or by written proxy.

DUES

* The Association shall be financed by annual dues of \$15.00 per membership. Special assessments may be levied when deemed necessary, by a two-thirds majority of members present at the general meeting and by written proxy.

* **The Association fiscal year shall be from July 1 through June 30.**

* **Dues are payable by June 15 of each year.**

MEETINGS

* The annual meeting shall be held on a Saturday in July, at the discretion of the Lake Association officers. Notice of such meeting shall be announced by mail at least fourteen (14) days in advance. Twenty (20) members shall constitute a quorum. Members shall be notified ten (10) days in advance of any meeting, other than the annual meeting, and the purpose of the meeting.

* Executive Board meetings shall have a quorum of five (5). The officers are empowered to call a meeting for a specified purpose and time between regular meetings.

OFFICERS

* Officers shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary - Treasurer and four (4) members to constitute a Board of Directors.

* All officers are elected for a term of two years. [With the President and all directors being elected during the odd years and the Vice President and Secretary - Treasurer being elected in the even years]

* Lake Board Representative shall be elected by the body at large in the even years for a term of four years. The next election will be in 1998.

* The immediate past President shall automatically become a Director-at-Large at the expira-

tion of his term.

* In the event an officer or director (except the office of President) vacated his or her office before the expiration of his or her term, the President shall with the approval of the Directors, appoint a replacement to fill that office until the next election of officers. It shall be the President's responsibility to announce and election to the membership and cause this announcement to be a part of the agenda.

* In the event the President should vacate his office, the Vice-President shall become President. The vacated vice-president's office shall be filled as set forth in the above paragraph of the by-laws.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

* The President shall preside at all meetings unless unable, in which case the Vice-President shall preside. The President shall have the power to appoint special committees.

* The Board of Directors shall manage the affairs and business matters of the Association.

* The Secretary shall take minutes at all meetings, handle all necessary correspondence for the association and maintain an up to date roster of members.

* The Treasurer shall make no disbursements except by check bearing his or her signature and countersigned by the President.

DISBANDMENT

In the event the Association dissolves with two-thirds majority vote, all assets shall be liquidated and divided equally among the then paid-up members.

Adopted 1987 by membership and revised August 5, 1995.

Local Calendar of Events

RICHLAND-LOGAN, VILLAGE OF PRESCOTT

Christmas Party for kids

Saturday, Dec. 8, 2007

1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Logan Township Hall, 4507 E. M-55

Games with prizes

A gift for every child (infant thru 12)

WEST BRANCH - December 8 - Christmas
Parade & Tree Lighting. Downtown West
Branch. After dark light festival & Santa to
boot. Chamber of Commerce 989 345-2821.

SKIDWAY LAKE - Monday, December 31.
New Year's Eve Special Bingo & Party. Three
County Club 989 873-3025

The WEST BRANCH Chamber's annual
Winter Ball is February 16, 2008

TAWAS - February 8, 9, 10. 58th Annual Per-
chville USA Weekend includes Family Tent,
Softball game, Perchville Eve bash, dog pull
and more. Polar Bear Swim, Saturday & Sun-
day afternoons. "Chilly" cook off.

Tawas Bay Area Chamber of Commerce infor-
mation is available at www.tawas.com

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