



**White Lake  
Citizens League**

# Current

## Spring 2009

### COMING EVENTS

**2nd Annual  
Memorial Day  
Pancake Breakfast  
May 25th**

**Boat Parade  
July 4th**

**White Lake  
Fireworks  
July 4th**

**Rain Date  
July 5th**

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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By most accounts, 2008 was a good year on White Lake. With your interest, and the hard work of many volunteers, last year began with a very well-attended **Annual Pancake Breakfast**, held on Memorial Day for the first time. It ended with a popular **Fall Harvest** celebration, where children (of all ages) had a great time painting pumpkins, making scarecrows, and competing in a pie eating contest. In between, there was a spectacular **Fireworks Display**, and a fun **Boat Parade** with great participation. Based on many positive comments, most people felt that the lake water quality was very good, and we thank all those who have worked on the weed control and water quality programs over the years.

Looking forward, in 2009, we will have a summer celebration theme of **WAKESTOCK** (recalling the 40th anniversary of the Woodstock rock concert) and **AN ALL AMERICAN FESTIVAL** (celebrating all things American) for the **July 4th Boat Parade**. Thanks to your generous donations and business contributions last year, we will celebrate the birth of our country with a larger-than-ever **Fireworks Display**, actually on the 4th of July this year. We are again looking forward to a **Fall Harvest** celebration with even more children - and the children in all of us - enjoying it.

Please also plan on attending our **Second Annual Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast** which will again be held at the White Lake Inn from 8:30 to Noon. We are hoping to make this a recurring event, which gives you the opportunity to meet many of your neighbors, both new and old, from around the lake.

This year we are adding a brief ceremony at Noon to honor all those who died in military service for our country. We will play "taps" while the flag remains (from dawn) at half mast, and then as is tradition for Memorial Day, we will raise the flag to full mast to celebrate the freedoms which that sacrifice has preserved for all of us.

A new flagpole at the White Lake Inn will be dedicated with a plaque with the following inscription:

THIS FLAGPOLE IS DEDICATED TO  
ALL THOSE MEN AND WOMEN  
WHO WHILE SERVING IN THE U.S. MILITARY  
MADE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE  
FOR THEIR COUNTRY

White Lake Citizens League  
Memorial Day, 2009

Tom De Santis, *President*

**FIREWORKS  
AND BOAT  
PARADE  
SATURDAY,  
JULY 4**

**OFFICERS:**

**Tom DeSantis**  
*President*

**Larry D'Angelo**  
*Vice President*

**Walt Koziol**  
*Secretary*

**Carol Webb**  
*Treasurer*

**WLCL 2009  
MEETING  
SCHEDULE**

**WLCL Board Meetings are open to everyone, and are held the on the 4th Wednesday of each month (except November and December).**

**LOCATION:  
White Lake  
Township Hall\***

**Time: 7:00 PM**

**For 2009,  
remaining dates  
are:**

**April 22**

**May 27**

**June 24**

**July 22**

**August 26**

**September 23**

**October 28**

**\*NOTE:**

**The July and August meetings may be held at an alternate location.**

**Watch [wlcl.org](http://wlcl.org)  
and your  
e-mail for details.**

## What's Happenin' NOW!

Are you looking for **up-to-the-minute** information about WLCL activities and social events? (Are the fireworks being postponed because of rain?) Would you like to find links to local businesses and township offices? Are you interested in the history of White Lake, or current statistics about the lake? Do you want to see pictures of past WLCL events? (What really happens at the boat parade?) All of these things - and much more - are now available on the **completely revised White Lake Citizens League website!** Check out the website at [wlcl.org](http://wlcl.org), and bookmark it in your web browser so that you can check back often. We promise that this new website will become your single point of information for all things White Lake! There's even a page where you can read - and submit - free classifieds for anything from babysitting to boats, from snow shoveling to ski-doo's.

And, by the way, have you been receiving e-mails about WLCL activities lately? Even if you're not a WLCL member, you can receive these updates. We promise that e-mail addresses will be used **ONLY** for sending WLCL communications, and will always be hidden from others (using the bcc: field). They will **NEVER** be released or sold to any other organization. If you're not on the list, send an e-mail to [communication@wlcl.org](mailto:communication@wlcl.org), or give your address to your Block Captain when they visit.

## 2009 SUMMER CELEBRATIONS: "WAKESTOCK - AN ALL AMERICAN FESTIVAL"

Our social committee has decided upon a great theme for our celebrations on White Lake this season. Celebrating the 40 year anniversary of the Woodstock festival, our theme this summer will be "**Wakestock - An All American Festival**". This theme should give us a wide array of things to celebrate, and many boat decorating ideas for the 4th of July Boat Parade.

As mentioned in the President's Corner, we will be kicking off the season with the **Second Annual Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast** at the White Lake Inn. This is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors after a long winter.

The details of this "**All American**" breakfast are:  
Monday, May 25 with breakfast being served from 8:30 - 11:30 AM with a brief Memorial Day ceremony at Noon.

Cost is \$6.00 for adults, \$3.00 for children (12 and under). The breakfast includes: pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, juice, coffee and milk. Drink specials will be available at additional cost. 100% of the proceeds from the breakfast go to the WLCL fireworks fund.

As in past years, T-shirts and other merchandise with the Wakestock logo will be available for sale at the breakfast. These items will also be available at other WLCL functions, and at the White Lake Inn each Friday evening from 6:00-9:00 pm (starting the end of April). Remember to also buy your raffle tickets for the Lake Relief Map at any of these times.

This summer's theme will continue into the **4TH OF JULY Celebrations** on Saturday, July 4, 2009. The **Boat Parade** will begin promptly at 2:15 pm at the Mitchell's Marina bay. Decorations can include anything American or from the late-60's era... be creative! Prizes for first, second and third places will be awarded, and lake residents will be able to participate in the judging. Come join in the fun!!! To cap off the day, a spectacular double-barge **Fireworks Display** will begin at dusk. Watch the WLCL website and your e-mail for more details.



## TRADE YOUR DEAD BATTERY FOR LIVE FIREWORKS!

Steven Cemer and Darlene Mauer ([darstevus@msn.com](mailto:darstevus@msn.com)) are members of WLCL and owners of the Discount Battery locations at 2977 Dixie Highway, Waterford, (248-674-2565) and at 2505 Union Lake Road, Commerce (248-363-0330). They have a great offer to support the WLCL fireworks - they will donate \$5.00 to the WLCL for each auto or boat battery core turned in at their stores (mention the WLCL when doing so). No purchase is necessary. What a great way to help the WLCL and the environment at the same time.

## WEED CONTROL AND LAWN CARE

Last year we had two lake-wide treatments with Sonar, which targeted two non-native and nuisance plants: Milfoil and Curly-Leaf Pondweed. There was also late season spot treatment targeted at the few remaining patches of Milfoil. This year we are expecting to need less treatment to control weed growth, because of the residual effects of last year's treatment.

To help in controlling aquatic weed growth, ideally we would not fertilize our lawns, since run-off of fertilizer contributes to weed growth in the lake. Most of us, however, do use fertilizer on our lawns. There are a few things we can do to lessen the effects of fertilizer on aquatic

weed growth. We can add landscape ties, rocks, or plants and bushes between our lawn and the lake, to serve as a barrier to block fertilizer run-off into the lake. We can also use fertilizer that has 0% or low phosphorus, which is now widely available. (Phosphorus is the middle number of the 3 numbers listed on the bag of fertilizer. The first number represents Nitrogen, the second is Phosphorous, the third is Potassium or Potash.) It is most likely in this area that your soil is already rich in phosphorus. The MSU Extension Service recommends fertilizers that are low in both phosphorus and potassium, such as, 23-0-6, 30-4-4 or 26-4-4.

## 2009 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

We will be starting the 2009 WLCL Membership Drive by the end of April. Most lake residents will be visited by a Block Captain sometime this Spring. Please welcome this neighbor for a few minutes of conversation, and a friendly reminder of the benefits of WLCL membership.

Block Captains are still needed! We want to thank all of the previous captains, and hope they will help out again this year. We do need more volunteers to cover open areas, and to help us personally contact every lakefront resident. We still have several open areas, especially along Ridge Road, Lakeview Drive in Seven Harbors, Duck Lake Road, Lake Drive, and LaSalle Blvd.

The lake areas are divided into 40 blocks. Each volunteer in given between 10 and 20 residents to contact. (We have volunteers who do 2 or more blocks.) The work is not complicated, and by starting early, you can pace yourself to make your contacts. We feel that the personal contact greatly increases our membership and donations.

The job entails contacting each resident on the list provided to you. You will:

- Solicit the residents for membership dues and fireworks donation.
- Update our roster for ownership name and address changes.
- Collect e-mail addresses (and changes). Ask for an e-mail even if they don't want to join the WLCL. These e-mails a valuable communications tool, and are never shared with anyone else.
- Recruit anyone who would like to help with WLCL activities.

This year Gary and Carol Webb have taken over the job of Block Captain Coordinators. We still have many open areas, and urgently need new volunteers. Please call if you are willing to work on this very important project. You can call Carol at (248) 887-4838, or e-mail her at carol3225@comcast.net.

## A BIG THANK YOU to these local businesses who support the WLCL!

**American Marine Shore Control**  
6777 E. Highland Road  
White Lake, MI 48383  
(248) 887-7855

**Aqua Weed Control, Inc.**  
414 Hadley Street  
Holly, MI 48442  
(248) 634-8388

**Bugs Beddow Band**  
(248) 546-BUGS

**Colasanti's Produce & Plants, Inc.**  
468 S. Milford Road  
Highland, MI 48357  
(248) 887-0012

**Discount Battery**  
2977 Dixie Highway  
Waterford, MI 48328  
(248) 674-2565

**Duck Lake Market**  
3711 N. Duck Lake Road  
Highland, MI 48356  
(248) 887-4542

**Exclusive Floor Covering**  
2967 E. Highland Road  
Highland, MI 48358  
(248) 889-4350

**Flagpoles, Etc.**  
407 Hadley Street  
Holly, MI 48442  
(888) 735-5591

**Graceland Party Shoppe Inc.**  
7505 Highland Road  
White Lake, MI 48383  
(248) 698-1070

**Highland Auto Repair & Tire Center**  
7421 Highland Road  
White Lake, MI 48383  
(248) 887-2944

**Highland Hills Golf Club**  
2075 Oakland  
Highland, MI 48356  
(248) 887-4481

**Highland House Restaurant**  
2630 Highland Road  
Highland, MI 48356  
(248) 887-4161

**Jet's Pizza**  
401 Nordic Drive  
White Lake, MI 48383  
(248) 889-0011

**Mitchell's Sport Shop**  
2543 N. Duck Lake Road  
Highland, MI 48356  
(248) 887-4864

**Norm's Ice Cream, Inc.**  
700 N. Milford Road  
Highland, MI 48357  
(248) 887-1931

**Shear Identity Salon**  
2944 E. Highland Road  
Highland, MI 48356  
(248) 887-8338

**Sparkies Bar and Grill**  
2868 E. Highland Road  
Highland, MI 48356  
(248) 887-2610

**Spring Valley Liquor**  
2823 E. Highland Road  
Highland, MI 48356  
(248) 887-4040

**Stanton Business Forms, Inc.**  
4400 Duck Lake Road  
Highland, MI 48356  
(248) 887-7000

**Valvoline Instant Oil Change**  
2399 E. Highland Road  
Highland, MI 48356  
(248) 889-1337

**Wine Basket Market**  
3542 Duck Lake Road  
Highland, MI 48356  
(248) 887-1921

**White Lake Inn**  
3955 Ormond Road  
White Lake, MI 48383  
(248) 887-1818

**White Lake Supermarket**  
3393 Ormond Road  
White Lake, MI 48383  
(248) 887-5200

## SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Anyone who would like to help out the Social Committee on traditional WLCL events and activities is encouraged to

contact:  
**Janis D'Angelo**  
887-9071

**Vicki Myers**  
887-5212

**Wilma Wienczak**  
887-7002

**Larry/Laura DeSmith**  
240-1268

**Lenny/Denise Wojewoda**  
887-2734

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**NEWS AND IMPORTANT  
INFORMATION FOR  
WHITE LAKE RESIDENTS**

### STAY TUNED BY E-MAIL!

WLCL has extremely limited funds for mailing purposes, and in recent years has been able to budget for only one printed newsletter with postage. If you want to keep up on what's going on around the lake, WE NEED YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS! Please send a note to Bob Parrett at communication@wlcl.org, and we'll add you to our distribution list.



### 2009 Membership Dues and Contributions

Membership dues and General Fund contributions should be remitted now. The Membership fees for 2009 are \$25 per household. General Fund donations go to our annual firework show and committee approved activities/ expenses. Please donate generously and support our activities!

Mail to: WLCL, PO Box 851, Highland, MI 48356 (envelope enclosed)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Fee \$25 + General Fund Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*I'd like to help the WLCL by volunteering in the following areas:*

Social & Fireworks

Fund Raising

Membership

Special Assessment District

Beautification

Weed Control

Website

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Make Checks Payable To WLCL