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SPRING · SUMMER 2013



REVISED DIRECTORY!

I want to thank everyone for your patience and support while I gathered information to update the directory and especially all of the area reps who made the initial contacts so that I could get in touch with you. There are still eight people that I have been unable to reach. If you are one of them and you notice that your listing is not as you wished, please let us know how we can better connect with you in the future.

In the directory we have modified the "Where to Call", "CLRA" "Officers & Reps" and "Water Quality" pages as well. Thanks to those of you who submitted information or updated that information. Look for the new P.O. address has been added to several pages in the directory.

Barb Wolfrum ❖

CLRA WEBSITE

If you have not taken the time to visit the website, we encourage you to do so. Webmaster Larry Wolfrum has provided us with a tastefully designed site. If you have not provided your web address to Larry for distribution of our newsletters, please do so. It will allow the association to save postage costs and speed delivery to you. Forward your content ideas on what you would like to see on the page. Larry can be reached at webmaster@cedarlakera.org ❖

MEETING DATES

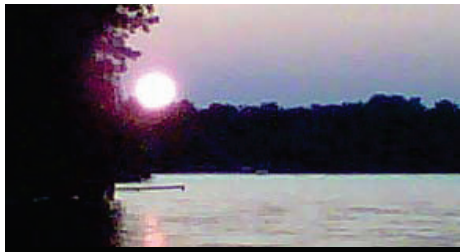
Held at Porter Township Hall

Spring Meeting
June 8, 2013 9 AM

Agenda topics include discussing picnic, boat parade, weed spraying and special guest Alan Smaka of Wightman & Associates, the engineering firm supervising the sewer project.

Fall Meeting
August 24, 2013 9 AM

Remember to check our website for news and meeting results. www.cedarlakera.org Just a reminder: your attendance at association meetings is your voice in matters related to the gem we all share; Cedar Lake. ❖



Cedar Notes...

All residents are encouraged to support the advertisers whose fees are helping to defray the costs associated with this newsletter.

There have been reports of pets wandering off their property. Please control barking dogs and know there is a leash ordinance.

Julie Mason's time and talents are much appreciated. Without her skilled assistance this newsletter would not go to print.

Remember, all "Trading Post Ads" are FREE to Cedar Lake residents. To place your item(s) on the Trading Post contact Dick Meek, 646-1050.

Bill Tucholke, 646-2289, has Cedar Lake logo merchandise available for sale!!

Diane Battaglia is the Cedar Lake "new resident" greeter. Please contact her of any new neighbors, 646-2658.

We are saddened to report the loss of Cedar Lake residents

**Aggie Janislawske
Earl Lawson
Mabel Gilbert &
Ron Reoch.**

Our thoughts and prayers go out to their families. They will be forever missed.

DNR PLANS FOR STOCKING FISH IN CEDAR LAKE

Don Dewey, Area 3 Rep, made an inquiry with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources regarding their plans for fish stocking in Cedar Lake. Below is the response from Brian Gunderman, Senior Fish Biologist.

We plan to continue stocking walleyes in Cedar Lake on a biennial schedule. As you noted in your voice mail, the next stocking is scheduled for 2013. The target stocking density is 50 spring fingerling walleyes/acre (13,450 fish). Only about 5% of these fish will survive the first year after stocking. In subsequent years, annual mortality typically is around 40%. Most walleyes reach legal size (15 inches) at age 3. Out of the 13,450 fish stocked in a given year, about 240 fish are expected to survive to age 3. Although I have seen walleyes as old as 15 years, fish older than age 10 are rare.

No other fish stocking is prescribed for Cedar Lake. During the 1930s-early 1940s, we stocked bluegills, largemouth bass, and yellow perch in nearly every lake in Michigan. These annual stocking programs were discontinued after fisheries managers determined that such programs were unnecessary and could have undesirable effects on the receiving populations (e.g., reduced growth due to increased competition for forage). Most lakes have suitable spawning habitat for these species, so they tend to reach carrying capacity without any help from humans. On the other hand, walleyes spawn on rocky substrates that are kept free of sand by current or wave action. Such substrates are rare or absent in most southern Michigan lakes, so stocking is necessary to maintain our walleye fisheries.

Rainbow trout were stocked in Cedar Lake from 1948 through 1997. For many years, the lake supported an acceptable trout fishery. In the 1970s-early 1980s, anglers expressed interest in estab-



lishing a walleye fishery in Cedar Lake. Walleye fry were stocked during 1975-1977 and fingerling stocking began in 1982. As walleye became more abundant in Cedar Lake, the quality of the trout fishery began to decline. The unauthorized introduction of northern pike into the lake in the early 1990s resulted in additional predation pressure on rainbow trout. Surveys and fishing reports during the 1990s indicated poor survival of rainbow trout, so the trout stocking program was discontinued. Rainbow trout typically spawn on gravel beds in flowing water. I would be surprised if there was any natural reproduction of rainbow trout in Cedar Lake.

No fisheries surveys have been conducted on Cedar Lake since 2002. Obviously, we would like to have more up-to-date information for Cedar Lake. However, it probably will be several years before we can gather this information. We have 4,394 lakes larger than 20 acres and 4,674 miles of streams in our management unit. We have 8 people to cover all of this water. Even when we filter out the private lakes and winterkill lakes, it still leaves us with a long rotation. ❖

BOATING SAFETY IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

To view the Michigan Department of Natural Resources web page (www.Michigan.gov/dnr) to learn about **Michigan boating laws**. Select the Camping and Recreation tab, and then select the Boating tab. There's even a link to obtain an online Michigan Boating Safety Certificate.



Bananas, strawberries & blueberries on skewers make a pretty patriotic treat!



4TH OF JULY



PICNIC & BOAT PARADE · JULY 6TH

Be ready to enjoy a great day of Cedar Lake activities!!! Stay tuned for more info...
Final details and decisions to be made at the June 8th meeting.

Warm Toasted Marshmallow S'mores Bars

Ingredients

- 1 pouch (1 lb 1.5 oz) Betty Crocker® sugar cookie mix
- 1 cup graham cracker crumbs
- 1 cup butter or margarine, melted
- 3 cups milk chocolate chips (18 oz)
- 4 1/2 cups miniature marshmallows

Heat oven to 375°F. In large bowl, stir together cookie mix and crumbs. Stir in melted butter until soft dough forms. Press into ungreased 13x9-inch pan.

Bake 18 to 20 minutes or until set. Immediately sprinkle chocolate chips over crust. Let stand 3 to 5 minutes or until chocolate begins to melt. Spread chocolate evenly over crust.

Set oven control to broil. Sprinkle marshmallows over melted chocolate. Broil with top 5 to 6 inches from heat 20 to 30 seconds or until marshmallows are toasted. (Watch closely; marshmallows will brown quickly.) Cool 10 minutes. For bars, cut into 6 rows by 4 rows. Serve warm. Store any remaining bars tightly covered.



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