



Wishing everyone a blessed New Year!



## NEWS & HAPPENINGS

CEDAR LAKE RECREATION ASSOCIATION, INC.

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Michigan has more than 11,000 inland lakes larger than five acres and nearly 1 million watercrafts registered in our state. That means many boats visit our lake. On Sunday August 2, Cedar Lake hosted Clean Boats, Clean Water. This program supplies volunteers who spent the day offering free boat washes to all drop in boaters. They inspected boats and trailers, demonstrated cleaning techniques and shared education information on invasive species. Cleaning boats and trailers between visits to other lakes helps prevent the spread of invasive non-native plants, fishes and organisms which disrupt the balance on our lake.



Sailing in November on Cedar Lake? Resident Dave Mason says.....YES!!



• WINTER 2016 •





## Cedar Notes

New Cedar Lake Directory is coming! Please send any updates to Larry & Barb Wolfrum.

Republic Waste Services offers "Single Stream" recycling pick-up for lake residents every other Monday. Contact Rob Hogan at 269-217-6079 to participate.

All residents are encouraged to support the advertisers whose fees are helping to defray the costs associated with this newsletter. To place your ad call Patti Kane 312-399-9966.

Do you want to get more involved in our lake and meet your wonderful neighbors? Then volunteer! We cannot host picnics, parades, garage sales, pontoon parties, etc. without help. Contact Kathy Potts if you want to help.

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

Your attendance at association meetings is your voice in matters related to the gem we all share; Cedar Lake.

Do you have any good news or photos you want to share that pertains to our lake or residents? Please contact Kathy Potts at: K\_M\_Potts@sbcglobal.net

We are saddened to report the loss of Cedar Lake residents **Char Dykehouse, Michael DeLoof and John Biedakiewicz.** Our thoughts and prayers go out to their families. They will be missed.

# BIG SHOUT OUT & THANK YOU!

...To all the new volunteers who stepped up in the past year. We have a new water tester (Dave Mason) and 4 new area reps (Jackie Tucholke—area 2, Karen Kairis—area 4, Lisa Bucher—area 6, Barb Mauk—area 7.) Next August we will be in need of new officers. Please consider volunteering. It is a great way to make new friends and learn about our lake!



## WATER QUALITY

Cedar Lake water quality continues to be good though a little high in phosphorus. Please consider creating a natural buffer between lawn and lakeshore and do not use fertilizer near the lake. For full water quality reports, go to our website.

The Cedar Lake garage sale made **\$600** which Joe Weist did single-handedly. **THANK YOU JOE!** We will need volunteers if we want to have another one.

## CLRA WEBSITE

Don't forget to look at our website at [www.cedarlakeera.org](http://www.cedarlakeera.org). Thanks to Larry Wolfrum, it is chockful of information including water quality test results, old newsletters, fish stocking information, links to DNR, state of Michigan and much more.

## CANADIAN GEESE



The Canadian geese were a nuisance this past year. In Michigan, the number of Canadian geese increased from about 9,000 in 1970 to over 300,000 today. Canadian geese love being close to farmland, water and manicured lawns, especially lawns that are fertilized. Cedar Lake has all of the above. Modifying landscape near water by leaving a 6 foot shoreline of tall native grasses or un-mowed lawn can deter them. Canada geese are federally protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. They can be legally hunted during the hunting seasons with the proper licenses. Other options such as translocation have been unsuccessful because other birds move in and other areas no longer want to take Canadian geese. The best way to keep Canadian geese off of our lake is to make it undesirable to them. For more information, visit [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr) website



# 50 Years



Congratulations to Diane & Pat Battaglia! They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. We wish them many more.



## \*\* 4TH OF JULY 2015 FESTIVITIES \*\*

The weather on the 4th of July could not have been more perfect. Many boats participated in an epic water fight. Next year we request no balloons. We don't want to damage our beautiful lake. Then as dusk was upon us, many boats cruised around the lake decorated and lit up showing their patriot spirit. The pictured boat (top right) won the boat parade which included the traveling trophy and a Cedar Lake barbeque apron. After the parade many boats stayed out and enjoyed the Lawton fireworks.



Another breathtaking Cedar Lake Sunset!

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