

# THREE MILE LAKE NEWS

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## 2014

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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Three Mile Lake Residents,

Well, spring has finally arrived. As severe as winter was, the snow and cold weather were really great in their own way. Now we can look forward to spring, summer and fall and enjoy the weather these seasons bring. I'm guessing, but I think the lake is up about two feet. My beach isn't as wide as it was last fall.

Let's remember our "must dos":

1. Watch out for floating or semi-submerged debris when you are boating.
2. If you rent out your cottage or home this season, please make sure your tenants understand lake boating rules and make sure they respect your neighbor's property boundaries.
3. If you fertilize your lawn, make sure you buy fertilizer without potash. DNR says that potash encourages weeds to grow in the lake.

You will note in the newsletter today an article about "fish kill". DNR says that the ice was so thick on some lakes that the fish could not get enough oxygen, and they died.

If you see dead fish on your beach, it is due to the severe winter that we just experienced. Read the article, it is very interesting.

It's dues-paying time again. The dues are still only \$20.00 per year per family. Your dues pay for our postage fees, some picnic expenses, miscellaneous expenses and the website, which is shown above. Please use the attached application form to pay your dues.

That's about it from me this year. We'll stay in touch by email, newsletter, or by phone. Feel free to contact me or any member of the board with any questions. Our phone numbers are listed to the left and on the website.

Enjoy lake life.

Ron Cicchini

### WATCH YOUR MAIL FOR INFORMATION ON THE 2014 LAKE ASSOCIATION PICNIC & ANNUAL MEETING AND THE JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> BOAT PARADE

If anyone is interested in joining the picnic committee, or if you have suggestions to improve our annual get together of lake owners, contact Jim Chlada at 708-610-2065, Ron Cicchini at 269-657-5096 or Jill Harring at 269-657-3767.

## Michigan's Free Fishing Weekends: An annual tradition

Two days twice a year, families and friends can enjoy one of Michigan's premiere outdoor activities, Michigan Fishing, for FREE! The 1<sup>st</sup> weekend was in February.

The **2014 SUMMER FREE FISHING WEEKEND** is scheduled for: June 7 & 8.

So grab a pole and your family and friends, and let's go fishing!

(Reprinted from DNR Web Page)



### WHO NEEDS TO TAKE A BOATER SAFETY COURSE?

Michigan conservation officers and Michigan county sheriffs encourage all persons operating boats in Michigan to enroll in a boating safety course.

#### Personal Watercraft

Those less than 14 years of age may not legally operate a PWC.

Those 14 and 15 years of age may operate a PWC legally **only if** they have obtained a boating safety certificate and:

- He or she is accompanied on board by his or her parent or legal guardian or by a person at least 21 years of age who has been designated by the parent or legal guardian or:
- He or she is operating or riding the PWC at a distance of not more than 100 feet from his or her parent or legal guardian or from a person at least 21 years of age who has been designated by the parent or legal guardian.

Those at least 16 years of age and born after December 31, 1978, may operate a PWC legally **only if** they have obtained a boating safety certificate.

Those born on or before December 31, 1978, may operate a PWC legally without restrictions.

<http://www.vanburencountysheriff.com/marine-patrol.htm#classes>

#### 2014 BOATERS SAFETY CLASSES

ALL Classes start at 8:00 a.m.

May 17  
Bangor Fire Department  
417 W Arlington St  
Bangor MI 49013  
Sign up ON LINE ONLY

June 14  
VanDerZee Motorplex  
1875 Phoenix Rd  
South Haven MI 49090  
Sign up ON LINE ONLY

June 21  
Sister Lakes Fire Department  
92282 County Road 690  
Dowagiac MI 49047  
Sign up ON LINE ONLY

July 12  
Lawrence Fire Department  
205 North Paw Paw Street  
Lawrence, MI 49064  
Sign up ON LINE ONLY

July 19  
Decatur-Hamilton Fire Department  
420 W. Delaware St  
Decatur MI 49045  
Sign up ON LINE ONLY

July 26  
Lawton Fire Department  
119 S. Main St  
Lawton MI 49065  
Sign up ON LINE ONLY

August 2  
Lawrence Fire Department  
205 North Paw Paw Street  
Lawrence, MI 49064  
Sign up ON LINE ONLY

August 9  
Mattawan Fire Department  
55697 N MAIN ST  
Mattawan MI 49071  
Sign up ON LINE ONLY

All students must pre-register for the classes.

Call 269-657-3101 or register on-line.

Register on-line only for classes, or the proctored exam.

All students must bring a #2 pencil, something to drink, and a sack lunch.

## DUPLICATE SAFETY EDUCATION CERTIFICATE REQUEST

If you have previously completed a Michigan Marine Safety Education Course, and your original certificate has been lost or misplaced, please fill out and submit the Duplicate Certificate Request form at

<https://secure1.state.mi.us/dupcertrequest>.

You may also apply for a duplicate certificate by mail or phone (517) 373-3292. There is no charge for this service.

## PLM NEWS

### Harsh Winter May Result in Fish Kills

"Harsh" may be an understatement. This past winter was one of the coldest and snowiest winters in our lifetimes. While we are looking forward to spring, the "harsh" winter may have some lingering effects.

The thick ice and heavy snow cover on lakes and ponds this winter may take a toll on fish populations across the region. Under thick ice and snow, photosynthesis by aquatic plants and algae is greatly diminished. Normal biological activity such as respiration by plants and aquatic organisms, along with microbial decomposition of organic materials can use up oxygen reserves in the water column. The longer the ice and snow cover persists into late winter and early spring, the greater the risk of oxygen depletion and ultimately, fish kills.

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources released a statement earlier this winter warning of the potential impacts of this winter to fish populations. Although we cannot predict which water bodies will be affected, shallow lakes and ponds with high organic sediments and high biological oxygen demand are the most susceptible to winter kill. Recently, PLM has sampled oxygen levels on a handful of lakes and found moderate to very low concentrations. Unfortunately, there is nothing we can do to prevent winter fish kills in most situations.

Aeration is commonly used to benefit deep, nutrient enriched and oxygen impaired water bodies during the summer months. It may also be used during winter months in water bodies that are susceptible to winter-kills. Aeration may assist with later winter oxygen levels by preventing icing around diffuser heads, but there are potential drawbacks to using aeration especially during winter months. Liability factors on public waters are a major concern. However, a private water body may have reduced liability concerns and may make aeration a viable option.

If you have questions or notice dead fish as the ice retreats, please feel free to call us. 800-382-4434

## WEBSITE ADVERTISING

If you have goods or services for sale, or are selling or renting your home and want to advertise on the Three Mile Lake Association website, please contact Web Site Coordinator Joyce Beedie at 269-657-4409. Members - Free. All others \$20.

If you haven't been receiving emails from the association and want to be added to our list, send an email with your address to [jimchlada@comcast.net](mailto:jimchlada@comcast.net)

## NEW NEIGHBORS?

If you know of a new neighbor, please contact the Lake Association President, Ron Cicchini at 269-657-5096.

Also please let them know about the Lake Association.

## LAKE TREATMENT SCHEDULE






See attached schedule. During weeks when treatment is scheduled, watch for signs that may be posted near the lake about possible restrictions for swimming or watering.

## BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

The Board of Directors will be meeting May 24<sup>th</sup>. If anyone has any issues that need to be addressed, or wishes to participate on the nominating committee to nominate new directors, audit committee to review the financial records, or picnic committee to help organize the picnic, contact one of the board members or email us at [threemilelakepawpaw@yahoo.com](mailto:threemilelakepawpaw@yahoo.com).

## JULY MEMBER MEETING: Date Pending

Items to be discussed:

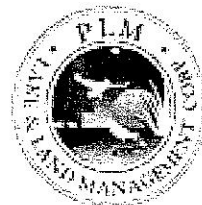
-  Nominate & vote on Director positions expiring in July 2014.
-  Review status of lake treatment
-  Discuss concerns of lake owners
-  Review and approve 2013 Financial Report
-  Meet new neighbors at the picnic

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Be sure to check out our website for events, minutes, lake reports, rules, etc at [www.threemilelakepawpaw.org](http://www.threemilelakepawpaw.org).

# NOTICE 2014

PLM Lake and Land Management Corp  
8865 100th St. SE, Alto, MI 49302  
(616) 891-1294(o) (616) 891-0371(f)  
www.plmcorp.net



Three Mile Lake has been scheduled for the week of:

Date	Description	Date	Description
		6/23/2014	Weed & Algae Treatment
4/21/2014	Water Quality	7/21/2014	Weed & Algae Treatment & E.coli
5/5/2014	Survey	8/18/2014	Weed & Algae Treatment & Water Quality
5/26/2014	Weed & Algae Treatment	9/8/2014	AVAS Survey & Phrag Optional

DEQ permitting restrictions, national holidays, and/or weather conditions may influence the timing of treatments throughout the 2014 season. PLM treats each lake according to a schedule or season plan, established with the cooperation of your lake association, lake board or residents on the lake. The treatment schedule is approximate. Please watch your shoreline for the posting of the 8.5x11 inch, yellow or green signs. The signs will indicate the date of the treatment, the products used, and any restrictions on the use of treated water for swimming, watering lawns, etc. The property owners in this area are planning to have the waters chemically treated to control lake weeds and/or algae. This notice is being circulated in accordance with Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) procedures. Below is a list of herbicides that may be applied to the lake and the associated use restrictions. On the day of treatment, signs will be posted along the shoreline within 100 feet of treatment areas that indicate what products were used and specific water use restrictions that apply:

Check all that apply	Chemical product/active ingredient	Chemical trade name	Do Not Use this water for swimming or bathing until	Do Not Use this water for ornamentals or turf irrigation until	Do Not Use this water for domestic purposes or agriculture irrigation until	Do Not Use this water for livestock watering or similar purposes until
X	Glyphosate	Aqua Pro	1 Day(s)	N/A	N/A	N/A
X	Endothall	Aquathol K, Hydrothol 191	1 Day(s)	N/A	14 Day(s)	14 Day(s)
X	Flumioxazin	Clipper	1 Day(s)	3 Day(s)	5 Day(s)	N/A
X	Imazapyr	Habitat	1 Day(s)	120 Day(s)	120 Day(s)	N/A
X	Chelated Copper Herbicide	Komeen, Komeen Crystal, Nautique	1 Day(s)	N/A	N/A	N/A
X	2,4-D ester	Navigate 2,4-D	1 Day(s)	INDEF or until approved assay indicates a concentration of 100ppb or less for ornamentals; No restriction for established turf	INDEF or until approved assay indicates a concentration of 100ppb or less	INDEF or until approved assay indicates a concentration of 70ppb or less
X	Triclopyr liquid	Renovate 3	1 Day(s)	120 Day(s) or until approved assay indicates 1ppb or less; No restriction for established turf/grasses	120 Day(s) or until assay indicates 1ppb or less. N/A on domestic	See product label
X	Triclopyr granular	Renovate OTF, Renovate OTF LZR	1 Day(s)	Site-specific recommendation* No restriction for established turf/grasses	120 Day(s) or until assay indicates 1ppb or less. N/A on domestic	See product label
X	2,4-D amine	Sculpin G	1 Day(s)	Site-specific recommendation* No restriction for established turf/grasses	N/A on domestic; assay indicates levels under 100ppb at the water intake	See product label
X	Diquat Dibromide	Tribune	1 Day(s)	3 Day(s)	5 Day(s)	1 Day(s)
X	<b>PLM Blue, Cygnet Select:</b> water dye (tracer), <b>Copper Sulfate Alonglife:</b> copper sulfate, <b>Cutrine Plus-Ultra,</b> <b>Captain-XTR,</b> <b>Algimycin,</b> <b>Earthtec,</b> <b>SeClear,</b> <b>Formula F-30,</b> <b>K-Tea:</b> chelated copper, <b>Cygnet Plus,</b> <b>PolyAn:</b> Adjuvant, <b>Pak 27,</b> <b>Green Clean L:</b> oxidizer, <b>AquaPrep:</b> enzymes & non-ionic surfactants, <b>Nutrisorb,, M.D. pellets:</b> gram negative, naturally occurring bacteria. <b>PLM Enzyme:</b> enzymes, <b>Phoslock:</b> phosphorus locking technology.					<b>No Restrictions</b> on swimming, bathing, irrigation, domestic purposes or livestock watering.

For a complete listing of all product labels, please see our website.

N/A= Not Applicable INDEF= Indefinite

\*Site-Specific recommendations to limit ornamental irrigation with Renovate & Sculpin granular treated water will typically last 2-14 days. Contact PLM for further information.

The chemicals used for Aquatic Nuisance Control are registered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Michigan Department of Agriculture. The potential for damage to fish and other non-target organisms is minimal provided that the product is used as directed on the product label and the permit. To minimize the possible effects on health and the environment, the treated water is restricted for the above purposes.

**PLM Lake & Land Management Corp. Certified Applicators:** Salvatore Adams, Tyler Beatty, Tyler Bengry, Jason Broekstra, David Comeau, Jaimee Conroy, Kevin Dalley, Bill D'Amico, Logan Eggerding, Jeff Fischer, BreAnne Grabill, Dustin Grabill, Steve Hanson, Mitch Hiler, Jake Hunt, Nate Karsten, Jacob Kizer, Justin Krueger, Blake Mallory, James Scherer, Lucas Slagel, Jordan Swift, Jeff Tolan, Andy Tomaszewski, Mathew Warddell

## This is Michigan Law!!!

Your association must forward this to all riparians! Tentative treatment dates and notice of products to be applied must given to all riparians not more than 45 days before and at least seven days prior to the initial treatment.

## MEMBERSHIP IN THREE MILE LAKE ASSOCIATION

The Board would like to thank the following members that paid their 2013 Membership Dues.

Adams	<i>Deborah &amp; Robert</i>	Hill	<i>Deborah &amp; Bruce</i>	Paluch	<i>Sharon &amp; Jim</i>
Baylor	<i>Mary Jane &amp; Ronald</i>	Hocking	<i>Diane &amp; Earl</i>	Pawlowski	<i>Millie &amp; Tom</i>
Beedie	<i>Joyce &amp; Mark</i>	Kenny	<i>Jeannette &amp; Kevin</i>	Popp	<i>Kristian &amp; Tara</i>
Belfy	<i>Shary &amp; Ed</i>	Kenny	<i>Margaret</i>	Posada	<i>Carmon &amp; Joe</i>
Boff	<i>Mary &amp; Neil</i>	Kolenko	<i>Sue &amp; Paul</i>	Preston	<i>Catherine</i>
Bower	<i>Pam</i>	Kolman-Schmidt	<i>Judy</i>	Preston	<i>Kerry &amp; Jeff</i>
Chlada	<i>Diane &amp; Jim</i>	Kuchenreuther	<i>Marilyn &amp; Barry</i>	Priola	<i>Joe &amp; Lori</i>
Cicchini	<i>Sue &amp; Ron</i>	Kuestner	<i>Mary Fran</i>	Sanders	<i>Tim</i>
Cotnoir	<i>Renea &amp; David</i>	Leuin	<i>Emily &amp; Charles</i>	Schultz	<i>Kay &amp; Jerry</i>
DeYoung	<i>Victoria &amp; James</i>	Linnert	<i>Carolyn</i>	Silder	<i>Gay &amp; Joe</i>
Erdos	<i>Barb &amp; Ernie</i>	Makowski	<i>Charlotte &amp; Tom</i>	Smith	<i>Amy &amp; Jeff</i>
Fisher	<i>Robert &amp; Paula</i>	Mandigo	<i>Kristen</i>	Stembaugh	<i>Doris &amp; Bill</i>
Fitzgerald	<i>Gerald</i>	Martin	<i>Dorothy &amp; Jeffery</i>	Stewart	<i>Terri</i>
Franklin	<i>Geanie &amp; Larry</i>	Maxwell	<i>Nancy &amp; Rich</i>	Struve	<i>Denise &amp; Paul</i>
French	<i>Laurie &amp; Theodore</i>	McFarland	<i>Dawn &amp; Tim</i>	Studer	<i>Janice &amp; Charles</i>
Gies	<i>J. Craig</i>	Meachum	<i>Dr. Henry &amp; Patsy</i>	Wade	<i>Beth</i>
Golding	<i>Kathy &amp; David</i>	Meachum	<i>Virginia</i>	Weber	<i>Gwyn &amp; Ron</i>
Harring	<i>Jill &amp; Roland</i>	Myers	<i>Lynn</i>	Wolownik	<i>Barbara &amp; Terry</i>
Harring	<i>Patsy &amp; Keith</i>	Miller	<i>Joan &amp; Roy</i>	Woodman	<i>Kathryn &amp; William</i>
Hill	<i>Betsy &amp; Charles</i>	Olsen	<i>Gail &amp; Ron</i>	Zona	<i>Theresa</i>

Following is the 2014 Membership Form. If you have not already sent your dues, please complete the form and mail it to the PO Box on the form along with your \$20 check payable to Three Mile Lake Corporation. Or, you can copy the form from our website at [www.threemilelakepawpaw.org](http://www.threemilelakepawpaw.org)

If you haven't been receiving e-mails from the Association and want to be added to our list, send an e-mail with your address to: [jimchlada@comcast.net](mailto:jimchlada@comcast.net).

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### THREE MILE LAKE CORPORATION

#### 2014 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Member Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Three Mile Lake address: \_\_\_\_\_ Paw Paw, MI 49079

Lake Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Home (Mailing) Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone (optional): (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership dues** are \$20 per family

Make check or money order payable to: Three Mile Lake Corporation

Mail check to: Three Mile Lake Corporation, PO Box 482, Paw Paw, MI 49079

Please use the back of this form for comments about issues you would like the association to address, and if you have decided not to join the association, please let us know why.