

# PRESQUE ISLE HARBOR ASSOCIATION



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### PRESIDENTS REPORT SPRING 2017

Hello to one and all!

With winter quickly fading and moving toward spring with warmer weather, your Board will be addressing on-going and new issues.

Our first priority is the 200+ lots still owned by the county. We have approved a budget for an advertising campaign at boating, camping and outdoor shows. We will have a booth manned by our Board Members who will continue to volunteer their time promoting our wonderful association. Our goal is to interest people into buying a lot from the county.

Also remember that if YOU refer a buyer for one (or more) of these county owned lots, you will receive \$100 off your next years' association dues!! Please contact Steve Lang, Executive Director, for more information regarding this incentive.

Another priority is our Firewise Program. We will continue as planned with Dan Glawe to thin certain common areas which should aid in the protection of homes and property in event of a wildfire. If you would like more information about the Firewise

Program, please contact Harry McCown, committee chair, at 595-6444.

It was a difficult decision to increase the dues. The Board met with our accountant who presented the financial health of the association. Although we were getting by, a major repair could cause a financial issue. The accountant stated that the temporary dues increase in 2015 was not the right decision and to achieve future financial stability we would have to reassess the dues issue. Steve and the Board discussed what options were available and finally voted for the increase. With the increase, Steve has positioned the association to be financially stable well into the future.

Check out our redesigned website, which has been developed by a local company. [www.presqueisleharbor.org](http://www.presqueisleharbor.org). Also, join us on Facebook to stay updated on what's happening in the association.

I would like to thank Jacob and Jon for their excellent work on North Bay Park. What was once an overgrown lot with a path is now a nice park with a picnic table and a nice path to the lake and great views of North Bay and the Lighthouse.

The main lobby of the clubhouse has been renovated. If you haven't seen it yet, please stop by.

Your Board meets the 2nd Thursday at 7pm at the Clubhouse. You are welcome to join us for these meetings. We welcome and value your opinions. In addition, the annual membership meeting will be held on Saturday, June 24, 2017 at 11am. Board elections will be held at this time.

I continue to be amazed and grateful for the people in our community that are willing to donate their time and talents to ensure that our little area of the world remains the wonderful, peaceful surrounding that we enjoy so much. If you would like to volunteer your time and talent in some way, please let us know.

The Board and I wish you a warm Spring, sunny Summer and great fishing. Hope to see you at the Annual Meeting.

Respectfully,

Dave Campo

President

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#### ASSOCIATION WEBSITE

[www.presqueisleharbor.org](http://www.presqueisleharbor.org)

See us on Facebook

You can also access regional sites and other information about our area directly from our website.

**2017 IMPROVEMENT SCHEDULE**

Clubhouse Update 2017  
 Parking Lot (Clubhouse) 2017  
 Northbay Beach House Restrooms 2018

**GRAND LAKE BEACH HOUSE**

Borrow a kayak, canoe or row boat; rent a fishing boat. Group parties may rent the pavilion.

**NORTH BAY BEACH HOUSE**

Group parties may rent pavilion. Be sure to have your card available; an attendant will be on duty the month of July and August.

**CAMPGROUND**

Cabin and camper available for rent. Camper has a 3 day minimum with weekly rates. Check the bulletin board at the campground for a re-start of the campground committee and programs.

**CLUBHOUSE**

The complete change is taking place. The Clubhouse is getting a facelift. Stop in and be sure to check the bulletin board for extra activities.

The Association web has a new look, please visit us at: [www.presqueisleharbor.org](http://www.presqueisleharbor.org)

**FACEBOOK**

We have added "Email Splash" monthly to keep you up to date on monthly happenings if you have provided your email address.

Also, you can access regional sites and other information about our area directly from our website.

**MUSIC AT GRAND LAKE BEACH**

Thursday nights, 7:30 pm til dusk. David Larkin brings his guitar and encourages others to participate by bringing an instrument and/or voice. Grab your lawn chair and join in the fun and entertainment. Memorial Day to Labor Day.

**FRIENDS OF PLAZA POOL**

Open Water Swim Event: August 12th, Crystal Pointe/Lake Huron, Presque Isle. Registration 8:00 am-1, 1/2 or (1/4 mile or 100 yard open water short swim for young kids) For additional information visit the website: [www.plazapoolfriends.org](http://www.plazapoolfriends.org) .  
[http://plazapoolfriends.org/?page\\_id=50](http://plazapoolfriends.org/?page_id=50)

**SECURITY PATROL:**

Kevin Kennedy has taken the Security Patrol Chair position. He has a great crew and they continue to guard homes in the Association. If you would like to be added to their list, please call the Clubhouse for details.

**ASSOCIATION TRAILS:**

There is no longer a coordinator of the trail maintenance committee. Our maintenance employee, Jacob and crew are maintaining the trails. If you are interested, it would be helpful, while walking the trails if you take note of downed trees and/or problems with the trails and notify the Clubhouse.

NOTE: This could be a great volunteer group project to help maintain these beautiful trails.

**P.I. HARBOR ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES:**

Activities-Carlene Gibbs  
 Architectural Control-Dennis Cleary  
 Budget & Finance-Molly Benson  
 Campers Village-Carol Derby  
 Clubhouse/Beach/Pool-NEEDED  
 Natural Resources-Gerri Mulka  
 Security-Kevin Kennedy  
 Trail Committee-NEEDED to assist Jacob

**CLUBHOUSE ACTIVITY CALENDAR:**

Monthly Potluck-Third Thursday of every month (except December)

Aquasize-Monday – Fridays 9:00-10:00 am (Pool)

Walk (DVD)-Monday, Wednesday & Fridays 9:00-10:00 am (Activity Hall)

Mahjong – Monday & Thursday 12:30-4:00 pm (Craft Room)

Pinochle-Mondays 7:00 pm

Euchre-Thursdays 7:00 pm

Quilting/Sewing-Thursday, 9:00 am-3:00 pm (Activity Hall)

Pickle Ball-Tuesday, 9:30 am (Activity Hall)-equipment available

Board Meetings-2nd Thursday, 7:00 pm.

Theatre /Dinner Party's-Alpena Civic Theatre-followed by dinner at a local restaurant. (check the activity board or consult Marilyn Kettler for dates & times).

**HARBOR ASSOCIATION UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Follow up information will be provided on our Website, Activity Board, monthly Email Splash (if you have given us your email address) or our Facebook Page.

Please note that if you have provided us with your email information, we will not share it or sell it. It is for the purpose of sending you information directly from us.

For additional activities, see the bulletin board at the Clubhouse. There are always extra postings of added association and area activities.

- SUGGESSTION BOX-Clubhouse (see employee on duty).

*Events and Information continued on last page*

## **PIHA Assessment Fee Comparison**

- 1) PIHA Association Dues: \$192 per year (\$16 per month).
- 2) What you get:
  - a. Clubhouse with pool, whirlpool, fitness center, basketball court, meeting rooms, large kitchen, tennis courts and children's play area.
  - b. Grand Lake Beach House with shelter, sand beach, kayaks, boat launch ramp, picnic area, boat docks, boat rental,
  - c. North Bay Beach House with shelter and beach front on Lake Huron
  - d. Burnham's Landing Park with beach area
  - e. Crystal Point with hiking trails, stone beach, hunting area
  - f. Miles of snowmobile, cross country ski and walking trails
  - g. Campground with full facilities and a pavilion

### **Compare to:**

#### **Lakes of the North – Mancelona, Michigan**

\$250 per year (\$21 per month) (\$50 of yearly fee goes into a capital improvement fund)

What you get:

- a) 8,000 lots
- b) Clubhouse with pool (no fitness center) and restaurant
- c) New Clubhouse being built for \$2.75M (with fitness center)
- d) Two beaches with beach houses
- e) Campground rental to members only
- f) Golf course available to members for a fee

#### **Forest Lake Association – Alger, Michigan**

\$170 per year (\$14 per month)

What you get:

- a) 2,688 lots and 686 homes
- b) Clubhouse that holds 150 people and can be rented for events
- c) No pool
- d) No fitness center
- e) No basketball courts
- f) Pavilion with playground equipment
- g) Built near a small lake with 123 leased boat docks

#### **Alpena Health and Racquet Club**

What you get: Fitness Center and Racquet Ball Courts

\$480 to \$600 per year (\$40 to \$50 per month)

#### **Bay Athletic Center**

What you get: Fitness Center & ability to participate in various programs (most for an additional fee)

\$480 to \$600 per year (\$40 to \$50 per month)

#### **Average Home Owner Association Fees in U.S.**

(based on an informal survey of homeowner association websites):

\$480 without pool (\$40 per month)

to \$960 per year with pool (\$80 per month)

## FRIENDS OF THE GRAND LAKE LIBRARY



# NEWS

The Friends of the Grand Lake Library would like to welcome you to our meetings. Our group is here to focus public attention to our local library. We support and promote programs and activities at the library as well as sponsoring community events for our Grand Lake Library. Our Meeting Schedule is:

**Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup>-12:30pm**, Annual Meeting, salad luncheon

**Monday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>-12:30pm**, meeting, sandwich swap luncheon

**Monday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>-12:30 pm**-meeting, cookie exchange (bring a dozen to share and 2 dozen to trade).

### Events:

**Used Book Sale:** July 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

**Independence Day Parade:** PI Lighthouse Park, Saturday July 1<sup>st</sup>, 10:30 am, with Music4You performing until 1:30. Participate in the parade or bring a comfortable chair. Lots of activities to enjoy.

**Summer Reading Program:** Theme: “Build A Better World”, Tuesday June 27<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> & Thursday July 6<sup>th</sup>, and Tuesday July 11<sup>th</sup>. Starting time is 11:00 am-12:00 pm—Reading Program is for ages 3 yrs. to 13 yrs. old-- (please register). The Reading Program Event Entertainment performance is Friday July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2:30 pm; with Zeemo the Yo-Yo Man. July 12<sup>th</sup> 12:00-4:00 pm, Lord of the Gourd (carving).

**Craft Club:** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of ea. month 10:00 am

**Book Discussion:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of ea. month 1:00 pm. For additional information please contact the library at 989-595-5051.

Also visit the website: [www.pidl.org](http://www.pidl.org)

### GRAND LAKE COMMUNITY CHAPEL (INTERDENOMINATIONAL)

Sunday Service: 9:00 am

Grand Lake Community Chapel VBS (Vacation Bible School) is July 10<sup>th</sup>-14, 9:00 am- 11:30 am. There will be a picnic at Grand Lake Beach July 13<sup>th</sup> following VBS (noon). VBS is open to anyone ages 4 - 16. The theme this year is Maker Fun Factory(Created by God, Built for a Purpose), so come out and be a part of the Fun at VBS. For additional information: to register a child or volunteer, please call the Grand Lake Community Chapel 989-595-6073

### GRAND LAKE SAILING

Sailing lessons for youth from age 8 will be offered, using the certified instructors from the Alpena Youth Sailing Club and their Optimist Dinghies. Our five, half day lesson schedule provides youth an introduction to sailing as well as the camaraderie of learning to sail with their peers. Last year we served 47 children.

July 24<sup>th</sup>–28<sup>th</sup>- 11:00 am–2:00 pm Cost \$95, Contact Gary Hagen-989-884-2919 or email: [sailingyouth@hotmail.com](mailto:sailingyouth@hotmail.com)

### AREA GROUPS & OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Presque Isle Men’s Club-1st Thursday, (every month)-9:00 am (Activity Hall). PIMC volunteers for road cleanup and provides volunteers for community activities. A new Scholarship program (Alpena, Posen & Roger’s City High Schools) is in place with 3 recipients awarded \$500 each. They enjoy monthly presentations or go out for a tour. Dues are \$12.00 annually, which includes coffee and doughnuts.

Women’s Club-3rd Tuesday, Bi-monthly (Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept., Nov.), 12:30 (Activity Hall). Meetings usually include a speaker. They hold various fundraisers and donate to numerous community charities. Join to meet new friends, enjoy delicious desserts and learn about your community.

Senior Dinners (P.I.C.C.A)- (usually) 3rd Sunday of every month (Activity Hall) Senior Dinners are back! Please see the bulletin board at the clubhouse for the dates and sign-up sheets.

### RESOURCE INFORMATION

This information is provided as a source of material that will lead to additional area activities.

Additional Area Information can be obtained through the following organizations and websites:

**Friends of Thompson Harbor State Park**

[www.friendsofthompsonharbor.org](http://www.friendsofthompsonharbor.org)

**Grand Lake Community Chapel** 989-595-6073

[www.grandlakecommunitychapel.org](http://www.grandlakecommunitychapel.org)

**Grand Lake Association** [www.grandlakemi.org](http://www.grandlakemi.org)

**Grand Lake Library** 989-595-5051 [www.pidl.org](http://www.pidl.org)

**Grand Lake Sportsmen’s Club** 989-595-9007

**Grand Lake Youth Sailing Camp**

[www.grandlakesailing.org](http://www.grandlakesailing.org)

**Krakow Township**

[www.krakowtownship.org](http://www.krakowtownship.org)

**Presque Isle County Council on Aging**

[www.piccoa.org](http://www.piccoa.org)

**Presque Isle Men’s Club** [www.mensclubpi.org](http://www.mensclubpi.org)

**Presque Isle Women’s Club** 989-595-2543

**Presque Isle Museum Society**

[www.presqueislelighthouses.org](http://www.presqueislelighthouses.org)

**Presque Isle Township** [www.presqueisletwp.org](http://www.presqueisletwp.org)

**Pure Michigan** [www.michigan.org](http://www.michigan.org)