

Lewiston Lake Living

Twin Lakes Property Owners Association

“making a difference in the life of our lakes and our community”

August, 2019

President's Letter

On behalf of your Board of Directors, I would like to invite you to attend the upcoming **Membership Meeting on Saturday, August 24 at the Lewiston Elementary School**. The meeting starts at 9:00 a.m. with coffee and donuts available at 8:30 a.m. The 2019 Chickadee Award and the Green Belt Award will be presented during this meeting, along with other important updates. The Board will also be looking for nominees to join our Board of Directors. Remember, this is a working board whereby each member takes on responsibilities and activities that help our Association to keep our lakes safe and healthy.

CaraLynn Pender has indicated she will be stepping down as a Board member. This was her second “tour of duty” on the TLPOA Board, and she has been instrumental in helping on all social activities, TLPOA emails, and wherever else she was needed. We will miss her greatly. Thanks, CaraLynn for all your time and efforts spent working with us!

CaraLynn's departure from the Board leaves us with nine members. Our by-laws allow for up to fourteen members, so if you're interested in helping, please contact a current board member to learn more.

Another date to put on your calendar is Saturday, September 21. Jerry and Sue Beattie on West Twin Lake will be this year's hosts for the **Wine & Cheese Party**.

I wanted to also thank **Twin Lakes Marina** for the fireworks show and remind everyone that donations from our members help fund this event. If you are interested, stop by the Twin Lakes Marina and make a donation for 2020.

The Fourth of July Boat Parades set records for the number of boats on both lakes.

The Beach Party was held on July 13. There was a good turnout for the event and many kids of various ages participated in the games.

Please enjoy the rest of your summer and most importantly, always think about the safety of your friends and family in all the wonderful lake activities that exist for us.

Dominic Manzi

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Thanks to all those who contributed to this issue.

**Twin Lakes Property Owners Association
Statement of Activities
January 1 to June 30, 2019**

	Total		General Fund		Aeration		Eurasian Watermilfoil	
	Annual Budget	Actual to Date	Annual Budget	Actual to Date	Annual Budget	Actual to Date	Annual Budget	Actual to Date
REVENUES								
Lake Stewardships	12,000	5,750	12,000	5,750				
Family Memberships	4,500	2,760	4,500	2,760				
Interest	950	602	950	602				
Other	-	190		190				
Aeration	5,000	3,340			5,000	3,340		
Eurasian Watermilfoil	20,000	10,035					20,000	10,035
Total Revenue	42,450	22,677	17,450	9,302	5,000	3,340	20,000	10,035
EXPENSES								
Education	1,000	-	1,000	-				
Memberships and Communication	1,500	764	1,500	764				
Insurance	1,200	959	1,200	959				
Advertising and Public Relations	500	-	500	-				
Postal Expense	1,500	467	1,500	467				
Membership Events	1,000	-	1,000	-				
Lake Monitoring	5,000	223	5,000	223				
Contingency	100	-	100	-				
Organizational	2,000	457	2,000	457				
Community Donations	1,400	900	1,400	900				
Beach Party	3,000	683	3,000	683				
Aeration	9,000	1,384			9,000	1,384		
Eurasian Watermilfoil	12,000	2,119					12,000	2,119
Total Expenses	39,200	7,955	18,200	4,452	9,000	1,384	12,000	2,119
Total Net Income / (Deficit)	3,250	14,723	(750)	4,850	(4,000)	1,956	8,000	7,916
2019 Beginning Balance Cash and CD		149,576		18,604		24,763		106,210
Balance Cash and CD at June 30, 2019		164,299		23,454		26,719		114,126

Have you paid your 2019 TLPOA dues?

It's easy to find out...just check the mailing label on the back of this newsletter!

Our General Fund provides for administrative expenses such as this newsletter, lake monitoring, the Beach Party, and contributions to community efforts beneficial to our community and our lakes.

The TLPOA is a 501(c)(3) public charity. Your membership dues, as well as any contributions you make to the Aeration Fund or the Eurasian Watermilfoil Fund, are **tax deductible**.

Thank you for your support!



Have you been receiving emails from the TLPOA?

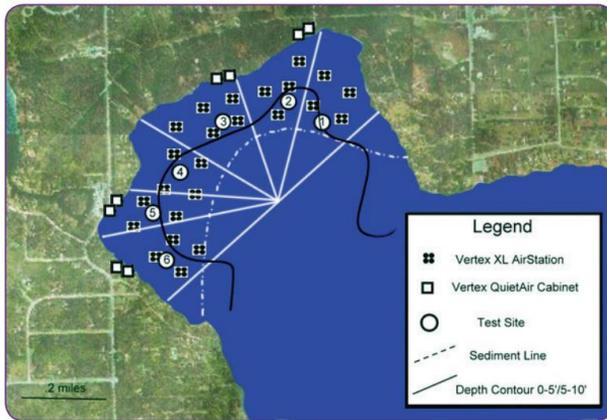
If not, and you would like to keep current with TLPOA news and upcoming events, please send an email to LewistonLakeLiving@gmail.com.

AERATION PROGRAM UPDATE

Since 2004, East Twin has had an aeration system in place designed to help circulate the water and improve oxygen levels in the water. The system consists of four compressors, each feeding air to six diffusers which pump air into the lake bottom in the northeast section of East Twin Lake.

Tim Manganello has overseen this program for several years and has kept the system up and running through his leadership. At the July Board Meeting, the Board agreed to maintain the system into next year (2020) which will include replacing 19 of the 24 diffusers. The new diffusers are required since the old ones are dying out. The new diffusers will cost less to maintain and operate more effectively. The cost for these improvements will be between \$8,000 and \$12,000. The Board also agreed to establish a far more comprehensive measurement program utilizing multiple GPS locations to monitor "muck" levels in the lake. These measurements will help us determine the overall effectiveness of the system.

A big thanks to Tim Manganello for managing this important program. Your leadership is greatly appreciated.

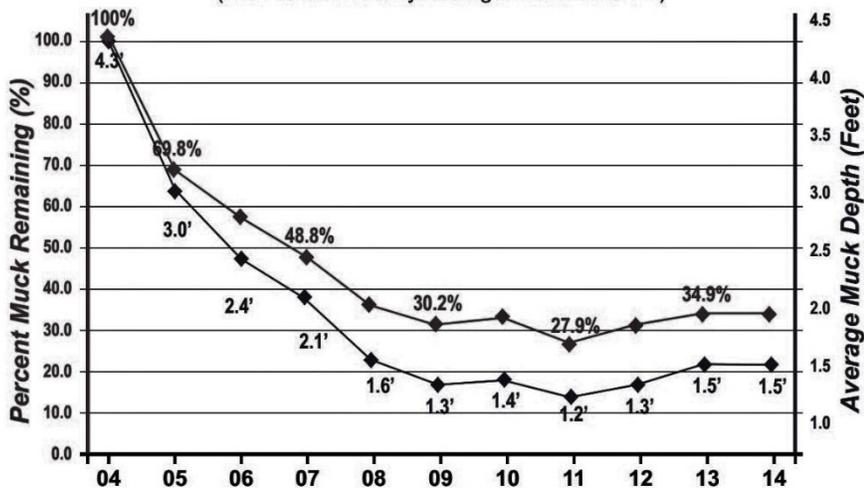


East Twin Lake Aeration Study

Site map of sediment location, depth contours, sampling locations and Vertex aerator placements

East Twin Lake Cove: Average Muck Accumulation

(2004 to 2014 Yearly Averages from Sites 1-6)



TLPOA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2019 Membership Meeting Saturday, August 24

The meeting will be held at the Lewiston Elementary School.

Join us for a cup of coffee at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting will start at 9:00 a.m. and usually lasts about an hour.

Wine & Cheese Party Saturday, September 21

Hosts: Jerry & Sue Beattie at their home on West Twin Lake. Simply bring two bottles of the same wine (white or red). Look for an email to come explaining this event in more detail.

Timberfest August 9 & 10

Sponsored by the Lewiston Chamber of Commerce.

Lewiston Farmers Market

Held every Saturday between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. at the market on Kneeland Street.

Questions?

Feel free to email us at:
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2019 TLPOA Beach Party – Most Kids Ever!

Tattoos, limbo, water balloons, hula hoops and live music... **WOW!**

Special thanks to Karen Wilding, Greg Bator, Sarah Felosak, Calle Tapia, and all the other volunteers that made this year's event a hit!

Fourth of July Boat Parades and Fireworks - Celebrating Freedom and Our Nation's Independence

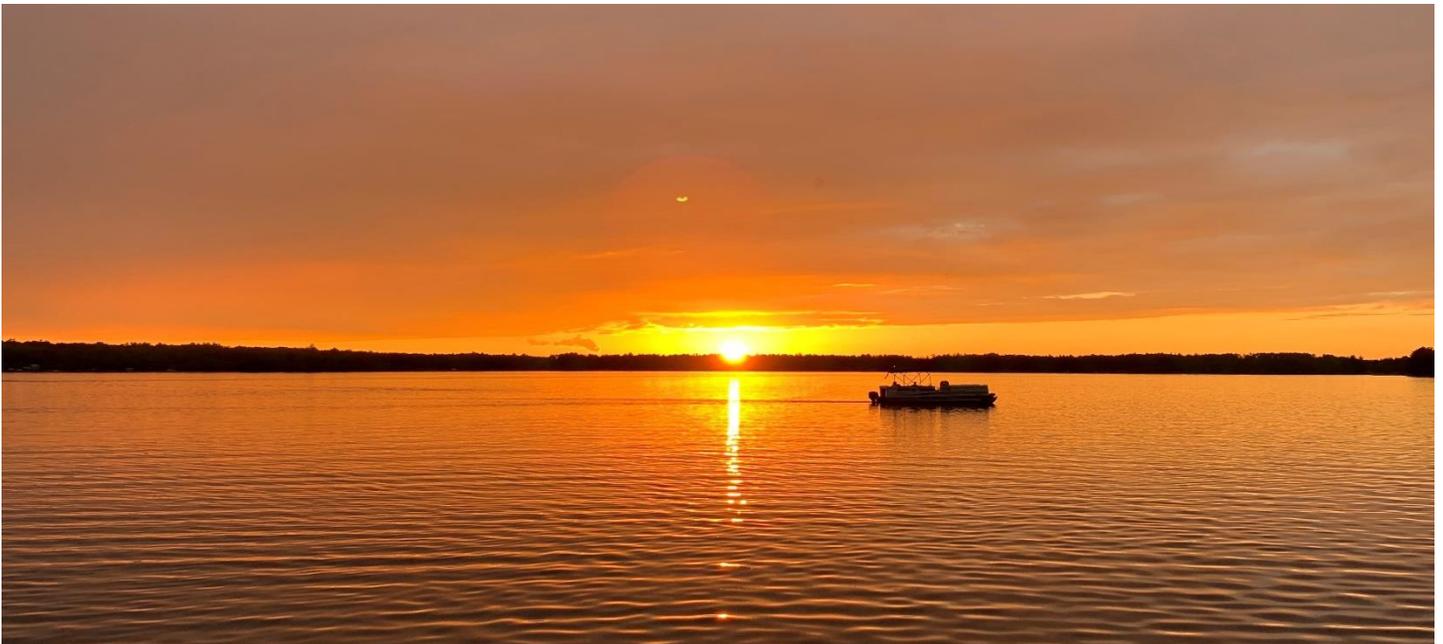


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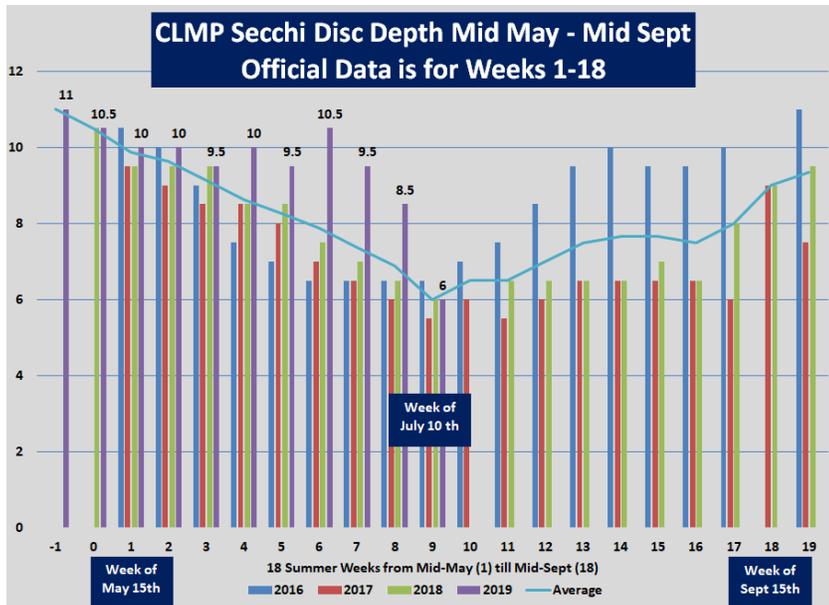
The Raietta Ott-East Twin and Pete Petoskey-West Twin boat parades and Twin Lakes Marina Fireworks gave kids of all ages something to cheer about. West Twin claimed 61 boats in the parade while East Twin count was 42 boats. **HEY EAST TWINNERS! WE NEED TO STEP UP OUR GAME!**



Did you know: more than 7.55 billion people inhabit this, *our planet earth*. Far less are anywhere near as fortunate as we are to enjoy a golden sunset while graciously cruising on a pristine lake such as our two wonderful lakes here in northern Michigan. **Thank you** for doing your part to keep our lakes healthy and safe so that this view will be available for generations and generations to follow!

East Twin Water Clarity Update by John Jackson

We have several updates on activities that have occurred with respect to East Twin water clarity since the May membership meeting. This season's Secchi Disk numbers improved significantly until the July 4th holiday week. Several factors may be contributing to this rather surprising result. The combination of greater than usual rainfall, cooler weather and less than usual boat traffic has occurred this spring prior to the holiday.



We have reported an environmental emergency situation to the EGLE (formerly MDEQ) for the continuing discharges from the Lewiston Retention Pond. Greg Goudy (EGLE Staff Specialist) has been assigned to this issue. Water samples collected from the retention pond were tested and show significantly elevated phosphorus (P) levels. The levels are 350% higher on the water entering East Twin from the retention pond over lake P levels.

On June 13, Dominic Manzi, Judd Wellard, Greg Goudy, Mike Dombrowski (Albert Township Supervisor), Todd Behring (Montmorency Road Commissioner), and I met to discuss the matter and visit the retention pond site. We also discussed the water clarity issue on East Twin as well as the history and maintenance of the retention pond.

Conclusions presented during the meeting were (1) too much water is currently discharged from the retention pond. The future state must be that zero water discharge from the retention pond on any rain event less than a "25 year rain"; (2) the current retention pond is too small. We estimate it is less than 25% of the desired size; and (3) the retention pond is not adequately maintained to retain sufficient working volume. As a result, we developed a future action item list:

- (1) Potential sites for additional retention pond capacity – Dombrowski
- (2) Casey Street storm drain diversion – Behring/Dombrowski
- (3) Consult engineering firm on expansion feasibility – Dombrowski
- (4) Septic pump out frequency – Dombrowski
- (5) Sunrise storm sewer drawings/discharge – Behring/Jackson
- (6) Buttles Road-end erosion changes - Behring
- (7) Engage Huron Pines for their experiences with other communities controlling stormwater – Jackson

We have enlisted the help of Samantha Ellis, Stormwater Specialist for Huron Pines to help us develop strategies to keep pollutants out of East Twin Lake.

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2019 TLPOA MEMBERSHIP DUES AND DONATIONS

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Member Name(s) _____

Email Address(es) _____

Primary Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Lake Address _____

Telephone () _____ East Twin Lake West Twin Lake

2019 MEMBERSHIP DUES AND DONATIONS		
	Membership Dues or Suggested Contribution Amounts	My Lake Contribution
Membership Dues Lake Stewardship provides additional funding for special projects benefitting the lake community.	\$125 Lake Stewardship or \$35 Basic Family Membership	\$
Aeration Suggested Contribution Your contribution will allow the TLPOA to maintain the aeration system on East Twin Lake, including replacing parts as needed, and paying for electricity. Suggested contribution rates based on lake frontage owned are shown at right. We welcome all levels of contribution!	Lakefront Owners Less than 75 ft. of lake frontage \$50 75 to 125 ft. of lake frontage \$75 More than 125 ft. of lake frontage \$100 Shared Access \$25	\$
Eurasian Water Milfoil Treatment Suggested Contribution It is imperative this invasive aquatic plant be controlled and not allowed to overrun our lakes. Your contribution will cover the cost of surveying and treating infested areas. Suggested contribution rates based on lake frontage owned are shown at right. We welcome all levels of contribution!	Lakefront Owners Less than 75 ft. of lake frontage \$100 75 to 125 ft. of lake frontage \$150 More than 125 ft. of lake frontage \$225 Shared Access \$50	\$
MY TOTAL LAKE CONTRIBUTION		\$

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Walleye Stocked in East Twin Lake

According to Neal Godby, Senior Fisheries Biologist for the MDNR, walleye fingerlings averaging 1.3" in length were stocked in East Twin Lake on June 20 of this year. The exact number according to Neal was 77, 216. I did not ask if the fingerlings were counted individually. 🙄



Visit the new TLPOA website at www.tlpoalewistonmi.com for TLPOA updates and community resources.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE TWIN LAKES PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION!

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