



Lake Columbia

Property Owners Association

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Monday—Friday
9am—5pm

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The Columbian



HALLOWEEN NIGHT AT SOUTHERN SHORES PARK!

6-8 PM Monday October 31st

Donuts, Apple cider and Cookies will be available in the new Pavilion. Let's all keep our fingers crossed for good weather this year. Candy to pass out will be provided. If you would like to pass out candy from the trunk of your car please arrive at 5:30 to get a parking spot & to set up.

This is a Fun way to see all the costumes and have a Great time with your neighbors.

Michael Moore always helps us decorate and set everything up. If you would like to help him out or have any new ideas give us a call at the office at 592-2361. Please be aware and slow down on the roads that night as excited ghosts and goblins will be everywhere.

THANK YOU's!

The office staff & the Board of Directors would like to Thank some special people who go above and beyond.

- Greg Luppo for taking his weed trimmer out to the big island & cutting the grass out there all summer.
- Dan Bush, our lawn service guy, and his crew who also put in and take out the docks, steps and buoys. He is always quick to go retrieve an escaped buoy or floating stump and even a sunken refuse cart.
- Sandy's cleaning service & Don Taylor for keeping our bathhouses stocked, very clean and in good repair.
- Todd Wanty for setting up all of our fishing tournaments, helping with Security in the cold winter months and for setting up our fish stocking program.
- Our Activities Committee (Desirae Dukate, Karen Kiss & Jen Slat) for doing an excellent job of keeping everyone entertained. If you would like to join in the fun message them on their Facebook page [Lake Columbia Activities](#) and like it to keep up to date.
- Ralph and Tina Smith for always helping with the annual picnic every year.
- Todd Soper for providing music and entertainment at the annual picnic.
- Dick Rappleye & his crew for always being kind and helpful to everyone they come in contact with while doing a variety of jobs around the lake.
- Michael Moore for always helping with the trunk or treat and opening his yard to neighbors for a bonfire.
- Finally we would like to thank all of the members who have taken the time to pick up litter in our parks and roads, clean up after other people's pets, helping to clear lake weeds from our parks' shorelines and their neighbor's shoreline and putting them out for yard waste pickup on Saturday mornings.

These are the little things that make this a great place to live.

Fish Stocking Donations can be made anytime of the year. Just use the form below and mail a check; stop in the office; call, fax or e-mail the office to use your credit card.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: LCPOA
 or
 Pay by CREDIT CARD (between March 1 & June 30)
 CC# _____ Exp. Date _____

Address: _____
 street number zip

(Drop off at Office, Fax, Mail or Email your donation)

Fax: 517-592-3710 Address: 11281 Hewitt Rd., Brooklyn, MI 49230

Please ✓an amount: ___\$10 ___\$25 ___\$50 ___\$Other write in amount

Fish Stocking Donation form

Cut out and return with donation



LABOR DAY FISHING TOURNAMENT RESULTS

- We had a great turn out for this tournament. 25 Boats!
- Largemouth Bass 3 fish total weight of 9.88 lbs **Team Lefere Kids** won \$250!
 - Smallmouth Bass 3 fish total weight of 6.79 lbs **Alex and Gianni** won \$250!
 - Walleye total weight of 6.03 lbs **Team Amon** \$250!
 - Largest Kids Fish Largemouth Bass 5.62 lbs **Robbie Lefere** \$50!

Thank you to Knutson's for the use of their tournament scale to weigh in. \$200 of the proceeds will be donated for Fish Stocking!

Keep your donations coming in! LCPOA will match all donations, the lake will be stocked in December and a list of all donations in the Columbian.



2017 Ice Fishing Tournament information will be coming soon. These tournaments are always weather pending & usually in the month of February. It is important we have good, safe ice for this event.



Check out our Web-site at: lakecolumbia.net or call the office at 592-2361 for current news, notices or other information you feel you may be missing out on.

The Pallet painting events were fun!



This photo is from the event at Somerset park on September 11. The pallet events were a huge success! 10% of all the proceeds go back into the activities fund. They plan to do more crafting events next year so watch for future events. Like their page on Facebook, [Lake Columbia Activities](http://LakeColumbiaActivities) to keep up to date on events. If you would like to help or have a suggestion, message the committee on their page.

Future 2016 Activities include a Christmas light contest!

A Christmas light contest was talked about with prizes for the best decorated house, 2nd week in December, still working on a process to pick winners.

Winterfest is another fun activity being planned for Jan or Feb, Ice skating rink with a hot chocolate bar for the kids and a big bonfire & Chili cook off.

An adult Casino bus trip is being talked about, watch Facebook and Nextdoor.



The Annual Picnic was at Castlewood park this year!

The weather could have been better but the turnout was great. The cheeseburgers and hotdogs from Dominick's were great! Ralph and Tina Smith helped to transport and set everything up and put it on ice, we appreciate the help. Todd Soper provided good music. The activities committee provided the fun for the kids with balloon animals and face painting. The 1st light up the night event was also that weekend and it turned out really cool! A lot of homes and boats participated. We will definitely do this again next year and maybe include cash prizes. Movie night was a lot of fun also. The kids had a blast watching the Sandlot under the stars. It was a fantastic weekend thanks to the Activities Committee.



NEXT YEARS PLANNED ACTIVITIES

Included in next years Activities is a **Boater's safety course** that will be offered at the association office sometime in spring 2017. It will be a 6 hour course that will be 2 sessions long which will be taught by an officer from the Jackson County Marine Patrol. The Activities committee also wants to do the **Summer kick off** in June at the Beach Bar again, near the Garage Sale weekend because that was a success. The **Light Up the Night and Movie Night** were also a huge success and we will continue to have our **Picnic** along with those activities in August next year. The **Stand Up Paddle Board Yoga** will continue next year also. The **Pallet Painting** events were a lot of fun, they are planning more craft events and a craft for the kids is being planned also. Different types of **Food Truck Vendors** will be available next year. The activities committee would like to thank the membership for all of the positive support they have received at all of the events this year. Check the December Columbian for 2017 Fireworks info & some exciting winter events that are in the works..

REMINDERS

- Please watch your speed around the lake and obey the posted speed limit signs for the safety of our members.
- Clean up after your pet and keep them on a leash.
- If you pull weeds or leaves from the lake, Please bag them up and put them out on Saturday for compost pickup.
- Compost pickup will run through November 26. The next recycling days are October 25, November 8, & the 22nd.
- If you plan on Ice fishing and parking at one of our parks this winter, please come to the office for a vehicle decal to avoid a warning ticket or towing.
- We are continuously updating our records Please contact our office to make sure the information we have for you is correct & up to date. This could be for a new e-mail, phone, a mailing address or even a copy of a deed for your property that you don't think we have. (If you haven't given it to us, chances are pretty good that we don't have it.)



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Lake Columbia POA Members

New trees were planted at Southern Shores Park!

6 new trees were planted.
2 on the lake side and 4 trees
across the street in the newly
renovated part of the park.



Long Awaited Fencing at Castlewood park!

Finally able to complete Castlewood park
with fencing and signs. Some fencing will
also go in at Somerset Park this year. The
remainder will be finished next year.