

Frank Ferguson

The Winans Lake Community is mourning the loss of Frank Ferguson, an extraordinary man and exceptional contributor to Winans Lake who passed on March 24, 2020.

Frank had lived on the lake since 1984 with his wife, Marjorie. For many years Frank led the WLA Water Quality Committee, and his contributions to our lake and community cannot be overstated. With passion and tireless dedication, Frank volunteered his time and vast knowledge of lake biology to maintaining the exceptional water quality we have come to expect in Winans Lake. Frank was instrumental in identifying and controlling harmful invasive species in and around the lake, and he carefully monitoring water chemistry, connecting waters, lake levels, access sites, fish populations, etc. In addition to maintaining a very high level of water quality, Frank's work also realized substantial cost savings for the WLA and LGCC over the years.

It is difficult to imagine a more valuable steward of Winans Lake than Frank Ferguson. He will be greatly missed by all of us.

The WLA board will be discussing ways to memorialize Frank in the coming months. Please feel free to contact us with ideas and suggestions.

Greg Gygert on behalf of the WLA Board

2020 Annual WLA Meeting

The Winans Lake Association Annual Meeting is scheduled for May 28th; 6:30 at Lakelands Golf and Country Club depending on the state's guidelines for large meetings.

The elections committee needs two more candidates to run for the Board of Governors. If you are interested in becoming involved in the lake association, know somebody who would be a good candidate, or want more info, please contact Dan Luria (dluria at the-center dot org).





Notification of Canada Goose Nest Destruction Activities

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources has issued a permit to the Winans Lake Association for Canada Goose Nest Egg Destruction. Nest destruction activities will be taking place from now until May 20th. Under this permit, actual nest/egg destruction may be carried out only by trained personnel or those under direct supervision of trained personnel.

To assist in this effort, residents are asked to notify Greg Dygert (<u>stanleywings at</u> <u>yahoo dot com</u>) of the location of any goose nesting activity.

Residents are reminded that geese are a substantial threat to water quality and have the potential to close our beach and lake to swimming due to bacteria in their droppings. In addition to the obvious mess, goose droppings on the ground can pose a health hazard to humans and pets. The WLA has a new rule prohibiting the feeding or harboring of geese. Please don't feed geese or otherwise allow them to congregate on or near your property.

More information can be found at the following: Link: <u>http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,8817,7-350-</u> 79136_79608_83071_83072_83445_84979-232661--,00.html

Winans Lake Association Greg Dygert, President



Beach Cleanup

The 2020 Winans Lake beach spring clean-up is currently scheduled for Saturday, May 16th starting at 12 noon.

WLA Web Site

The Winans Lake Web Site is up and running. Check it out for the latest news and beach information at <u>WinansLake.org</u>.

Lake Life



Bluebird

Loon



Swan Flock







Proper Social Distancing

April Snow





Welcome to the Neighborhood

Cassi and Evan Yates are moving into 5989 Winans Drive this coming June. They have two dogs, Coal and Charly.

New Neighbors

Mary Evergreen does a great job welcoming new neighbors but could use YOUR help. Please send her an email if you see movement on houses next/close to you. Her email is mlevergreen at charter dot net.

Newsletter

Please send any articles or you'd like included in the newsletter to Terre Voegeli (voegelit at gmail dot com).

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