

# WLA Board Meeting

The next WLA Board meeting is scheduled for December 14th and will be held at Lakelands Golf and Country Club. The board meeting will start at 6:30.

### Fall Water Quality Issues

Temperatures are heading downward, leaves are turning, and acorns and walnuts are raining down on the unsuspecting. This is the time of year to remind you that individual good practices can help maintain the quality of our lake.

### Proper Fall Leaf Cleanup

The *DNR* strongly **discourages dumping leaves and grass clippings** into a lake, river, wetland, or other body of water. Leaves, grass clippings and similar debris add nutrients to the water that use up precious oxygen as they decompose.

# You can do your part to help maintain our lake's water quality by not blowing your leaves into the lake.

### Fires and Burning

Likewise, fire ashes contain highly concentrated nutrients that can be absorbed by the soil and subsequently leach into the lake. Please don't burn leaves or other yard waste near the shoreline unless the ashes are contained and promptly disposed of away from the lake.

Hamburg Township's ordinance allows for outdoor burning, including leaves, in April, May, October and November. All outdoor burning must be done at least **25 feet** away from any occupy-able structure and 10 feet away from a property line, roadway, *lake,* river or stream.

### September 2023





Quick update from our lake management company:

- Water quality sampling and vegetation survey took pace the week of September 18th.
- The lake will be mapped later in the fall.

# **Community News**

Information comes to the attention of the WLA board that is not associated with the association's charter but is still of interest to the community. This section is added to pass on that information to the Winans Lake community.

## Winans Drive



As Winans Drive residents probably know - or may not - Winans Drive is a private road which is not maintained by the county. General maintenance is currently paid by us through a property tax assessment. This assessment does not include signage. Victor and Martha Leabu have recently replaced the Stop signs at both ends of the street. We may want to consider replacing and/or adding speed limit, private road, and children playing signs as well.

So far, they have personally spent \$200 on the two Stop signs. This does not include their purchase of the new signage at Chilson Road.

They will move forward on upgrading our signage depending upon the



amount of interest and donations that they receive. They welcome your contribution to help with these costs and are only asking for donations in the \$10-\$20 range. There is an envelope on their front porch (6025 Winans Drive) where you can leave your donation.

# Lake Life



Ben Grusin - caught from a paddleboat on 8/29

Storm damage around the lake









Party Time











Wasp nest along Cowell Road



Water Snake



August 30 - super blue moon over the lake





### **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 pictures you'd like included in the newsletter to Terre Voegeli (voegelit@gmail.com).

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