



In English, we say

"Goodbye 2025."

But in poetry, we say,

*"Farewell, old year of fleeting light,
Your days have folded into night.
You leave behind your joy and scars,
A trail of dust beneath the stars."*

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WLA Board Meeting

The next WLA Board meeting will be held February 12, 2026 at Lakeland Golf and Country Club starting at 6:30 pm.



Christmas Caroling

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas everywhere you go. Christmas decorations are installed and lighting up our neighborhood. The lake is frozen over and whether you like it or not, we've already had a good snowfall.

Once again there will be caroling on Winans Drive hosted by the Leabus. Here are the details:

Date: Friday December 19th
Caroling time: 7:00 pm
Afterglow: 8:00 pm
Location: Leabu's - 6023 Winans Drive

Questions? Call Martha at 810-923-0535.



Ice Fishing

While we are waiting on the lake to freeze thick enough to get out there, let's review the ice fishing rules. First and foremost is the requirement to obtain and display an ice fishing flag. Ice fishing flags are readily available from Greg Dygert. You can reach him by phone (810-two-three-one-2644) or email (stanleywings at yahoo dot com).

Our ice fishing rules are "old hat" for most of our fishermen but of course they'll probably new to our many new neighbors. It won't hurt for everyone to refresh their memories or review them for the first time.

- Valid ice fishing flags must be clearly displayed at all times when ice fishing. No more than 1 shanty per flag. LGCC members must be present with their flag.
- State fishing laws and WLA fishing rules, whichever are more restrictive, shall be observed' ([see Winans Lake Rules](#)).
- No tip-ups, tip-downs, or other setlines are permitted. Setlines are defined as any fishing line that is more than fifteen (15) feet from the fisherman or that is not under the direct sight and control of the fisherman.
- Bass over 18" and pike under 26" must be released. Catch and release on all bass and pike is recommended.
- No spearing is allowed at any time.
- Any baitfish used must be obtained from a State-certified dealer and must not be disposed of in the lake or on the ice.
- Gas powered ice augers or other liquid fueled equipment or chainsaws may not be used. Ice holes must not exceed 8" in diameter.
- No snowmobiles, ORVs or motorized vehicles of any kind are allowed.
- Shanties shall be removed from the lake at the end of each day.
- No litter or human or animal waste shall be placed in or on Winans Lake.
- Guests are subject to WLA rules, and their conduct is the responsibility of the member hosting them.



- Any angler in violation of lake rules may have their fishing privileges revoked.
- Ice fishing flags must be returned to the WLA or LGCC by April 1st each year.

Lake is Frozen



Yes, the lake is frozen. Many people on the south side were watching an open stretch of water that just never seemed to freeze. But finally mother nature prevailed and the lake officially froze on Tuesday, December 9th.

Lake Life

Three different views of the hoar frost on December 5th thanks to Sarah, Anne and Katherine.







I heard about a screech owl living in a wood duck house. Here is a picture of the sweet little guy. He'll safely reside there until the ducks return in the spring. Lee and Simon Ren are lucky to have this cute guy.

Winans Drive is lucky to have two good Samaritans. Victor Leabu plowed out several of his neighbors after our big snowstorm Tuesday night. Ward McGinn also snowblowed out several neighbors in the other direction. Thank you to both of these gentlemen for all their help.

Ward hard at work on his last driveway.



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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