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SLA Newsletter – November 2014

Message from the SLA President

Your Sanford Lake Association Thanks all of you for a Tremendous year in 2014. As an Association we had a record year for fund raising to pay for the economic impact study, active and large membership, and we have launched an effort to reduce erosion into our lake. These three items are critical as we progress towards our long term strategic plan: 1) Water Quantity and maintaining the Dam, 2) Water Quality and improve our lake water, 3) Increase SLA membership and membership involvement.

I see many people putting the forth final effort preparing for winter on the lake and want to wish you all a safe and happy year end. The next time you hear from your SLA, spring will be upon us and everyone will be getting ready for another successful Sanford Lake Season.



Steve Tuttle
SLA President

Winter



Upcoming Lake Events

Enjoy winter and the holiday season, we'll see you in the spring! We are never far away, if you need us, please contact us: www.SanfordLakeAssociation.org/contact-us

Sanford Lake Draw Down

The Boyce Hydro Power, LLC annual winter draw down of the Sanford Lake reservoir will commence on December 15, 2014 per their FERC license. The total draw down will be 3 feet below normal pond elevation. The rate of the draw down will be a function of the amount of precipitation that is experienced in the Tittabawassee River system above the Sanford Dam and subject to the maximum rate per day specified in their FERC license. The draw down is completed within 20 or 30 days, no later than January 15, 2015. The draw down typically remains in effect until around mid-April based upon water temperatures and thaw rates.



Draw Down Safety Note: A second item is the condition of flow in the reservoir during the winter months when the drawdown is in effect. To maintain a given flow during the draw-down period, the water velocity is increased. This higher velocity inhibits the formation of a good ice layer and can lead to areas of thin ice that may not be safe to travel on, especially in the shallow areas of the lake. Take heed when electing to venture

Lee Walko, SLA Director

Sanford Lake Weed Control/Water Quality

On September 10, 2014 Edenville Township held a Lake Weed Special Assessment Public Hearing to recommend an assessment for 2015 and to recommend the acceptance of the contract bid from PLM Lake & Land Management to be the weed treatment contractor for the coming five years.

These actions were affirmed at the October 7, 2014 Edenville Township Board Meeting. PLM will begin treatments in the 2015 summer season.

Similarly, Sanford Lake Improvement Board, representing Jerome Township and the Village of Sanford, held a Public Hearing on August 5, 2014 to approve a four year extension of the weed treatment program for the southern portion of the lake. The assessment amount of \$176 for lakefront lots and \$88 for lake access lots was also approved for 2015. Recently, a request for proposals was made to potential bidders for the weed treatment applicator contract for the 2015-2018 program. Those bids will be reviewed at the November 20, 2014 SLIB meeting, and a contractor will be selected.

Bill Gebo, SLA Director

Our next meeting:

Monday, February 16, 2015 at 7 p.m.
106 Lincoln St.
Sanford, MI 48657

Please contact us:

We would like to hear your comments/concerns and how you think we are doing as an association.
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*We have Sanford Lake Gear for sale all the time, just contact us and let us know if you would like to purchase a t-shirt or a map of the lake.
Maps of the lake are drastically discounted for members.*

2013-2014 Sanford Lake Association Treasurers' Report (Unaudited)

The Sanford Lake Association has a fiscal year beginning on October 1 and ending on September 30. The SLA books are recorded on a cash basis. During the fall 2013 membership drive, 228 members paid which was up by 45 over the previous year. The fall 2014 membership drive has produced 191 so far with more expected to pay thru the coming year. For the 2013-14 fiscal year, total revenues were \$50,323 (\$4,321 unfavorable to budget) which was up from \$29,362 the prior year primarily due to donations earmarked for the Sanford Lake Economic Impact Study. The 2013-2014 total expenses were \$55,519 (\$47 unfavorable to budget) resulting in an operating shortfall of (\$5,196).

Income Statement	Oct 2013 – Sep 2014	Oct 2012 – Sep 2013	Oct 2011 – Sep 2012
Revenue	\$50,323	\$29,362	\$15,686
Expenses	\$55,519	\$16,138	\$12,881
Operating Surplus/(Shortfall)	(\$5,196)	\$13,223	\$ 2,805

Total cash on hand at the end of the 2013-14 fiscal year was \$16,660.46. (*2012-13 included \$6,948 in donations earmarked for the Sanford Lake Economic Impact Study which was paid in 2014.)

Cash	Sept 30, 2014	Sept 30, 2013
Fireworks reserve	\$4,540.56	\$3,074.01
Checking	\$12,129.90	*\$18,792.93
Total Cash	\$16,660.46	*\$21,866.94

The largest expenditure for the 2013-2014 fiscal year was the Economic Impact Study which was \$36,540. The fireworks project netted a \$1,465 surplus which carried over to 2015. The Economic Impact Study and fireworks are fully funded by separate donations and do not utilize any of the annual membership income.

2014 Fireworks Project Summary	Fireworks
Fireworks Donations	\$12,498
Profit from Fireworks sales	\$85
Total Fireworks Revenue	\$12,583
Total Cost of Fireworks	\$11,118
Reserve for following year	\$1,465

Regards,
Kurt Partlo, SLA Treasurer
(NOTE: Books will be audited by a 3rd party as required by our by-laws)



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