



Spring 2013

Sanford Lake Association 2103 Membership Drive

The lowering of Sanford Lake water levels in August 2010 served as a “wake-up-call” to all lake residents, showing that we need to continue to maintain a presence and involvement with all the activities that affect our lake. Over 850 lake front owners and 700 back lot owners have a vested interest in the lake and its future.

The Sanford Lake Association (SLA) a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization comprised of home owners on and around Sanford Lake funded solely by membership dues. In addition to our stated mission, we sponsor the annual fireworks display over Sanford Lake, host a Boat Swap each spring and throw a picnic each fall. Our efforts help to improve residential life in the lake area, as well as to benefit our local ecosystem.

Increased membership is key to forwarding this mission. Our membership numbers for last year were at 151, or

9.6% of the property owners. With your help, our goal for 2013 is to increase our membership to 500.

Annual membership, spanning October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014, is only \$30 and entitles you to receive the newsletter, attend board meetings and the picnic, and receive discounts from area business sponsors. Enrollment begins August 1, 2013 and closes September 30, 2013. More information is available on the SLA web site.

SLA asks members to reach out to friends, family, and neighbors to let them know of the benefits membership offers.

For more information please visit our website:

<http://sanfordlakeassociation.org/>

Sanford Lake Park Special Events 2013

May 18 Northern Pike tournament
Sponsored by Coleman Masonic Temple

July 27 Bass tournament
Sponsored by the Sanford Lake Bass Club

August 10 Summer Triathlon

September 7 Mud Creek Crawl
September 8 Parkapalooza

Sanford Lake Association Meetings 2013

Monday, February 18	7PM
Monday, April 15	7PM
Monday, June 17	7PM
Monday, August 19	7PM
Monday, October 21	7PM

Village of Sanford 325 W Center Street

Sanford Lake Park

by Ellen Peden

If you are lucky enough to live on Sanford lake you are lucky enough! The many benefits include the use of the county park. The park is easily accessible by boat or you may enter through the “front door” from Smith or Irish streets for a \$6 daily pass. The park, open from 8 AM to 5 PM, offers over 1000 feet of sandy beach, acres of shaded picnic areas and a state of the art spray park for children. The boat launch is the biggest on Sanford Lake with 3 slips to choose from, including a kayak and canoe launch accessible to individuals with mobile disabilities. A challenging 18 hole disc golf course is also available for family fun. If you are having a family reunion or company picnic, the park has four large pavilions with ample parking, horse shoe pits, and volley ball courts. Smaller groups may rent one of 3 large umbrella areas. Bring your lunch to barbecue or take advantage of the concession stand's delicious hot dogs, burgers and fries. Sanford Lake Park is also the home to the summer triathlon, fish tournaments: Northern Pike tournament sponsored by Coleman Masonic Temple, Sanford Lake Bass Club, the Mud Creek Crawl and Parkapalooza, a day long musical extravaganza which features large sand sculptures, great food, and plenty for children to do. It is fun to take advantage of the activities or just to sit back, relax in the shade and enjoy the view of our beautiful lake. Take a mini vacation and spend the day at the park!

SLA Initiates Water Quality Plan

The SLA Water Quality Goal focuses on reducing the inflow of contaminants, restoring watershed ecology, and coordinating efforts to improve water quality.

Key action items for 2013 include researching whether current efforts of the Sanford Lake Improvement Board and Edenville township lead to inefficient duplication, determining the feasibility and value of a dissolved oxygen sampling program to study potential impact of weed treatment on fish migration, identifying key erosion points on the lake and investigating the cost of mitigation, and identifying major point sources of phosphorous pollution and investigating the cost of mitigation.

Board members Bill Gebo and Scott Scarpelli have taken charge of these efforts.

At our February 18, 2013 meeting we had guest speaker Paul Hausler, CNSP, Senior Water Resources Specialist at Progressive AE. Their website is: www.progressiveae.com

Progressive is the consultancy retained by SLIB (as required by statute) to help the SLIB manage the weed control program for the southern part of the lake. The weed issues and control process was the subject of his talk. You can view his slides and presentation at: <http://sanfordlakeassociation.org/>

Sanford Lake Association	
Sponsored Events 2013	
Saturday, May 18 9 AM – 1 PM	Boat Swap Pine View Grocery
Thursday, Jul 4 Sundown	Fireworks Sanford Lake
Saturday, Aug 3 Sunday, Aug 4	Pontoon Rides Sanford Lake
Tuesday, Aug 20 6 PM	Picnic Sanford City Park
Saturday, Sep 7	Founders Day Parade Sanford

SANFORD DAM FAQ by Lee Walko

Q: Will there be any work on Sanford Dam this summer?

A: Yes, they will be working downstream of the dam, in the spill way area, repairing and replacing concrete and the concrete wall on the East side of the Powerhouse.

Q: Will this impact Sanford lake levels?

A: Boyce Hydro has said this work should not impact the lake level.

Q: A recent Midland Daily News article discussed the proposed work on Wixom Lake and the need to lower the lake by ~8 feet in 2014? Will this impact the lake levels of Sanford as a result?

A: Again, Boyce Hydro has said the Edenville dam work will not impact Sanford Lake.

Please visit our website to stay informed: <http://sanfordlakeassociation.org/>

ANNUAL SLA BOATERS SWAP MEET SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2013

Everyone in and around our lake has an accumulation of water sports equipment and outdoor recreational gear that they no longer need or want. Well now, the SLA is giving you a way to get rid of it *and* make a little extra \$\$ at the same time. This is clearly a “win/win” scenario if there ever was one.

On Saturday, May 18, 2013, from 9 AM until 3 PM, next to the Pineview

Market on River Road, the SLA will be holding its annual BOATERS SWAP MEET, which will also include marine equipment and just about anything outdoorsy and recreational.

This will be where you can bring your old stuff and sell it or let the SLA folks there sell it for you OR you can come shopping and find that one treasured item that you just can NOT live without. If you bring items to sell please arrive early to set up your items. If you need to, please bring your own table and/or any set up you require. Please have everything clearly labeled.

Remember this includes boats and or jet ski's that you want to put up for sale, so go out there and look around and find ways to generate a little extra money this spring. Mark your calendars for the SLA BOATERS SWAP MEET on Saturday, May 18, 2013 is going to be the place to be!! If need more information and/or would just like to donate your stuff to the SLA to sell, please contact Joe Manelis.

by Joe Manelis



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