

Big Fish Lake Association Newsletter

FALL, 2024

Big Fish Lake Property Owners Association

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Joshua Datema-President

Raymond Bierbaum, Jr.-Vice-President

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Board of Directors

Wayne Brazzell

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Next BFLPOA Membership Meeting

Date: May 24, 2025

Time: 10AM

Where: The Rock at Big Fish Lake.

Committee Contacts

Advertising – Ray Bierbaum, Jr.

BFL Directory - Mary Kiser

Holiday Party 2024 – Sue Brazzell

Lake Weeds - Chris Brooks Marcellus/Volinia SAD liaison

Neighborhood Watch - Contact your block captain

Picnic 2025 – Tom Dinneen

Poker Run 2025 – Ron Colborn

Website - Mary Kiser

Welcome Baskets – Sharon Simpson

Welcome Party 2025 – TBD

Neighborhood Watch Block Captains

Mike Hauser – Grandview Drive

Walt Leazenby – Red Run Road

Kelly Lewis – Red Run Road

Jerry Melko – Red Run Road

Art Peterson – Fish Lake Drive

Steve & Cheri Shepherd – Lake St/Steininger Rd

Gary Troop – Elm Drive

Holiday Party – 2024

Get ready for our Holiday Party on November 30. Committee Chairperson Sue Brazzell's plans are well underway. Remember this awesome cake?



Details of the party are forthcoming. We hope to see you there.

Automatic External Defibrillator

During the colder months, the AED is in the entrance vestibule at The Rock.

BFLPOA Activity Dates - 2025

Meetings

Board 9 AM General membership 10 AM

May 24, July 5, August 30

Attendees will convene at The Rock

Events

Welcome Party June 7

Boat Parade July 4

Picnic July 19

Poker Run August 9

Holiday Party November 29

Michigan Free Fishing Weekends-2025

Free fishing weekend dates for 2025 are February 15-16 and June 7-8. All fishing license fees will be waived for two days for residents and non-residents. Current fishing regulations still apply.

BFL – Apparel and More

Association apparel with choice of logo can be ordered online and delivered directly to you. Go to www.rokkitwear.com. Then enter Big Fish Lake Property Owners Association.

Neighborhood Security System

Board member Art Peterson installed new, larger signs in the area to heighten awareness of our 24-hour high-tech surveillance system.



Big Fish Lake Property Owners Association Membership

Membership is open to all area lakes riparian owners and those owning backlot property. We want to broaden our membership enrollment. To do this, let's get the word out to encourage participation. Following, is a digest of our association benefits.

Our annual dues,

- supplements costs for events, such as the Welcome party, picnic, Holiday party and fundraisers
- provides for annual scholarships to Marcellus High School
- pays for the area security system, AED batteries, the annual cost of our website domain name registration
- pays costs related to special projects like the Little Free Library
- Welcome baskets for first-time members

Membership also includes,

- instant communication via email for important notifications
- three general meetings a year to voice opinions/concerns
- a newsletter in spring, summer, fall
- representation at Marcellus Township meetings to support the majority opinion on matters affecting us

Please talk to your neighbors and encourage them to join our association if they haven't already done so. Let them know what membership to the BFLPOA does for us and our community. A membership form is available on our website at bigfishlake.org and in this newsletter.

BFLPOA Membership Dues

Currently, payment for dues is acceptable in cash or by check. Our treasurer, Lynn Carr will soon provide an online payment app where you can submit your dues. You will be informed when this method of payment becomes available.

BFLPOA Board Elections 2025

The election for board members takes place next year. Please consider serving a 3-year term. Contact Ray Bierbaum, Jr. (574) 292-3310 for more information.



Poker Run - 2024

A great turn-out, good food and smiling faces.



Congratulations to the winners.

Fall Festival – 2024

We gathered at The Rock and enjoyed good food and fun with friends.



Raffle prize winners were Ray Bierbaum, Jr., and Barb Colborn. The 50/50 prize went to Sharon Koshar. Congratulations!

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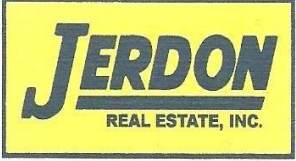
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Membership Enrollment Form:

Date Completed: _____

Name(s): _____

Lake Address: _____ 2nd address _____

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