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President's Corner

Happy New Year! While most of us are warm and away from the lake, there are still a few things going on even in the middle of the winter. Thanks to our Facebook page, I saw some die-hards riding and skiing late into November. Now, the lake is frozen, the ice fisherman are out, and at least some of you are skating and playing hockey. Please keep your pictures and posts coming.

Expect a full calendar for 2016 including our usual events: the picnic and 4th of July activities as well as another Poker Run. If you're interested in volunteering (we need ALL kinds of help), please let us know. You can see a calendar of events later in the issue (some dates are subject to change, but we'll try to avoid it).

Finally, we're seeking a replacement for long-time Sandy Beach trustee and "master of intercoastal waterway markings" (i.e. buoys), Tom Flavin. Never short on providing his point of view and always willing to help, we're hoping to find someone nearly as dedicated. Any interested resident/owner on Sandy Beach who can regularly attend board meetings and help distribute lake association materials should contact me directly.

Cheers to you skaters, ice fisherman, and sled-necks! I'll see you in the spring.

Craig
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2016 Calendar of Events

Day(s) / Date(s)	Time	Event
April		
Saturday, 4/23	10:00 AM	Board of Trustees meeting
May		
Saturday, 5/21	10:00 AM	Board of Trustees meeting
Saturday, 5/30		Memorial Day
June		
Saturday, 6/11	10:00 AM	Membership Meeting
Saturday, 6/11		Gravel Lake Picnic
July		
Saturday, 7/2		Fourth of July activities
Sunday, 7/3		Fourth of July activities
Monday, 7/4		Fourth of July
Saturday, 7/23	10:00 AM	Board of Trustees meeting
August		
Saturday, 8/6	TBD	Gravel Lake 3rd Annual Poker Run
Saturday, 8/20	10:00 AM	Membership Meeting
September		
Monday, 9/5		Labor Day (Summer is over. Drain the lake).
Saturday, 9/24	10:00 AM	Board of Trustees meeting
October		
Saturday, 10/15	10:00 AM	Board of Trustees meeting



Fourth of July Thanks

The Fourth of July was quite a while ago, but we wanted to thank the following people for their continued efforts:

Thanks to Lauren Micheli for organizing the Kids' Games.

Thanks to Emily Garrett for organizing the Fun Run.

Thanks to Kerry Moore for organizing the Paddle Boat Regatta

Thanks to Laurie, Carol, and Marie Mitchell for organizing the Boat Parade. Also, thanks to Apollo Marine for sponsoring the Boat Parade.

Poker Run Thanks

Thanks to Kevin and Tammi Lalone for organizing the Poker Run, and to Chris and Linda Toso for hosting the afterparty. Also, thanks to Wakeside Marine & Action Watersports for sponsoring the event. Finally, a big thanks goes to everyone who hosted a dock. You all made this event a huge success!



Farewell to Gravel Lake Friend



Jeanette Garrison

We will all miss Jeanette Garrison, who passed away February 13, 2016. She was a resident of our lake for more than 40 years and she was a former trustee and executive officer of the Gravel Lake Association. She was also the editor of the *Gravel Laker* and laid the groundwork for us to continue this newsletter.

We were lucky enough to sit down and chat with her for a full hour on September 12, 2008. She talked about the first time she saw the lake, the friendships she has made over the years and many other fond memories of our lake. Watch the ineterview on our website at... <http://gravellake.org/>.



Treasurers Report

Beginning Balance as of 1/1/16 \$21,075.17

Deposits

January interest \$0.57

Total Deposits \$0.57

Expenses

The Michigan Riparian \$2,292.00

Progressive AE - Lake Survey \$3,900.00

Progressive AE - Lake Survey \$1,950.00

Total Expenses \$8,142.00

Checkbook Balance as of 1/27/16 \$12,933.74

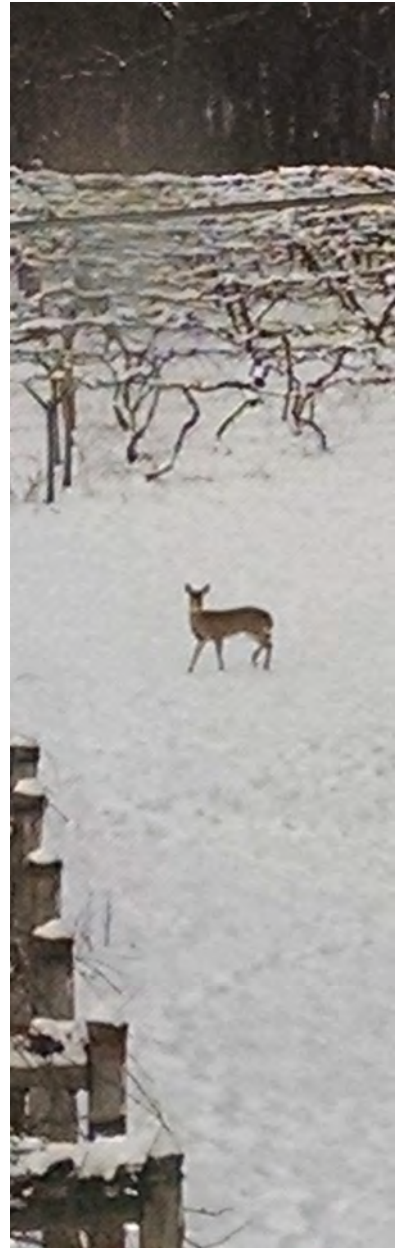
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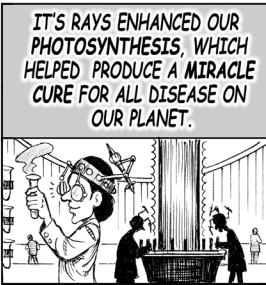
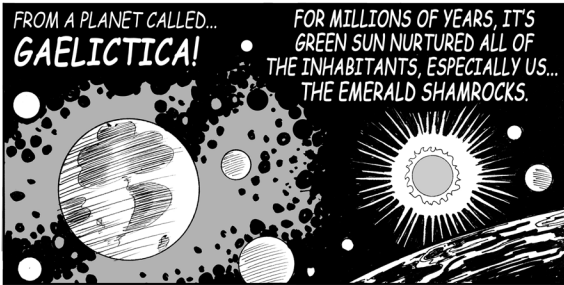
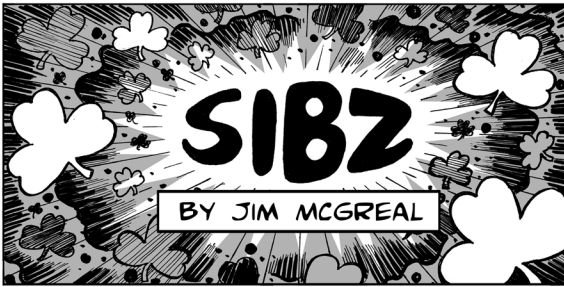
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Total Other Assets \$12,000.00

Total Funds \$24,933.74





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Membership Form: January 2016 - December 2016

Fill out and mail to:

Gravel Lake Association, P.O. Box 531, Lawton, MI 49065

This document is also available on the website @ www.gravellake.org.

Please print clearly.

Member name(s): _____

Beach: _____

Lake Phone: _____

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Lawton, MI 49065

Home Address: _____

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Please print clearly. Mail Check or Money Order payable to Gravel Lake Association

Membership dues for 2016

\$35.00

I would like to receive 4 free issues of the Riparian magazine for 2016.

Yes No (circle one)

Address where your Riparian should be sent.

Home Lake (circle one)

Fish Stocking Donation

\$10.00

\$15.00

\$25.00 or Other

Total Enclosed

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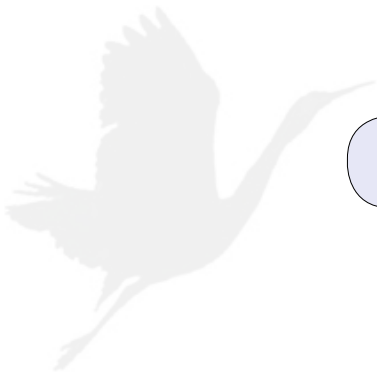
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