



## DALHOUSIE LAKE ASSOCIATION INC.

### Message from the President 2012

I hope everyone is ready for a great summer. We are very lucky to be residents of such a wonderful lake community. This year, the DLAI Executive is planning to focus their attention on community involvement. There are many exciting activities going on in our area that are either free or for a very nominal fee. Below you will find a list of some of the local events and points of interest. Take advantage of as many of them as possible to enrich your lake and community experience.

- o June 30<sup>th</sup> The Music and Fireworks Display at Sylvania Lodge were amazing. We are hoping to work with businesses and organizations in the area to make this an annual community event.
- o July 1<sup>st</sup> The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Dalhousie Lake Canada Day Flotilla was a great success. There were nine boats in the flotilla at one point with lots of red and white on the boats and on the docks. Thanks to everyone that participated.
- o Mid June -Mid July Orchid Blooms - Purdon's Conservatory (<http://www.mvc.on.ca>)
- o July 7<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> Ontario Family Fishing Weekend – fish license free on any lake or river in Ontario. (<http://www.ontariofamilyfishing.com/>)
- o Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Incorporation of the Township of Lanark Highlands. *Activities include a parade, classic car show, a concert, historical and artisan displays and many more.* (<http://www.lanarkvillage150th.ca>)
- o Aug 11<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Garlic Festival (Perth) – admission 5\$, children free. (<http://www.perthgarlicfestival.com>)
- o Sept 1,2,3 20<sup>th</sup> annual Inroads Studio Tour (<http://www.inroadstour.ca>)
- o Sep 29<sup>th</sup> McDonald's Corners Fair
- o Fall Lanark Highlands 2012 Scarlet Maple Tour (<http://www.lanarkhighlands.ca/scarletmapletour>)
- o Anytime:
  - MERA Schoolhouse McDonald's Corners
    - *Fitness classes, fibre arts, pottery classes, workshops, music nights and children's summer arts camp. Info 613-278-0388 or (<http://www.meraschoolhouse.org>)*
    - MERA Café - Saturday and Sunday 9:00am to 1:00pm May to October. *Wonderful coffee and baked goods.*

- Farmers Market – Saturday 9:00am to 1:00pm May to October. *Artisans' work for sale, baking, flowers, local honey and jams, pizza from a wood fired oven*
- Visit the plaque at the head of Dalhousie Lake to learn about the history of the lake and the settling of the logger's feud.
- Historical Driving Tour of Lanark County  
(<http://www.lanarkcountytourism.com>)
- You might be interested in seeing the seven wonders of Lanark County that have been chosen by the residents
  - Blueberry Mountain – Lanark Highlands (highest point in Lanark County)
  - Five Span Bridge – Pakenham
  - Purdon's Conservation Area – Lanark Highlands (Lady Slipper Orchids)
  - Mill of Kintail Conservation Area - Almonte
  - Stewart Park – Perth
  - Silver Queen Mica Mine - Murphy's Point
  - St Peter's Celestine Church – Pakenham
- Dalhousie Glen Golf Course:
  - A 'chip shot' from Sylvania Lodge, Dalhousie Glen has partnered with the lodge's restaurant to offer a fantastic deal on "9 & Dine" Fridays.
  - Another popular promotion is 1/2 price Mondays and Thursdays for the 50 + crowd. Compared to city courses you'll be amazed at the bargain prices.
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- Places to Shop and Dine
  - Dalhousie Lake Restaurant - *great food, fantastic view of the sunset on the lake* (<http://www.sylvanialodge.com>)
  - Hill General Store (McDonald's Corners) –*movie rentals, lunch counter, ice, groceries and clothing items*
  - Rustics Edge Gift Shop – *Home Décor, Canadian Custom Solid Wood Furnishings, Home Staging and Design services.*  
(<http://www.rusticsedge.com>)

The Executive met in June and planned the following activities:

- July 1<sup>st</sup> Flotilla to celebrate Canada Day
- Aug 18<sup>th</sup> Annual general meeting – MERA Hall 10:00am

An agenda for the annual meeting will be sent by email and posted at the bulletin board situated beside the boat launch at Sylvania Lodge.

Any successful association requires members and funds in order to carry out its mandate. Our membership drive will take place during July. As we did last year we are sending you this newsletter by mail as it is extremely difficult and very time-consuming to try and contact everyone in person.

*Why join a lake association? Here are some reasons I feel are important for your consideration:*

- *Your lake association acts as a liaison between the various agencies (Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority, Township of Lanark Highlands, Ministry of Natural Resources, etc.) and our members. We e-mail or phone our members with pertinent information concerning water levels, events, meetings, etc. If Dalhousie Lake does not have an association these agencies do not know who to contact and important information does not get communicated.*
- *We organize information meetings for members only with speakers who are knowledgeable on specific topics that members have told us they need to know more about.*
- *Your association believes in creating a “lake community” where you know your neighbours, therefore we are committed to organizing a social event once a summer.*
- *The executive attends meetings to get ideas and learn about projects, e.g. Lake Management Plans, that we think our members might be interested in getting involved in.*
- *We attend council meetings if topics are being discussed pertaining to the Mississippi River Watershed, Dalhousie Lake in particular.*
- *The association is interested in preserving and improving the ecosystem of our lake through education, however the association is not a watchdog for other agencies. In the past the executive has arranged for environmental experts from Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority, The Ministry of the Environment and The Ministry of Health to speak to all members about environmental concerns.*

*There is strength in numbers. My vision would be to have all residences become members to ensure a strong positive voice for Dalhousie Lake. Let's become an enthusiastic, informed lake community. Your membership gives you a voice.*

If you have any questions about the association, please contact the director for your section.

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