

Lake Arrowhead News

June 2015

The 2014-2015 Board of Directors:

President, Roads and Maintenance:

Chris Speen

Vice President and Gas wells:

Ron Race Jr.

Secretary, Newsletter, and Webmaster:

Mary Davignon

Treasurer, Collections, Website support:

Judy Race

Parliamentarian, Historian, Website: support

Scott Bicknell

Campground:

Marcia Schick:

Environmental & Zoning: Dick Miller

Building Control: Karl McKennon

Long Range Planning:

Ed Heitsch

Pool, Long Range Planning Support:

Ron Race

Parks, Recreation, Lakes, Safety:

Connie Stubli

Parks, Recreation, Lakes, Safety support:

Pat Dressel

Real-estate:

Dana Stubli

Roads and Maintenance Support, & Forestry:

Kyle Stubli:

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www.lapoa.com.

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LAPOA Office: 231-585-7411

Office Hours: The office is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday and the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month from 1:30- 2:30 PM, Other Saturdays will be by appointment.

LAPOA
7065 Arrowroot Trail
Gaylord, MI 49735

Upcoming Meetings and Events:

-Hayes Township Clean-Up Day: June 13, 2015 from 7-11a.m. at American Waste in Gaylord.

-Annual Membership Meeting: July 4, 2015 at 10:00 at the pavilion.

-LAPOA Picnic: July 4, 2015 at 2:00 at the pavilion. Beverages, burgers, hot dogs, and paper products will be provided. Please bring a dish to share and some lawn chairs.



Billing: March 1st is the beginning of the Association's fiscal year, therefore the 2015-2016 assessment. Bills were mailed out the week of March 1st and payments were due upon receipt. **To avoid a late charge, please pay all current and past due assessments by June 15th.** On June 16th we are required to apply a \$50 late charge to all accounts with an unpaid balance. Please include your lot number(s) on your check to ensure proper crediting.

Mooring of Boats: In order to make it easier for our members to enjoy Buhl Lake, LAPOA members and their guests may temporarily moor non-commercial-use boats at the neighborhood parks for up to 72 hours. Boats must be properly secured (bow and anchored stern) so they do not interfere with other boats or the use of the parks by other members. Boats must also have owner's name and contact information readily visible. Those who own waterfront property are kindly asked to be good neighbors and leave park moorings to our off-lake members.

At no time may docks or other structures be constructed on LAPOA common property.

President's Report:

Hello All,

Sometime in June Applied Geotechnical Services will be out to evaluate the lake and provide us a written report on the lake's health. I will have more to share at the Annual Membership Meeting in July. Please avoid the containment area as it continues to settle and de-water. The area is potentially dangerous so please do not enter or go beyond the rope/fencing. As we all can see, the lake has risen quite a bit. Yes, precipitation has helped but that is only a small portion as to why the lake is rising. If you remember, based on the test wells we installed, the lake was significantly lower than the water table. By select dredging we were able to remove a large amount of silt from the springs area thus providing relief for the ground water pressure. This allowed the ground water to flow into our lake instead of flowing past our lake. As I mentioned earlier, I will have more to report at the Annual Meeting. I look forward to seeing all of you and thank you.

Chris Speen

Reserve Study "How much do we need?" That is the question that one member posed at last year's Membership meeting. How much do we need to collect in order to provide services and to maintain our LAPOA property through the years? How long can we expect roofs, windows, siding, furnaces, playground equipment, pool etc. to last?

Each year the LAPOA Board of Directors approves a budget. Historically this has been a "working budget" of estimated income and expenses for the upcoming fiscal year. Because our budgets have been so tight, very little money has been placed in reserve for repair/replacement of our buildings and our equipment. Recognizing that we were lacking the information needed to appropriately plan for the future, the LAPOA Board of Directors contracted to have a Reserve Study done of our valuable physical assets. In the Reserve Study, independent experts examined all of the LAPOA owned physical assets; buildings, roads, equipment, vehicles, playground equipment, pool etc., evaluated their ages and conditions, and determined a schedule and estimated costs of repair/replacement for the next thirty years. The study also assessed our income stream and made recommendations so that the 30 year plan can be implemented. **The goal is to continue to offer current services and to maintain, repair, or replace physical assets without constantly coming back to members for special assessments or increases in dues.** The entire Reserve Study can be found on the "News You Can Use" page of our website: www.lapoa.com. When reading the study, keep in mind that the estimated costs reflect expected increases in prices as we go through the next 30 years. We all know that prices generally do not go down!

A summary of our current financial condition and the Reserve Study will be presented at our July Membership meeting. In brief, the study made it clear that we are not collecting enough in membership dues and it made two recommendations regarding our income:

1. Automatically increase annual dues to fund increases in ongoing operating expenses. (contractors' wages, utilities, trash pickup, insurance, propane....)
2. Increase dues enough to place \$49,900 each year into a Reserve Fund to cover physical assets repairs/replacement such as those listed in the Reserve Study.

At the May meeting, after much study and discussion, and based on the results of the reserve study the Board of Directors recommended that we automatically increase our current dues on primary and secondary lots by 3% annually to fund ongoing operations. For the 2016 fiscal year this would be an increase of \$4.05 on our primary lots and \$2.10 on each secondary lot. Again, based on the results of the reserve study, the board also recommended a separate dues increase of \$71 per year (not subject to the proposed 3% increase) on each primary lot to fund the Reserve Fund. In accordance with our bylaws, no increase will take place without the approval of our members. We will have the opportunity to vote on each of these increases at our July 4th meeting.

Hayes Township Clean Up Day:

Mark your calendars to dispose of those big items that can't go into our dumpster!
The Hayes Township Clean Up Day is scheduled for Saturday, June 13th from 7-11 a.m. During this time large items can be discarded for free at the American Waste Dump on Little League Drive just South of M-32. No hazardous waste, refrigerators, air conditioners, or freezers will be accepted. There is a \$4 fee for each regular sized tire. Bring proof of Hayes Township property ownership or residency.



Mailboxes: Please be sure to pick up your mail frequently especially before holidays when many packages are being delivered. When mail sits in the package receptacles, your neighbors have to go to town to pick up their packages. The Postal Service will hold mail while you are on vacation. See: <https://www.usps.com/>. Too much junk mail? You can eliminate much of it by registering at: http://www.directmail.com/mail_preference/. Please do not put your unwanted mail into the outgoing mail slot!



Attention! Attention!

Lake Arrowhead Property Owners' Association is selling the lots that we own at a greatly reduced rate! The association only has 4 lots remaining. Contact Dana Stubli today at 989-350-1309 or danafrancis14@gmail.com to inquire about these lots. www.lapoa.com has a list of the remaining lots that the association has to offer, check it out today!



PARKS, RECREATION, LAKES AND SAFETY

Happy Spring! Our Committee would like to acknowledge our gratitude to two men who saw things that needed to be done, asked for permission to fix them – and did it!

Last fall Dave Burley saw that the fishing dock on Little Bear was in great need of repair. He took the part of the dock that was in need of attention back to his garage and during the winter months worked on it and fixed it. It is being placed back at the dock and now everyone will have a safer use of it. Many thanks to Dave for being conscious of this need!

Another thank you is for Dave Stubli. Dave originally built the Fire Danger sign over 20 years ago. It too was in need of repair/replacement. The posts holding the sign are the originals, but the sign itself along with the warning signs are all new. Please check the sign as you are coming and going – it is a good indicator letting you know if you should be burning – or not! You can obtain a burn permit easily at:

<http://www.dnr.state.mi.us/burnpermits/>

Our plans this year are to paint some fences at: and the main park's playground equipment. Do we have any volunteers for painting the playground equipment? If you would be interested in helping, please call Connie at either 989-350-8929 or 989-731-9747. I'm sure my phone will be ringing off the hook. . . .

Lake Arrowhead is beautiful this time of year! If you are not a fulltime resident make plans to come and spend some time here!

Connie Stubli
Parks Chairperson

Hear Ye Hear Ye!

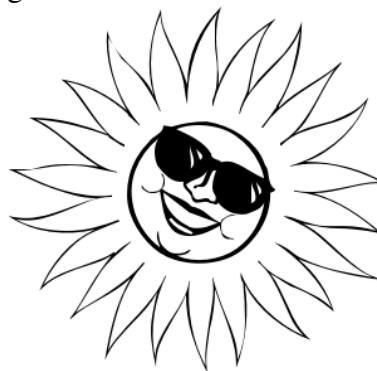
I sometimes hear members say that they have no need for computers or the internet. I imagine some of our grandparents and great-grandparents said the same thing about telephones! For LAPOA, the internet is our PRIMARY method of communicating with our members. During the winter, we learned via internet postings that some of our members were having trouble with their furnaces. It turned out that the issues were caused by an Amerigas propane supply problem and Amerigas was responsible for the associated expenses. We recently learned that our members on meters were being overcharged each month. These are just two examples of notifications that we made to members via our Facebook and Nextdoor pages. Facebook and Nextdoor are social media sites that allow members to share information, post photos, and get acquainted with one another. Our members use both sites. We are getting about 400 weekly "hits" on Facebook and we currently have 85 Nextdoor members. Nextdoor is only open to property owners in Lake Arrowhead. Our website, www.lapoa.com is the place to go for an abundance of information about Lake Arrowhead and local services. Did you know that we publish three newsletters each year? Only the Summer newsletter is printed and mailed. The other newsletters are posted on the website. If you haven't checked out the site, here are a few (but not all) of the helpful things that you can find:

- LAPOA Bylaws and LAPOA Rules
- Information about our amenities: lake, pool, campground, mailboxes, roads, pavilion, parks, trash service, recycling, etc.
- Information about propane and utilities
- Contact information for Office and Board
- Upcoming events
- Past and current newsletters
- Approved Board minutes
- "Quick-links" for Michigan Boating and ATV laws, Local Weather, Burn Permits, Otsego County Library, Sportsplex, Commission on Aging, Bus Service, Snowmobiling, LAPOA Maps and Real Estate for Sale, and more!

If you are interested in learning more about using computers, the Otsego County Commission on Aging and the Otsego County Library often offer free classes.

Mary Davignon

The Amerigas meter fee is supposed to be only \$1/ month for LAPOA members. Amerigas was supposed to be correcting the billing problem and crediting our members who were overcharged. Check your bills to verify! Thank you Scott Bicknell for pointing out the overcharge!



Pool –

The Pool Doctor has been out and has begun the preseason opening protocol. Our plan is to have YOUR Pool open on Friday prior to Memorial Day. We are certainly ready for some fun in the sun. Believe it or not, by the time this makes its way to press, the kids will be begging their parents and grandparents to take them swimming. We'll keep the water sparkling clear and at a perfect 82 degrees. The pool will be open every day 10AM to 9PM weather permitting. Come out and enjoy some relaxation with your friends, family, and neighbors.

Just a few safety reminders: All children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. No running or diving allowed. If you see lightning or hear thunder, immediately leave the pool. Babies must wear swimmers, no regular diapers allowed. All pool rules are posted around the pool area.

Ron Race
Lake Arrowhead
Pool Chairman



Noise

Fireworks, music, ATV's and partying are all part of summer fun. While enjoying the warm days and nights, please be considerate of neighbors who need their night time rest. Many of our members live here year round and while you may be on vacation, they have to get up for work in the morning.

Buffer Zone

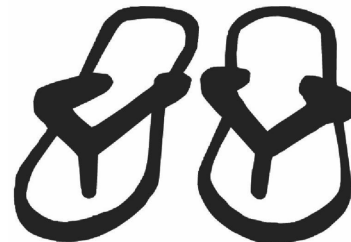
The increased lake depth has certainly made our lake healthier and easier to navigate. Some of our lakeside property owners may miss their beaches and be tempted to install a seawall or bring in sand for a beach. Such projects require permits from the Soil and Conservation District and/or the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.(DEQ). Please be aware that a natural buffer zone of rocks, rushes, and reeds helps to prevent silt from entering the lake, provides habitat for wildlife, and enhances the beauty of the lake. Low growing native plants planted on hillsides can help prevent erosion and won't block your view. Unlike lawns, they do not require cutting, weeding, or the application of fertilizer that can pollute the lake and lead to algae blooms. Geese which can become a nuisance, like to have a wide view so they often gather on open spaces such as lawns. Please see our website for more tips on healthy lakes.

Gate

During the summer months, the gate leading to the Office Building is closed and locked each evening when the pool closes and is unlocked in the morning when our pool maintenance contractors arrive to open the pool.

Parking

Vehicles and trailers parked on roads interfere with the grading and plowing of roads and present a hazard for drivers. There is **NO PARKING ALLOWED** on LAPOA roads or at the boat launch. Vehicles left at the boat launch can interfere with fire trucks which are filled from the hydrant there and use of the launch by fellow members. In addition, the DEQ has prohibited parking at the boat launch (under threat of closing the road between Buhl Lake and Little Bear Lake). So once boats are launched, vehicles and trailers must be moved! Where to park? There is limited short term parking available along the white fences at our main park for members and their guests. In winter, a small area is kept plowed for limited, short-term parking near the Office Building and along the edge of the Mailbox Building lot. Police may be summoned and illegally parked vehicles may be towed at owner's expense.



ATV and Snowmobile Safety

We encourage our members to use our many trails for your ATV and snowmobile adventures. Although ATVs and snowmobiles are permitted on the roads in Lake Arrowhead, their drivers must abide by our speed limits, traffic signs, and Michigan laws. See our website for a link to Michigan ATV laws. There are special laws regarding children and ATVs. We have had some really scary close calls when unsupervised children on ATVs overlook STOP signs, or enter the roadway without looking. Please be safe and have fun with your children!



**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LAKE ARROWHEAD
PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION**

DATE: JULY 4, 2015

TIME: 10:00 A.M.

PLACE: PAVILION

AGENDA:

- I. Call the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance
 - A. Establish a quorum
 - B. Roll call of the Board of Directors
 - C. Approval of the minutes of the July 5, 2014 membership meeting.
 - D. Treasurer's report

- II. Comments and/or concerns of the members

- III. Unfinished business, including discussion and action, if needed
 - A. Questions on the written reports submitted by chairpersons
 - B. Report from the Lake Improvement Committee
 - C. Report on the Reserve Study

- IV. New Business, including discussion and action, if needed.
 - A.
 1. In response to the results of our Reserve Study, the board of directors has recommended an automatic 3% annual increase of our membership dues on primary and secondary lots to fund ongoing operations. For the 2016 fiscal year this will be an increase of \$4.05 on the primary lots and \$2.10 on secondary lots. Members will vote to approve or disapprove this increase.
 2. In response to the results of our Reserve Study, the board of directors has recommended a separate, additional \$71 annual increase on primary lots which will be earmarked for repair and replacement of physical assets such as those described in our Reserve Study. These funds will not be subject to the proposed 3% annual increase. Members will vote to approve or disapprove this increase.
 - B. Election of board members
 1. Nomination from the floor
 2. Introduction of nominees.
 3. Voting
 4. Results of Election

- V. Adjournment.

In an attempt to shorten the meeting, all reports from the committees will be in writing and will be distributed at the meeting.

**Draft Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Lake Arrowhead
Owners Property Association
July 5, 2014**

- I. President Ron Race called the July 5, 2014 meeting to order at 10:05 in the pavilion. Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - A. A quorum was established with 87 members in attendance as meeting began.
 - B. All board members were in attendance except Mike Gascoyne.
 - C. Ron Race pointed out three errors that needed correction in the July 6, 2013 minutes. Scott moved to accept the amended minutes. Dick Miller seconded the motion. Vote was 89 in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.
 - D. Financial Report was given by Judy Race. Besides the written reports, Judy explained that for the past fiscal year we spent \$4,160 more than we took it. This is because of high heating costs, legal expenses, and computer and computer conversions. We ended the fiscal year with \$181,782 on hand which includes the lake project funds. We are once again contributing to the truck fund and setting funds aside to redo the pool surface. Heating expenses are very high mainly because of the equipment garage which must be kept at 50 to keep sand from freezing. Another expense was replacement posts to replace the pavilion pillars. Ron Race expressed appreciation to Dave Cunningham, Nelson Wheaton, and Jeff Kennedy who generously volunteered their skills and labor on this. Dick Miller moved to accept her report. Scott Bicknell seconded the motion. For ease of counting, without objection, Ron started with "Those opposed" Vote: 0 opposed. Members were asked to indicate approval by raising their voting card. It appeared unanimous. Motion carried.

- II. Comments or Concerns of Members:
 - A. There were no questions or comments on the written reports submitted by chairpersons.
 - B. Mary Grindoll reported that she is once again heading up the LAPOA neighborhood-wide garage sales scheduled for August 1st and 2nd. She needs a co-chair and someone to take over for next year since they are moving.
 - C. Pat Dressel expressed her belief that the quorum requirements (unchanged) in the proposed amended bylaws are not adequate for the current number of members. She thinks we have many more members than when the bylaws were first formed. Ron Race disputes this as we have the same number of lots as we did in 1965 and more members now own more than one lot. Ron believes we have fewer members now than we did 50 years ago. No data was provided either way to answer that question.

- III. Unfinished Business
 - A. Lake Improvement Project: Chris Speen gave an update on the Lake Improvement Project. Dredging equipment is all in place and dredging will commence. Please stay away from dredging operations & spoils area and be careful about pipes in roads. Spoils will be very soft so stay away. Caution tape and signs have been placed around the spoils area. The boat launch is open. Dredging will begin Monday. Estimates dredging will take 6-9 weeks to complete. Please stay away from workers and dredging operations. The pipes in the water will be moving around. Please avoid them. Look for updates on Facebook and Nextdoor.
 1. Member Dave Maddox expressed concern about the lake level rising too much since the lake has already about a foot. Chris reported it should equalize with the ground water level. Initial reports of estimates were for a 2-3 ft.increase.
 2. Bob Hasick asked what is being done about invasive weeds (Phragmites) at the channel. Chris responded that we are following proper channels to take care of it

this year. Ron reported that we tried to get grants through the State of Michigan for both the invasive weeds and the dredging project to no avail.

B. Other:

1. Dave Cunningham expressed thanks to Marc Ryder (Poly Products) for the generous donation of the bench that sits outside the office.
2. Anita expressed thanks to Brook James for providing a copy of the voting card photo that is being used today. The photo was found at the Otsego County Museum.
3. Scott expressed our thanks to Dave Cunningham for his leadership and service to LAPOA.
4. Alice Kennedy of the Beautification Committee announced that they are selling T-shirts, can cozies, and stickers. Thanks to Wayne who donated mulch for gardens.
5. Ron Race expressed thanks to Secretary Mary Davignon for work on the Association website, Facebook, and Nexdoor sites. Please sign up for Nextdoor, the Lake Arrowhead-only social site. Contact Mary if you have any issues signing up. He also thanked Chuck O'Connell for tremendous aid in preparing the Association's taxes.
6. -Dana reminded members to fill out the contact form and turn it in. You may also mail it in or use the LAPOA drop-box. Chris pointed out that this will save us money if we can do things electronically.
7. Mary Davignon cautioned members to store boats and docks higher this fall since we don't know how fast the lake level will rise.

IV. New Business:

A. Proposed amended bylaws: Ron Race called attention to the sheet in the packet which details the proposed changes to the LAPOA Bylaws. One change was left off the list, Article V Section 7. 'The draft and approved minutes of all Member's meetings will be posted on the website and the community bulletin board within 30 days of the meeting'.

Chris Speen moved to accept the proposed Amended Bylaws.

Dana Stubli seconded the motion.

Vote: All in favor: 104 Those opposed: 5.

Motion to accept the amended bylaws carried with 95% in favor.

Ron Race thanked the bylaw revision committee: Mary, Judy, Scott, Dick and himself for this work.

This should make it easier to collect the approximately \$187,000 owed to the Association.

B. -Dave Maddix asked if members can pay their assessments way in advance (10 years) to aid in future planning. Question will be placed on August board meeting agenda.

C. Marcia Schick reported that the Campground is having a raffle of a quilt which she made. Bags of returnable cans and bottles can be left by the Campground Shower House until the end of the camping season. Proceeds of both fundraisers will go to the campground. Ron pointed out that the new play-scape at the campgrounds was funded by bottle and can donations. Marcia thanks you all for supporting them.

D. Elections of board members

Nominees for board of directors:

- Judy Race nominated Marcia Schick
- Ron Race nominated Connie Stubli.
- Dave Stubli nominated Dave Maddix.
- Dave Maddix nominated Pat Dressel.

-Dave Liggett, Ron Race Jr., and Ed Heitsch were nominated by mail.
(Mike Gascoyne who was nominated by mail and appeared on the Mail in ballot
withdrew his nomination.)
The meeting recessed at 11:15 to count the votes.

Ron Race reconvened the meeting at 12:15 and Mary announced the results.

The results are as follows:

Ron Race Jr.	96 votes
Ed Heitsch	90 votes
Dave Liggett	86 votes
Marcia Schick	73 votes
Connie Stubli	48 votes
Pat Dressel	35 votes
Dave Maddox	27 votes

V. Sue Fuller moved to adjourn.
Sharon Morris seconded the motion.
Meeting adjourned at 12:20.

*Minutes submitted by Mary Davignon
LAPOA Secretary*

Lake Arrowhead Property Owners Association

As you may have noticed on your assessment bills/statements, LAPOA has converted to Quick Books, a new office managements program. In order for LAPOA to run more efficiently, please provide your email address below. You can also help with costs if you select to receive your LAPOA assessment bills/statements by email.

Property owner's name(s)

Email address:

Select the box(es) below:

I would like to receive my/our LAPOA assessment bills/statements sent to this email address. * I understand that I must keep LAPOA updated with any changes to my/our email address and billing address.

I would like to receive LAPOA Newsletters by email. If you do not select this box, you can find the newsletters on the LAPOA website. The June newsletter will be sent to you by US mail as required in the LAPOA Bylaws.

In order to update our records, please complete below:

Phone number *(Including area code)* _____ Alternate phone number _____

Mailing/Billing address *(if recently changed):*

LAPOA property address if different than billing address *(if property has been assigned an address):*

Sign below:

LAPOA Owners signature/date: _____

Date: _____

LAPOA Owners signature/date: _____

Date: _____

LAPOA Owners signature/date: _____

Date: _____

Please return this form by email to LAPOAoffice@gmail.com or mail to LAPOA, 7065

Arrowroot Trail, Gaylord MI 49735 prior to our annual July Membership meeting or turn it in at the July meeting.

Thank you!

***Owner is responsible for keeping a current email address with LAPOA and failure to keep an updated email address on file with LAPOA may result in a failure of the Owner to receive assessment bills and statements and may result in collection cost, late fees and penalties being assessed against Owner. Owner's failure to receive an electronic statement shall not relieve the Owner of their obligation to pay assessments.**

Office use: Date received _____ email address confirmation sent _____
received _____

2015 Mail in Ballot for LAPOA Board of Directors

This year there are four, board of director positions available for terms of three years. This year there is **also** one position available to fulfill a vacancy created by the resignation of a board member. In accordance with Article VII, Section 7 of our bylaws, the candidate with the most votes after the regular terms are filled shall be elected to the shorter term. In this case, it will be a two year term. All ballots must be in the hands of the secretary twenty-four hours prior to the annual meeting or may be turned in at the annual meeting, sealed in an envelope with the member's name on the front. **Ballots will also be available at the annual meeting if you would rather cast your ballot in person. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor.** Two votes will be allowed to common owners of property in Lake Arrowhead regardless of the number of lots owned. Vote for no more than **five (5)**, by placing an X on the line next to the name of the person you wish to vote for. There can be two Xs on a line if there are two owners voting. **Mail your ballot to the Election Committee, attn. Mary Davignon, 7065 Arrowroot Trail A-3, Gaylord, MI 49735. Ballots may also be placed in the Lake Arrowhead Drop Box located at the mailboxes. You must be a member in good standing to vote. Your name must appear on the outside of the envelope so it can be verified that your assessments are paid in full.**

_____ **Dwayne Crocker:** I live in Lake Orion with my wife, Traci and two children, Hailey & Logan. We have been seasonal residents of Lake Arrowhead since 2012. I spent much of my childhood in and around Lake Arrowhead, which holds a very special place in my heart

I currently work for General Motors as Manager of Advanced Technology & Sandbox Development (OnStar Division). I earned my Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering (BSEE) degree from MSU. I am a veteran of the U.S. Navy, and have served in the Persian Gulf, Somalia, and Haiti.

I served on the board of the Canterbury Woods Subdivision Association (CWSA), where I currently live, as Common Areas Coordinator and I coordinated all contracts and work associated with common grounds. I have significant experience with technology of all kinds, computers, software, and wireless communications (WiFi, 3G/4G technologies, etc.) that I hope to be able to apply if I am elected to the LAPOA board.

_____ **Ron Race:** Ron is currently serving on the LAPOA Board as Pool Chairman and Long Term Planning support person. He has been coming to Lake Arrowhead since it was developed in the 1960's. He and his wife live here full time and plan to retire here. His children and grandchildren were raised spending weekends at Lake Arrowhead and now his son and his family reside full time in Lake Arrowhead. Ron currently works at Home Depot as the Asset Protection Manager for the Northern Michigan District. Over his career he has been in law enforcement, fire protection, loss prevention, and asset protection. He has served on many boards in many capacities. He currently is on the Board of Directors for Gaylord Country Club and President of Peace Lutheran Church Council. Ron enjoys serving on the LAPOA Board as it is very important to him to protect and enhance the amenities of Lake Arrowhead to enjoy for many years to come.

Ron was nominated by Dick Miller.

_____ **Chris Speen:** Chris has served on the LAPOA board for three years. He is currently the Association President. For the two previous years he served as the Board Chairperson for Long Range Planning. Chris also contributed to the Association by donating \$1000 to get the lake study started and by purchasing and donating a new computer. He worked with MDEQ to gain approval for our lake improvement project and acted as the board contact person for the project manager of the lake dredging project. He worked to understand our financial condition and to forecast future needs. Chris successfully negotiated with current and new vendors to keep our costs in line and to provide value to the community. Chris' goal is to continue to protect our infrastructure and to help to make our community a great place to live and visit. Chris and his wife own and operate Twin Oaks Landscape, Inc. in Ann Arbor, MI.

Chris was nominated by Mary Davignon

_____ **Anita Wheaton:** My husband Nelson and I have been Lake Arrowhead property owners since 1985 and we became full time residents in 1995. I have served two terms on the board as Chairperson for Parks & Recreation. With my husband by my side, we have maintained the parks for approximately eleven years. I am currently the office manager and have been on the Financial & Collections committee for six years. I enjoy working with others to make our area enjoyable for my family as well as future families. I am interested in your concerns and ideas to improve our community.

Anita was nominated by Nelson Wheaton