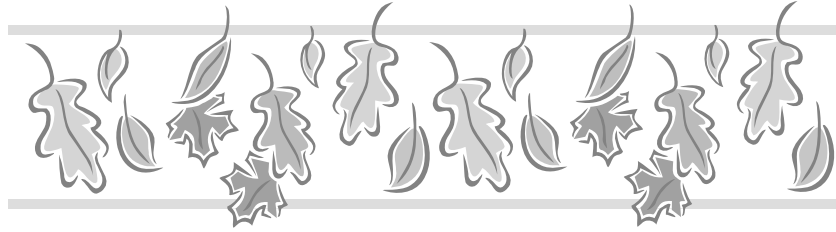


# Bay Lake Property Owners Association Newsletter

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## FALL ...



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### CORN ROAST

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It's back! To those of you who have been asking and anxiously awaiting word, the answer is YES - we will be putting on the Corn Roast again this year.

Remember the delicious corn dripping with butter...the amazing home-made chilli bubbling in the pots...the smell of the sausages grilling on the barbecue? Well, it will all be yours when you join us on September 15<sup>th</sup> at the Boat Ramp.

Bring a comfy chair for sitting around the fire. And don't worry, we'll be sure to have a Port-a-Potty set up!

A full belly...a roaring camp fire...good company - come on out and enjoy it!

**Date:** Saturday, September 15th

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Location:** The Boat Ramp

Also bring some cash so you can buy:

- 50/50 Draw tickets,
- a Bay Lake Shirt and/or a Bay Lake Hat (see the articles on page 4),
- your Bay Lake membership.

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### CLEAR LAKE / BAY LAKE HALL

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Head on out to their latest event - a **fall Chilli Cook Off!**

**Date** Saturday, October 6th

**Time** 5:00 - 7:00

**Cost** \$8.00 for Adults; \$6.00 for Youth,  
Free for those under 6

The Hall needs your continuing support to keep it operational. Please consider becoming a member or making a donation (contact Jim Hilt 705-636-1862, [jimohilt@vianet.ca](mailto:jimohilt@vianet.ca), Box 3, Site 2B, Emsdale, ON P0A 1J0).



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## A NOTE FROM THE NEW EXECUTIVE

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This year's Executive has decided to continue its **focus on water/environment issues** through the Environment Subcommittee. Reports on their activities and findings will appear in upcoming issues of this newsletter.

We have also committed to continuing with the slate of **events**: Corn Roast, Pitch In Day, Pancake Breakfast, Fun Day, Poker Run.

Plus, we are looking at the possibility of holding a **community garage sale**.

We will continue with our **website** as a way to provide important and timely information as well as links to other sites...and we will continue to issue this **newsletter** four times a year.

In addition, we will continue to try to attract new members through the distribution of the *On the Living Edge* book and other valuable information.

We will also expand your **Bay Lake** shopping experience through the sale of **t-shirts** and **sweat shirts** and now **embroidered hats** (see the article on page 4).

That's what *we* plan to do for *you*. Here's what we need you to do for the Association:

- **Pay your \$20.00 membership dues.** New members can get a copy of the form from the website ([www.baylakeontario.com](http://www.baylakeontario.com)) or from the Newsletters box at the Sign Board. Everyone is welcome to visit Cheryl or Doug at 773 Bay Lake Road (636-0222) to pay your dues and pick up (if you haven't already got yours) a copy of *On the Living Edge*.
- **Volunteer your time.** Contact a member of the Executive in advance of the events to offer to help out.

- **Attend the events.** The Pancake Breakfast is our major fundraiser, so we *need* you there. The other activities are put on especially for you, so we *want* you there. Start by coming out to the Corn Roast on September 15<sup>th</sup>.
- **Attend at the AGM.** This is key. We need your involvement and input.
- **Sit on the Executive.** We need new people each year so consider joining.

What we really need is your support to make this an active, effective organization.

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## YOUR 2007/2008 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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<b>President</b> 773 Bay Lake Road	Cheryl Stamper 636-0222
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304 North Bay Lake Rd	Scott & Pam Milton 519-362-7644
58 Frank Lane	Glen & Sherry Vey 636-1414
<b>Lake Steward</b> 1451 Bay Lake Road	Jack Podwinski 636-7365

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## WHAT WENT ON AT THE AGM

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Thank you to those members who attended the AGM this year. For those of you who didn't make it - you missed a great meeting. The presentation by Judi Brouse from the Muskoka Watershed Council was both interesting and informative and gave us a better idea of the bigger picture of the natural world of which Bay Lake is a part.

The work of the Executive during last year was reviewed, and the new Executive was elected in record time (see page 2 for a listing of the new Executive members).

In moving on to new business, a motion was made from the floor to give the Clear Lake / Bay Lake Hall a donation of \$500.00. This motion was defeated following discussion, with the understanding that the Treasurer would follow through with a planned meeting with the Executive of the Hall to review their finances and make a recommendation back to our Executive on a financial contribution.

Regardless of the decision of the Executive, it is up to each individual in the community to support the Hall if they want to see it continue (see the article on page 1).

We had some fabulous prizes this year. The cooler and beer glasses were won by Judy Watkins, the garden stepping stone (made and donated by our own Bill Paterson) was won by Dan Danyers, and the amazing Nature Clean products gift basket was won by Bonnie Templeton.

Everyone who attended received a free sample of Nature Clean laundry detergent which was generously donated by Frank T. Ross & Sons.

Mayor Bill Core was on hand following the meeting to provide Township information and answer questions.

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## REPORT ON BLPOA ACTIVITIES

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### POKER RUN

More than 20 boats came out on a beautiful but very windy day to stamp their cards and compete for the best poker hand. Over \$200.00 was given away in prizes for poker hands and best decorated boat. A special thank you goes to those who donated their prize money to our Fish Fund! Thanks also to the Webber, Bedard and Orzel families for putting the Poker Run on. They did an amazing job.

### PHOTO CONTEST

We are pleased to announce the following winners in this year's photo contest:

<b>Cottage Critters</b>	Frog on Lily Pad - Janice Paterson Chipmunk Closeup - Randy Webber Deer in Woods - Glen Adams
<b>Kids</b>	Baby with Garden Hose - Len Collins Boy Walking on Water - Susan Coates Kids on Dock - Susan Coates
<b>Pets</b>	Mocha's New Toy - Mary Lou Staples
<b>Views around Bay Lake</b>	Fall Trees - Randy Webber Fiery Sunset - Janice Paterson Little East River - Janice Paterson

Look for some of these photos on our **Bay Lake Calendar** which will be available for download from our website by December.

Thank you to all who submitted photos this year. We have posted all submissions on the website ([www.baylakeontario.com](http://www.baylakeontario.com)) for the enjoyment of all. Please take a look!

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## AROUND THE LAKE

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### WATER LEVELS

The water level has come up with the recent rains and cooler weather. If you're taking a boat out, you may want to do it before October 1<sup>st</sup>, which is when the bags and pipe will be removed from the outlet this year.

### IMPOSTOR SIGNS

Signs regarding boat traffic have been posted stating they are from the 'Bay Lake Association'. These have NOT been posted by anyone on the Executive and are not from the Bay Lake Property Owners Association.

### REMINDER: DON'T DRIVE ON THIN ICE

After last year's scare with the Jeep that went through the ice, we are asking everyone not to drive vehicles on the ice this winter! We were very lucky to get the Jeep removed at no cost to the Association and really don't want to go through something like that again.

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## SIGN BOARD DIRECTORY

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Only those who are paid members for 2007/2008 now have their name and lot number listed in the directory posted on the sign board. If you have paid and do not see your name, please contact Cheryl or Doug (773 Bay Lake Road, 636-0222) or send an email to [mail@baylakeontario.com](mailto:mail@baylakeontario.com). If you have not yet paid, see the item under 'A Note from the New Executive' on page 2.

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## FOND FAREWELLS

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*It is our policy to mention people in our Fond Farewells column only on request. If you would like us to include information on someone, please contact a member of the Executive with the details.*

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of three people from our Bay Lake community since publication of the last issue of this newsletter. Our heartfelt condolences go out to the families of Michael Domski, Dennis Macedo and Carol Spiller.

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## BAY LAKE SHIRTS - NEW COLOURS

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Haven't got your Bay Lake t-shirt or sweat shirt yet?...Would like another shirt to add to your wardrobe?...Want to get a jump on your Christmas shopping? Then place an order -- but this time **pick your colour**, too! We are now offering the shirts in the following sizes and colours **in addition to Bay Lake Blue**:

Sizes	Colours
<b>Youth</b> Small, Medium, Large	<b>T-Shirts</b> Black, Dark Brown, Navy, Neon Green, Neon Orange, Red
<b>Adult</b> Small, Medium, Large, XL and XXL	<b>Sweats/Hoodies</b> Black, Brown, Dark Heather, Light Blue, Pink, Navy

As you know, we make these shirts available to you as a reward for donating to our Fish Fund. It's a win-win situation for people and fish!

Shirt	Donation
Youth t-shirt	\$15.00
Adult t-shirt	\$20.00
Adult sweat shirt	\$30.00
Adult hooded sweat shirt, zippered or pullover	\$40.00

Note: Please be sure of your size before ordering as we cannot make returns. You can contact Janice Paterson to check the sizing of the sample shirts we have on hand.

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## BAY LAKE HATS - NEW!

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Another way to support your Association is to make a donation of \$20.00 and receive a **Bay Lake Hat** (a baseball-style cap) **embroidered** either with a **Dragon Fly** or a **Loon**. We will have samples available and be taking orders for these caps at the Corn Roast on September 15<sup>th</sup>.