



# SEVEN HARBORS NEWS

## Annual 7- H Bike Parade is July 4<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM!

If you haven't been to a Seven Harbors Bike Parade, we strongly suggest that you attend at least one - even if you're not a kid or you don't have a bike! The Bike Parade, followed by the neighborhood picnic at the beach, is an amazing experience – you will likely be surprised by what you see!

To experience this wonderful day . . . get your bike, or any other contraption that you choose, and decorate it in red, white and blue. Past participants have decorated wagons, strollers, bikes, trikes, coolers, golf carts and go carts, motorcycles and uni-cycles – pretty much anything goes! Meet your neighbors at 10 AM at the corner of W. Clarice and Beaumont. The participants then proceed behind the Highland Township Fire truck along the parade route



(the flat portion of the subdivision) with bells and whistles in action! The parade ends at the South Beach at the end of East Clarice.

At the beach the Wine Basket Market supplies hot dogs, drinks and a ridiculous amount of goodies! Woodward Auto generously brings out their hot dog cart and undertakes the enormous task of cooking and serving up to 400 hot dogs. DJ Meats provides their ice cream cart and you can help yourself to dessert! Entertainment in the form of bounce

houses, face painting, games and etc. keeps everyone happy and busy. You should come prepared to meet some new neighbors, laugh and see why we call Seven Harbors home.

It is a day filled with fun, mainly provided by the generosity of others. We ask everyone to play a small part if possible – we are looking for baked goods to complete our picnic! Please bring donations to the beach the day of the parade. We start setting up at 8am. Visit [www.7-harbors.org](http://www.7-harbors.org) for pictures of past parade day events, and remember to support our local and generous neighbor businesses.

## New Boat Launch 'Keys on Demand'

Changing the keys for the boat launches has been a challenge due to the cost of making new keys.

The Association was lucky enough to purchase a key machine that was actually cheaper than making new keys.

The boat launch locks will be changed June 17th. To receive a key, bring your 2015 membership card to any monthly Association meeting at the Eagles Hall. There is no charge for the first key, however if you lose your key there will be a replacement fee. Please contact Bob Schiff at [248-210-5315](tel:248-210-5315) if you have any questions.



*You Are  
Cordially Invited . . .*

**Seven Harbors  
Neighborhood  
Association Meetings**

Third Wednesday April - October  
Eagles Hall – South East corner of  
Jackson Blvd. and Duck Lake Rd.

Next Meeting is  
Wednesday, June 17th  
7 PM

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## What's Your Story?

Everyone has a story!

7-Harbors is in a lawsuit, fighting to keep our community together. Ironically, as we work through this challenge, an unusual occurrence is repeatedly happening to the volunteer members of the 7 Harbors Board of Directors.

Residents are approaching us with their stories and history in 7 Harbors. It has been amazing to hear how many members have family that has lived here 2 or three generations. They tell stories of family, lake houses, beach parties and entertainment. It would seem that each one of us has played a part of this property, its development and its history.

In light of all of the negative discussions surrounding the lawsuit, these stories have been uplifting. Several of our Board Members have suggested that we share this with the entire membership. Here's the challenge: Send us your story. We want to hear about your experience. Please write your "Life in 7 Harbors" story and send it to us! It could be about your childhood, experience on the board, the neighbors that surround you, etc. These stories will be posted to the website and forever be a part of our history. Please send your story to [7harborsnews@gmail.com](mailto:7harborsnews@gmail.com) or PO Box 70 Highland MI 48357.

## Lawsuit Update

The Plaintiffs have removed **Count 2**, which is Shareholder oppression, and **Count 3**, Slander, from the lawsuit. This happened shortly after our lawyers requested that the judge rule against it. Our removal request is under 3-11-15 motion on the legal section of the 7-harbors web site. The first meeting with the newly appointed judge was May 13th. Updates of the lawsuit are on [www.7-harbors.org](http://www.7-harbors.org).

## Road Work

Oakland County Road Commission owns and maintains Beaumont Road from the entrance of 7 Harbors to the bridge. At times this road gets riddled with large potholes. When this occurs, it is helpful if OCRC receives many calls alerting them to the road condition. We are not high on OCRC list for road repair, but increased phone calls to the Commission office do seem to get quicker results. If you see a large pot hole, please call [877-858-4804](tel:877-858-4804).

We have also noticed that at times, the road gets so bad anonymous members will fill the holes. If you have done this (or know someone who has) please contact us so we can thank you!



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**7 Harbors Golf Outing**  
**Saturday,**  
**September 19th**





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## Are we fertilizing our lake weeds?

As lakeside residents, we have a special responsibility in protecting our water resources. Many activities we conduct **near** the waterfront, in our lawns and gardens and around our home, impact water quality. For example, excess nutrients from **fertilizers, yard waste and pesticides** can enter waterways in storm water runoff and from soil erosion.

To prevent excessive aquatic plant growth, nuisance algal blooms, decreased oxygen levels, decreased aesthetics and impacts to recreation, just follow these tips from our WRC (Water Resource Commissioner) ---

- Keep fertilizers at least 25 feet or more away from waterways. Be sure your lawn service follows this practice!
- Fertilizers with an N-P-K ratio of 29-0-4 qualify as an **earth-friendly** fertilizer, ie; nitrogen (N), phosphorous (P) and potassium (K)
- Avoid weed and feed products: Choose fertilizers free of **all** pesticides and herbicides.

For more on this topic, you can visit:

[https://www.oakgov.com/water/PublishingImages/2015/Waterfront\\_Wisdom\\_pamphlet\\_3\\_2015.pdf](https://www.oakgov.com/water/PublishingImages/2015/Waterfront_Wisdom_pamphlet_3_2015.pdf)

## Boating Fun & Safety . . .

Michigan law requires all traffic on the lake (including bays and canals) to navigate in a counter-clockwise direction. "Slow, No Wake Speed" is required within 100 feet of shorelines, any moored or anchored vessel, a dock or raft, or any marked swimming area or person(s) in the water. All boats on difficult navigational canals must be docked parallel with the shoreline to allow accessible navigation. Also note, effective January 1, 2015, new legislation reducing the maximum blood alcohol content level for operators of boats and other watercraft to 0.08%, matching the current limit for automobiles. For more information, see "The 2015 Official Boating Handbook" at [www.boat-ed.com/michigan/handbook/book.html](http://www.boat-ed.com/michigan/handbook/book.html)

## Dues are Due June 1st

If you have not yet submitted your 2015/16 dues payment, please give this your immediate attention. If you have any questions, please contact our volunteer Treasurer, Jan Anger. (313-701-6029 or [jan7-harbors@comcast.net](mailto:jan7-harbors@comcast.net))



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**Community Events**

**Country Breakfast**  
**Second Saturday of every month**  
**9 AM – Noon, VFW Hall**

**7 Harbors Bike Parade and Picnic**  
**Saturday, July 4**

**Ron Slack Scholarship Fund**  
**Pancake Breakfast**  
**Sunday, August 16, 8:30 – 11:30 AM**  
**White Lake Inn**

**Steak Dinner**  
**Second Friday of every month**  
**VFW Hall**

**7 Harbors Golf Outing**  
**Sept. 19th**

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