

October 2015



Painesville Township, Ohio

# HALLOWEEN 2015



Get ready for another Halloween. Certain parts of the neighborhood get a large number of Trick-or-Treaters, so stock up on treats to pass out. Halloween candy was spotted on some local store floors as early as August 31, so you know that the

candy companies want to sell their product.

## School Buses - David Spall, Volunteer Trustee



The buses are rolling again. Please slow down and watch for the children coming and going on the buses. Let's have a good school year and be safe.

## LAKE STAIRWAY PROJECT - David Spall, Volunteer Trustee

The Board has approved the painting of the stairway to the Beach/Lake. This project is slated to be worked on in September. Painting would start after Labor Day (September 7) and is weather permitting. The paint is an epoxy base and has a 7 to 10 day cure time. The lowest stairs will not be completed until next year because of the high water level. We ask everyone to stay away from the stairs until we reopen after the paint has completely cured.

### Lake Erie Shores Home Owners Association Amendment - David Spall, Volunteer Trustee

The board has decided to move forward with a amendment change to our Master Declaration. We had an amendment prepared to reduce quorum from 50% to 30% in attendance, or present by proxy, at our annual meeting. This needs to have a 68% vote from the Homeowners to become reality. We have had problems the last few years at our yearly Home Owners Meeting in March to get the 50% quorum to hold a meeting. This has cost us time & money to reschedule the meeting.

The board has the Amendment from the attorneys and we have reviewed the document for some changes. We are planning to have a Special Meeting in March to vote on this change. The Special Meeting will be the same night as our annual meeting. I strongly urge you to vote for the change to the Amendment. Please watch for the letter coming in your mail in October.

## The Beach... Or Lack Thereof – Randy VanBuren, Volunteer Trustee

You might have noticed we have had very little beach this year. Yes, I write this with sarcasm in mind. It's no secret though, sand on the surface was scarce. You might be aware though, over a span of two years, August 2013 to August 2015, the monthly average for Lake Michigan and Lake Huron has gone from nearly 1.5 feet below the monthly average to 0.67 feet above the average level. That is a swing of 2.33 feet. With that in mind, it's easy to see that our beach that we enjoyed for the last couple of years was actually working in lower than normal, lake levels. The increase in average for Lakes Michigan and Huron impact Lake Erie significantly as 95% of Lake Erie inflow comes from the Detroit River water flow from the upper lakes. It's forecasted by some that Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Erie are all expected to follow their typical seasonal trends at above average levels, remaining above their monthly and long-term averages into summer of 2016.

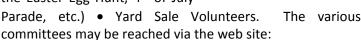
So, how do we get our beach back. There may be a few things that we can do proactivity in order to enjoy sand at the beach in 2016. We're investigating dredging sand back into the northwest corner of the beach and possibly slightly increasing the height of the break-wall on that side as the water level is at or above the wall today which would likely cause any new sand to wash. Additionally, we have to be concerned with a rough nor'easter storm that could push and pull the sand out of position after we spend the dollars to improve it. Finally, if we place a significant amount of sand in the corner and the lake levels drop, we may likely have very little water area on that side (west side of the "beach"). We're looking at options and are in the process of consulting with experts in order to come up with a tactical plan for 2016 that is also strategic for the long term. If you have expertise in the field, please feel free to share input. My email address is rcvanburen@sbcglobal.net.

### **Committee and Event Volunteers Needed**

Several volunteers are no longer with us on the various committees & events for our neighborhood and we need

your help. You can help as much or as little as you would like with a committee or event such as: Covenants/Restrictions • Financial •

Landscaping/Beautification • Recreational (including the subcommittees for events like the Easter Egg Hunt, 4<sup>th</sup> of July



http://www.lakeerieshores.com/contactUs.aspx

## Speed Limits

The speed limit in the neighborhood, and the speed limit on Lake Road are both 25 mph.



### Brush Drop Off is Still Open

According to the Painesville Township web site:



The brush, leaf and yard waste drop off area is open on Wednesdays from 7:30 am until 3:00 pm and Saturdays from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm.

#### **Contact Information**



Lake Erie Shores Web Site www.LakeErieShores.com

Home Owners Association Committees Welcoming Committee (welcome@lakeerieshores.net) Covenants/Restrictions Committee Chair - OPEN Financial Committee Chair -Randy Van Buren (rcvanburen@sbcglobal.net) Landscaping & Beautification Committee - Dave Spall (davidspall@sbcglobal.net) Recreation Committee Chair -Jonathon Adkins (jonsuzannaadkins@sbcglobal.net) Volunteer Coordinator - OPEN Newsletter Committee Chair Jim Sorenson

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If you observe an odor, please call Lake County officials at 350-2543 and note the time, location and a description of the odor.