



# Guthrie Lakes LYRIC

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## Deforestation Frustrates Area Residents

The EFPOA Board and Guthrie Lakes residents want to thank board member, Tom Jeffery, for taking the lead in collecting details and information on the recent MDNR (Michigan Department of Natural Resources) tree cutting activities that have been sanctioned next to our Guthrie Lakes community. Tom has communicated with local MDNR representatives, county officials, Michigan National Guard Base staff and our state representative, Triston Cole to state and explain our concern about the current and long term impact of this recent action by MDNR. Concerns certainly include the negative visual results of the cutting, as well as removing what has helped buffer the noise from the nearby bombing range. Contact Tom if you have further questions on this topic.

## Upcoming Social Committee Activities

- Sat. Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve Pig Roast Pot Luck - 6:30 PM
- Sat. Jan. 7 - Pancake Breakfast - 9 AM Clubhouse
- Sat. Jan. 21 - Soup Social Pot Luck - 5:30 PM
- Sat. Feb. 4 - Pancake Breakfast - 9 AM Clubhouse
- Sat. Feb. 18 - EFPOA Board Meeting - 10 AM (open to all residents)
- Sat. March 4 - Pancake Breakfast - 10 AM
- Sat. April 1 - Pancake Breakfast - 10 AM
- Sat. May 6 - Pancake Breakfast 10 AM, EFPOA Board Mtg. 10 AM
- Sat. July 1 - Annual Meeting - 10 AM

## Clubhouse Open Hours: January - April

Mon-Tues-Wed-Thurs: 10 AM to Noon

Friday: 10 AM to Noon, 4 PM - 8 PM

Saturday: 10 AM to 8 PM

Sunday: Closed

## From the President

*By Tony Esson*

Well, it seems that Old Man Winter has finally decided to get down to business. Recent snowfall has been adding up, and those of us that winter up north can begin to enjoy some of what makes a Michigan winter special.

Renovations to the exterior of the Clubhouse continue. Our Contractor is busy installing the remaining areas of siding, and cleaning up loose ends. We will hold off on installation of the stone work until spring when we have more favorable weather to ensure a better end product. We are excited to see the end result, but even partially complete, the Clubhouse looks much more inviting and up to date.

Three officials from Camp Grayling visited with us during our December Board meeting; Lieutenant Colonel Tom Green, Lieutenant Colonel Matthew Trumble and Sargent Jeremie Mead. They were present to listen to member concerns about military aircraft flying low over our neighborhood, the recent accidental weapons release that occurred near Lazure, maintaining ground water quality, and the clearcutting that was sanctioned by the MDNR along Fantasy. All in all, it was a positive discussion, and it does appear that Camp Grayling is still interested in being a good neighbor. Officials indicated that they would look into stationing a representative here during the peak of the summer range activities so they can bear witness to that which our members are concerned with. That is a step in the right direction with regard to how military aircraft use the airspace overhead. Military officials also offered to investigate possible ways to help restore the sound barrier that was removed by the MDNR with the clearcutting along Fantasy. The possibility of an earth embankment and tree screen along the powerline at Seven Hills (east of Fantasy) were discussed. This might also help keep unauthorized ATV's and Snowmobiles from entering the neighborhood from that part of the range through the new clear cut.

Planning discussions have begun on future capital improvements including relocation/replacement of the boat house, replacement of the old storage barn (by the tennis courts) with a new barn located on the Clubhouse grounds, and of course, we cannot forget about the pool. We are very early in the planning stages for replacement of these items, and are investigating a planned replacement of the pool rather than waiting for it to fail beyond repair. At this time, we are gathering costs, considering funding options, and of course setting aside surplus maintenance fees so that we can approach the projects proactively.

Thanks to everyone that attended our Christmas celebration party and helped to decorate our tree. We have a New Year's Eve Pig Roast planned again this year, and are looking forward to another great get together.

Please keep an eye on the association website and calendar of events and join us at the clubhouse for some good food, good friends, and good old fashioned fun.

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS to all!**

### EFPOA Member Directory

To make sure you are included in the next issue (2017) of the EFPOA Member Directory, contact Sherice, our Business Manager, and share your information. If you have changed a phone number, permanent address or email address, let us know. To check how you are listed in the current directory to make sure it's accurate, call Sherice at 989.732.1942. or email her at [Manager@efpoa.com](mailto:Manager@efpoa.com).



### USE A CAN!!

Residents are expected to put their weekly garbage out at the street in "critter proof" containers... but several residents aren't following this protocol. The result is a scattering of personal garbage all over the edge of the street. Please use a garbage can so your trash is contained until the truck comes by on Wednesday.

### It's About All the Unhealthy Oak Trees...

It's called "Oak Wilt" and it can attack most kinds of oak trees. A specific fungus causes the disease by invading the vascular system of the tree. The high risk period for fungus transmission is April 15 to July 15 but many trees infected last spring/summer need to be removed. The MDNR is planning to remove infected oak trees to reduce the spread of the fungus. You should be notified in advance if any infected trees on your property are scheduled for removal. For more information, google "oak wilt" for more details or contact Scott Lint, Forest Health Technician at the Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources in Cadillac (231.775.9727 Ext. 6051) or email him at: [lints@michigan.gov](mailto:lints@michigan.gov).



### Hey! Keep It Nice!

Our Clubhouse has a nice set of exercise equipment on the lower level. Those who use it are expected to keep it clean and respect it. Sanitary wipes are now being provided so that parts of the equipment that come in contact with sweat can be wiped clean.

## It's about the Clubhouse Dumpster!!

Well, some people seem to think they can put construction crud, dry wall, and old tires in this dumpster. NO!! This dumpster is just for household waste, primarily to service weekenders who leave Sunday night and won't be here for Wednesday's regular trash pick-up.

### See Low-flying Military Airplanes over Guthrie Lakes??

The Grayling National Guard has rules for pilots as to how high they should fly (>1500 feet) over our residential neighborhood. If you see low-flying military aircraft, please **report it that day** to the Military Relations department at Camp Grayling by calling 989-354-6335. This allows those in charge at the airfield to follow-up with that day's pilots to let them know they violated set flight standards.



### In Remembrance

On November 7<sup>th</sup> Jason Hoffmann who lives on Sherwood Drive passed away. Jason has lived here for several years and served on the EFPOA Board in the past.

On November 30<sup>th</sup> we lost Don Hart who has lived for many years with his wife, Caroline, on Goodfellow Drive. Don was a frequent volunteer member on committees in the neighborhood and regularly led military programs for us on Memorial Day at the Clubhouse.



### What should EFPOA improve next??

As the Board better manages the budget and expenses, the association begins to have a dollar reserve. This reserve was recently used to complete the external renovation of the exterior 3 sides of the Clubhouse. What would residents like to have next? Please come to the Annual Meeting July 1<sup>st</sup> with ideas to suggest, or share with President, Tony Esson.