# PLAA Winter Newsletter December 2024



### Recent activities...

**LAKE**: A grateful thank you to the dozen volunteers who attended the October 19<sup>th</sup> clean up. Much was accomplished and items winterized. For this winter season, some aerators will continue to run in the lake. \*\*Warning signs noting thin ice are posted at both beaches.\*\* Please be careful if you are near the lake or happen to be on it.

## **BEACH & BEAUTIFICATION:**

Both the small and big beach swim platforms were moved to the sand areas of their respective beaches during the Fall cleanup. With the recent rain and snowfall, the small beach platform is now back in the lake and drifting.

## **ROADS & SNOWPLOWING:**

All roadways need to remain clear within Little Punderson--keep vehicles in driveways or designated parking areas, especially during the winter season as snow accumulates so plow drivers can clear our roadways safely. As posted in the PLAA October Newsletter, please address any plowing or salting safety issues directly to Joe Pastor, owner of J&D Landscapes, 440-319-8928. Joe is a long-time resident of our Association, and a former trustee who has served as Vice President and President. He has a very good working knowledge of our area and requirements. Entrances, curves, and hill areas will be salted as needed. As a reminder, the speed limit within the Association is 15 mph. For safety, emergency, and delivery purposes, make sure your street address is visible from the roadway.

#### **PLAA MEMBERSHIP DUES!!!**

As a reminder, annual Association dues should have been paid in full by **December 1st**. As discussed at the PLAA membership meeting in August, and noted in the PLAA Fall Newsletter, our annual dues did not increase this year and remain \$750. Currently, 55% of PLAA members have paid their dues, or are on a payment plan. The remaining 45% of our members are delinquent! The Board of Trustees is working diligently to resolve this chronic delinquency issue. A recommendation made by some PLAA members in attendance at the annual meeting is to hire legal consul to collect dues. If there is financial stress in your household, the Board has worked with many homeowners and set up payment plans. It is URGENT if you still owe to reach out to the trustees to remedy this. If the trustees are unable to get a higher percentage cooperating and paying their dues, they will be faced with hiring legal representation to remedy this situation. Contact trustees@littlepundersonlake.com to request a payment plan. Dues need to be paid in full to have your membership status in good standing. Liens have been filed with Geauga County and will continue to be filed for property owners whose dues balance totals \$1,000 or more.

To keep our lake community vibrant, we need <u>ALL</u> members to be current with their dues! Membership wristbands will be distributed in the new year.

**NO GARBAGE BURNING!** It is unacceptable and will be given violation and carries a \$250 fine. Here is the information regarding open burning:

Ohio Revised Code 1503.18 Regarding Kindled Fires: O.R.C. 1503.18 is under the authority of the Ohio Division of Forestry. This law prohibits outdoor open burning statewide in unincorporated areas during the months of March, April, May, October, and November between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. This ban includes burning of yard waste, trash, and debris, even in a proper burn barrel.

Ohio Administrative Code 3745.19 Regarding Outdoor Burning O.A.C. 3745.19 is enforced by the Ohio EPA. EPA notification is required for many types of open burns in Ohio. Call 614-644-2270 with questions or visit: <a href="www.epa.ohio.gov/dapc/general/openburning.aspx">www.epa.ohio.gov/dapc/general/openburning.aspx</a> for complete rules and to find your local EPA office or air pollution control agency. EPA Basics for Homeowners: Materials NEVER to be burned at any time or any place in Ohio: • Food Waste • Dead Animals • Materials containing rubber, grease, asphalt, or made from petroleum.

OTHER RESTRICTIONS: • Fires must be more than 1,000 feet from neighbor's inhabited building • No burning when air pollution alert, warning, or emergency is in effect • Fire/smoke cannot obscure visibility on roadway, railways, or airfields • No waste generated off the premises may be burned • No burning within village or city limits or restricted areas.