

# President's Message

As we head into another season at Loon Lake, I'm excited to share several important updates and opportunities to stay connected and involved with the Loon Lake Property Owners Association.

First, we are pleased to report that our name is accurately reflected on the IRS website when searching for nonprofit organizations. The name associated with our EIN number had been the Loon Lake Defense Fund and it has taken several years to fully make the transition. This designation is important for allowing us to expand fundraising efforts and pursue additional grant opportunities. Thank you for your patience as we worked through that process.

We also encourage you to take advantage of several new and easy ways to support the Association. You can now donate directly through our website, making it more convenient than ever to contribute. In addition, we participate in the eScrip program, which allows you to support LLPOA simply by shopping at participating businesses—at no extra cost to you.

To further streamline donations and event transactions, we've added a new card reader, making it easier to contribute or participate when you're with us in person.

We've developed a new marketing brochure, designed to better share who we are, what we do, and why it matters. You'll be able to find it at the Old Schoolhouse and we'll be passing it out at the beach association brunch. Please share it with neighbors and new property owners.

Our committees continue to do outstanding work, and we've added two new committees this year. The Fireworks Committee is already planning another memorable celebration to salute 250 years as a nation, and the newly formed Lake Health Committee will be focused on looking into potential threats to the well-being of our lake. We've also invested in new equipment and are developing an expanded plan for water quality monitoring and improvement—an essential priority for all of us.

Looking ahead, please mark your calendars for our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Beach Association Brunch, scheduled for Saturday, May 16 at 9:30 a.m. at the Old Schoolhouse. Please come or plan to send someone from your group.

Finally, we are always looking for additional directors to join the board. If you care about Loon Lake and want to be more involved, we would love to talk with you. Fresh perspectives and new energy are vital to keeping our organization strong. And be sure to attend our Annual Meeting scheduled for Friday, June 12 at 6:30 p.m at the Old Schoolhouse. This is an important opportunity to hear updates, share ideas, and help shape the future of our community.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to Loon Lake. Together, we make this a wonderful place to live and enjoy.

*by Sue Poe*

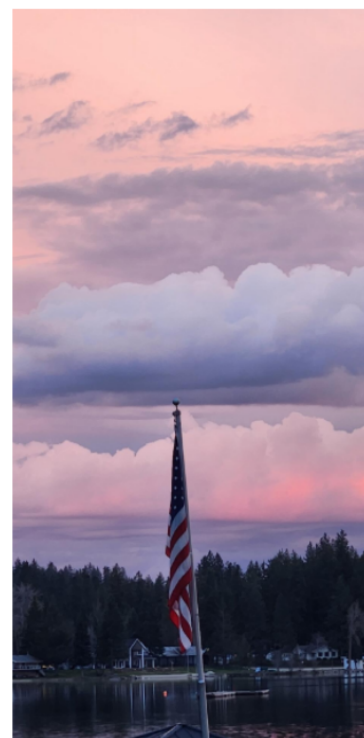


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## ANNUAL MEETING

Friday, June 12  
6:30 p.m.  
Old Schoolhouse

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# Loon & Deer Lakes Spring Chipper Day Cleanup ~ May 30

By Lee Evans

The Loon Lake - Deer Lake Property Owners Association jointly sponsors our local community Chipper Day program. The Chipper Day program is organized by Stevens County Solid Waste Department and provides an employee to routinely maintain, clear and stack the debris for the safe offloading of all trucks and trailers. Thank you to those who have used this valuable clean up event and please pass the word to those friends and neighbors who may not be aware of Chipper Day. We have volunteers who gladly assist in the off-loading of your debris.

**Date:** Saturday May 30      **Time:** 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Location:** Just north of Baldwin's Lumber on Agar Road.

**Cost:** \$10 for truck or trailer loads. (Proceeds support the Lake Associations)

**Clean green only ~ no garbage or lumber. Fall Chipper Day date to be determined.**

## Boat Parade 2026: Party Like It's 1776!!

Get ready to celebrate in true red, white, and blue style! This year's boat parade theme is "**Party Like It's 1776!**"—so break out your patriotic spirit, channel a little Revolutionary flair, and let your creativity shine on the water.

Whether you go all out with colonial costumes, deck your boat in stars and stripes, or add your own fun twist on the theme, we'd love to see you join the parade. It's a highlight of the summer and a great way to celebrate together as a community.

Participation is free, and everyone is welcome! To register, simply arrive at Cedar Beau Bay at 12:30 p.m. and look for the boat marked "REGISTER HERE." Our volunteers will get you signed in and ready to join the lineup.

Gather your crew, decorate your boat, and come be part of the fun. We can't wait to see the lake come alive with patriotic pride!

*For the health of our lake, please biodegradable balloons only.*

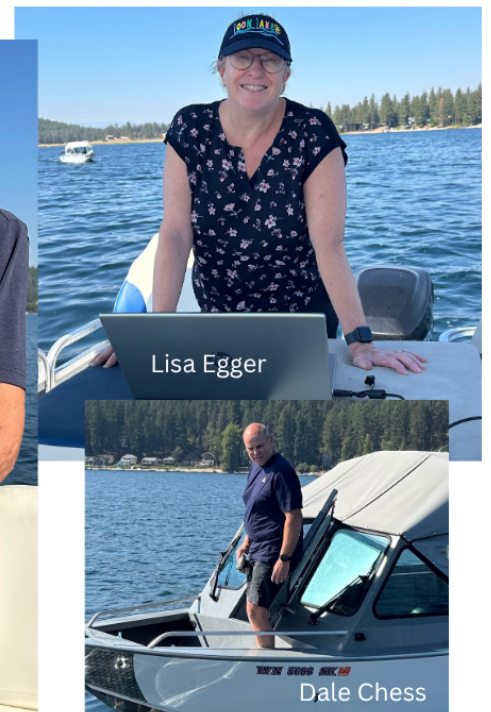
## Volunteers trained on new equipment

by Joann Caruso

Spring is here, summer is coming and once again the water quality volunteers are preparing to continue monitoring the water at Loon Lake. Last fall we received a new sonde purchased by the LLPOA - thank you for all donations! In September, Dale Chess, our limnologist and consultant, completed a training for about 10 volunteers. Thank you Dick Davies for hosting us. As part of the training, a group went out and did some trial runs with the new sonde to be ready for our data collection this summer.

Changes this year include testing monthly beginning in April at two sites for oxygen and temperature. In addition, we will test in August and September for phosphorous, nitrogen as well as oxygen and temperature. Our water capture equipment is in need of replacement and the LLPOA has approved funds for that. We expect to have that equipment by August (currently on back order) for our first of two water capture tests.

Photos by Joann Caruso



## Light Up the Lake: Bigger, Brighter, & 250 Years in the Making!

Get ready—this year’s fireworks celebration is shaping up to be our biggest and most exciting yet! Hosted by the Loon Lake Property Owners Association (LLPOA), we’re going all out to celebrate America’s 250th birthday in true Loon Lake style. The show begins Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10 p.m.

Thanks to the incredible generosity of our community, we’re expecting to raise a record-breaking \$15,000—more than ever before! That support is making it possible to take this year’s show to the next level.

For the first time, we’ll be launching fireworks from two barges, creating a wider, more dynamic display that will light up the entire lake. Pair that with a music soundtrack, and you’ve got a front-row experience no matter where you’re watching.

Want to show your spirit and support the show? Be sure to grab one of our commemorative t-shirts (see the order form below or go to the website at [loonlakepoa.org](http://loonlakepoa.org) to order yours online)! Not only are they a fun way to celebrate this historic year, but every purchase helps fund the fireworks and keeps this tradition going strong.

This is more than just a fireworks show—it’s a celebration of community, country, and 250 years of independence. We can’t wait to share this unforgettable night with all of you.

Stay tuned for more details, and thank you for helping make this year one for the history books!

And be sure to enjoy the boat parade on July 4<sup>th</sup> (see article on page 2) and hopefully we’ll see the Ridler Piano Barge during the weekend as well.

New this year will “Bobbing for Apples”, brought to us by WSU’s College of Agriculture and the Washington Apple Commission. They will be giving away Cosmic Crisp apples to any boaters who stop by the flotilla in the middle of the lake on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the great volunteers, who will be starting a whole new way to tailgate – on a lake!! See you there!

## Enclosed Envelopes

Please use the enclosed envelopes to mail in your annual dues, donations, and any updated contact information.

We’ve aligned our fiscal year with the calendar year to simplify recordkeeping and make it easier to track your dues payments.

And don’t forget to let us know if you’d like to volunteer—we’d love to have your help!

## Escrip - Now at Yokes!

Shop at Yoke’s and support the LLPOA automatically —Yoke’s donates up to 5% of your purchases back to us. Simply stop by the customer service desk to pick up your card and get started. **Our group ID number is 500756368.**

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

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**LOON LAKE FIREWORKS FUNDRAISER**

*This year we're raising \$15,000 to make the fireworks show brighter than ever, with the addition of synchronized music on the lake! Let's make the night sky over Loon Lake come alive!!*

<p><b>"GRANDE FINALE CREW"</b> <b>\$1000 LEVEL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Light Up the Lake" dock flag</li> <li>• Name announced at the fireworks and printed on the official 2026 t-shirt</li> <li>• Recognition in newsletter and on social media</li> </ul>	<p><b>"ROCKET BOOSTERS"</b> <b>\$500 LEVEL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mini flag or dock sign</li> <li>• Recognition in newsletter and on social media</li> </ul>
<p>Every dollar counts toward keeping the sky — and our community — glowing.</p> <p>You can make a donation of any amount to make this year special.</p> <p>By Mail: PO Box 165 Loon Lake, WA 99148</p>  <p>Online: <a href="http://www.loonlakepoa.org">www.loonlakepoa.org</a></p>	<p><b>"SPARKLER SOCIETY"</b> <b>\$250 LEVEL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Window cling</li> <li>• Recognition in newsletter and on social media</li> </ul>
<p><b>"FIRECRACKER FRIENDS"</b> <b>\$100 LEVEL</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mini flag or dock sign</li> <li>• Recognition in newsletter and on social media</li> </ul>	

**Any Amount Helps!!**

**Deadline: May 30, 2026**

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Large image front



Rear image



Small image front

T-Shirts will be available for pickup at Uniquely Made Decor, 4009 Cedar St, Loon Lake WA 99148. Please pickup before they close on Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

*Make checks payable to:*  
**Loon Lake Property Owners Association**  
and mail to **PO BOX 165, Loon Lake, WA 99148**

## Thank you from Food Bank

Dear LLPOA Members,

Thank you for your generous contributions toward the cooler reconstruction at the Loon Lake Food Bank. Your support was instrumental in demonstrating that our community truly values the work of the food bank and the neighbors we serve. Because of your commitment, we were able to secure a grant from Avista to cover much of the cost of rebuilding the cooler into a reliable, energy-efficient system that will serve our community for years to come. We are deeply grateful for your partnership and belief in this mission.

*With sincere thanks,  
Liz Bauer, Operations Manager  
Loon Lake Food Bank*

## Beach Association Brunch

The LLPOA invites representatives from each of the Beach Associations to the 3rd Annual Brunch, scheduled for Saturday, May 16 at 9:30 a.m. at the Old Schoolhouse.

This is a great time to connect with others around the lake, meet your neighbors, and share concerns and information that are important to us all. It's also an opportunity to hear updates on lake-wide initiatives, discuss common goals, and strengthen the sense of community that makes Loon Lake such a special place.

Whether you're a long-time representative or new to your association, your voice and perspective are valuable. We encourage each beach association to send at least one representative to participate in this casual and informative gathering.

Coffee and brunch items will be provided. We look forward to a morning of good conversation, collaboration, and community spirit.

## Eurasian Milfoil in Loon Lake: What residents need to know

*Lee Evans LMD Chairperson*

Eurasian watermilfoil—and its even more aggressive hybrid form—continues to be one of the biggest ecological challenges facing Loon Lake. This invasive aquatic plant spreads rapidly, forming dense underwater growth and thick surface mats that interfere with boating, swimming, fishing, and the overall health of the lake.

### Why It's a Problem

- Milfoil outcompetes native plants, reducing habitat for fish and wildlife.
- Dense mats can alter water chemistry and contribute to poor water quality.
- Recreational use suffers, and property values can be affected.
- A fragment as small as one-tenth of an inch can start a new plant, making accidental spread extremely easy.

### How It Spreads

Milfoil reproduces mainly through fragmentation. Disturbing the plant—raking, pulling, or chopping it with boat propellers—creates new fragments that drift, sink, and root elsewhere in the lake.

### Management at Loon Lake

The Loon Lake Lake Management District (LMD) oversees annual surveys, mapping, and targeted herbicide treatments performed by licensed professionals. Community education and prevention remain central to slowing the spread. LMD meetings are the second Monday of each month April – October. Our meeting location is the Loon Lake fire station with meetings starting at 6:30 pm. We encourage the Loon Lake community to attend our monthly meetings to better understand our efforts to protect Loon Lake.



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