

# WOODHAVEN NEWS

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Daniel Rossi

Chris Collins

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*H*appy Holidays from all of us on the Board of Directors. We would like to thank you for an amazing past year, and we hope the new year brings many blessings to you and your families. We look forward to seeing everyone back for the 2023 season!

As 2023 rolls in, be on the look out for two new changes with the Woodhaven News. Instead of a letter from just the President, we will be rotating messages from all the board members so our membership can get better acquainted with each of them. We will also be giving this publication a new and updated design!

John Shefcik

Diane Connelly

Harry Koepfel





## management report



jeff hickey | executive director  
amy ackert | g.m. administrative services  
randy koehler | g.m. member services

As we move past the holidays and into the heart of the winter season, our minds begin to visualize and long for the upcoming recreation season. The sights and sounds of children laughing and playing at the playgrounds, bands rocking at the Pavilion, the smells of tanning lotion at the pools and beach, and John's Rib House barbeque wafting through the air. Ahhhhh, summertime at Woodhaven!



But here we are, snapped back to the present with frigid temperatures, and the possibility of sleet and snow of Illinois Januarys and Februarys. While to most, it may seem like the bulk of the work at Woodhaven is accomplished during the summer season, Woodhaven staff and Board are working diligently during the recreation "off-season" to prepare not only for the upcoming season, but for years long into the future.



Recreation staff work to secure old favorites and new bands, live entertainment, and food trucks for the upcoming season. Maintenance and Resources continue maintenance of vehicles equipment and buildings, tree removal, trail work and nuisance abatement work. Janitorial completes floor waxing and deep cleaning of many of the facilities. Public Safety completes walking lot to lot safety checks. Realty begins the process of securing property listings for the upcoming season by reaching out to Owners who don't use their property anymore. ESAC reviews the season's permits and plays catch-up with paperwork and filing. And Administrative staff and the Board continue to work through the winter months finalizing and approving the annual budget along with assessment levels, reviewing and updating our governing documents, and reviewing and approving projects for the upcoming fiscal year.

At the December 13, 2022, Board Meeting, the Board of Directors approved the assessment levels for the 2023 – 2024 fiscal year. They are set at \$1,465 for lots with sewer service and \$1,350 for lots without sewer. Two payment options will remain available for annual assessment payments. A full assessment payment made on or before March 31, 2023, will provide a \$30 discount on lots with sewer and \$25 discount for lots without sewer. The second option offers three installment payments with 50% of the assessment due on or before March 31, 2023; a second installment payment of 25% of the assessment due on or before May 31, 2023; and a final payment of 25% of the assessment due on or before July 31, 2023. You can expect to see your assessment invoices for the 2023 – 2024 fiscal year in the mail some time in mid to late January. Please take time to look over your invoice carefully when received and contact the Association Office with any questions or concerns at 815-849-5209.

The Board of Directors also approved a resolution to redistribute the entirety of surplus funds from Woodhaven's March 31, 2022, financial statements of \$10,577 to the Association's reserve funds. Work on the budget process continues through the winter months until March 2023 when the final budget is scheduled for approval by the Board of Directors. Work also continues updating our five-year operating plan, reserve plans and to prepare monthly budget projections for next fiscal year. All changes and adjustments are subject to Committee and Board review and approval.

## Employee Service Awards

Each year, at the staff Christmas party in December, we recognize Woodhaven employees for their years of service working for the Association. We firmly believe we have not only a staff, but also a working environment, second-to-none. This is proven by the longevity and years of service Woodhaven employees provide for you and to your Association. As always, and you can ask any employee, our main goal is to provide you with the best possible service to help enhance your enjoyment of Woodhaven's facilities, amenities, and services.

### FIVE-YEAR AWARDS

- Maddi Pearson – ESAC Inspector
- Brandon Jacobs – Utilities Technician
- Terry Klein – Resource Technician
- Sam Owens – Information Systems Manager

### TEN-YEAR AWARDS

- Nick O'Rourke – Public Safety Officer
- Shannon VanDrew – Public Safety Dispatcher
- Bobby Senn – Maintenance Technician

### FIFTEEN-YEAR AWARD

- Susan McGraw – ESAC Manager

### TWENTY-FIVE YEAR AWARD

- Randy Koehler – General Manager, Member Services

People will always be Woodhaven's greatest asset. The above individuals, along with all employees, are important members of the Woodhaven Family and their abilities and contributions are appreciated and an important part our continued success.

## Chicago RV & Camping Show

Woodhaven Lakes Realty staff will be representing Woodhaven at the 54th Annual Chicago RV & Camping Show, Thursday, February 16 – Sunday, February 19, 2023, at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, IL. Watch our Facebook Page for more information and details on discounted show tickets.

## Project Updates & Other Information

- Comfort Stations open for the winter are 3, 9, 17 & 22.
- Leaf vacuuming and bag pick-up is completed for the season. Bag pick-up will resume in the spring on April 15, 2023.
- Clean-up of nuisance abatement lots was started in mid-December and will continue until completed.
- Work continues on the Unacceptable Materials Compound at the Maintenance Building. Portions of the fencing have been installed closest to Woodhaven Drive. Fence gates, card readers and additional cameras have yet to be installed.
- The Well #2 Pump & Motor replacement project has been completed.
- Woodhaven Members and guests played 1,881 rounds of golf at Shady Oaks Country Club, receiving discounts totaling \$15,190 in 2023. 273 lots participated in this program.

# Snow & Ice Control Procedures

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- The decision to plow snow and/or apply ice control materials to Woodhaven's roads will be made by Maintenance Department personnel and will be based on a variety of factors including: forecasted depth of snow and temperatures, time of day, and scheduled activities and events.
- When blinding conditions exist, all equipment will be pulled off the roads until it is safe to operate.
- Woodhaven Drive East and West, Greenbriar Trail, Mayfair Trail, and Cranhurst Trail are priority roads. These roads are plowed and/or spread with chips in their entirety first. Secondary roads and cul-de-sacs are plowed only after the priority roads are tended.
- Specific problem areas will be handled as soon as possible after the Maintenance Department has been notified. Emergencies should be directed to the Main Gate by calling 815-849-5915.
- Property Owners are required to remove vehicles completely from the road at all times during the snow removal process. Citations will be issued to violators.
- Plows may make several passes in order to widen the roads. "Windrows" are unavoidable.
- Plows will not be lifted at any entrance to individual driveways.
- Maintenance personnel are prohibited from plowing private driveways; clearance of driveway entrances is the responsibility of the Campsite owner.
- Association personnel are prohibited from using Woodhaven vehicles for the purpose of pulling or towing owners or guest's vehicles.



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## Woodhaven's Honor Roll of Veterans

We are continuing to seek the names of Woodhaven Property Owners and their immediate family who are US veterans or active duty. We will be adding to the list we compiled in 2019 and 2020 - if you submitted your info already, we will continue to include you. The Association would be honored to post these names in the *Woodhaven News*. You can fill out the form and return it to the Association Office, online [here](#) or you can send us a message through Facebook. We will continue to accept submissions and publish the list annually.

Thank you for your time and thank you for your service to our country!

### Woodhaven's Honor Roll of Veterans

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Lot: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Military: \_\_\_\_\_

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**board action report**

The following actions were taken or reported by the Board of Directors at their November 14th, 2022 Meeting. *Full meeting minutes will be posted to the Members tab on our website after approval at the December 3rd meeting.*

1. Motion was made to approve the November 2, 2022 – Board of Directors’ Meeting Minutes. Motion passed with 5 ayes and 1 abstention.
2. Motion was made to approve the ESAC Board of Review Recommendations from November 5, 2022, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Motion was made to approve the proposal for the furnace replacement at the General Store from John’s Service and Sales for the 15-ton system for a cost of \$19,846. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Motion was made to approve the proposal for the 100-gallon water heater replacement at the General Store from Most Plumbing & Mechanical for \$15,300. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Motion was made to approve the contractor, Wolber and Sons, for the trail improvement project for a cost of \$17,567. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Motion was made to approve the Resolution to adopt the Board Meeting Schedule for 2023. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Motion was made to approve the Employee Christmas Gifts. Motion passed unanimously.

**BOARD & COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

*\*Meetings are subject to change, please check our website to view the most up-to-date schedules before attending a meeting.*

*Please see the online Event Calendar for details - many meetings will continue to be on a virtual platform. Board meeting agendas will be posted to Facebook prior to each meeting.*

<b>January</b>		
10th	Board of Directors’ Meeting, NIU Conference Center	7:00 p.m.
16th	Finance Committee Meeting, NIU Conference Center	7:00 p.m.
23rd	Board of Directors’ Meeting, NIU Conference Center	7:00 p.m.
<b>February</b>		
14th	Board of Directors’ Meeting, NIU Conference Center	7:00 p.m.
20th	Finance Committee Meeting, NIU Conference Center	7:00 p.m.
27th	Board of Directors’ Meeting, NIU Conference Center	7:00 p.m.

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1002 8th Ave

Rock Falls

A large corner lot is what this listing boasts! This 3 bedroom home includes a main floor full bathroom and laundry room. A sun porch to enjoy a morning cup of coffee. Beautiful woodwork in the living room which features a lovely wooden staircase. Call for a showing today. **\$65,999.**



582 US RT 52

Sublette

An abundance of room inside and outside is what this property boasts! Nestled in this 3+ acres is a lovely and updated 5 bedroom and 4 bathroom home. The loft offers endless possibilities. Also included is a large building for storing your bigger toys. Don't let this one slip away - call for a showing today! **\$314,900**



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Don't miss out on this pristine, open floor plan situated in a quiet neighborhood! Home was custom built for the original owner who kept home in like-new condition, and it shows! Main floor has 3 bedrooms, full bath with jet tub, separate shower and laundry, and open kitchen/living/dining area. Kitchen boasts beautiful oak cabinetry and new hardware as well as new appliances. Basement features a family room, full bath, 2 bedrooms, and storage/work space. Enjoy the outdoors on the 3-tiered deck with pergola in private backyard surrounded by over 30 mature spruce trees. Plenty of storage between closets, basement, and under-deck shed. **\$189,900**

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# RECREATION & ACTIVITIES



## CABIN FEVER

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH**

Don't let the cold weather keep you from having some winter fun! Head out to Woodhaven on Saturday, February 4th for our annual Cabin Fever Festival! Bundle up and head out to welcome the winter season with open arms. Cabin Fever brings a wide variety of activities for you to choose from. As always, we will look to good old Mother Nature for cooperation. Even if she doesn't cooperate, we will adapt our activities for whatever she throws our way.

For the fishing enthusiast, we will hold our Annual Ice Fishing Tournament on Saturday, February 4th (weather and ice permitting). The tournament will be held again through the Fish Donkey app, make sure to download that app for more information. The Rec Plex will be "home base" for all the games and fun; check in there first to get started. We will be hosting our annual Poker Run, arcade tournaments, BINGO, & more! We will also have sleds available to those who would like to brave the cold weather and take a trip down the sled hill. We will keep the fun rolling all day, but remember to dress for the weather, whatever it may bring! Don't worry; there won't even be time to think about feeling cold when you're having fun at Woodhaven!

Shake out that Cabin Fever and settle at Woodhaven for a day of fun in the snow! As we get closer to the date, visit our Facebook Page or the Woodhaven website at [www.woodhavenassociation.com](http://www.woodhavenassociation.com) for a complete listing of events and schedule updates. We also recommend signing up for the Woodhaven email updates, which can be done by visiting the Woodhaven website or App. This will give you access to the most up-to-date information available. Please remember that the activities listed below are subject to change depending on scheduling and the weather conditions that weekend. Some activities may be substituted for others as necessary.

### Cabin Fever Schedule (Schedule subject to change)

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

Ice Fishing Tournament .....	8 a.m.-3 p.m. ....	All Lakes
Poker Run .....	10 a.m.-3 p.m. ....	Multi-Purpose Room/Trails
Sledding Hill .....	Fun All Day .....	Sled Hill- Rec Plex
Arcade Game Tournaments .....	12 p.m.-2 p.m. ....	Rec Plex
SNOWMOBILE DRAG RACES .....	TBA .....	Woodhaven Lake
BINGO .....	4 p.m. ....	Multi-Purpose Room - Rec Plex

Dear Santa my name is Kendall and I am 6 years old. I have been a good girl this year. I work hard at school. I have many new friends. I am kind and I share with everyone. my wish list is a Barbie dreamhouse  
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Season's Greetings  
 Dear Santa From: Emma  
 I will be in Florida once again this year  
 Will you please bring presents to Florida. I'm so excited for Christmas to come,  
 What I want for Christmas this year is American girl doll  
 Stuffed squishy maker, Poska pens, art stuff, diamond art  
 Decor for room, Fidgets, new popsockets for my phone, New phone, auto brush, Film for camera

**welcome new property owners - november**

"Welcome" to all our new Woodhaven Property Owners and families.

Sec/Lot	Name	City	State
1/79	ANN & MICHAEL LUTZ	WAUKESHA	WI
1/90	STEVEN & PATRICIA MARCHESE	BROOKFIELD	IL
2/35	MOISES GUTIERREZ	WESTCHESTER	IL
2/166	SUSANNE LE ROY	HUDSON	WI
3/31-32	NATHANIEL & GENOLIA SMITH	PLAINFIELD	IL
4/2	TRICA OCHOA	MONTGOMERY	IL
4/135	DANIEL & ROBERT CICMANSKY	JANESVILLE	WI
4/154	COLLEEN VANDERWARREN & JOSEPH KOLE	WORTH	IL
5/375	DAVID BAKER	DEKALB	IL
5/378	ROBERT EAMES	DEKALB	IL
7/14	AGUSTIN & EDELIA MARCHAN	CHICAGO	IL
7/61-62	LINDA ESPINOSA	FRANKLIN PARK	IL
7/63	JOHN BECKMAN II	CHICAGO	IL
7/136	SHAWN BIEDA	DARIEN	IL
10/65	ANTONELLA BARSELLOTTI	SCHAUMBURG	IL
13/36-37	CHARLES & STEPHANIE SMITH	CARPENTERSVILLE	IL
14/19-20	KRISTIN & ANTHONY CUELLAR	HUNTLEY	IL
14/68	ANTONIO GONZALEZ	BARTLETT	IL
15/38	DANIEL SKRZYPEK	MCHENRY	IL
16/116-7	MARK GUERRA	BEECHER	IL
16/197	ASHLEY BLAHA	HUNTLEY	IL
16/197	DIANE BLAHA	HAMPSHIRE	IL
17/268	THOMAS SULLIVAN	LYONS	IL
22/137	ELVIN FIGUEROA	WAUKEGAN	IL
23/92	RUSSELL SERGENT	MUSKEGO	WI
23/195-6	PATRICK & JOANN MCDONALD	LOCKPORT	IL
24/95	DENISE & FRANK SLOWINSKI	DIXON	IL
25/144	GIACOMO FERRI	NORTHLAKE	IL
26/215	JOSE L & LILLIANA SERRANO	BERWYN	IL
28/53	DANIELLE & ASCENCION CENTENO	CORTLAND	IL
29/239-40	VICTORIA MCNEAL	GREEN BAY	WI
29/254	ZACHARY & BRITTANY FULLMER	LEE	IL

**section representatives & alternates**

SECTION	REPRESENTATIVE	ALTERNATE
Section 1	Nancy Nieslawski	Alex Esparzal
Section 2	Pat Sirbas	Jane Elliott
Section 3	Maria Dellegrazio	Judy Gonzalez
Section 4	Gregg Swanstrom	Pam Smith
Section 5	Marcia Kosowski	Diane Koeppel
Section 6	Michael Flanigan	Pat Winters
Section 7	Karen Larson	Lee Patterson
Section 8	Linda Smith	Mary Muir
Section 9	Jack Meyers	
Section 10	Bob Palatine	Tony Lona
Section 11	Dawn Anama	Rose Galarza
Section 12	Heather Hansen	
Section 13	Shannon Eaden	
Section 14	Jeraldine Elliott	
Section 15	Nancy Jackson	Elaine Ayres
Section 16	Ernest Mitchell	Jenice Pepoon
Section 17	Jose Navarro	Darlene Singleton
Section 18	Rosemary Colness	Joanne Lencki
Section 19		
Section 20		
Section 21	Todd Moffett	Shaunta Stocking
Section 22	Kathy Brush	Kim Gibas
Section 23	Brenda Kriss	Rita Olsen
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**public safety citations - november**

Sec/Lot	Owner/Guest	Offense
10/195	Owner	Violation of a Board of Directors Decision
16/151	Owner	Second RV Violation
16/151	Owner	Second RV Violation

**registered sex offender list**

Robert Hipshur ..... Sec. 21, Lot. 33  
 William Dubois ..... Sec. 17, Lot. 122-123  
 Christopher Jamroz ..... Sec. 11, Lot. 203



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esac citations - november

Sec/Lot	Violation
1/50	Rotten wood on shed; tape on RV window; RV awning damaged
1/145	Broken window on room; damaged shed roof; cord plugged in
2/32	Shingles missing from shed; shed door not closing
2/57	Oversized utility trailer on lot; seawall/boat launch eroding
2/90	Rotten wood on shed; RV awning damaged; bldg materials
2/104	Spray foam on room; broken room window; RV door not secure
2/140	RV/deck less than 15' from front; no glass on room; bldg mat
2/152	No permit for dog run; dog run less than 7' from line; bldg mat
2/219	No permit for RV or patio; shed roof damaged; fire pit exceeds 4'
2/224	Flex line not connected to sewer inlet
2/247	Damaged outlet on lift station; rotten wood on shed
2/251	Bldg mat-lumber, pallets, blocks; inapp storage-buckets of debris
2/285	Flex line buried; flex line not connected to RV; plastic on roof
3/20	LP under window A/C; exposed wire at junction box; ext. cord
3/40	No permit for patio; over 400 sq ft patio on lot; exposed wire
3/118	Exposed wire on RV cord
3/139	Rotten wood on deck; exposed wires; shed door not closing
3/175	Building materials - lumber, railing
4/96	Floor mat and blocks on RV roof vent
4/125	Tape on RV seam; RV awning damaged; extension cord plugged
4/176	Exposed wire on shed; bldg materials-metal roofing, blocks, PVC
4/217	Rotten wood on shed; RV seams open; RV roof vent damaged
5/109	Building materials - chicken wire, lumber
5/116	No permit for locker; hole in deck; building materials
5/178	Damaged siding on room; shed seam open; bldg materials
5/203	RV seam open; RV/room connection open
5/204	Building materials - lumber, lattice
5/223	Tape on RV door; RV service door not secure; exposed wire
5/246	Permit for deck and patio expired - 180 days; over 400 sq ft deck
5/249	Tape securing NEMA3 to post; hole in side of NEMA3
5/323	Permit for RV not complete - needs survey
5/336	Bottom trim missing from RV entrance door
5/377	Broken window on RV
5/472	Building materials - blocks, bricks
5/486	Room missing siding; room wall separating; rotten wood on shed
6/1	RV seam open; soffit/fascia on room loose
6/17	Exposed wire under RV
6/39	Exposed wire to light under overhead; rotten wood on shed
6/42	Broken windows on RV; exposed outlet; exposed wood on shed
6/98	Building materials - blocks, flex line, PVC pipes
7/42	RV damaged by tree; broken RV window; vent cover missing
8/7	Not enough glass on room
8/67	Building materials - fence panels
9/154	Damaged siding on shed
9/155	Patio over 155/154 line; items in out lot; damaged RV skirting
9/168	Building materials - flex line
10/80	No face plate in meter box; bldg materials - railroad ties
10/91	Wood covering meter box; rotten wood on shed; open on side
10/105	No permit for gravel; patio less than 5' from line; bldg materials
10/141	Building materials - RV awning, lumber, metal siding, misc items
10/142	Open area below shed door
11/10	Meter pedestal leaning
11/273	RV cord buried; fire pit exceeds 4'; shed/room roofs deteriorated
12/3	Shed shingles deteriorated; hole in shed door; RV seam open
12/36	Tape on RV roof air conditioner
12/63	Shingles missing from shed roof; rotten wood/hole in shed
12/64	Rotten wood on shed
12/65	Hole/rotten wood on shed; RV door trim missing; patio rotten
12/69	Tarp over RV (since 8/27/22); damaged RV skirting
14/27	Face plate in meter box not secure
14/57	Exposed wire from A/C; bldg materials - steps, plywood
14/78	Cement supports over 3" above grade; building materials
14/88	Screen room skirting not set; mismatched skirting; trim missing
15/68	Fire pit in out lot; driveway in out lot; exposed wire at meter
15/141	Insulation falling from room floor; bldg mat - plywood, gate
15/179	Broken window on room; hole/deteriorated shingles on shed
16/17	Exposed outlet on RV; bldg materials; inappropriate storage
16/94	Building materials - lumber, plywood
17/51	RV floor falling; RV seams open; rotten wood on shed
17/100	RV seam open
17/210	Shingles missing from shed
17/213	Exposed wood on room fascia; open between shed doors
17/285	Not enough glass on room
19/32	Culvert over 32/33 line
19/34	Cover on RV A/C damaged
19/106	RV permit expired - 180 days; RV 5' from 106/105 line
20/4	Landscape timbers lining rear property line
21/13	Plywood patches on RV fascia
21/115	Retaining wall deteriorated
22/44	Damaged shingles on shed; hole above shed door
22/93	Building materials - gravel, lumber
22/172	Open area in face plate of meter box
23/82	Brush/firewood stored on utility trailer
23/94	Exposed wire from light into shed
24/72	Rotten wood on shed; bldg mat - blocks; for sale sign on deck
24/98	Hole above shed doors
24/100	Interior damage to room; room roof damaged
24/191	Room permit exp; room missing siding; bldg materials
25/142	Building materials - timbers, plywood
25/154	Registration on motor RV expired 3/31/22
26/47	NEMA3 not secure to post; damaged siding on RV; bldg materials
26/188	Tape on RV cord
26/239	No permit to refresh gravel
27/46	Cover on RV roof air conditioner damaged
27/119	Building materials - lumber, particle board
28/42	Shed roof deteriorated; rotten wood on shed; fire pit not set
28/72	Miscellaneous building materials under room
29/176	Railroad tie foot bridge/driveway deteriorated
29/200	Ramp less than 7'; exposed wire on RV; rotten wood on sheds
29/221	RV seam open; RV roof A/C damaged; RV skirting damaged
29/228	Interior outlet under overhead; cord plugged into outlet
29/314	RV roof air conditioner damaged

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## resource news



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## Resources

It is hard to believe another year has gone by and seemingly faster than the year before. I hope all have made some good memories to cherish in the years to come. I'd like to thank all the anglers who support the bait shop through the season. If you have ideas on how we can better serve you, please feel free to let us know whether in a Speak Up Sheet or personally when you visit next time.

As an update on the stream restoration project, the contractor is waiting on a permit from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to get started with the project. It is hoped that work will have begun as you are reading this article. This stream restoration encompasses the stream running adjacent to the maintenance facility and down through sections 8 and 9 to Bass Lake. The objective is to reduce the extreme erosion occurring along the banks and bed of the stream. The material eroded is ultimately deposited into Bass Lake, so it is important to stop the erosion.

In regard to the deer population, we will continue to monitor deer numbers on property by conducting periodic counts through the coming seasons. This will help us in more precisely assessing the numbers of deer that frequent the property throughout the year.

I appreciate those who have submitted their opinions and concerns relating to the prospect of a deer management program. To reiterate, there has been no proposal submitted to date regarding the removal of deer. Previous Woodhaven News articles have outlined the methods that could be implemented in the removal of deer, but no action has been taken.

In our assessment of the deer herd, it is important we look at it from the perspective of the health of the deer, ecological damage that is occurring in our natural areas because of over browsing, as well as damage to the properties of owners and the Association.

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) is affecting deer populations throughout the northern third of the State with continued spreading of the disease. Woodhaven resides in Lee County which had two positive cases of CWD in the eastern part of the county in recent years. CWD spreads faster in areas of high deer densities. An infected deer could easily travel into this area ultimately infecting the population here. Should we take steps to avert the impacts of high deer densities?

To learn more on the current and historical status of CWD in Illinois go to: [https://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/programs/CWD/Documents/CWD\\_Annual\\_Report\\_2021-2022.pdf](https://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/programs/CWD/Documents/CWD_Annual_Report_2021-2022.pdf)

"There are two spiritual dangers in not owning a farm. One is the danger of supposing that breakfast comes from the grocery, and the other that heat comes from the furnace."

— Aldo Leopold, A Sand County Almanac

## For Those Who Left Watercraft at Storage Areas

Several watercrafts remained on lake storage areas as of December 1. These were picked up and placed in storage until owners come forward to claim them. Rules and Regulations state that watercraft must be removed from common areas and designated lake storage areas by December 1. Letters will be sent out to those with proper identification, unfortunately not all had identification, as required. If you know you left a watercraft at a storage area without identifying numbers, please contact me at the number below. Owners will be required to pay a \$20 pickup fee as well as \$5/month storage fees to claim the watercraft. If you have questions or know that you did not pick up your watercraft, please contact the Resource Department at (815) 849-5209 extension 305.

## Memorable Catches

Some good fish caught from the lakes sent to me by some proud anglers this past season. I always appreciate getting these pictures as they tell a story about the quality of fish residing in our lakes. Given the fishing pressure these fish face throughout the year, there are and have been over the years, a lot of good quality fish taken from the lakes. I know there are many varying opinions related to this topic. It falls back on the anglers to practice good conservation of this resource to ensure long-term sustainability. I am continuing to work towards more restrictive catch limits to help ensure a quality fishery.

Pictures: Clockwise starting upper left-hand corner:

- Dane Rooney: Largemouth Bass – 5 lbs., 22 inches – Bass Lake 9-17-22
- Bernie Scianna: Channel Catfish – 8 lbs. – Bass Lake 9-10-22
- Kevin Moore: Channel Catfish – Pine Lake 9-9-22
- Brian VanVuren: Redear Sunfish – 11 inches - Bass Lake 9-1-22 (Dan VanDeursen holding fish)





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## LANDSCAPE WASTE LOT-to-LOT PICKUP PROCEDURE

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- pile at front of lot in 1 or more windrows
- sticks, rocks, and heavy soil cannot be mixed with leaves
- cold fire pit ashes are to be bagged

### BRUSH

April 15-November 30

WEDNESDAYS

Brush should be stacked parallel to the road at the front of your lot.

#### PAPER BAGS ONLY

June 1-October 31

Only leaves, grass clippings, pine needles, and cold ashes may be placed in paper bags at the front of the lot. Each bag should be light enough to be picked up by one person.

Pickup of Landscape Waste is by Sign Up ONLY

Sign up sheets will be located at:

- The Association Office
- Woody's True Value
- Woody's General Store
- Main Gate
- Woodhaven Lakes Mobile App

Each lot to be picked up must be signed up.

Questions regarding landscape waste pickup can be directed to the Resource Department.

#### VACUUM

November 1-November 30

- the vacuum can pick up loose leaves, grass clippings, pine needles, and leafy garden plants.
- pile at front of lot in 1 or more windrows
- sticks, rocks, and heavy soil cannot be mixed with leaves
- cold fire pit ashes are to be bagged

Refrain from placing any landscape waste in or alongside dumpsters that are located throughout property. A \$100 fine will be imposed for those engaging in this practice.

## 2022 Catch Limits

Largemouth Bass	14" Minimum Length Limit
*recommended voluntary catch & release	1 Fish Daily Limit per Lake
Walleye	2 Fish Daily Limit
	16" Minimum Length Limit
Channel Catfish	4 per Day
Crappie	15 per Day
Trout	3 per Day
Bluegill & Redear Sunfish	No Limits
Bullhead	No Limits
Common Carp	No Limits (Do not release to water)
Grass Carp	RETURN TO LAKE!

**\*Notes:**

- A minimum length limit indicates that fish taken and not returned to the lake are required to be equal to or larger than the stated length. All fish less than the stated length shall be returned to the water being fished.

- A daily limit will pertain to the lake being fished. Anglers will not be allowed to have in possession more than the state limit on any given lake.

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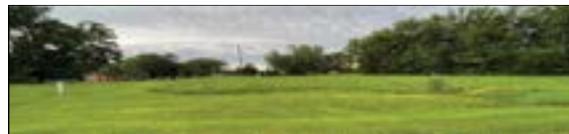
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# THE naturalist CORNER

Alyssa Rod, Nature Center Coordinator

January may start the year, but February determines how much more winter we might be in for, or at least that's the story from Punxsutawney Phil! The holiday we call "Groundhog Day" originally started as Candlemas Day, a day when Christians would take their candles to the church to have them blessed to bring blessings into the home for the remainder of winter. So, what does this have to do with weather reports and groundhogs? The holiday evolved into reporting the weather when an English folk song highlighted the transition: If Candlemas be fair and bright, Come, Winter, have another flight; If Candlemas brings clouds and rain, Go Winter, and come not again. Eventually the tradition was introduced to Germany, and they changed the lore to be: "if the hedgehog saw his shadow on Candlemas Day there would be a Second Winter or 6 more weeks of bad weather". As German settlers came to the United States, their traditions and folklore followed. Since the US has no hedgehogs, they chose the groundhog, a similar hibernating animal. In 1886 Punxsutawney Pennsylvania hosted the first published Groundhog Day and the celebration continues. The most current lore is that February 2nd is the day that the groundhog comes out of his hole after a long winter sleep to look for his shadow. If he sees it, he regards it as an omen of six more weeks of bad weather and returns to his hole. If the day is cloudy and shadowless, he takes it as a sign of spring and stays above ground. So, what do you believe? Find out more about groundhogs on your next visit to the Nature Center!



Stop by the Nature Center during Cabin Fever on Saturday, February 4th to join us for some SNOWtacular wintertime fun! We will be open 10am-3pm. The day will be filled with creative crafts, wintery activities, spectacular snowflakes, and more. Further details will be listed in the Cabin Fever Leisure Times.

**Beware of Invasive Species!** Our focus this month will be on invasive species of Bush Honeysuckle. (If you would like to know more about the difference between invasive, native, and nonnative species, please refer to the April 2022 Naturalist Corner article.)

**Bush Honeysuckles** (*Lonicera* spp.) are found mostly in wooded areas and woodland edges. There are four focus species of bush honeysuckle that are frequently considered invasive in Illinois and the US: Tartarian, Morrow's, Belle, and Amur, although there are several other nonnative species and hybrids. This article will focus on these four bush honeysuckles as a collective species. These species are all considered illegal to distribute, buy, or sell in Illinois as part of the Illinois Exotic Weed Act. Like all invasive species, these shrubby plants take over and push out native species. There is only one native honeysuckle shrub in Illinois, the American fly honeysuckle (*Lonicera canadensis*), which is very rare and has been reported only in Cook County. There are also a few native woody, vine-like honeysuckles in Illinois, including grape honeysuckle (*Lonicera proliifera*), yellow honeysuckle (*Lonicera flava*), and red honeysuckle (*Lonicera dioica*).



These bush honeysuckles are native to Asia and Western Europe. The Tartarian was introduced to North America in 1752. Morrow's and Amur were introduced to the US in 1875 and 1897, respectively. Belle is a hybrid species. In the mid-1920s, the Morton Arboretum (Lisle, IL) noted in their archives that bush honeysuckles had the ability to spread beyond the point of initial planting and by the 1950s, widespread escapes were reported from the eastern US to Ontario Canada. These plants were promoted as an ornamental species and for the improvement of wildlife habitat. At this point, bush honeysuckles can be found taking over native habitats in every county of Illinois; they are also found all throughout Woodhaven!

**Why are bush honeysuckles a problem?** Bush honeysuckles can grow in almost any habitat; they can invade forests with as much as 85% canopy cov-

er where the honeysuckle can cover more than 50%. A couple of the habitats least likely to have bush honeysuckle are low light, old growth, undisturbed, closed canopy forests (due to lack of light) and permanently pastured areas (due to pasture animals feeding on the plant). This means that many native plant species are pushed out when the honeysuckle moves in. Our native animals and insects need native plants to survive. Some species of insects can only survive on one specific type of plant. If that plant is displaced by honeysuckle, that insect/pollinator does not survive. We need pollinators for humans to survive. These honeysuckle shrubs also outcompete our native trees. At Woodhaven this would mean that as our older native maples, oaks, and hickory's die out, new ones will not be growing underneath to take their place. Instead, it will be shrubby, short, honeysuckles that don't offer shade. How to identify bush honeysuckles. Bush honeysuckle is an erect, multi-stemmed, deciduous shrub that grows from 6-20 feet tall and has a shallow root system. It has opposite, simple, entire leaves, and often the older branches are hollow. Bush honeysuckle usually flowers during May and June. Depending on the species, fragrant, tubular flowers can be 5/8 - 3/4 inches long and white to pink or white fading to yellow. The fleshy berries are usually red or red-orange and ripen from June through October. The leaves tend to stay on the plant and stay green through November and sometimes into December or January.

**How do bush honeysuckle spread?** They start by invading areas that are easy to move into like disturbed land. Then they outcompete the native species because of leaf phenology. The bush honeysuckles are one of the earliest plants to leafout in the spring and one of the latest to drop its leaves in the fall. The average number of days, from full leaf expansion until 50% of leaves have dropped, is in between 169-223 days depending on location. Most native shrubs average 120-180 days. Bush honeysuckle grow rapidly and can form very dense, nearly impenetrable thickets. It is also a prolific seed producer. A single six-foot plant in Wisconsin was found to produce 3,554 berries in one year. Each fruit averages 5-7 seeds, so a typical plant could produce more than 20,000 seeds annually! These fruits can be spread by songbirds, deer, and small mammals. While it is a food source, it's not a good one! The fruits are low in fats and not desirable or tasty for the animals. What can I do to help? Removal of these invasive bush honeysuckles is important. Many nature preserves are working on removal on their lands by using mechanical treatments, chemical control, and prescribed burning. According to the Illinois Nature Preserves Commission, all of these methods can work:



- If plants are smaller or only a small infestation, hand pulling can work when soils are moist, and plants are less than 3 feet tall. Using a weed winch or similar tool can also work. Do your best to remove all the root to prevent resprouting. Also think about replanting the disturbed soil with native species to keep other invasives from moving in.
- Larger plants can be cut at the base with brushcutters, chainsaws, or hand tools. This should be followed up immediately with herbicide/chemical applied directly to the cut stump and not the surrounding land. One of the best methods is using a sponge applicator. Make sure to read all instructions and safety guidelines before using any chemicals! The best time for this type of work would be late summer, early fall, or the dormant season as the plant is pulling its nutrients back from the above ground growth into the roots for winter (thus taking the chemical into the roots). Cutting without herbicide application will do little as the cut stems will resprout, sometimes within three weeks.
- Prescribed burning can help with keeping many habitats in better health. A spring prescribed burn will kill seedlings and top kill mature plants. This technique will need to be repeated for a few years and may not do as well in a dense stand area (with a lack of sufficient fuel for the fire). Prescribed burning should be done by trained teams, under the correct conditions, and in areas where fire is allowed.
- For more details about how to remove honeysuckle (and other invasives) visit the Illinois Nature Preserves Invasive Species Management Guidelines at <https://www2.illinois.gov/dnr/INPC/Pages/INPCManagement-Guidelines.aspx>

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<b>6/32</b>	<b>\$39,900</b>	15/141	\$28,000
6/185	\$49,000	15/154	\$13,900
7/57-58	\$78,000	15/181	\$51,900
7/205	\$13,500	16/204	\$89,000
9/43	\$75,000	17/103	\$30,500
9/129	\$19,900	17/249	\$29,999
9/178	\$18,500	20/4	\$28,000
10/82	\$16,900	20/10	\$26,500
10/90	\$46,000	20/37	\$26,500
10/97-98	\$65,500	21/268	\$36,500
10/114-115	\$47,500	22/87	\$19,200
11/113	\$47,500	<b>23/111</b>	<b>\$14,500</b>
11/176	\$19,000	24/262	\$27,500
11/196-197	\$29,000	26/171	\$34,000
11/308	\$27,500	27/107	\$37,900
12/16	\$42,000	29/5	\$28,000
13/57	\$16,500		

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