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To all Runyan Lake Inc. Members,

For all of us waiting to get out on the lake, the warmer temperatures of late are gradually melting the ice. In anticipation of an ice free lake, here are a few reminders:

- **Potential ice damage:** The ice has been melting from the shore towards the center of the lake. Winds will pick up on Thursday, and the remaining ice will likely be pushed across and around the lake. Anything in the path of the ice is likely to be damaged, so be sure items are clear of your shoreline if possible.
- **Boat ramp use:** Once all ice is off the lake we will accept appointments for boat ramp access. Please keep in mind, per our bylaws and Michigan Law, your boat must be registered with the State of Michigan and display valid MC numbers and a valid expiration sticker. All dues for properties in which the RLI Member has an ownership interest must be paid in full. You must be a "Member in good standing" to use the boat ramp. Each watercraft must also display a 2014 RLI boat sticker.
- **Spring time water safety:** After a long winter you should expect some floating objects in the lake. Please use caution during the first week of lake activity, keeping an eye out for objects on the surface and those partially submerged. Please remove anything which might be of danger to your fellow Members. If you cannot remove the object yourself, please contact a trustee for assistance. Please do not disturb the waterski course foam marker in the middle of the lake.
- **Boat stickers:** Even if you don't use the RLI boat ramp to launch your watercraft, an RLI boat sticker is required per our bylaws. Boat stickers allow us to identify owners in case of accidents, when watercraft go adrift, and allow us to have a count of the number of watercraft on the lake for water management purposes. Please contact us to obtain a boat sticker if you don't have one.
- **We are in need of a Social Director.** If you are interested, please reply to this email or give me a call.
- **Additional live band date for 2014** - We have scheduled two live band events for 2014 in response to the interest expressed last year. Rook will play on July 26<sup>th</sup>, and Crewsade will play on August 30<sup>th</sup>. Cross your fingers for good weather!
- **The Spring General Membership Meeting date is Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>.** Newsletters will be mailed/emailed in early May.
- **2014 dues** – If you have not already paid your dues, please do so as soon as possible. Unpaid dues cost the corporation money through administration activities and the filing of liens. Many of you have asked about the dues increase for 2014. Annual dues are determined by a vote of the Membership during the Fall General Membership Meeting. Dues proposals are provided to all Members in advance of the meeting by inclusion in the fall newsletter. Additionally, proxy ballots with the dues proposals are made available to all Members. The 2014 increase is a result of the funds spent on the island improvement project, which was overwhelmingly authorized by

the Membership. I have added a "Dues" page to our website if you would like additional information.

- **Fair Warning!** – As we do each year in emails, in our newsletters, on our website, and as part of our General Membership Meetings, you are reminded Runyan Lake, although a private lake, is subject to all State of Michigan boating and fishing laws. Boat registration and fishing license fees are a fraction of the cost of an enforcement ticket. The Sheriff and DNR can access our lake at any time to enforce these laws as many experienced last year. Our bylaws also require compliance with all State of Michigan laws.
- **Questions?** – There is a ton of information on our website. If there is something you don't see or have trouble finding, feel free to contact us by email or contact a trustee directly.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable spring!

This and other Runyan Lake community news is also posted at <http://www.runyanlakeinc.com>.

*When you are talking with your neighbors, please inform those who are not on our e-mail distribution. Thank you.*

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