Dear Neighbours and Friends,

It is Spring 2023. We hope this memo finds you and your families in good health!

It's time to talk about Lake Association News

- The overall <u>Eurasian Milfoil</u> situation has been up and down since we began tracking it in 2016.
 Last year we discovered some new colonies, some old colonies that had come back, and some individual plants. As of last fall, there were several zones that were roped off to inhibit access.
 Each of them require some repairs after the winter ice which should be done shortly. Please avoid all areas that are roped off. This includes motorized and non-motorized watercraft. We must prevent the spread of the Eurasian Milfoil, and this is the only way to do that. Please keep away from these areas at all times.
- 2. <u>The Divers</u> will begin removing plants earlier this year by using dry suits and continue throughout the summer. The Municipality of Lantier has maintained our budget (which was doubled last year) and we will continue to actively manage the situation.
- 3. <u>Lake Water Testing-</u> Volunteers will once again take lake samples from 15 different locations in mid to end August. Last year's results were all rated as either "good or excellent".
- 4. <u>Well Water Testing</u> The association has already organized well water testing with H2Labs (formerly Bio Services) in Ste Agathe. As in the recent past, you will go online in after June 26 to book and pay for your test which can be taken at the time of your choosing. A 30% discount code will be sent to all members who have paid their 2023 dues (thirty dollars) by Mid June. A separate memo with detailed instructions will go out in the next few weeks.
- 5. <u>Nautical Patrols</u>- The City of Lantier has re-hired the guard service from last year for 12 patrol days (same as last year). Although we suffered significant disappointments from this service, we have been reassured by the municipality that we will see improvements this year. In the next week representatives of the APLC will be meeting with the Director General of Lantier and the supervisor of the patrollers to discuss the APLC requirements and the steps that will be taken by the patrollers to satisfy those needs. Hopefully, we will have an improved presence with more education this summer.
- 6. <u>Code of Conduct</u>- The code of conduct for boating on our lakes remains in force. You should receive a copy from the city with your invoice for boat stickers. A copy is also available on our web site <u>www.ludger-Cardin.org</u> Please share this with your family, neighbours, and friends.
- 7. **Septic Cleaning** we have once again made arrangements with Sani Nord for members to receive an approximate 100.00 discount on their septic cleaning. Two dates are offered; August 11th and September 8th. A detailed memo will be sent out as we get closer.

Membership Fees – our membership fees remain unchanged at 30.00 per household. We truly need your support to keep our lakes healthy, and to continue to offer services such as the divers, lake water testing, roping off no-go zones, and offering valuable discounts for well water testing and septic cleaning. Please go online now (www.ludger-cardin.org) and make your payment by credit card or PayPal.