

Dear Neighbours and Friends,

Spring 2024 has sprung! We hope this memo finds you and your families in good health.

It's time to talk about our Lakes

1. The **Eurasian Milfoil** situation has been a dynamic situation since we began tracking it in 2016. We are currently in a very good place. Two years ago we had up to 5 zones that were roped off to inhibit access. We are pleased to say, that by the end of last summer we only had 1...the original "aerator" zone near the launch that is still infected. Please avoid this area which is roped off. This includes motorized and non-motorized watercraft, plus all fishing lines. We must prevent the spread of the Eurasian Milfoil, and this is the only way to do that. Please keep away from this area at all times.
2. **The Divers** as of mid June will continue removing plants in the "aerator" zone and will spot check all the previous locations to see if any growth has returned. The Municipality of Lantier has generously maintained our budget and we will continue to actively manage the situation.
3. **The Boat Launch** no longer has the services of the resident who managed the gate after hours and on weekends. The city has arranged for one of their employees to cover the after-hours, but as of this writing, there is no solution for weekends. The city is open to suggestions.
4. **Nautical Patrols**- unfortunately the firefighters who patrolled our lakes last summer have suspended operations. As such, The City of Lantier has hired a new guard service from Camping Ste-Agathe. We have given them our Code of Conduct, and we will be meeting with them soon to discuss our expectations and set a schedule.
5. **Boating Safety**- We have repaired several and added **two new buoys** this year to enhance safety and reduce wakes. We have also replaced and updated the signs on the bridges between our lakes. 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 www.ludger-cardin.org. Please share this with your family, neighbours, and friends.
6. **Lake Water Testing**- 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".
7. **Well Water Testing** – The association has already organized well water testing with H2Labs 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 2024 dues (thirty dollars) by Mid June.** A separate memo with detailed instructions will go out in the next few weeks.
8. **Septic Cleaning** – Sani Nord has been purchased by E360S and we have already made arrangements with the new owners for APLC members to receive a significant discount. Two dates are offered; August 9th and September 6th. A detailed memo will be sent out as we get closer.
9. **Beavers** - Last fall a family of beavers constructed a home next to the lac Ludger bridge. The prevailing opinion from leading environmentalists and the Committee for the Environment in Lantier is that beavers are generally healthy for a lake. Their dams filter water feeding our lakes

and create and maintain wetlands. We should be leaving the beavers where they are and focus on protecting trees by putting wire cages around them.

10. **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. We are pleased to announce that we can now accept payments by **Interac E-Transfer** to info@ludger-cardin.org. Please go online with your bank or visit our website (www.ludger-cardin.org) and make your payment now. If you use Interac E-Transfer, please put the primary member's name and your Lantier address in the memo field.

11. **New** - We can now accept payments covering 2 years if you wish to E-Transfer 60.00 instead of 30.00

We thank you for your continued support and look forward to seeing you on the lake