

To Our Friends, Members, Sponsors, and Supporters On and Around the Lake,

THANK YOU! Your support helps us help you in maintaining and improving water quality and life on the lake in general.

[Your Membership Helps Keep our Lake Healthy and Enjoyable!](#)

We encourage all property owners to be members and support our efforts to protect the lake. Your membership and donations are used for water quality testing, maintaining the dam, remediation projects, and education.

For those still needing to renew, join or donate, its best to use our new online tool at our website watchiclake.org under [Watchic Lake Join or Donate](#). Or you can use the paper membership form attached to this newsletter.

[WLA 2017 Annual Meeting Saturday July 15 – Join us for Homemade Desserts and the Latest Lake News](#)



Please join us **Saturday July 15 at 6:30 pm at the Standish Municipal Center** for our annual meeting. The evening will begin with a chance to socialize over a selection of homemade desserts and drinks (coffee, tea, water). Desserts are free, but donations will be very welcome. We will raffle off some local art work and run a 50/50 raffle.

The business meeting will start at 7:00 pm and end about 8:30 pm. We will have a guest speaker from the Audubon Society to discuss wildlife, especially birds, on the lake. In addition, we will provide an update on water quality, invasive species, and more. WLA members will vote on new board members and officer terms.”

Membership dues may be paid at the door. However, we ask that you try to pay your dues before the meeting.

[The Watchic Lake Dam in Action](#)

Given the significant rain, the WLA has been adjusting the dam gate to maintain a lake water level that helps protect loon nests and shoreline properties. The photo shows the inside of the dam with the gate adjusted to drain surplus water from the lake. The top of the concrete of the dam at the gate is considered full pond (i.e. the desired summer level of the lake). The top of the wooden gate is about 2” lower than the concrete dam to allow flowage through the lake and keep an active stream below the dam.



[Educational Plant Identification Workshops](#)

Try to attend one of these events to help us keep Watchic Lake invasive free.

- **7/11/2017. Maine VLMP Invasive Plant Patrol and Certification** to be held at Standish Town Hall. A six-hour classroom experience prepares attendees for conducting or leading invasive aquatic plant screening surveys.
- **8/1/2017. Maine VLMP Plant Paddle** to be held on Watchic Lake. This is a three-hour exploration that takes place on shore and on the water. A fun, informal way to introduce community members to the threat of invasive aquatic plants, how to spot suspected invaders, and practice the skills needed to be an effective early detector.

Both events are open to all lakes. More info at [Maine VLMP Workshops](#) or from the WLA [Contact Us form](#)

[Our Website and Email - Your Watchic Lake Information Source](#)

We will increase the use of our website and email to communicate with our members, and limit paper communications.

We encourage you to provide us with your email – via our membership form (attached) or our [Contact Us form](#).

And we look forward to seeing you at our annual meeting. Again, THANK YOU for your continued support!

Paul

Paul McNulty, President Watchic Lake Association. Email me at: p3mcnulty@gmail.com



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION – 2017/2018

Lake Property Ownership with Deeded Access

- Regular Membership:** Each deeded property can hold one Regular Member and one Second Regular Member (an individual who has a relationship to the title holder). These individuals have voting rights and must be over 18 years of age. Membership is non-transferable. Each membership covers one individual.
 - Annual Fee - \$35 per year for Regular Member and \$35 per year for Second Member (if applicable).
 - Lifetime Fee - \$500 one-time payment (in lieu of annual fees) for each Regular and Second Member.

Voting rights are limited to the Regular Member and Second Regular Member. Non-deeded property owners such as renters, extended family and others concerned with protecting the lake are encouraged to join the WLA as a Friend of Watchic Lake at \$35 per year.

Sponsors and General Donations

- General Donations:** The costs of WLA work will continue to increase as we take on more aggressive water quality and invasive species management. General donations of any amount are greatly appreciated! The WLA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, and your donations are tax deductible to the full amount allowed by law.
- Business Sponsorship:** Business sponsors will be included in our WLA website sponsors page along with a logo and short description of their services. Business sponsors will be approved to ensure a good fit with the overall mission of the Watchic Lake Association. Business sponsors do not receive voting rights, but are encouraged to participate in WLA activities. For more details, see our [Business Sponsor](#) page.
 - Annual Fee - \$50 for each Business Sponsor.

Membership Application:

Name 1: _____ Name 2: _____

Watchic Lake address:

Street or Road: _____ Standish, ME 04084

Phone: _____

Mailing address: (if different from Lake address)

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code _____ Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____ Email will increasingly be used for WLA communications as its timelier and less expensive. If no email please comment and we will try to accommodate you.

Payment:

Please mail this form with check made out "The Watchic Lake Association" ideally by July 1, 2016 to:
The Treasurer, Watchic Lake Association, P.O. Box 319, Standish, ME 04084.

Member or Donation Type	Price Each	Number	Total
Regular Membership for deeded property owners (annual):	\$ 35	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
Lifetime Members deeded property owners (one time):	\$ 500	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
Friend of Watchic Lake (annual):	\$ 35	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
Business Sponsor (annual):	\$ 50	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
General Donations:	\$ <input type="text"/>		\$ <input type="text"/>
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