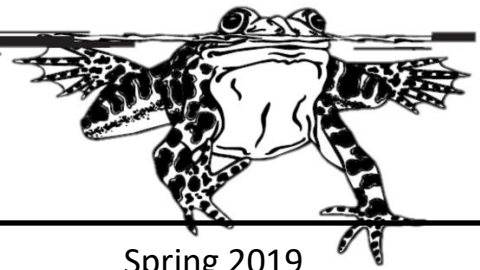


WATER'S EDGE BRIEF

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Gratiot Lake Conservancy (GLC) is happy to announce the new format for *Water's Edge*. The Spring publication will contain the upcoming schedule of programs and announcements. Articles, reports, and acknowledgements will be included in the Fall publication.

2019 Gratiot Lake Conservancy Programming Schedule

PROGRAM	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FEE
Bird Workshop	May 25 th 2019	This workshop, led by Zach Gayk, focuses on learning to recognize the boreal migrant bird's habitat ecology and behavior of the Keweenaw's birds. Limited Spaced, advanced registration required.	Member - \$35 Non-Member - \$50
KISMA Invasive Clearing	July 3 rd - 4 th 2019	Keweenaw Invasive Species Management Area (KISMA) will be at Gratiot Lake to identify and remove invasive plant species. Come volunteer either day! R.S.V.P.	Free
Michigan Tech Summer Youth Program	July 14 th - 20 th 2019	Michigan Tech Summer Youth Program of Aquatic Ecology Exploration in residence at Noblet Field Station.	NA
Annual GLC Member Meeting	July 23 rd 2019, 6:45PM - 9PM	GLC Annual Members meeting at Eagle Harbor Community Building, features guest speaker Professor Rodney Chimner, a wetland ecology specialist from Michigan Tech.	Free
Keweenaw Geoheritage Tour	July 27 th 2019	Back by popular demand, Dan Lizzadro-McPherson, a geologist and GIS specialist at Michigan Tech, will lead a tour of Gratiot Lake by boat and at the Gratiot Lake Conservancy Nature Preserve. Space is limited. Advanced registration Required.	Member - \$35 Non-Member - \$50
Governor's State Aquatic & Wetland Ecology Course	August 5 th - 7 th 2019	John Yunger, an ecology professor, is leading an Aquatic and Wetland Ecology course. There will be 10 hours of online course work and 3 days in the field at the Noblet Field Station. The class is through Governor's State and registration is required through their website: http://www.govst.edu/register/ .	TBD
Bammert Farm Tour	September TBD	Visit GLC's Bammert Farm. Enjoy the last blooms of summer, look for mushrooms, and see remnants of local history. Dates will be announced when finalized. R.S.V.P.	Free
Shoreline Clean Up at Gratiot	September 21 st 2019	Shoreline Clean-up along Gratiot Lake. Meet at the public boat access at Gratiot Lake at 9:30 AM. R.S.V.P.	Free

Janet Avery Scholarships are available for all GLC workshops! Email GLC for application info.

For more information about a specific program please visit:

www.gratiotlakeconservancy.org

R.S.V.P. by emailing director@gratiotlakeconservancy.org or

call (608) 354-1579.

We will miss these GLC neighbors and friends who have recently passed away.

Remembrances from Bonnie Hay

Neighbor, **Joann Marutz** and her husband, Herb retired to their Gratiot Lake home in 2002 and have been active and supportive members of GLC over the years. Joann loved watching the wildlife through all the seasons at the lake and sharing their lakeside retreat with family and friends. She enjoyed gifting and displaying photos of animals taken at Gratiot by my husband Jim. Her quick wit and love of nature shown bright even as her health waned.

Patricia VanPelt was a friend and an inspiration to me in my work. She was a vital part of the planning group (along with Marcia Raley and myself) for the "Reading the Landscape of the Keweenaw: Art and Natural History Field Trips for Adults". This seven-year project inspired collaboration between local conservation groups, tapped local talent as trip leaders, and showcased the Keweenaw's natural treasures. Patricia's sensitivity and relationship to art and artists and her care for Keweenaw's wild places helped to further innovative environmental education and collaboration between local conservation organizations.

Water's Edge Publication Goes Digital!

Gratiot Lake Conservancy will publish *Water's Edge* digitally from now on to reduce paper consumption and GLC's carbon footprint from mailing the publication. If you wish to continue to receive a paper copy of *Water's Edge* or need to update/add your email address please email director@gratiotlakeconservancy.org or call (608) 354-1579.

Volunteer Corner

GLC is in need for volunteers to help with invasive species removal, lake monitoring, shoreline trash removal, food at the annual meeting, wildlife observations/photos at the lake, tabling events, and more. Email director@gratiotlakeconservancy.org or call (608) 354-1579 to sign up!

Become a GLC Member!

Membership is \$15

Conservancy members receive a biannual newsletter, notice of special events, and an invitation to the Annual Members Meeting. Some GLC programs that have fees are discounted for members. Memberships renew at year end.



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