

## A weekend to remember.

To all members and friends,

The weekend was marked by a series of noteworthy events and meticulously coordinated activities. The organized program featured a fireworks display on Friday evening—including the anticipated island explosion event—a Saturday afternoon concert, and a noodle float coordinated by PST membership. The day concluded with a boat parade, each element planned months in advance and executed through significant volunteer effort.

Planning commenced in January when the PST Board resolved to sponsor a fireworks display. Brad Eastman oversaw contractor selection and ultimately recommended AMS Displays. Throughout the year, Brad maintained regular communication with AMS to coordinate logistics, culminating in an exceptional fireworks experience that was widely enjoyed. Truly a show to remember.

Fireworks fundraising began in late April with a target of \$20,000, successfully raising \$21,300—primarily from business owners, many of whom are PST members, as well as contributions from external businesses. Supporters have been acknowledged via social media and the association's website ([pstlakeassociation.com](http://pstlakeassociation.com)). We encourage ongoing recognition and appreciation by our members.

Saturday's programming included a concert on Tupper Lake, led by Scott and Joann Allen, who managed band selection and barge transport. Their dedication was instrumental to the event's success. At 3:30 p.m., after extensive preparations by Tony Spezia, a new world record was set for the most individuals simultaneously floating on pool noodles—an event that drew over 500 participants and 75 boats, representing the highest attendance in PST history.

The Saturday festivities concluded with a boat parade around Lake Ponemah, featuring 10 decorated boats—a cherished tradition and a fitting close to an unforgettable day.

We extend our sincere gratitude to everyone involved in making this weekend a success. Special thanks to Grace Spezia for video editing (Say Hi Brad); Stephanie Mitchell for social media updates (reaching 150,000 Facebook views over 90 days, with 15,000 views in one day); Lauren and Matt Burchart for their numerous contributions; Chris Skinner, Scott Allen & Chris McAlindon for outstanding drone footage; and the Genesee Sheriff Marine Division for ensuring safety. Our appreciation extends to all participants and supporters.

For future planning, the PST Board welcomes member feedback and encourages participation in committees to further enhance upcoming events. Volunteer involvement remains essential, and we invite all to contribute to any capacity.

If you enjoyed the weekend and have not yet paid your \$25 annual family dues for 2025, please consider joining PST. Payments can be made via our website ([pstlakeassociation.com](http://pstlakeassociation.com)) or mailed to PST Lake Association, PO Box 126, Fenton, Michigan 48430. Fireworks donations for 2026 may also be sent to this address, specifying their intended use. Yes, we plan on sponsoring fireworks again in 2026. Details to follow.

Thank you for your continued support.

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