



# Hess Lake



## Improvement Association Newsletter

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Fall 2018

### President's News

This Fall we had a new logo contest. The winner receiving \$500. Next Spring we will have a form in the newsletter for those who are members in 2019 to have your address printed on a metal sign by the Newaygo Fire Dept. If enough of you are interested they will install them at your residence. The HLIA will cover the cost of the sign and more information will follow in the Spring newsletter as well as a form to fill out to send in with your dues.

For those of you new to the lake, we had several HLIA sponsored events this year. To mention some of those,— a Memorial Walk for Veterans, boat parade, landing blitz at the launch to inform boaters about invasive species to our lake, carp round up, yard sales, boater safety classes at no charge, flare sales and worked with the Hess Lake Board to improve water quality and plant growth.

As usual, we look for volunteers to help out the HLIA Leadership Team or just participate in our meetings to give new ideas. We meet the second Monday of each month, May through October at Brooks Twp. Hall, 6:30 PM.

You will see the list of officers, Zone Reps, Alternates and other who help with media and other functions in this newsletter. If you are interested in helping please contact one of the reps or myself by email [betty-buzz@juno.com](mailto:betty-buzz@juno.com) or call 517-930-0297.  
Richard Bosowski



### Carp News

#### 2019 Spring Carp Round Up

Plan to join us Sunday, May 26 through June 2 for our 2019 Carp Round UP. Each night our collection site will be reduced to 1/2 hour, 7-7:30 PM. We need volunteers to record the catch. Two dollars per carp for the first 100 and one dollar per carp after the first 100.

#### Something New.....

Saturday, May 25, 10-10:30 Ben Lester will hold a free instruction session on rigging a hook and line with corn. You need a tough rod with a heavy duty reel filled with 30 lb. line. Ben will teach you how to rig with 20 lb. leader with boiled shell corn and a single hook. More carp were caught last year this way than netting and spearing combined. All you need for the leader and rig will be provided.

**May 25 10-10:30 at 1575 Hess Lake Drive  
Come join Ben!**

## Winterfest at HESS LAKE February 9, 2019

Winterfest will begin at noon on February 9! There will be food and games. We are asking for volunteers to set up on the ice by their access or boat access. Volunteers can have an event, food or both. Neighbors will make their way around the lake much like the Poker Run. The first volunteer meeting will be October 23, 6:30 at Jimmy's Roadhouse. More information contact: Pam at [buysellhomeswithpam2014@gmail.com](mailto:buysellhomeswithpam2014@gmail.com) or more information, watch FB and HLIA website.

### Float Times.... By Jamie DeWard

Hi Folks, It is fall already! Where did summer go? Hopefully you had an amazing summer of floating and boating. Here are a few things to consider for the fall:

1. Always have a plan prior to leaving the dock.
2. Float with a friend
3. Check all systems and lights
4. Wear layers and bright colored clothing
5. Have your life vests
6. Make sure your cooler is full!

Now have fun and enjoy the changing leaves.

### Veterans Walk

Saturday, May 26, was a beautiful spring morning as Hess Lake family and friends gathered for a one mile walk to honor all our veterans.

Together we were able to collect several boxes of supplies for their everyday living necessities. Along with a generous donation from GR Knights of Saint Casimir golf outing, the HLIA and you donated \$1315.00 to support a new Renderver Virtual Reality system to help the cognitively impaired veterans at the facility. Special thanks to all who contributed. If anyone would like to take on leadership of this please contact your HLIA Zone Rep.

### **BOATERS SAFETY is a requirement- Plan to get your child educated**

Those **at least 16 years of age** and born after Dec 31, 1978 may operate a PWC legally **only if** they have obtained a boating safety certificate.

Mike Haaser will be offering a boaters safety class Saturday, June 9, 2018 from 9-3:30 PM. Participants are asked to bring a clipboard, high-lighter, pencil, sack lunch and folding chair. Please contact Mike to register for the class at 231-282-7076, address for the class: 1083 Hess Lake Dr. There is no fee for the class.

**WHO MAY OPERATE A BOAT:**

***Those less than 12 years of age:***

- Boat powered by a motor of no more that 6 HP legally without restrictions.
- May operate a boat powered by a motor of more than 6 hp but no more that 35 hp only if they have been issued a boating safety certificate and have it on board the boat and are directly supervised on boat by a person at least 16 years of age.
- May not operate a boat powered by a motor of more than 35 HP legally under any circumstances.

**Those less than 14 years of age may not legally operate a PWC**

***14 and 15 year olds may operate a PWC legally only if they have obtained a boating safety certificate and***

- ***Accompanied on board by his/her parent or legal guardian or a person 21 years old who has been designated by parent or guardian***
- ***He/she is operating or riding the PWC at a distance of not more that 100 feet from his/her parent or guardian.***

## Treasurer Report

Checking Balance 11/12/17 \$ 17,040.12

Income (membership, flares) \$ 11,634.75

Expenses \$ 7,610.02

Newsletter, bank fees, web hosting, yard sale advertising, flares, carp shoot payout, Memorial Day Walk donation, boat parade prizes, Muskegon Watershed donation, boater safety sign update, Comm & Liability Insurance, non profit filing.

Checking Acct Balance (9/10/18) \$21,064.85

Certificate of Deposit \$16,547.40

## News from the Hess Lake Board

We are completing our first year of a three year contract with Progressive Engineering. Progressive has gathered all of the past lake studies and water test results with the help of the Drain Commission and other lake residents. Moving forward Progressive is doing studies of each of the tributaries entering Hess Lake as well as the watershed. There will be additional water samples and data collected as well. As we learn more from this study we will share it with you.

HLB meetings for 2019 are as follows: Monday, 5/13/19 at 10 am, July 15th , 6:30, Monday 9/23/19 at 10 am. Meetings are at the Drain Commission Office, 306 S. North St., White Cloud. You are always welcome to attend.

There will also be a Healthy Lake Forum in the spring organized by the Drain Commission Office. Once we have the names of the presenters, time and date, we will share the information on the web site and the Hess Lake Facebook page.

Savin Lake Services continues to handle our weed treatment. Savin has treated our lake for Milfoil, a very invasive weed. This summer they treated the southeast side of the lake, west side by the boat launch and the northwest corner. This is the third summer Muck pellets have been added in two coves on the lake. Thus far the test results show that the pellets have reduced the sediment/muck in the cove. Our aeration system has been working for four seasons; in the cove on the south east side of the lake. As we start year 5, we will need to apply for another DEQ permit to continue aeration in the coves. At this time our board has no plans to add any new aeration sites. We continue to ask for your help to improve the lake and water quality. First, do not use fertilizer anywhere near the lake; keep leaves and grass clippings out of the lake. If you see a resident raking clipping and leaves into the lake, please ask them to stop. If you have storm drains near you that have filled with leaves or debris, contact the road commission and ask them to have them cleaned out. Also, adding a vegetative strip of deep rooted plants on your shoreline is a continued benefit. Finally, have your septic tank pumped on a regular basis. Working on your behalf for improvement of our lake and water quality, Cheryl Rosen, Brooks Twp. Rep, Katie Lipner, Grant Twp. Rep and Rich Bosowski, HLIA President/HLB Rep.

## HLIA

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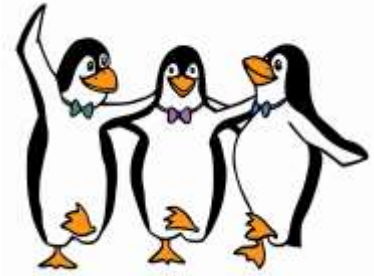
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## HLIA LAKE ZONE BOUNDARIES

- Zone 1: East 88th Street from 1605 to 1844  
Catalpa Avenue from 9035 to 9593  
Vista Dr.
- Zone 2: Hess Lake Drive from 1717 to 1989 and all of Kathleen Street
- Zone 3: Hess Lake Drive from 1411 to 1661 and Clearwater Street and Peninsula Drive
- Zone 4: Hess Lake Drive from 941 to 1390
- Zone 5: Hess Lake Drive from 615 to 925  
Redwood Drive from 9016 to 9394
- Zone 6: Redwood Drive from 8872 to 9011, East 88th Street from 745-1154
- Zone 7: East 88th Street from 1157 to 1596, Graves Drive, Parkwood Drive, Lockwood Drive, Wellington Drive



Many are not at Hess Lake year round. If you notice something doesn't seem right at your neighbors, you might want to contact them or if you are suspicious of activity, call 911. We are hoping to have a safe and happy winter. See you all next spring.

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