



Hess Lake



Improvement Association Newsletter

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Fall 2021

President's Note



Summer went by quickly. Some wonderful memories were made, but also we had some tragic events. We will all miss our HLIA President Rich Bosowski who was taken from us far too soon.

Let me introduce myself, my name is Terry Roelofs. I became HLIA President in August. I have been on the lake for 65 years. We became full time residents in 2002.

My wife Pat and I ran the boat parade for the past few years. This year was another great year. The participants were full of energy and fun. Terrific decorations. We had 17 boats in the parade. There was a record audience. It was wonderful to see the number of people who came out to watch and enjoy the parade. Hoping the 2022 parade will be as good or better.

My passion is fishing and I have been working on carp reduction with the Carp Roundup. This year we found a resident who did really good with carp cages. He gave us the idea and I have enlisted several members to help build them for next year. Every effort to reduce the population of Carp and Catfish is worthwhile. By the way Hess Lake Catfish are very tasty.

We have HLIA meetings the second Monday of the Month from May to October at 5:30 in the Brooks Township Office. Member participation and ideas are welcome. Hope everyone has a great winter and looking forward to seeing everyone new and old in the spring.

Terry Roelofs
HLIA President

HESS LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION COMMUNICATIONS

How to find out what is going on:

- Hess Lake Welcome Sign
- Website: www.hesslake.com
- Facebook: [Hess Lake Improvement Association](#)
- Newsletters (HLIA Paying Members)
- Ask your Zone Reps

News from the Hess Lake Board - HLB

By: Bart Calvi

2021 has been the start of having Progressive AE partnering with our lake community for Aquatic Plant Control. Early in the Spring and Summer, Progressive AE surveyed and mapped the lake looking for both natural and invasive weeds. In May, Progressive AE instructed Savin Lake Services on specific locations and the specific chemicals to use to kill off the Eurasian Milfoil and Curly-leaf Pond weed. Progressive AE repeated their surveys monthly. The good news is that the invasive weeds did not come back to the extent which required no further chemical treatments. There has also been an increase in lily pads on the lake which will help to filter the water.

With the assistance of the Hess Lake Improvement Association (HLIA), Freshwater Physicians, Inc., was hired to net and remove some of the carp that are in the lake. The carp stir up the bottom, reducing the clarity of the lake. Unfortunately, this did not achieve the desired results. As a continued effort, the HLIA have built a group of carp cages. This type of cage has been tested and proven to be successful. Next year, these cages will be deployed around the lake with the hope to greatly reduce the carp population.

The United States Geological Survey (USGS) has selected a group of lakes in Michigan, Hess Lake being one of them, to monitor for Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB). A buoy has been deployed to collect information in the hopes to predict future blooms.

HLB 2022 meetings are scheduled for May 10, July 12, and September 13 at 9:30 am.

HELP NEEDED:

The HLIA is in need of Legal assistance with updating our BYLAWS. If you are willing to help, please contact one of our HLIA Officers. Thank you!

BOATERS SAFETY
Will be:
Saturday, JUNE 4, 2022

BOUY REMINDER
The HLIA bouy locations mark shallow areas and keep erosion down. If buoys are in front of your cottage/home, we ask you to bring them on shore and keep them in a safe location over the winter. A good time to put them out in the spring is when you put your dock back in. If you need help putting bouys In or out, contact your HLIA Zone Rep or Terry Roelofs at 231-652-1386

CARP ROUNDUP - 2022
We plan to extend the duration of the roundup from early May until early June. With a longer time frame our chances of having good weather to get Carp should be better. Our "harvest" this year was 53 Carp. We built 10 Carp Cages. Many thanks to all that helped build them.
Watch for Carp RoundUp details in the Spring Newsletter!



2022 Hess Lake Yard Sales
June 9th, 10th, & 11th
&
August 11th, 12th, & 13th



LEAVES & GRASS CLIPPINGS

The DNR strongly discourages dumping leaves and grass clippings into a lake, river, wetland, or other body of water.

Leaves, grass clippings and similar debris add nutrients to the water that use up precious oxygen as they decompose.

Aquatic organisms need that oxygen!!

**Please pass this information on to your Lawn Maintenance Companies as well.

Hess Lake is a Community
Respect your neighbors ~ Be Kind to one another
Lend a hand ~ Don't Judge ~ Give a smile ~ Be a Community

A Tribute to a friend of Hess Lake & Salute to those who Serve

Tribute

On Tuesday, July 6 a very hot and humid afternoon the Hess Lake community suffered a huge loss. Richard M. Bosowski left this world due to an accident on Hess Lake.

With a very saddened heart we must first offer our deepest condolences to his immediate family. His loss will be felt by many here in the Hess Lake community, but his legacy will live on for a long time. He was simply known to

most as Rich, Rick, and to some as "Buzz" a break off from his last name. He was a "never sit down " type guy who was focused to complete all the tasks placed before him. Growing up on Hess Lake, Rich had a love for the Lake that was almost unmatched. So he served as

President for both the HLIA and HLB organizations. In both of these roles he sought to improve life for all here on Hess Lake.

His conviction to serve in these roles will be remembered by many for a long time and will undoubtedly be missed. God's peace to you my friend!

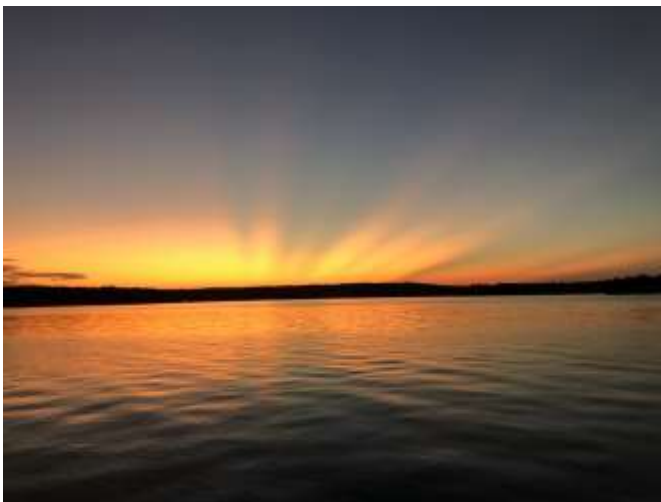


Salute

So many times we hear their sirens and see their lights flashing and yet we just take it for granted the job they do. On Tuesday, July 6th multiple emergency agencies came together to offer the services that we take for granted with one goal in mind. Rescue or find the person who was in Hess Lake. And when that mission turned to a recovery effort, their professionalism went up multiple notches. Many examples of their humbleness shone like the sun. From the unnamed EMT who led a small group in prayer, to the grief counselor who was relentless in providing consolation to those in need, and of course to the divers who were not going to give up with the

dismal task put before them even with a thunderstorm fast approaching. To all of these heroes who came to our Lake that day to answer the cry for help.....We Salute you and thank you ! We should never take them and the job they do for granted. Thank you heroes !

Newaygo County Sheriff's dept., State Police, DNR officers, Grant Police, Newaygo Fire Dept., Grant / Ashland Fire Dept., Life EMT's



Jerry Swendrowski

Treasurer Report

Checking Balance 9/2020	\$ 22,626.92
Income	\$ 15,325.80
Expenses	\$ 15,730.30
Checking Balance 10/2021	\$ 22,222.42
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 16,996.62

Nancy Calvi, Treasurer

2021 - We had **258** Paying HLIA Members THANK YOU for paying your dues!

HLIA

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THANK YOU HLIA VOLUNTEERS FOR YOUR TIME AND YOUR REPRESENTATION!

BOAT PARADE RESULTS

- 1st Place - Nelson—Wild West
- 2nd Place - Bevelacqua—Christmas in July
- 3rd Place - Kellen—Jurassic Park
- 4th Place - Stawiski—Easy to be Green
- 5th Place - McCormick-Yeti



We appreciate all the businesses that Donated:

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SAVE THE DATES FOR 2022:

**RING OF FIRE - SUNDAY, JULY 3rd
BOAT PARADE - MONDAY, JULY 4th**

SMUGGLER'S COVE UPDATE

Greetings Hess Lake Community -

We wanted to thank you all again for a fun summer! What a fabulous summer on the lake for all of us. We have thoroughly enjoyed this blossoming community and loved seeing some new faces around the lake.

We understand that there are a lot of questions regarding the future of the beloved restaurant on Hess Lake. The excitement of the community can sometimes be overwhelming. We are so grateful for this community that we've gotten to know through the All American North Country Stores.

We've enjoyed being able to offer the community food trucks and docks these past two summers. The food truck vendors thank all in the community for the support they felt during the sting of Covid that rocked their industry and changed the way that they do business.

All that being said, the Restaurant will return!! The plans that have come together are impressive as it is our hope that it will bring many newcomers to our beloved Newaygo. Smugglers will be rebuilt and reopened. Even amidst some setbacks, we are meeting with General Contractors and consultants, who are diligently working on finalizing all of the details. We are dedicated to giving Newaygo back a beautiful restaurant, good food, good atmosphere, and a gathering place to visit with family and friends.

In the meantime, we are hoping to put together some community events to be held on the lot. We will be sure to announce any events on our Facebook page. Again, we love being a part of this amazing community and look forward to the future!

Raeanne Huskey
On behalf of the Huskey & Thompson Families

To the Huskey & Thompson Families:
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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 1166 to 1596, Graves Drive, Parkwood Drive,
Lockwood Drive, Wellington Drive

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