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Board Members Corner

Our President, Rob Saunders is taking a well-deserved break this fall from his presidential duties, so the Board members are stepping in to offer some comments for the third and final newsletter this year. Rob will be back in the Spring to finish his tenure. We wish him good health and a quick recovery. Now that autumn is upon us, it's time to think about taking in boats and docks and winterizing the lake homes. Fall has an abundance of opportunities "Up North". Lake home residents can welcome the cooler temperatures, lack of bugs, and cozy fireplaces. This summer has not been without its challenges with a lack of moisture, reduced lake levels, and increased fire hazards. Hopefully, we will see more rain and snow to raise our shoreline levels next summer.

Your Board had a busy summer and met consistently regarding the Hideaway Bay Project. Although we were defeated at the August 24th hearing with the Crow Wing Commissioners, we are not finished nor satisfied with the current outcome. Read more details concerning the Hideaway Bay Development Project in the Newsletter (P. 3).

Dues remain an issue for our Lake Association. If you have not paid, please do your part to continue to keep our lake clean and safe. You can also pay on line on our Facebook Page. If you have not paid your dues, access to Facebook and the Newsletter will be discontinued. To date, 167 have paid.

The Board is very pleased that the Annual Fishing Contest for kids was held this year. Many families turned out to enjoy the Potluck Luncheon that followed at Mission Township Hall. Our thanks to Diane Wiener who organized the event and to those that measured and logged the fish, Kevin Max and the Hellar family. Check out the winners in this issue!

We welcome new Board Member Tad Ford, who was voted in at the Annual Meeting in August.

Please review the information regarding Short Term Rentals to make sure you are licensed if you rent your property.

Enjoy the beautiful autumn season and we will be in touch.

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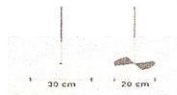
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WATER QUALITY



Seschi readings were the following:

14.5 – West Basin

15.5 – East Basin

The channel buoys were removed on Thursday, September 30th.

WILDLIFE REPORT

Three loons have been gliding around the lake late summer and early fall. It will be time for them as well as those pesky geese to go south.

The North Shore on the West Basin of the lake has been plagued with nocturnal bears raiding and destroying all the birdfeeders. If you are continuing to feed the birds, it might be a good idea to bring them in at dusk. Also bears have been raiding the trash cans at night. If you leave your trash out to be picked up by refuse companies, pour some bleach in your bin before you leave. Bears likely will not delve into your receptacles and strew the contents all over the area.

Committee Reports

Water Quality, AIS, Membership
Shot Term Rentals

AIS

AIS inspections terminated at the end of September this year and will begin next May.

MEMBERSHIP

If you paid dues prior to July 31, 2021, it likely went to last year's dues unless you had already paid. Of your \$35 dues, \$15 goes to the operating funds and \$20 to the Lake Protection Fund. We should have about 200 paid members and currently we are short about 92 members. We do ask members to pay in August, the beginning of our fiscal year. If you have not paid yet or aren't sure if you are current, contact Michele by e-mailing:

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Owners that do not pay their dues or are in arrears for the past three years will no longer be eligible to receive the Newsletter or have access to the Facebook Page. Payment is easy by check to Treasurer, Michele Buttweiler, P.O. Box 86, Merrifield, MN 56465 or online at the HLPOA Facebook Page.

Please do you part this year. It has become increasingly expensive for the Association to function. Because of so many non-payment of dues we will need to increase dues next year to \$50 per property owner. The Financial Page is posted at the end of this Newsletter for your review.

DID YOU KNOW?

On June 14, 2020 Crow Wing County passed a Short-Term Rental Licensing ordinance requiring all property owners that operate a short term rental to obtain a license through the county beginning January 1st, 2021 and renewed annually. In addition to these Crow Wing County licensing requirements, it is the responsibility of the property owner to ensure that the property meets any short-term rental requirements of the city or township in which the property is located. Current septic compliance inspections are required for license approval. During the winter months an inspection is not always possible. A winter window form may be filled out and attached to your license application allowing you until July 1st to have an inspection completed. *The form is only valid during the winter months and only until April 1st each year.*



Hideaway Bay Update

A new development plat of 14 lot units, lakeside clubhouse and 2 multi-storage unit buildings on the east basin was approved by the Crow Wing County Commissioners, overruling the earlier denial by the County's Planning Commission Board of Adjustment. The HLPOA Board reached out to Attorney Stuart Alger in Minneapolis, who specializes in real estate government decision issues and litigation. The HLPOA Board authorized proceeding with the first step of appealing the County Commissioners approval decision: filing a Writ of Certiorari putting the County and the developer/plat applicant on notice that our Association is appealing the County Commissioners plat approval decision.

Next, Mr. Alger as HLPOA's Counsel, will prepare and submit to the Appellate Court in Minneapolis a written brief listing HLPOA's arguments in opposition to the County Commissioners' plat approval decision. There are five objection issues, the strongest being the Commissioners are not adhering to the Conservation plat requirements outlined in the County Land Use Ordinance. We expect a second brief will be necessary to answer the County's arguments with respect to the points made in HLPOA's initial appeals brief. The ultimate goal is to have the appellate judges void the County's Board's plat approval decision, thereby forcing the developer/applicant (B-Dirt Construction) to begin a new plat application.

The appeal process can take 6-9 months.

A Homeowner's meeting was held on October 7th to review this critical concern. Our thanks to Attorney Kristin Galetowitsch for her overview and insight.

A request to the membership for contributions to fund the legal cost of continuing the appeal process beyond the initial Writ of Certiorari was initiated. Many have already donated to the cause. Be on the alert for future notice and solicitation for financial support.

EYE ON IT

Lake Lovers Book Club presentation of The Perennial Kitchen, Simple Recipes for a Healthy Future by James Beard Award winning food writer Beth Dooley

Farmers in this area are practicing what is known as "Regenerative Agriculture" because the farmers work to improve soil health as they grow food. This style of farming reduces runoff, is more drought and flood resistant, and stores a lot of carbon back in the soil. By building a market for this food, we can protect our lakes and rivers.

This fantastic presentation covered the basics of the soil health movement, recipes and uses for many of the new oils, flours and grains as well as local sources. This Labor Day promote clean water by serving food that is raised by farmers that use clean water practices.

As a bonus it is also delicious.

You can view this one hour presentation

HERE: <https://www.anymeeting.com/400-064-390/EA55DF89814F3F>

Fall means Sports, Food, and Fun!

Game Day Sliders

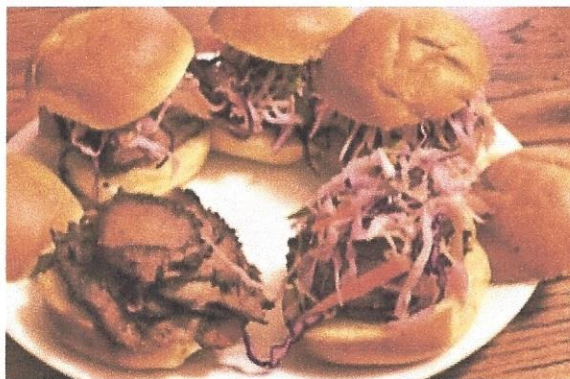
1 Beef Chuck Roast (brisket or bottom round)

2 tsp garlic powder

12 oz. beer

½ cup barbeque sauce

Put meat in crock pot or slow roaster and add mixed beer and barbeque sauce, garlic Powder, salt and pepper. Slow cook for 8-10 hours, shred beef and serve on slider





Fishing Contest

Labor Day Weekend proved to have some good fishing on the lake. Congratulations to the winners of the 2021 Fishing Contest!

Sunfish:	1st Place:	Clara Paske
	Second Place:	Chase Carlson, Taylor Avelsgard
	Third Place:	Scarlet Morisette, Kenley Avelsgard

Perch:	1st Place:	Lincoln Morisette
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Crappie:	1st Place:	Landen Moyer
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Bass:	1st Place:	Landen Moyer
	2nd Place:	Anders Eisele
	3rd Place:	Eden Haugstad

Northern/Walleye	1st Place	Coen Carlson
	2nd Place	Landen Moyer
	3rd Place:	Landen Hollen

GRAND PRIZE:	Chase Carlson
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Monetary awards were provided to the winners. A potluck lunch followed with over 61 in attendance at Mission Township Hall. Our thanks to Diane Weiner for organizing and assisting with the potluck and Kevin Max and the Heller family measuring the fish. The potluck lunch at Mission Township is open to all homeowners on the lake so let's have an even bigger turnout next year! Mark your calendars now for Labor Day Weekend!

Your Association at Work

MISSION - To protect, preserve, and enhance Horseshoe Lake and its surrounding area. To assure the continued health of the lake's ecosystem, safe and healthy family living, high quality fish and wildlife habitat and the survival of these natural gifts for future generations.

You may be asking why do we pay dues every year. What does the Association do with this money and what's the Return on Investment? The above Mission Statement appears in every Newsletter. How many of us really read and recognize that this statement is getting more difficult to preserve and protect our beautiful surrounding area and lake. Here is where your dollars are working for you:

1. AIS inspections during high season to prevent the contamination by invasive species
2. Awards for the Annual Boat Parade
3. Lake navigation supplies (buoys, signage, etc.)
4. Children's fishing contest with monetary awards for winners
5. Newsletter expenses and communication to homeowners
6. Membership to the Minnesota Lakes and Rivers Association



These are just some of the line items and expenses incurred on a yearly basis. Now, with the property development of Hideaway Bay we are faced with a large expense to block and litigate this development. Your Association Board will continue to be fiscally responsible and transparent. We will not forget the Mission Statement that as property owners, we need to protect our environment for our future generations.

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- ✓ Disconnect all appliances
- ✓ Shut off all breakers and electrical panel
- ✓ Take photos of everything. In the unfortunate event of fire, theft or weather damage, it will make the insurance process easier
- ✓ Do a final inspection of the property
- ✓ Check and lock all outbuildings
- ✓ Take the keys, phone, computer and garbage
- ✓ Lock the cottage
- ✓ Now relax and enjoy the ride home!

The Horseshoe Lake Property Association Board has been diligent in reviewing and scrutinizing our current membership list. Members of the Board have recently examined the criteria of payment of dues and current addresses (local and out-of-town). Many changes to the current list have now been completed. Membership records are always fluid and can change rapidly. If you know of anyone moving in or out of our lakeshore properties, please contact Judy Dies at mdeis@comcast.net to alert of a new neighbor that is eligible to join the Association.

Fall

*"Autumn...
the year's last,
loveliest smile."*

John Howard Bryant



2022 Calendar Dates

May 7	Board Meeting
June 4	Board Meeting
June 25	Board Meeting
July 4	Boat Parade - Noon
August 6	ANNUAL MEETING
August 13	Board Meeting
September 3	Kid's Fishing Contest

Mission Township News

As a reminder township meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall. Also check the township website for news and other information: missiontownship.org. The annual meeting of the Township will be held in March. Check the website in 2022 for information on the meeting. The three township Supervisors continue to work on a five year plan to identify potential significant projects and spending over this period. The most significant items relate to roads, fire department equipment, and the park. Once all projects are identified a plan will be proposed on how to fund the costs. Also under consideration is the possibility of establishing a Planning & Zoning Committee in the township that would handle some of the items that are currently handled by Crow Wing County. Work has commenced at the park under the grant received from the DNR (and cofounded by the township). Much of the playground has been disassembled and trees are in the process of being removed to prepare for excavating the site. New playground equipment will be installed in the spring and some existing equipment will remain. It is expected the pickle ball site south of the pavilion and playground will be excavated and paved this fall for final completion in the spring. Other park projects will be completed in 2022 and into 2023.

Capital Plan – Open House

The Town Board is developing a Capital Plan (2021-2026) to include replacement of aging equipment, reclamation of aging roads, Park improvements and Town Hall upgrades. There will be an Open House on Monday, November 15, from 6-7 PM to review the key projects and receive your input. Please plan to attend this event as your input is needed.

The Transfer Station is open from 9:00 – 3:00 p.m. on Saturdays until the end of October.

FALL AND WINTER CALENDAR

If you are going to be around for this season, look into these Lakes Area Events. As always, check before you plan to attend as some events can be cancelled.

November 26	City of Lights Festival	Nisswa
December 11	Off the Rails Market Shopping	Brainerd Exchange, Northern Pacific Rd
January 7-9	Breezy Point Ice Fest	Breezy Point Resort
January 29	Jaycees Ice Fishing Extravaganza	Gull Lake
February 3-5	Winterfest	Crosslake

The Horseshoe Men's Breakfast/Coffee Group is Back!

Meet at Valerie Ann's, Ossipee at 9:00 a.m. every Wednesday. The cinnamon rolls are piping hot and ready for your enjoyment!

The HLPOA Newsletter goes out three times a year:

Spring (May/June)
Summer (10 days before the Annual Meeting)
Fall (October/November) to keep you informed of lake happenings

Check out HORSESHOE LAKE FACEBOOK PAGE - <https://www.horseshoelakemn.com/>

Horseshoe lake Information can be found when you:

- Join HLPOA Horseshoe Lake Property Owners Association (\$35.00)
- Check out the Website: <https://www.horseshoelakemn.com/>
- Horseshoe Lake Facebook page – HLPOA Members Only

Emergency Numbers to Remember

Crosslake Police

218-692-2222

Mission Lake Fire Department

218-765-3259

CALL 9-1-1

If you have an emergency

Be Well, Be Safe this Fall and Winter Season!



HLPOA Annual DUES Statement & Lake INFORMATION UPDATES

Paying dues gets you information on what is happening on our lake area through newsletters, directories, etc.

Our Fiscal Year is August 2021-July 2022

Dues - \$35 AMOUNT Paid _____

Donation for Lake Protection (AIS) AMOUNT Paid _____

TOTAL PAID _____

Checks to "HLPOA". Mail to: HLPOA, PO Box 86 Merrifield MN 56465

Help us keep current with any changes in your contact information by updating this form, and checking boxes below.

Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Merrifield Address _____ Merrifield, MN 56465

Home Telephone _____ - _____ - _____ Cell Number _____ - _____ - _____ for: _____

Lake Telephone _____ - _____ - _____ Cell Number _____ - _____ - _____ for: _____

As investors in Horseshoe Lake, there is occasionally information that we as property owners like or need to be aware of. The HLPOA Board would like to modernize our messaging to you and add an option to "text" or email information about items involving the lake, including upcoming events. This will be an additional way to share lake information to you. Let us know if we can text you, and if we can email information & newsletters to you. Also tell us below if you do or don't want your information in lake directories.

☐ Yes, you can Text me using Cell Number(s) _____ - _____ - _____; or ☐ No, I don't text.

☐ Yes, Email newsletter or lake information (updated email) _____

☐ Yes, I like having a Lake Directory listing (phone, address, email) and I want to be in it. or ☐ No, don't include me.

(If nothing is checked above, we will automatically include your information in the next updated directory.)

HLPOA FINANCIALS

Actual 8/1/21-
9/29/21 Budget
2021/2022

Receipts:

Cash Beginning Balance 08/1/2021 11,276.85 \$ 11,276.85

Receipts:

Dues	1,245.00	\$ 2,400.00
Fishing Contest	-	\$ 100.00
Misc	-	
Prepaid 2022/2023 Dues	-	\$ 300.00
Memorabilia Income	-	
Lake Protection Fund		
LP-Dues	1,660.00	\$ 3,200.00
LP - Prepaid 2022/2023 Dues	-	\$ 400.00
LP- Contributions	1,610.00	\$ 2,800.00
LP - MN Tax Refund	101.00	
LP-Advert/Donation	-	
Membership Signs	100.00	\$ 50.00
Total Receipts	4,716.00	\$ 9,250.00

Disbursements:

PO Box Rental	\$ -	\$ 80.00
Annual Meeting Expense	\$ 85.46	\$ 65.00
Conference Expense	\$ -	
Newsletter (includes postage)	\$ 292.26	\$ 900.00
Water Quality	\$ -	\$ -
Fisheries Management	\$ -	\$ -
Aquatic Plant Management	\$ -	\$ -
Online Dues Fees	\$ 29.47	\$ 150.00
Membership Refund paid twice	\$ 35.00	\$ -
Zoom Membership	\$ 160.96	
WEB site	\$ 255.00	\$ 750.00
Lake Events	\$ -	
Boat Parade	\$ -	\$ -
Kids Fishing Contest	\$ 145.00	\$ 200.00
Office Supplies	\$ -	\$ 50.00
Dues	\$ -	
LARA	\$ -	\$ 100.00
MN Waters(MLR)	\$ -	\$ 200.00
President (Gifts)	\$ -	\$ -
Map Guide	\$ -	\$ -
Miscellaneous (IRS tax)	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Lake Navigation Supplies	\$ -	\$ 180.00
Memorabilia Expense	\$ -	\$ -
Lake Protection	\$ -	\$ -
Signs cost	\$ -	\$ -
Transfer from General Fund	\$ -	
Legal Fees - Hideaway Bay	\$ 5,261.22	\$ 2,500.00
LP Expense (AIS Inspect)	\$ 1,203.85	\$ 3,500.00
LP Expense (Portable Restroom)	\$ 268.44	\$ 800.00
CD First National Bank	\$ -	
Total Disbursements	\$ 7,736.66	\$ 9,575.00

Net	\$ (3,020.66)	\$ (325.00)
Ending Balance Checking	\$ 8,256.19	\$ 10,951.85

CD Balance 58,191.65
66,447.84

General Fund	General Fund	Lake Protection Fund	TOTALS
Beginning Balance	5,324.53	5,952.32	11,276.85
Deposits	1,245.00	3,471.00	4,716.00
Disbursements	(1,003.15)	(6,733.51)	(7,736.66)
Transfer to LP Fund	-	-	-
Checking Balance	5,566.38	2,689.81	8,256.19
CD's with interest	-	58,191.65	58,191.65
Ending Balance	5,281.75	64,537.60	66,447.84

Current Year (Prepaid last year)	25.00	
Current Year (21/22) Paid memberships	83.00	(17 online)
Prepaid (21/22) Paid memberships	-	