

# HLPOA HI-LITES

## ALL YOU CAN EAT MOSTACCIOLI DINNER

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27**

Join your neighbors as we enjoy delicious Imported Rigotoni, with a home-cooked meatball, smothered in a "secret sauce" – salad, bread and coffee, just \$8.

Serving at noon in the community room of the State Bank of the Lakes, corner of Center and Atkinson Road in Grayslake. Only 110 tickets available...home made desserts, water and pop available. Get tickets now from your Vice President.

### YOUR AD COULD BE HERE!!!

Yes it's true your ad could be right here on the front page of the highly acclaimed HI-LITES newsletter. We are mixing it up. Business card size ads can now pop up anywhere. Small Mention this ad" or "Bring this ad in" lines can be added. This is new so get in on the ground floor before the rates go up.

**2011 Dues**

— REDUCED —

**Pay before March 1**

# \$95

**HLPOA**

**P.O. Box 101,  
Grayslake, IL 60030**

## Nice Northern Pike Being Caught

Go to the [fishing report](#) to see some nice pike caught through the ice.

If you are going out after some of those monsters of the deep, or just to find Nemo, remember there is NO safe ice. Check our website for safety information.

Also print a copy of our fishing rules and keep it with your fishing gear.



**"Everybody Involved in Everything"**

*Where Our Residents Have A Voice In Shaping Our  
Lake Community For The Years To Come*



**Dates Important enough  
to put on  
your calendar!!!**

**FUN IN THE SUN!**

We know it's still cold out there...but our neighborhood is planning LOTS of family fun stuff and even a *Community-Wide Garage Sale!*

Who needs an expensive vacation when we can fully enjoy our parks and lake!  
*Please mark your calendar now:*

**Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup>**

**ALL YOU CAN EAT MOSTAC-  
CIOLLI DINNER**

State Bank of the Lakes Community Room Tentative time, noon to 4 P.M.

Limited Seating

Buy your Tickets in advance

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Volunteers needed

**Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**

**EASTER EGG HUNT IN THE  
PARK**

Details forthcoming

Visit by the "Easter Bunny of Lake Avenue" Volunteers welcome, please call Marie Caviness

**Weekend of May 13-14**

**OUR FIRST COMMUNITY-WIDE  
GARAGE SALE**

*This will be the culmination of "Clean up, Fix up Days..."*

(We are coordinating with Avon Township to time their annual "Pick Up Day" the Wednesday following)

**All week, May 23-30**

**The Jack Fiore Memorial CARP  
FEST**

Yes, it's a WEEK LONG EVENT NOW, so we CAN harvest a boat load of the beasts! Details forthcoming

**August 27<sup>th</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup>**

**FIRST CARDBOARD BOAT RE-  
GATTA/PICNIC**

This is going to be a "hoot" – put your teams together! *Volunteer to help!*  
*Please call your Vice President.*

We are making a real effort to engage our community with a sense of genuine "neighborhood." Hopefully, you will jump on the bandwagon to help out. It is going to be nothing but fun! *Please contact your Vice President right away to volunteer. We need you.* Funds raised will be used to eliminate the legal debt which will be returned to the general fund for special projects of all kinds.

We are budgeting money to improve the raft, beautify the parks, construct rain gardens and create the "first-ever Highland Lake Reference Book."

## *From the cluttered desk of your President...*



Larry Leafblad, 34055 South Circle Shore. He and wife Diane have lived on Highland Lake since 1983. He has lived here since 1955. He has served for a number of years at various times; former representative on the Lake County Board.

As you know, your Board of Directors has made dramatic improvements by involving our neighbors. We have ambitious plan for this year that we hope will result in an even better *“sense of neighborhood.”*

We plan to appoint a handful of people to Team Highland Lake to coordinate our projects in 2011. *Because we value your skills and your time, I personally ask your help.*

We have a solid core of volunteers now, and we are seeking a limited group of four more positions who will lead others as “Highland Lake Team members.”

Our major communications improvement will be a new 3-ring binder that will be permanent fixture in Highland Lake homes. This reference manual will contact a resident directory, rules plus all valuable information. *We are seeking a Team Leader to help guide that to completion for distribution this spring.*

We will need Team members to preserve our historic documents, the board of directors is seeking a Team who can “scan” our archives.

We will need Team members to help with the **Cardboard Boat Regatta and Picnic** in August, we’ll need a Team Leader with a little flair for this kind of thing to put a group together for this event.

We’ll need a Team member to spearhead the **“Community Garage Sale”** on May 13-14, too.

It’s going to be a remarkable year for our community...starting with an **All You Can Eat Mostaccioli Dinner** on February 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Please become involved.**

Take the step now by calling my cell phone (847) 406-7180 or sending me an email at [Leaf51@comcast.net](mailto:Leaf51@comcast.net)

Working together to keep Highland Lake...*a great place to live!*”

## Notes from your Board of Directors



Darren Ruback, 34259 Hainesville Rd. Wife Kathy and family have lived in the community since 2006. West Shore Rep and Communication Coordinator



Ann Bidwell, 21859 W. Lake Avenue, has lived on the lake since 1994. This is her first term.

In the past year we have come so far in getting information out to our community through email and on website [www.hlcommunitysite.com](http://www.hlcommunitysite.com).

We currently have more than 160 of our residents currently receiving a regular dose of information.

However, with more than 200 homes within the Highland Lake Association, we realize not everyone is hearing and seeing the great things that are taking place around in and around our community.

Getting and keeping our database of residents "up to date" is an ongoing challenge, and we can always use your help! If you talk to a neighbor that doesn't know what is going on, send me their information. See someone new moving in? Let us know. Did your personal information change (phone number, email address) please forward this information as well so we can keep you in the know!

Together we can spread the word and truly get "Everyone Involved in Everything"!

It has been my pleasure to serve as the HLPOA Treasurer, and I look forward to another year in this role. Our neighborhood dues have been utilized frugally and in a watchful manner, with monthly postings of all financial transactions (HLPOA website) and monthly public board approval of bills and expenditures. Our dollars are being spent wisely, carefully, and with transparency! We are beginning this calendar year with \$1,500+ more than we had one year ago. Most of the annual dues notices have been mailed, and a discount is again offered to those able to pay before March 1, 2011. The discounted amount is \$95, and the non-discounted amount is \$100. The legal debt was reduced last year by \$840 (these funds returned to the general treasury), leaving a debt balance of \$3,952.81. Any additional contributions to reduce the debt further are greatly appreciated. Thank you for allowing me to be of service to our great community! I am honored by the trust you have placed in me.

## Notes from your Board of Directors



Ron Jensen, 34039 N. Hickory Ave. He, wife Sharon and family have been residents for 11 years. Ron served on the Board for three years as a shore VP, and has worked with other residents to produce the annual Jack Fiore Memorial Carp Fest. He also started the community website.

I'm looking forward to a great year keeping you up to date with the latest happenings in our community through your HL Community web site. However I need your help! Please let me know if there is a cool event coming up that we should post on the site or something that you think could help others in the community if they only knew about it. Please email those comments to me at [hlcommunitysite@gmail.com](mailto:hlcommunitysite@gmail.com).

Also we will be adding a new section to the web site in February covering the history of Highland Lake through the hundreds of hours of research that was done by long time resident Marie Cavinness many years ago. Here each month we will take sections of her book that she put together called "Sailing Though Time" and post them on our site.

And lastly please send us your photos old and new that you have taken of the lake so we can post them on our home page. I also want to thank John Svec for the great pictures that we have used on our site during the past several years.

Stay warm and healthy this winter.

### HLPOA BOARD MEETINGS

**February 21, 2011**

Avon Township Center  
433 E. Washington St

**March 21, 2011**

Hainesville Village Hall  
100 North *Hainesville* Road .

#### **PRESIDENT**

LARRY LEAFBLAD

#### **EXEC. VICE PRESIDENT**

HARRY KIRCHHARDT

#### **SECRETARY**

RON JENSEN

#### **TREASURER**

ANN BIDWELL

#### **VICE PRESIDENTS**

##### **NORTH SHORE**

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JOHN BRADTKE

##### **SOUTH SHORE**

HARRY KIRCHHARDT

MIKE KALSTRUP

##### **EAST SHORE**

PAT GREEN

BOB SCHROER

##### **WEST SHORE**

OPEN

DARREN RUBACK

##### **NORTH CIRCLE SHORE**

JOHN MURPHY

DAVE COULTER

##### **SOUTH CIRCLE SHORE**

OPEN

BOB GNARRO

## January Lake Management Report

### Exotic Invasive Plant Management

We are currently planning on spot treatments this year- up to four treatments if necessary . We still have herbicide leftover from last years treatment that we can use in 2011. We would like to allocate \$2000.00 for this purpose, this number is intended to be higher than what we will actually need .

We will have to be diligent this year as far as identifying and marking locations of Eurasian Water Milfoil. It will show up before the other native plants, making it one of the reasons that it "out competes" the native or desirable plant species. We want to treat it early, after we have 50 degree water temps. We do expect to see it again this year. The goal this year will be to keep it below "nuisance levels" through spot treatments.

Even though we are hoping that we can continue spot treating, it would be neglectful not putting together a plan for a "whole lake treatment" if it is necessary next year (2012). In the past we have been doing a whole lake application without any type of follow up testing. The method that would be used next year, if necessary, would be what is referred to as "low dose bump" . Basically, it would consist of an initial application of flouridone being applied at a rate of approximately 4-6 ppb very early in the year. The combination of the early application and the low dosage is to prevent the negative impacts or effects of flouridone on the native / desirable species. The flouridone level would then be kept at the 4-6 ppb level for a period of 90 days throughout the entire water column of the littoral zone. A series of follow up tests would be done , most likely in four different locations on the lake, to confirm the application was applied between the specified range. Follow up testing is done over the next 90 days to make sure that the flouridone remains within the specified range- if concentrations drop below the specified range then a follow up treatment or " bump" is applied in order to maintain the desired 4-6 ppb. I have spoken to two different applicators in order to get prices. In the past there have not been any sort of follow up testing to the whole lake treatments. It should always be done if it is decides that"whole lake treatments" are the management method used in the future.

- The State of Illinois is currently working on a permitting procedure in order to perform herbicide applications on bodies of water. There will be more details regarding the new regulations in released in March. See below;

On January 7, 2009, the Federal 6th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in National Cotton Council, et al. v. EPA that Clean Water Act permits are required for all biological and chemical pesticide applications that have: (1) an excess pesticide discharge outside of the pest treatment area, or (2) leave a pesticide residue in water after the pesticide treatment project is finished. The Court has granted a delay, until April 9, 2011, to allow EPA and the states time to finalize the discharge permits and provide coverage to dischargers after that date.

- Met with Tom Brust to inspect the spillway, which is the lake outlet located on the north side of the lake. Repairs were discussed and it was ok'd by Tim Phelan of Planning,

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Building & Development Engineering & Environmental Services Division of Lake County that permits were not necessary to make the repairs because of the fact that it was a repair and not a change to the spillway/outlet.

- Have received all of the drawings regarding the storm water pipes running to the Williams property. Now that we have this information we can begin to quantify the volume of water flowing through the storm drain and into the lake .
- Received information regarding a webcast on "Nitrogen and Phosphorus Pollution and Harmful Algal Blooms in Lakes on Jan. 26th at 1-3pm Eastern time Register at : [www.epa.gov/watershedwebcasts](http://www.epa.gov/watershedwebcasts) information is also posted on the Highland Lake community website.