



HOLIDAY LAKE OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

101 Buena Vista Drive, Brooklyn, IA 52211
(641) 522-7686
July 2011

New Office Hours: Effective February 1, 2010

Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
7:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday 8 a.m. to 12 Noon.
Closed on Sunday's, Monday's and Holidays
After hours leave voice mail message 641-522-7686

E-Mail: holidayma@netins.net

Web Site: holidaylakebrooklynia.com/
Ken Schwartz is the webmaster krschwar@gmail.com.

The board meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Holiday Lake Community Center.

Directors:

Unit 1 - Dale Howe, Secretary	515-274-1431
Unit 2 - Larry Ehrig, President	319-234-0840
Unit 3 - Katie Tomlinson, Treasurer	641-484-3072
Unit 4 - William Nagel	641-528-5035
Unit 5 - Duane Selken	641-522-7649
Unit 6 - Dee Brown, Vice-President	319-849-3872
At-Large - Shannon Hershey	641-522-3060

National Electrical Safety Code C2-2007

NO: Signs, Posters, Notices or Other attachments are to be placed on any electric pole. Everything must be at least three feet away from any electric pole; this includes 911 signs, mail boxes, etc.

911 Sign

The Poweshiek County Sheriff's Office has requested that all lot owners have a 911 sign. Not only are the signs helpful during an emergency, they can assist your family and friends in finding your lot. 911 signs can be purchased/ordered for \$25.00 each through the Holiday Lake Office during normal business hours.

If you observe any suspicious or mischievous behavior within the Holiday Lake Subdivision, please contact the Poweshiek County Sheriff and your unit director, as soon as possible, to file a report.
Poweshiek County Sheriff 641-623-5679

Composting of Yard Waste

At the November 11, 2010 Holiday Lake Board Meeting it was announced a composting site will be provided for association members at the old brush pile, **due to a DNR ruling against open burning**. The composting site will be open every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Composting began on April 30, 2011, and will continue through October 29, 2011. Materials accepted will be branches (no larger than 3" x 4') and any biodegradable yard waste (grass clippings and plant debris). This site will be monitored while open. When not open, the gate will be locked. **Any violations will be subject to a \$500 corporate assessment.** Volunteers are needed to monitor the compost pile. Anyone interested in helping, please contact the Holiday Lake Office during normal business hours.

Roads

On Thursday, April 14, 2011, the Holiday Lake Board of Directors voted to approve a quote from Manatt's to seal coat the entire route of Lakeshore Drive around the main lake, Windy Court, Echo Drive, Sunrise Drive, Skyline Drive, Shady Lane, Martin Drive, Tracy Drive, Holiday Lane, and East Ridge Drive. The funding for this effort is the result of the Supplemental Fee that lot owners voted to continue through 2011. The Supplemental Fee is for road improvements and/or maintenance related to the common areas of the lake.

Sale of Association Lots

A decision was made by the Holiday Lake Board of Directors to sell some lots, which have come back to the Association. This will return those lots back to the tax base. A full listing will be available after September 1, 2011 on the website, at the Holiday Lake Office and on the event bulletin board.

2010 Boat Parade Grand Marshall Lorrenne Mulherin

I am very honored, but I must admit, I find it a bit humorous, that at eighty three, I have been asked to be the Grand Marshall of the Holiday Lake 4th of July Boat Parade. I suspect that the major factor for being chosen was not youthful looks but the fact that we have had our lot at Holiday Lake for almost fifty years. Whatever the reason I have been chosen, I and my family, truly feel honored and happy that you have chosen me to be your Grand Marshall.

On a very hot Sunday afternoon in August, 1962, my husband, Glen, and our two sons had just returned home from an enjoyable week at a lake in northwest Iowa. In our stack of mail was a flyer from Andy Wilson announcing the development of a man-made lake at Brooklyn, Iowa. We rather quickly decided to drive down and check it out.

It is still hard for me to believe, but we went home that day owning our lake lot. I say that because Glen and I were both cautious people and we realized that we may have just bought a lot for our "second home" before we owned our first. And, to make us question our sanity further, we only had the "hope" of lake water getting to our lot. We still believed we had made a good decision, but decided we wouldn't tell our parents or anyone else about it until the water got to the stakes on our lot. While waiting for the lake to fill, we had time to clear our lot and talk to contractors about building. Two winters later, we thanked God that Andy and the engineers knew what they were doing. The water was in front of our lot and had reached the stakes as we were told. Finally, we could tell our secret. It wasn't long before we had our cottage built.

Neither Glen nor I were boaters, so our first boat was a Jon boat. My dad loved to fish. Some of my fond memories were going down to the lake mid-week to fish with dad. The lake was beautiful. There were no boats to disturb it, only dad and I both fishing. Dad was bent on catching a big one and I perfectly content just to be there with him.

When we purchased the lake lot, we had two sons, Lynn, eight and Dennis, four. Two years later, John, was born. Lynn quickly learned how to operate the Jon boat, and Dennis and John were not far behind. It wasn't long before water skiing, and jet skiing looked good to them and this required the purchase of our Chrysler boat and motor and a jet ski. With our simple farm background, the delightful times we had at the lake seemed like a luxury but Glen chose to call it "cheap fun." Truly, it was one of our best investments. We had it all. I could work on my sun tan and swim all I wanted. The boys could swim, fish, boat, ski, or jet ski; and Glen, very quickly, became the expert at relaxing. There have been more than a few changes in my life. Eight years after we purchased our lot, we found and purchased the farm of our dreams. Our sons grew up, graduated from college and are married. We now have ten wonderful grandchildren. Almost fifty years have passed since we bought our lot here at the lake. The fun times we have had here are priceless. Glen passed away fifteen years ago, but the wonderful memories Glen and I had here will always be with me.

Our youngest son, John, takes care of our lot now for the rest of us. He has discovered what I already knew, that for some reason work around the lake just doesn't feel like work. I still love being here. Sorry to say, you won't see me skiing any more, but you may see me at the beach, play ground or in the boat. If you do please say hello!

God Bless all you and your little piece of heaven at Holiday Lake. Lorrenne Mulherin, Unit 3, Lot 1

2010 HOLIDAY LAKE ACTIVITIES

Please keep for future reference.

Saturday, July 23, 2011: Annual Poker Run

Jason Parizek 319-558-7643 - Community Center

Hosts' – Five Host stops needed.

Volunteers – Approximately 20-30 volunteers are needed for day of registration, host stops and auction

Auction/Donation Goods – Anyone with something to donate for the auction or raffle, please contact Jason Parizek

Pre-Registration – June 1st – July 15th - Holiday Lake Office - \$8.00 per person if pre-registered. \$10.00 per person after July 15th.

Saturday, August 13, 2011: Annual Meeting & Potluck

This will be held at the Community Center.

Potluck at noon (meat will be provided, please bring a covered dish to share, your own table service, and beverage).

The Annual Meeting will begin at 1 p.m.

(Please note that NO ballots will be issued at the Annual Meeting once the meeting has been called to order)

**The following business will come before the lot owners to be voted on at the 2011 Annual Meeting:
Budget for September 1, 2011 – August 31, 2012**

Proposed Supplemental Fee per lot owner for a period ending with the fee assessed on April 1, 2016

Board of Directors positions up for election are:

- Unit Two (2) is for a three-year term.
- Unit Five (5) is for a three-year term.

Details for the above business items are found within this newsletter please continue reading.

Voting Information:

- Only lot owners who have paid all required fees by June 1st are eligible to be a director and/or vote.
- Lot owners may vote for each board position and any other business that comes before the membership, regardless of where your property is located.
- Only one vote per lot. SEE – Bylaws, Article IV Membership Section 1 for additional information.
- Partially owned lots are not entitled to a vote.
- Corporations, partnerships and any other association of individuals, including tenants in common, which purchase lots, shall designate, in writing, addressed to the Holiday Lake corporate secretary, the name of the person who shall exercise the entity's membership voting rights. Such notice must be signed by an authorized officer of the entity owning the lot or by each individual in the case of tenants in common owning the lot. If no written notice has been delivered to the Holiday Lake corporate secretary or if the person named is not present to vote, then a vote may not be cast.
- Absentee ballots will be available at the Holiday Lake Office beginning on Thursday, July 14, 2011, during normal business hours. The absentee ballot **deadline** is 5:00 p.m. CST on Friday, August 12, 2011. Please make note of the deadline for absentee voting. This is to allow the Holiday Lake Office and Nominating Committee ample time to get prepared for the 2011 Annual Meeting and to get the absentee ballots tabulated.
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**PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL FEE PER LOT OWNER FOR
A PERIOD ENDING WITH THE FEE ASSESSED ON APRIL 1, 2016**

The last two years the Holiday Lake Board of Directors voted to chip and seal some of the main roads to provide better access to the lot owners. This service reduces the amount of rock needed for the roads as well as making them easier to maintain.

To maintain the level of current services, which lot owners have come to expect, it is critical to maintain the current supplemental fee. The Holiday Lake Owners' Association Board of Directors proposes to either keep the rate of \$120.00 per lot owner for another five years, or increasing it to \$150.00 per lot owner for five years, making it possible to continue road improvements and/or maintenance related to the common areas of the lake.

There will be a ballot with the above verbiage for lot owners to either vote to approve or disapprove the proposed annual supplemental fee per lot owner for a period ending with the fee assessed on April 1, 2016.

Holiday Lake Nominating Committee Report...

Chairperson – Kim Pendarvis, 641-522-6082. The Nominating Committee consists of a chairperson and one person from each unit. The committee members helped to find candidates for the Unit Two and Unit Five director positions, as well as counting ballots (absentee and at the annual meeting). The annual meeting is August 13, 2011.

Following is information from candidates who are seeking election to the Holiday Lake Board of Directors:

Larry Ehrig – Unit Two

Unit 2 Lots 114,115,165,214

Background

- Larry worked for John Deere as a supervisor and successfully managed numerous departments before retiring in 2000. Between January 2004 and December 2006, he was asked to return to John Deere temporarily fill empty positions and train new supervisors
- Larry has been married for 45 years. He and his wife, Joan, bought their first lot at Holiday Lake in 1975. They have two daughters, who enjoy both summer and winter activities at the lake.
- Larry, Joan and their family reside in the Waterloo/Cedar Falls area

Experience

- Holiday Lake Water Board Member
- Charter member of the Holiday Lake Corporation, which was responsible for deeding the commercial property where the Community Center is located back to Holiday Lake
- Volunteer lake and gate patrol
- Served on multiple nominating committees
- Involved with the planning phases of the dredging project, worked on the dredge crew for three summers and saw the project to completion
- Holiday Lake Board Member representing Unit 2 since 2006

Goals

- Road and ditch maintenance
- Erosion control
- Lake water quality
- Weed control
- Rural Improvement Zone

Accomplishments

- 2010 Rules and Regulations booklet completed and sent to all lot owners of record
- Started process of removal of nuisance houses from the Holiday Lake Subdivision
- Iowa Supreme Court Awarded Holiday Lake to Establish a Rural Improvement Zone
- Added boat ramps at Andy's and Bozo Lakes

Beliefs

- Every lot owner should have the right to know where money is being spent on any lake related project
- Enforcement of rules and regulations is the key to everyone's safety and welfare
- All lake issues and property owner concerns should be addressed and resolved in a professional and timely manner

BUDGET

**Holiday Lake Owners' Association, Inc.
September 1, 2011 - August 31, 2012**

Income

Community Center Income.....	\$8,000
Interest Income.....	\$3,000
Maintenance Fees.....	\$322,868
Supplemental Fees	\$98,019
RV Fees - Land.....	\$8,250
RV Fees - Water.....	\$12,000
Miscellaneous Income	\$6,000
Total	\$458,137

EXPENSE

Contributions.....	\$300
Building repairs.....	\$500
Depreciation.....	\$21,000
Dues & Subscriptions	\$50
Employee Wages & Benefits.....	\$95,000
Equipment & Vehicle expenses	
Fuel	\$9,000
Repairs	\$9,000
Licenses.....	\$1,300
Replacement Equipment.....	\$1,000
Fees and Deeds.....	\$100
Insurance expense	\$20,000
Lake and Parks expense	\$9,000
Maintenance expenses.....	\$2,500
Office expense.....	\$12,387
Professional expenses (collection exp. & bad debt)	\$40,000
Roads.....	\$158,000
Security	\$25,000
Trash/recycle	\$1,500
Property Taxes.....	\$25,000
Federal & State income tax	\$1,00
Utilities.....	\$13,000
Community Center.....	\$ 5,000
Fireworks Fund	\$7,000
Fish Fund.....	\$1,500
Total	\$458,137

Duane Selken – Unit Five

Unit 5 Lots 12, 13, 15

Background

- Duane and Darlus purchased property at Holiday Lake in 1982 and moved here full time in 1997
- Duane and Darlus have two daughters and two grandchildren
- Duane previously farmed for 40 years in the Keystone area and worked for the government farming program

Experience

- Holiday Lake Board member representing Unit Five for ten years
- Charter member of the silt committee and has served as a lead member
- Worked with NRCS to establish silt control for the entire lake
- Involved with planning phases of dredging project, worked as a dredge crew member and saw the project to completion
- Over see the upgrading of lake maintenance equipment
- Helped with the erection of the new community center
- Responsible for planning improvements to the roads of Holiday Lake

Goals

- Maintain good water quality of lake and ponds
- Continue to upgrade and plan chip and seal of roads
- Work with the Rural Improvement Zone Trustees
- Keep all Holiday Lake association members informed and listen to their concerns
- Security with the help of all the association members to keep this a safe and private lake
- Continue to volunteer my time to assist with maintenance and any other projects

Sunday, September 4, 2011: Annual Pancake Breakfast

Community Center – 7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Contact: Kim Pendarvis at 641-522-6082.

This will once again be a free-will donation to benefit the Holiday Lake Community Center. If you would like to be part of our crew for the day, just give Kim a call at 641-522-6082 to get the shift and job of your choice.

Sign-up sheets will also be available at the Holiday Lake Office.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

In addition to the Board Members, the following Committees are established:

Accounting Advisory Committee:

Jim Hamilton JC Miller

Fish Committee:

Dick Osborne	641-522-7257	Lynn Baustian	641-522-9307
Patrick Beatty	641-522-5288	Brad Maus	641-484-2437
Gene Prusha	641-753-9515	Ernie Tomlinson	641-522-7857

Hi fellow fisherman, I would like to thank all of those that helped in the first annual Ice Fishing Derby and the volunteers that put some much needed fish habitat back in our water!!! The tree and pallet piles are a great addition to the yearly stocking regiment that the lake has been doing in the past years.

For those of you that have ventured out this year already, you might have noticed that the water is very clear (this makes for a little harder fishing). The fish are there but they are a little spooky (they can see and hear you) so when faced with these conditions, my recommendation is to down size your line and fish deeper. Our lake at this point has an over-abundance of 10-14 inch bass- these fish are the most aggressive and eat the most food in our waters. I personally went out several weekends ago and caught over 200 of these little missiles (and had a ball) but I also know that with this many mouths to feed in a body of water this size there is very little chance that there is a large population of bigger fish.

We have to consider our water as a delicate eco-system-and we have to be stewards of it-period. This spring -right after ice out- I had the pleasure to catch a 5 and 7 lb. bass in one afternoon on the lake-photos were taken and the girls were placed back in the lake-They were CPRed. What that means is that I Caught -Pictured-Released those fish. Now, I was raised to catch and release bass so that part is easy for me but in order to have a lake that has a potential of a number of these beauties there has to be many things go right for those fish to reach their potential. Without going into the science of it - We need several things to go right-1.Genetics-(those of you that deer hunt QDM) we want the fish with the best to survive. 2. Food Source-natural and supplemental (minnows or crawdads we put in) 3. Weather for spawning and oxygen levels. 4. Cover for smaller fish to grow. 5. Balance of big fish and little fish 6. A good system of harvest and catch and release.

Most of those things we do a good job of at Holiday Lake. The one that we need to work on is Selective harvest --as I stated earlier there is an over abundance of 10-14 inch bass in the lake - Some of these need to be harvested-the limit on keeping bass is 5 a day -so my recommendation to you is to keep 5 bass each time you go fish in that range. If you catch a bigger one CPR it and know that you are doing the lake a good thing. The other species will benefit such as the crappie (we have stocked a lot over the years but are not seeing the desired results) I truly feel that the bass population is eating most of the young crappie before they can mature. There does seem to be a nice population of walleye in the 13-16 inch range, as evident in the ice fishing tournament, and I have caught several this spring on a variety of lures. Hybrids and blue gills are there but those too are being reduced heavily by the sharks of the water (the little bass). There were a few perch caught this winter and I did manage one this spring so far (please let us know what you have been catching so we can monitor more closely). Restocking is only a part of the picture--please help by thinking about the future of the sport every time you catch a large fish (crappie,walleye,bass,catfish,perch) CPR it and who knows someone else might catch it and give them the thrill of a life time.

I would be glad to sit down with anyone and talk about the future of the fish at the lake as my mom always said-It takes a village to raise a child-It takes an association to raise a great fishing lake. We must work together! Brad Maus -Holiday Lake Fish Committee

Donations received of \$100.00 or more for the fish fund includes: Ice Fishing Tournament

All anglers on private waters must abide by rules and regulations governing fishing, including bag limits.
(Please Do Not keep more fish than you can personally use)

Community Center Management Committee

Pat Link, Co-Chair 641-522-9623
Kim Pendarvis, Co-Chair 641-522-6082
Dale Howe Steve Link Terry Maxfield Katie Tomlinson Anne Walford

Handicap handrails and diaper changing stations have been installed in each of the restrooms. We are now beginning to add some landscaping to help enhance the appearance of the Community Center.

Thank you to Ben Goodrich for the donation of the bushes which we place in the front of the Community Center.

We wish to extend our appreciation to the more than 40 Holiday Lake Bakers, who took the time to make goodies for this annual event, and to those volunteers who helped make this fundraiser possible. The Annual Bake Sale was held on Saturday, May 28. The Community Center made \$518 from this event.

Holiday Lake Apparel 'N More – Tank Tops are back, now available in red for men and key lime for the ladies. Can Koozies and Bottle Koozies are still available. Items currently in stock have the Holiday Lake logo. We are working on new artwork to be introduced for the 50th Anniversary of Holiday Lake. There are still some Triathlon T-shirts left. Stop by the office to check on the sizes and colors available. Holiday Lake Apparel 'N More is an on-going fundraiser for the Community Center and is available year round at the Holiday Lake Office. If you can't find exactly what you are looking for, we would be happy to help you place your pre-paid special order. Items ordered usually arrive within a few weeks. If you have any questions, just give Kim Pendarvis a call at 641-522-6082.

The Community Center is available to rent year round, with reservations made up to one year in advance. All reservations are on a first come basis. Deposits are required and will be returned after the event, upon returning the Center to its original condition. The Center is also available on non-reserved weekdays (Monday thru Thursday) for lot owners' use. Just contact the office the day you want to use it. If the Center is available that day, you may check out a key and the donation can. All we ask for is a small donation toward expenses, and that you clean up and leave the Center the same way you found it.

The Community Center has hosted many events so far. However, we still need donations to take care of some of the finishing touches and to help with landscaping. If you have already made a donation, we thank you. But, maybe you would be interested in adding to your current donation to advance the beauty of our much used Community Center. Any amount would be greatly appreciated.

Annual Holiday Lake Triathlon

Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped make the Third Annual Holiday Lake Triathlon a success. The weather wasn't the best, but there was a lot of Great Spirit there!! A lot of Holiday Lake people showed up and gave lots of assistance.

We had a total of 153 sign up, including 5 teams. Four people picked up their packets and then chose not to participate; 17 others did not come at all. There were 123 bib numbers in the race. Those numbers are down from last year, but the weather was a factor.

The athletes appreciated the cheerful Lakers and found Holiday Lake to be beautiful. Many would rather not have so many hills to run, but they love the challenge. They appreciated the golf cart courtesy and thought the Community Center a wonderful facility. Comments shared included that the water was cold, the bike ride was too cold and windy, the run was too hilly and they'll be back next year! This was a fund raiser for the Community Center and our profit was \$2,818.01

Rural Improvement Trustees:

Mark Baugh, Rick Happe, Marvin Herman, Robert Hunt and Herb Richards

Tuesday, August 2, 2011: Election for Rural Improvement Zone Trustees
Michael J Manatt Community Center
105 Jackson Street
Brooklyn, Iowa 52211
Noon – 8:00 P.M.

This election is for two three-year terms as trustees for the Holiday Lake Rural Improvement Zone.

July 8, 2011 is the final date to file nomination papers at the Poweshiek County Auditor’s office, papers can be picked up at the Holiday Lake Office or the Auditor’s Office in Montezuma.

July 22, 2011 is the deadline for Voters Registration open until 5:00 pm at the Auditor’s Office.

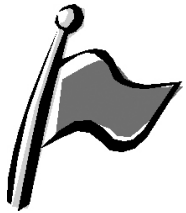
You may request an absentee ballot from the Poweshiek County Auditor, P.O. Box 57, Montezuma, IA 50171, 641-623-5443. Ballots must be postmarked by **August 1, 2011**, and received by the Auditor by **August 8, 2011**, for your vote to count.

Please note that only permanent residents of the Holiday Lake Subdivision can be a trustee or vote.

The Rural Improvement Zone allows the tax generated by improvements that increase the valuations to property within the Holiday Lake area to be set aside and used for improvements to the lake and the surrounding area for conservation (not for roads). The funds are requested and administered by a five-member Board of Trustees who are elected by full-time residents of the Holiday Lake Subdivision.

Water Quality Committee (WQC):

We have tested the water both in May and June and found oxygen, phosphates, chloride, bacteria and others well within the safe range. Chloride was higher than usual, but that seems to happen each spring. Our current committee includes Bill Vileta, Dan Hanover, Don VanVoorhees, Becky Payne, Kim & Larry Pendarvis and Connie Sjerven. If you would like to join us, we test starting at Bozo Fishing Lake at 9 am on the first Tuesday of the month. We’ve been attempting to meet the last Saturday of the month at Connie Sjerven’s resident, 5280 Buena Vista Dr. Please call Connie at 522-2300 if you would like to attend meetings.



RED FLAG ALERT

When a red flag is in place of the American Flag on the dam, and at the North and South boat Dock this is to signify that there is to be no wake due to high water.

YELLOW FLAG ALERT

When a Yellow flag is in place of the American Flag on the dam, and North and South boat dock this is to signify that Holiday Lake is experiencing high levels of Bacteria. Holiday Lake recommends not engaging in water activities.



RECYCLE BIN



The recycle bin is located at the office inside the fence and is available during normal business hours. (Please do not put your recycle items over the fence)

Please do not place: plastic bags, packing peanuts or trash/garbage (example: used paper towels) in the bin.

Also, glass needs to be clear, **no** colored glass please. If these items continue to be thrown in the recycle bin, we will have to consider discontinuing the recycle bin.

Bins are available for: metal, paper, magazines, **broken down cardboard** and number one and two plastics. (Please rinse or wash out cans, plastic and glass)

POP CAN FUND

All money from the collection of Iowa refundable cans and bottles goes towards the fireworks fund as well as the donations taken at the gates.

Please empty cans and bottles and keep in separate containers.

Only Iowa refundable cans and bottles are accepted. No tea or water bottles, those items should be placed in the recycle bin.

If you wish to make a donation to the fireworks fund, please make checks out to Holiday Lake Owners Association.



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HOLIDAY LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING FUND DONATION FORM

Enclosed is a donation toward the Holiday Lake Community Center building in the amount of \$_____.

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip_____

Phone Number_____

Donor Plaque Information (how you would like your name to appear on the plaque): _____

(A donor's plaque will hang in the Community Center to recognize donors of \$100 or more.)

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Holiday Lake Community Center Building Fund
or Brooklyn Community Foudatio (Depending on which method you choose to donate)**

**MAIL DONATION ALONG WITH FORM TO: Holiday Lake Community Center,
101 Buena Vista Drive, Brooklyn, IA 52211**
(Please check with your tax advisor regarding tax deductions)