IT'S ALL ABOUT THE

13th Edition April 2023





Saturday April 8 Noon-6

Saturday May 20 Food Truck Needed!

Saturday May 27 5pm—out of Dough





Saturday June 3 Noon-7







Saturday
June 17
5pm—out of
Dough



Saturday June 24 Noon-7



Another winter has come and gone. Congrats to us that made it through, prayers and condolences to the families and friends of those who didn't. This winter seemed longer than most. Maybe it was because the snow just wouldn't GO AWAY! Or maybe it's because summer just always seems to fly by with all of the great activities and events that go on at our great lake! I don't know about you, but I'm ready to get this season going! I have tried to include every event possible on the calendar page, but as always, its subject to change!

As you can see, I am doing my best to get some food trucks booked, but the struggle is real! If you personally know of any food trucks that would like to park in our lot, please send them my way! We'd be more than happy to have them. We are working on a small park area for trucks to park next to, along with a couple of picnic tables. We hope to have grass by mid-summer, but that all depends on mother nature!

Aside from our main business, repair work, Shane and I have made it our priority to serve this community and to give the people what they want! And what do they want? ICE CREAM! That's right folks, Gator's will be offering SOFT SERVE ICE CREAM and SLUSHIES Fridays through Sundays during the summer months, starting Easter Weekend! We will have Vanilla, Chocolate and Twist ice cream, along with some of the novelty ice cream items that we carried last year. We have also installed a 2-flavor Slushie machine. I will do my best to post which flavors of Slushie's we will have each weekend on the Holiday Lake Facebook Page. Slushie's will be non-alcoholic, but feel free to add your own "special sauce".

Another suggestion that has been made is some sort of credit system. A lot of you do not lake carrying cash while cruising around the lake. We will be offering Pre-paid tabs and a Confections Punch Card! We have rounded all of our Sweets, Sodas and Ice Cream products to dollar amounts. Each punch on your Confections Card is worth \$1. Cards will be available for purchase for \$20. Hand in your filled card(s) by the end of the summer to be put into a drawing for a fabulous prize! How fun is that!?!

We can't wait for everyone to come back and open up their summer homes or park their campers! We've missed you!

Jeni & Shane

4th Annual Hog Roast Saturday July 1 Noon-2

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Saturday July 8 Noon-7



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Fire on Wheels
Pizza

Saturday
July 29
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Saturday August 5 Food Truck Needed!

Fire on Wheels Pizza



Saturday
August 12
5pm—out of
Dough

Saturday, August 19



Saturday August 26 Food Truck Needed!

Saturday September 2 Food Truck Needed!



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Holiday Lake Rocks

IT'S ALMOST TIME TO ROCK!

Rock Season is upon us! New unpainted rocks will be available at Gator Enterprise starting May 1st. The Golden Rocks will be out for the Memorial Day weekend and soft serve at Gator Enterprise will be the prize for those who find them! If you would like to donate to the Golden Rock fund, please stop by Gator Enterprise, LLC!

As always, we will have a fun activity for the 4th of July weekend, there will be a scavenger hunt! To accomplish this, we will need USA/Patriotic/4th of July themed rocks. There will be a bucket at Gator's on May 1st with new rocks for painting. There will be a collection bucket for the themed rocks as well, so feel free to drop them off as you paint.

Reminder to all Rock Hunters. PLEASE post your finds on the #HLR Holiday Lake Rocks Facebook page, our rock creators/painters spend A LOT of time working on rocks, and really love to see the happy faces that find them. Thank you to everyone who participates, it's going to be a great year! For more information on events please follow Holiday Lake Rocks on Facebook at #HLR Holiday Lake Rocks!





Holiday Lake

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Notes from the Under (water) world

By Blake Wilkinson

Scuba Club conducted a couple of successful dives under the ice in late February. Took some fun photos and enjoyed the serenity. Didn't see many fish, but everything has a nice cover of moss for good hiding when they return to the shallows. Looking forward to retrieving the items dropped over the winter....





The 2023 dive plan will focus on Haps Cove and the shoreline on either side. Remember that Scuba Duck is our tethered surface marker. If you see the mighty Duck, Diver's are below!





You can help the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Iowa by collecting and donating aluminum pop tabs. The funds generated from recycling these aluminum gems help offset the House's expenses such as electricity and water bills. Drop off your tabs at Gator Enterprise, LLC and we'll be sure that your tabs make a difference!







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Fish Committee Update

By Committee Member Barry Knowles

The fish committee would like to give an extra special thanks to the Holiday Lake residents, guests, and invitees, to the 2023 Ice Derby. We had the largest attendance on record, with just over 500 participants, with a \$15,000 profit. What a great group of people they were! Respect to the lake was given, everyone packed out what they packed in, including their trash. Great sportsmanship was on display towards the fishery, first hand accounts of so many great fish released right back in the hole after being measured. At the end of the day, it didn't matter what was on the end of anyone's line. Smiles were ear to ear for all. Results were as follows:

Walleye 23" • Blue Gill 9" • Perch 12.5" • Catfish 26" • Crappie 13.5"

Once again, thank you. The Fish Committee being successful now, not only means we can maintain our great fishery, we can also improve fishing conditions for future generations of Holiday Lakers, leaving the lake a better place than when we arrived at the lake!

You can't catch a fish if you don't try!

Tight lines! Barry Knowles

*Stay tuned for spring stocking info. A direct result of your support!

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Finance Plan Eases Payments Of Owners One of the most unusual facets of the Holiday Lake project is that many lots have been sold on time payments without interest or car-

rying charges.

D.A. Wilson, co-owner of the lowa Recreational Development Co., private developers of Holiday Lake, explained that the company has great flexibility in establishing a person's cred-

it and financing lots without interest charges for three reasons.

First, none of the contracts are sold to banks or insurance companies; second, lot owners make their payments promptly, or early; and, third, past experience has shown that the lots are continually going up in value. Since the lots are the developers' only security, their security goes up as the value of the lots goes up.

After two years of development, about threefourths of the lots in the lake area have been sold. Developers expect that the remaining lots will be disposed of this season.





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UPCOMING EVENTS

All Dates and Times are Subject to Change. For additional information or inquiries on specific events, please contact the Holiday Lake Owner's Association Office. 641-522-7686
Office Hours: Tues—Fri 8AM-3PM, Sat 8-Noon

GET INVOLVED! Official Meetings at the Community Center:

Rural Improvement Zone
First Wednesday of
each month at 6PM

Board of Directors Second Thursday of each month at 6:30PM Fourth Thursday of each month at 10AM

The Betterment Committee
Welcomes you to

Open to all Holiday Lake Property Owners! Stop in for coffee, tea, sweet treats and conversation!

Join us at the Community Center
1st Tuesday and 3rd Thursday of the Month
from 9am-10:30am

Saturday, April 8

1pm Easter Egg Hunt at Powell Park Sponsored by Holiday Realty Contact: Heidi Sunkle 641-522-2300

Saturday, May 20

9am—1pm Lakewide Clean-Up Day

Saturday, May 27

8am—Noon Bake Sale—Community Center Fundraiser Contact: Kim Pendarvis 641-990-9763

8am Betterment Committee Fun Walk (Start location TBA)

Saturday, June 3

7:30am—Noon Kid's Fishing Tournament See Flier for details.



6pm Lakewide Potluck at Community Center Sliced Ham provided. Please bring dish to share and your own table service and beverage. Contact: Kim Pendarvis 641-990-9763

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6102 N Lakeshore June 9 & 10 Friday 9am-8pm Saturday 9am-5pm

Saturday, June 17

9am—1pm Lakewide Clean-Up Day





Independence Day Events!

Saturday, July 1

9-9:30AM Yoga in the Park. Powell Park

10am Volleyball tournament. Powell Park

4th Annual Hog Roast

Saturday, July 1 Noon until the food runs out! 3198 Barbara (Red Roof Inn)

FREE WILL DONATION to Kid's Fishing Tournament Fund BYOB and lawn chairs.

Contact: Brad Jepson 515-205-2441



2pm 4th Annual Pet Costume Parade. Powell Park

Hot Air Balloon Rides at Baseball Field

(Balloon Rides Sponsored by Remax Partners, weather permitting)

8pm Boat Parade. Starting at South Boat Ramp.

Dusk FIREWORKS off the Dam. Rain date of Sunday, July 2

Sunday, July 2

9am Kid's Carnival Games Community Center ATV/UTV/Golf Cart Cruise: Judging ENDS at 10:30am. Cruise begins at 11am. Contact: Katie Tomlinson 641-485-0127



WEATHER SIRENS

Outdoor Warning Siren (OWS) monthly testing is on the First Saturday of the month at 10AM. During these monthly tests, the sirens will activate for a full 3-minute warning cycle.

Saturday, July 15 Meet the Candidates

10-11am Community Center

Meet the Candidates for Board of Directors.

Band "77 Classic Revue" playing on the water at the home of Dave & Denise Link 6090 Capitol Drive

Monday-Friday, July 17-21 Vacation Bible School



9:30-11:30am Community Center. Sponsored and ran by Kent Chapel.

Contacts: Pastor Dorothy Banzahf 641-522-7205

Zelda Kramer 641-522-5523

Saturday, July 29 POKER RUN

1pm Registration at the Community Center. 2pm We Ride! Fish Committee Fundraiser

Contacts: Mike Ehrig 319-939-5718 Dennis Jones 319-533-1954

Saturday, August 12 Annual Meeting

Community Center. Voting from 8-9am. Meeting at 9am.



Saturday, August 19 HOLIPALOOZA

Starting at Noon on the North lawn of Community Center

Saturday, September 2 Vendor/Craft Show

9am-3pm. Community Center Contact: Mary Little 641-522-4438

Sunday, September 3 Annual Pancake Breakfast

7:30am—12:30pm. Community Center Contact: Kim Pendarvis 641-990-9763

Saturday, October 28 Trunk or Treat!

3pm Beach Parking Lot/Community Center Contact: Candace Brown 319-243-9075





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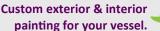
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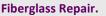


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Welcome to the Lake!

The Holiday Lake Welcome Committee would like to Welcome you! New owner visits will start May 1. Contact one of these ladies or the lake office to schedule a time to hear about all of the great amenities and events that are included with lot owner membership!

Chair- Pat Link 641-891-1046 Co-Chair Shannon Schmit 319-213-4613 Co-Chair Joy Krull 319-350-2543 Lake Office 641-522-7686

The Welcome Committee has an informational book for new residents to help with Utility information, phone #'s, committees that you might care to join, events and dates etc. Also included, is a lake map with parks, restroom locations, brush dump, campgrounds and much more. Books are free to new lot owners that have purchased property since October 2022. Additional Books are available to lot owners to purchase at the lake office.









Bags, Cornhole, Bag Toss or WHATEVER!

Submitted by Gary Edwards

First off, I would like to thank the original group, who about 9 years ago, had the vision to get together an ongoing event and use the Community Center through the winter months. They came up with the idea of playing bags every other Friday night. As they got organized, the idea was to have teams and keep track of wins and losses, with a champion declared at the end of the season. As years went on, there was as many as 20 teams, but decided ultimately that eighteen teams was best. Shannon Hershey ran and developed this program for the first four years and then passed it on to me. With guidance from Shannon, I embraced the challenge!

As years passed, the Bags Night became such a great way to meet other Lakers and to stay in touch with others. When the program seemed to go on auto-pilot and was running smooth, along came COVID. We lost most of our 2020-21 Season, but did try to salvage a couple night towards the end. We (I) decided to do a straight "blind draw" format and get away from teams and keeping track of wins and losses. Since then we have ran the program that way, as it seemed to be more favorable to the majority.

So here we are, 3 years later and continuing with this format. Anyone can play on any given night and not be committed to an entire season of play, no partner required, which seems to be a huge benefit. On a personal note, I am very proud of the quality of the bags and boards we've been able to acquire for good, consistent play. Thank you to all who loan out your boards during the winter months!

Please take note of the dates for the 2023-24 gatherings, to be announced at a later late, and make plans to come join us! It's a great way to stay in-touch and meet new friends!

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Saturday June 3, 2023 7:30am to Noon

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Registration Deadline is May 15 To ensure that each kiddo gets a T-shirt.

Please use a separate form for each child.

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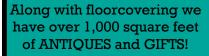




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The new campground restrooms will have two toilets and two showers. We are looking forward to getting this completely ready for use by all lot owners during the warmer weather months.

Projected to be open by the end of April/mid-May.



The Holiday Lake Betterment Committee will kick-off the 2023 Season on April 6, 10:00 AM at the Community Center.

One of our 1st big goals of the year is the development of a Community Safety and Wellness Event to be held this Spring. [more to follow after our 1st meeting]

Agenda

Potentially reestablish 2 important Holiday Lake programs: The Lost Child / Person 1st Responder Program and The Water 1st Responder Program.

Additional topics for consideration: Organized CPR / First Aid classes; Health Screenings, and a Good-Neighbor Wellness Check Program. [a list of caring individuals who can be called upon to check on a loved-one or friend who may be living alone].

If you are or may be interested in helping to organize or help in some other fashion, please reach out to one of the Committee Chairpersons:

> Deb Mills [debmills25@gmail.com] Robbie Douglas [minrob@aol.com] Conni Doughan [ckdoughan@gmail.com]

*****REMINDER****

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!! The Betterment Committee will again be sponsoring a FUN WALK this Memorial Day Weekend on Saturday, May 27 starting at 8am. Location to be announced!! Additional details will be announced on the Holiday Lake and Betterment Committee FB Pages in the coming weeks.

PLEASE NOTE: The Committee will be changing their monthly meeting time to 10 AM, the 4th Thursday of each month. These meetings will be held at the Community Center and are open to all Lake Residents.

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Holiday Lake History



Brooklyn Chronicle 4/6/1972

HAPPY FELLA-David Patten of Holiday Lake was a happy youngster Saturday after finding the grand prize in the Brooklyn Commercial Club's annual Easter Egg hunt in Landes Park. The 8-year old is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Patten. (and nephew of current lake resident, Jim Patten.)

Happy Easter!



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