

18th Edition





WHAT A SUMMER!!!! We had a lot of cloudy weekends, but that didn't stop us lakers from having fun! We've met a lot of great people and our regulars feels like family. Speaking of family, Shane and I could not have survived without help from ours. My mom, Pat Jans, is always willing to pop over and fill in we need a break, which has truly been a blessing and we cannot thank her enough. Then there are our kids, Danica and Sylas. We joke about child labor and those two "earning their keep," but seriously, Danica has spent every day that she hasn't been at school or her "real job" at the shop, either wrenching with her dad or giving her mom a break in the office. Sylas has spent every single Friday through Sunday pumping gas and keeping the bait fridge full. The pay is awful, but the quality family time has been an experience that we will never forget!



FOOD TRUCKS have been a huge hit and I'm already starting to book them for next year! Thank you so much for supporting these small businesses. And we hope everyone has had a chance to check out the Binzebo and maybe even taken a moment to sit and swing! Don't forget to turn in filled punch cards at Gator's to be en-

tered into a prize drawing at the end of Summer! To be entered into the drawing, cards must be turned in no later than the end of Labor Day Weekend.

We will be kicking it into full Boat Winterization gear here in the next couple of weeks. If you have a watercraft that needs to be winterized, please see the back page of this newsletter for pricing and a fancy new link to make an appointment online! Don't do fancy technology? That's OK! Just call or stop in.

This winter, while you are reflecting on all of the great memories you and yours have made at our beautiful lake, please ask yourself what YOU can do to make it even better! It takes many volunteers to have all of the great activities and extra's. Do you have a couple of hours to spare to help out?

Shane and I would like to thank everyone for their continued support and being a part of making our small business dreams a reality. Keep the suggestions and ideas coming! You never know what we'll be up to next!



Have and Safe and Warm Winter!











Calum Johnson, grandson of Tom & Nicole Blair, keeping it cool in his Gator hat!



Shane and Jeni from Gator's are available to check on summer-only properties throughout the winter months. Property owners can schedule weekly, bi-weekly or monthly checks. We also get calls to check on things like thermostats, septic alarms and check for flooded basements after a big rain. We can even let repair people in or water your plants! If you find yourself in need of assistance this winter, please stop in or call Gator Enterprise, LLC. 641-522-7313 or stop in to discuss options.





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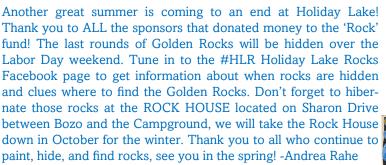
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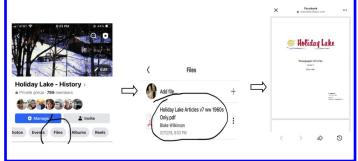






Holiday Lake History By Blake Wilkinson

Did you know that the Holiday Lake – History facebook page maintains files, stories and photos from years past? For example, a 197 page compendium of newspaper articles is free for download... see instructions below...



The Holiday Lake Lighting Committee would like to remind everyone that we accept donations year-round. Jf you would like to contribute, please drop off your donations at the Holiday Lake of-



fice and specify that it is for the lighting committee. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated. We look forward to lighting up our lake.

> Thank yon, Holiday Lake Lighting Committee







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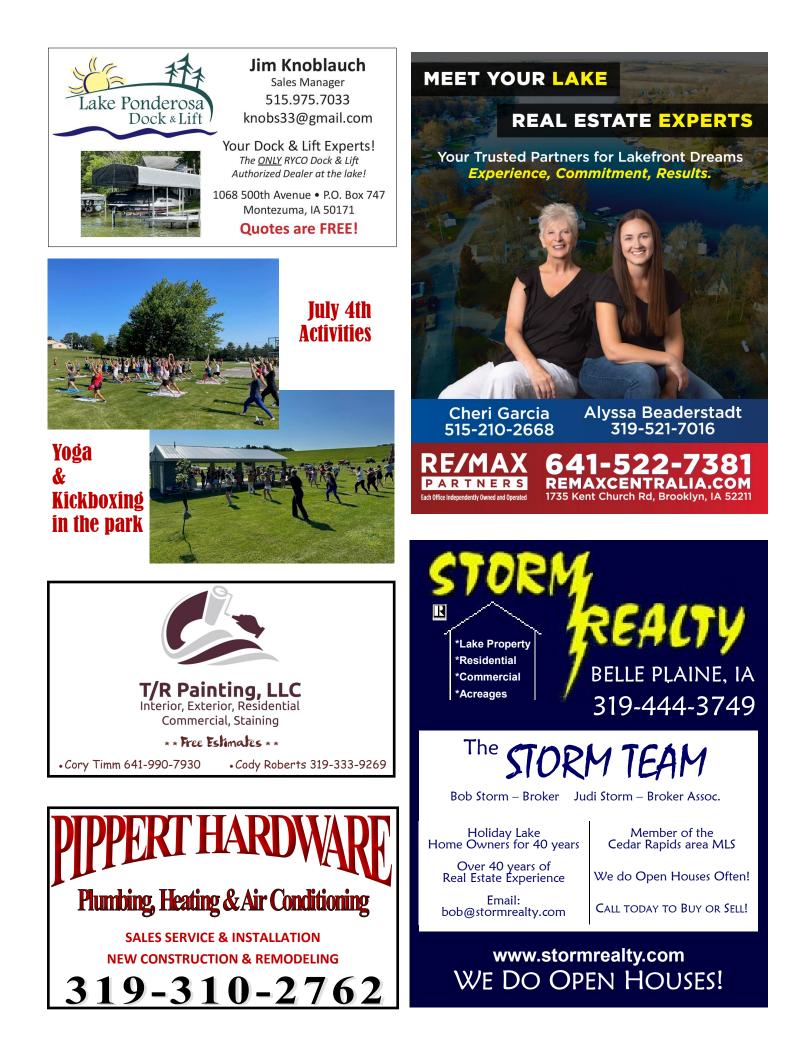


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UPCOMING EVENTS

GET INVOLVED! 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

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

The Betterment Committee Welcomes you to Community Coffee

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 Friday of the Month from 9am-10:30am

Join us for Monthly Planning Meetings/Work sessions after Coffee at 11AM on the 3rd Friday of the month, April-November.

Compost Pile

Open Saturday, April 6 through November 9, 8AM-2PM

Materials accepted will be branches no larger than 4 inches in diameter and any biodegradable material (yard waste). CLOSED DURING WET/MUDDY CONDITIONS

HOLIDAY LAKE END OF THE SUMMER VENDOR/CRAFT SHOW

Saturday, August 31, 2024 9am-3pm at the Community Center

Also: Pie Sales for Kent Chapel Get there early!!!!!

Passing the Olympic Flame



By Mary Little

It was a dark and stormy night ... no that's not right, great American pastime, passing the Buck, no that is not right either ... passing the Olympic flame, that's it. For the last 9 years or more I have hosted the Holiday Lake Vendor/Craft show. It has been my honor to do this. But health and circumstances dictate that I pass this onto another laker to continue this tradition. The craft/vendor show signals the last days of summer by being held on the Saturday of Labor Day weekend. I inherited the show from Lindy Easley who did the show for many years (10yrs+), and she took over from Sue Dicky who originally held the show in the park. The community center was built in 2008 and that is when Lindy moved the craft show indoors. I will be passing the baton to Monica and Craig Morrisson who are new owners here at the lake. I will stay on as the lunch cook as long as I am able and as long as Monica wants me. This is the only fundraiser for Kent Chapel for their summer Vacation Bible School and they do this by selling pies at lightning speed in the opening hours of the vendor/craft show. (get there early for a homemade pie). Stop on in and say hi to Monica (she will be the one selling the custom tumblers) and have a look at the wonderful things offered by several vendors, get your Christmas shopping started and have a little something to eat. This year's show is on August 31 from 9am-3pm.

UPCOMING EVENTS

AT THE BROOKLYN OPERA HOUSE

We are a vibrant hub that caters to a diverse audience of all ages, offering an extensive range of events, from electrifying concerts to engaging community theatres, ensuring there's something for everyone to enjoy.

GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY



Help us Celebrate our Wedding with Live Music! Marsha Bean & Murry Ment Saturday, August 31

6047 N Lakeshore

Blake Jack + South 35 Band will be playing from 8pm-11pm. BYO lawn chairs.



The Holiday Lake Homeowners Association and Clothes Bin® have partnered to collect and recycle old clothing, shoes and textiles! Just place the items in the green recycling bin near our parking lot. Every pound of recycled items supports the Holiday Lake Home Owners Association!



Saturday, June 7, 2025 Kid's Fishing Tournament Friday-Saturday, June 13-14, 2025 Lakewide Garage Sales Saturday, August 16, 20205 Holipalooza Sunday, September 1 **Annual Pancake Breakfast**

Fundraiser for the Community Center 7:30am - 12:30pm at the Community Center Contact: Kim Pendarvis 641-990-9763



Saturday, September 7 **Vendor Fair**

9am—2pm at the Community Center

Handmade Western Hats, Jewelry, Antiques, Clothing, Massage /Spa goods, and more! Local Vendors gather to share their goods!

Saturday, September 14 Side x Side Ride/Poker Run



Register that morning at Powell Park. Depart around 10am

Cost this year will be \$20 per person with 50% going back to riders with best 1st, 2nd and 3rd place hands and the other 50% going back to a lake event. Also this year those playing will have their names in a drawing for a gift card to be drawn one at each stop. So grab your friends, family and neighbors and come ride along with us hope to see ya September 14!



Saturday, October 19 SOUPFEST!

5pm at the Community Center. Free will donation. Prizes for 1st & 2nd!

More details to follow on the Holiday Lake Facebook page.

Saturday, October 26 **Annual Trunk or Treating**

Contact: Candace Brown 319-243-9075

Saturday, October 26 Halloween Costume Party

6PM—Midnight at the Community "Last Call Party Band" is playing from 7-11PM Free-Will Donation. Let's see all of your amazing costumes! **Contact: September Sackett**



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as electricity & water bills. Drop off your tabs at Gator Enterprise, LLC and we'll be sure that your tabs make a difference!

The Brown's



Holiday Lake RIZ Committee

By Chelse Beumer, RIZ Secretary

For the remainder of 2024, RIZ will be working hard to get Don's cove done in preparation for a 2025 dredging project.

Riz has been working with board members in hopes of cleaning out a few ditches and getting bids on culvert repairs along with better drainage.

We have had some members switch in the past few months, so please be patient with us as we work to get

everything on track! If you have any question or concerns for the Riz, please come and join us at a meeting. They are held every first Wednesday of the month

> September 4th, 2024 - October 2nd, 2024 November 6th, 2024 - December 4th, 2024



WOW, WOW and WOW! Every time I drive by Powell Park and see the Pickleball and Basketball courts being used it brings such a smile to my face. So many "Thank You's" need to go out for the donations. Look to see future improvements at the park in the coming year! Thank you, Gary Edwards





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We're excited to announce that the disc golf course, a project we've been working on in collaboration with the lake board and maintenance team for nearly three years, is finally in its final stages! While the journey has taken longer than anticipated, we're thrilled to see it nearing completion. Stay tuned for updates as we make the final push to bring this long-awaited course to life later this year! -Heidi Sunkle and Jeni DeGeeter

Fish Committee Update



Committee Fish would like to give a big THANK YOU

to the members of this community and their guests. This year's Poker Run brought in \$15,056.00. After the initial expense of \$7,011.00, the committee profits \$8,045.00. When the fish committee profits, the whole lake profits. All proceeds from fundraising go directly in the water in the form of fish and fish habitat. With the mild temps last winter inhibiting our ability to hold an ice derby, this is just the boost we deeded to continue our lush stocking habits. Everyone likes to catch more fish, and because of your support, we can provide a better opportunity.

Just Cast

Sometimes the wrong time is the right time and when people tell you that you can't, you absolutely can! I was recently down on Sun Valley Lake over the fourth of July. It was mid-afternoon, 500 plus boats on the lake. Boat were everywhere, pulling tubes, pulling boards, great big pontoon families, jet skis zooming. I tell my family, "I'm going fishing", they all laughed. "Worst time of the day", "Too much commotion on the water", "You're never gonna catch a fish", were the things I was hearing as I got my pole ready. Ignoring all of them, I tied on a deep red 7" Mister Twister on a weighted #4 bass hook. With my wife in tow as an alibi, I headed for the dam. Watching boat after boat fly by, I pick a spot and make my first cast. Bam! Fish On! First cast, one -pound bass. Third cast, three-pound bass. Back to the house I went, arriving full of smiles and rough thumbs, point proven. Stop worrying if it's the right time, the right conditions, or the right weather. Just grab your fishing pole, a piece of plastic and cast!

Take a kid fishing, Barry Knowles Holiday Lake Fish Committee



Register at the Community Center Located near North Entrance

Registration Fee: \$25 Registration Time: 6am-7am Tournament Hours: 7am-Noon

Starting at 11am: Hot Dog & Chili Lunch

Awards and Raffle at 1PM

AWARDS: \$100.00 for Longest Fish in each of the following categories: Bluegill, Catfish, Crappie, Perch & Walleye

RAFFLE: Clam Nanook, Vexilar, Garmin, several Hub Tents, ice augers and many other PRIZES!



We have set our own limits to make a better fishery for the future. This is the only time the lake is open to the public and only during tournament hours of 7am-12pm.

NO LAND CRAFTS ALLOWED unless owned by a Lot Owner and Registered with the Holiday Lake Association.

A HUGE THANKS TO ALL OF THE SPONSORS

Contacts: Dennis Jones 319-533-1954 . Casey Hoffsmit 515-205-4914









Holipalooza 2024 is in the books and was a success! Thank you everyone for your generous donations to support next year's Holipalooza event! Eric and I would like to give a huge shout-out to our sponsors this year: Jasper Construction, Steve and Melia Rhoades, Big Riggers, Signs by Fisher, Jeff & Carmin Stickfort and Donny & Shan-

Christina Sorensen



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non Schmit. The bands commented on what an amazing community we have here at Holiday Lake! Great job on the t-shirt auction too!! You paid to keep Gary's shirt on!!

Holipalooza 2025 is tentatively set for Saturday August 16th!





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Holiday Lake Betterment Committee - Mission Statement: Bring lake residents of all ages together [new and current], building a stronger lake community. Building friendships, through the collaboration of ideas, and work of their hands, generating a feeling of inclusion and cohesiveness throughout all processes.

Please contact Deb Mills, or ANY one of the Committee members, if you would like to join in our efforts.



Holiday Lake has a small park called Bozo Park on Woodland. The Betterment Committee along with the board's help, has been making steady improvements to this park for the last few years. It has been so fun to see this little haven come alive. We

wanted to make it a place that small children could come and see decorations and go on a special hunt just for them! At Powell Park there are so many things for the older kids to do now, we thought we should have something for the littles! So, we have started hiding small figures in the park, with instructions that when found, they should be re-hidden at the park so others can find them as well! Please don't take them home with you. Sometimes the figures are bears, sometimes bunnies, wild safari animals, cartoon characters, you just don't know what you will find there! We have seen others coming there that hide painted rocks and once even the treasure chest and the big cat!

Speaking of cats, there is a really friendly black cat that comes almost every time he notices that children are there. He is not lost, he lives nearby but comes to be petted! You will notice landscape bricks that have been painted by children and child-like adults used as borders to brighten up the walkways. There are a couple of cool benches, a picnic table and some adirondak chairs to sit in and enjoy Bozo Pond. You could bring a snack and have a picnic there! It really is a beautiful little park with wonderful plants and lots of shade to take advantage of on these very hot days.

When you find our little animals, put them on a bench and have your picture taken with them! Post it on the Holiday site and or The Betterment site! We'd love to see you were successful Bozo Hunters!

Enjoy!

The Betterment Committee



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