

The Happenings @ Lake LeAnn

With our 2019 Annual Meeting and Goose Roundup behind us, we are officially in Summer Mode! It would be really nice if Mother Nature got the message and cooperated a bit more. Your Board of Directors are very grateful for your attendance at the Annual Meeting. We hope to keep you informed through our Facebook Page, The Happenings, Newsletters and special mailings. All of our Board and Committee meetings are open to our membership and there is opportunity to address your concerns at each. Please feel free to join us.

MANY THANKS TOO...

A special thanks goes to the following members who helped to make our Annual Meeting a success: Bob Halstead for donating drinks, an anonymous member who donated all the delicious donuts for our pre-meeting reception, Jean York and Maureen Butrico who coordinated our BBQ lunch, Cathy Longo who helped serve as our Parliamentarian, our staff who also helped with Parliamentary Procedure and counting votes, and all the volunteers who helped register members Linda Holloway, Kathy Barbee, Lisa Pickard, Nancy Hornsby, Richard and Yvonne LaRowe, Evelyn Kovach, Donna Ciaramitaro, MariBeth Cooper, Jackie Monasmith and Llonda Putz.



We also want to give a special thanks to everyone who helped with our Goose Roundup. We collected 58 geese on the North Basin and 17 on the South. The following volunteers made it happen: Please excuse any inadvertent names being left off of our list. You were all invaluable!!!

The South Lake: Captain Tom Tuttle, Cindy and Joe Alfonso, Christine and Terry Austin, George Bruder, Bob Edwards, Gary Gruenberg, Marty Hall, Pam and Dave Spence, Denise and Mike Zielinski

The North Lake: Captain Dan Grant, Ellen Ewing, Ronella and Ron Brelinski, Judy and Dave Busack, Maureen and Bob Butrico, Ed Byrum, Richard Cooper, Donna, Virginia and Johnny Hummel, Kent Kaiser, Jason Kalis and sons, Jim Kasch, Tim Laidlaw, Jackie and Rod Monasmith, Cindy Rosenthal, William Ziegler, and Nick Moor

Fourth of July Boat Parade



Our 4th of July Boat parade is a festive and fun event for our members. It will take place on each lake at 4pm. Knowing that the water quality is the first and forth most concern of our members we are asking that **NO WATER BALLOONS** be part of this celebration. Our Lake Manager has stated that latex plays a large part in the deterioration of our aquatic plants and healthy fish.

Introduction of new Directors

Mike Bannon, representing Crystal Estates, tells us that when he is not at the lake, he is a professor at Wayne State School of Medicine. He teaches about and conducts research on brain disorders and their treatments. Mike and his wife have been residents on North Lake LeAnn for seven years. Their families, from Chicago and other parts of the country love to come visit Lake LeAnn - so much so that his brother just bought the lake house next door. Recently Mike's focus has shifted from fishing the North Lake (two DNR Master Angler Awards so far!) to helping fix our lakes through service on our Water Quality Subcommittee and the Board. His particular interest is DNA. We are really happy to welcome Mike and look forward to working closely with him on solving our problems with water quality. Welcome Mike!!!

Dan Grant, representing Greenbriar, is 62-years of age and married to Vonda. They have four sons and recently became grandparents. Dan retired after nearly 40-years in a law enforcement career working in the Detroit metropolitan area, the last 24-years as a Chief of Police. He has an Associates degree in law enforcement from Henry Ford Community College, a Bachelors degree in Public Administration from Eastern Michigan University, and a Masters degree, also in Public Administration from the University of Michigan. He graduated from the 179th Session of the F.B.I. National Academy in Quantico, Virginia in 1994.

Dan can usually be found working on home and property improvements. He has served on our Rules and Reg Committee for the past year and he also worked on our last two Goose Roundups. This past week he served as the North Lake Captain as we successfully captured 58 geese. Welcome Dan!!! We see great things in your future at Lake LeAnn!

Best memories of Independence Day

Parades, BBQ's, family fun, boat parades, tubing and jet skiing, boating, fishing, hanging out in "Party Cove", Freddie Freeze (multiple visits), bon fires, smores and more smores, visiting Flavor Fruit Farm, McCordie Park, and Special Ed's, watching fireworks from our boat in the middle of the lake, trying to calm down my dog who hates the nose of firecrackers, neighborhood shared meals, ice cream socials, water volleyball games, golf and more golf, and tennis to list a few.....

Although Freedom and Independence have different meanings they are often used to

describe similar circumstances. Freedom is basically the ability to think and act as you see fit. Independent, is merely a state of not being subject to the authority of an external agent.

Some of our members have expressed their thoughts as follows:

“Serving in a branch of our military to secure our freedom and being able to celebrate those freedoms, being able to go to any church I want to or not go at all. Being able to speak my mind and opinions in written or spoken word on any subject.” Freedom to me means “I can vote and be heard through our system of government. I can seek and find legal representation even if I can not afford a lawyer. I can attend school and obtain at least a high school education free of cost.”

Namoo Carolan joined our Board in 2018, representing Highland Green and currently serves as our Vice President. She has quickly become an invaluable member. Her fondest memories of July 4th are attending the parades and talking with the veterans who so proudly served in our armed services to fight for the freedoms we enjoy in our great country. She also loves spending time with her loved ones on the holiday, enjoying great grilled meals and finishing the day watching fireworks. One special quality that Namoo demonstrates and we are very grateful for, is her willingness to talk to our members, listening to their concerns and working towards solutions.

She has been an American for the last two decades +, and is moved to “consider a greater National Freedom, knowing how infinitely worth a human life is from tyranny of hate and bitterness, but freedom to love God and neighbor.” She tells us “my favorite memory was the city parade, my children and husband would join me distributing sweet treats and mini flags to the local community children and then helping with a chicken barbecue later at the fire department.” She loves making July 4th more of a family day spent together and ending the day cuddling together in our backyard watching the fireworks late at night with lots of mosquito repellents and enjoying ice cream bowls. Thank you Namoo for being you!!!

Strawberry Pie Recipe



STRAWBERRY PIE

- 4 cups strawberries
- 1 1/2 cups water
- 3/4 cup sugar (or sugar substitute)
- 2 Tbs corn starch
- 1 3 oz strawberry jello (can also use no sugar)

Cook water, sugar and cornstarch stirring constantly until it boils. Cook over low heat until it is clear. Add jello and stir until dissolved.

Place whole strawberries in your favorite 9 inch pie shell (graham cracker or vanilla wafer or Oreo cookie crust).

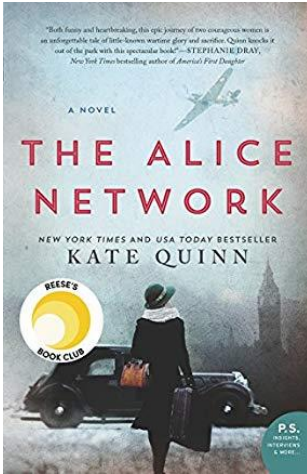
Pour slightly cooled jello mixture over berries. Spoon it over them if needed to evenly coat the berries. Cool completely and serve with whipped cream and ENJOY!

Boating Safety

Hillsdale County Sheriff Dept is sponsoring a first come, first served, FREE Boater Safety Class on Saturday, June 29th from 9-4pm. The class will be held at Somerset Beach Campground (Athletic Building Complex). Please bring your own lunch. Call For more information please call Sgt Keller at 517.437.7317.

Please obey all the boating rules and regulations. Most especially NEVER allow a passenger to ride outside the railing on watercrafts, even at a very low speed. Follow all no wake areas and always travel in a counter clockwise direction, expect when picking up a skier or person in the water.

LLPOA Book Club



LLPOA Book Club is meeting again on July 25th at 1pm. The book selection is *The Alice Network* by Kate Quinn. Hope you can join us! Call 517.392.1905 for more information.