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# December 2024

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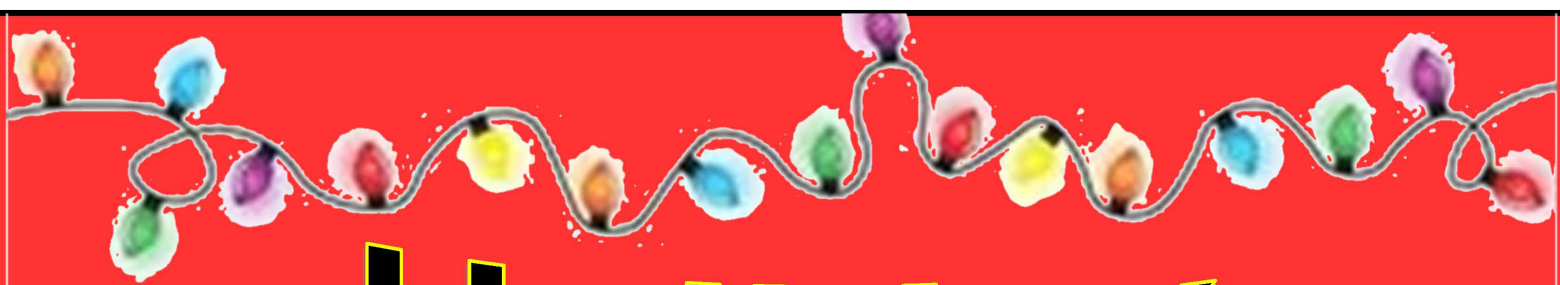
# January 2025

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Jan 1 - New Year's Day

Jan 20 - MLK Jr. Day



# Holiday Sparkle Spectacular

Get in the Holiday Spirit with the Holiday Lakes Community!

Join us in spreading some festive cheer by decorating the outside of your home with lights, wreaths, and all things merry and bright for the holiday season!

Sign up by December 14th in the office, and let the holiday magic begin! Voting starts on December 21st—so make sure your lights are shining and your decorations are dazzling!

Prizes for 1st & 2nd place, plus a special Door Prize winner!

*May the most spectacular décor win—and may your lights shine the brightest!*



# DONUTS WITH SANTA

## HOLIDAY LAKES LODGE

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14TH

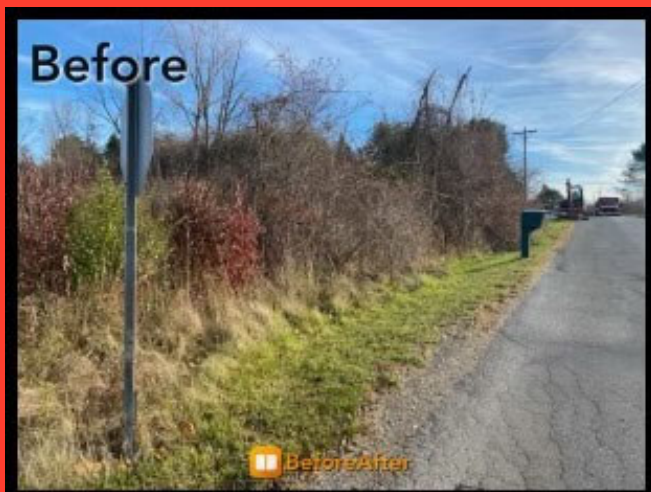
#### 10AM - 12PM

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Join us for a delightful morning of Donuts with Santa!  
Enjoy photos with Santa, receive a small gift, and participate in crafts while sipping on hot cocoa made at the hot cocoa bar. Don't miss out on the fun!



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MEADOWVIEW  
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Before



FALL  
CLEAN UP

Before



After



After

MEADOWVIEW  
&  
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HLPOA Membership Meeting Minutes  
2024 November 22

President Eric Griffin called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm with 11 members signed in. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and attendance taken with all 5 board members present. The minutes from the October 17, 2024 HLPOA Monthly Membership Meeting were approved as printed in the November Beacon and as posted on Nextdoor with a motion from Chis P and a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chris H.

**President's Report: Eric Griffin**

Eric announced that the board had approved the newly updated and revised HLPOA Rules and Regulations. They will be posted on the website and available for download soon from the website: [holidaylakes.org](http://holidaylakes.org) or email the office and a file can be emailed to you.

Eric also gave an update on the Brass lease. Talks have been underway to renew the lease which ends at the end of November 2024. We are currently negotiating a 25-mo. lease which would take us through December 31, 2026. Negotiations are going well.

Dave S. #578 Asked if we could consider adding that The Brass restaurant (not just the bar) be open for lunch on Saturdays in the summer (June-August) months and on the summer holidays. He stated that while the food trucks were a great option this past summer, he felt our restaurant should be open. Several others in attendance showed support with comments along the same lines. Eric took the comments under advisement and will add to negotiation list.

Edd A # 1334 Asked about the food trucks interfering with the Brass' business. The food trucks were here on Saturdays during the summer when the Brass was NOT open, so there was no "interference" and that was the plan all along. He then asked if HLPOA got a cut/percentage of the Brass's sales. NO we do not, but included in this new lease we have proposed a \$.50 Holiday Lakes Lake Fee. This will be added onto every completed restaurant transaction. Eddie also wondered about their responsibility on paying the utilities. The Brass pays a flat rate utility charge along with their monthly rental fee. Their new lease monthly utility rate and rental rate is higher this negotiation, to help with the always rising utility charges and to help defray the cost of the HVAC upgrades and the new outside deck and rails which highly benefit their business.

Eric stated all in all we are "light years ahead" on the terms of this lease than we were just 3 years ago.

**Vice President's Report: Chris Pheiffer**

Chris reported on the maintenance and facilities, stating that as we finished up with a very successful end of season boat pull out. Just drive by and take a look at our marina with everything neatly lined up and tucked away for winter! Josh and crew did a magnificent job accommodating everyone and making sure things ran smoothly.

Josh and crew have begun some "off season" work of clearing out ditches and culverts as well as the ongoing tree and brush cleanup work.

Materials will be ordered soon for the new decking at the Brass and Josh is currently building new more attractive "hog panels" to replace the spindled deck rails.

The crew is also working on vehicle, machinery and equipment maintenance and upkeep.

Barb H # 912 Asked if Josh needed any help with drivers for snow plowing. With the additional hire of Kyle last spring, we hopefully will not need additional plow drivers. However, we do have a couple qualified members currently added to our insurance and available to help with plowing if needed.

**Treasurer's Report: Henry Jarrett**

Henry had the most current revenue/expense (through 10/31/2024 available for all to see. He stated our income is a bit ahead of budget and our expenses are a bit below budget, with 2 months remaining in the year. He feels we are currently in pretty good shape.

He has begun preparing next year's budget for the board's approval. He has met with the finance committee and will be working with them on more advanced planning for our future.

Henry also mentioned that the board approved the purchase and installation of 4 new sets of commercial exterior doors for the lodge.



**Secretary's Report: Lynda Snyder**

Just a quick update on the last couple social events for 2024... Our new Holiday Sparkle Spectacular is up and running! Decorate the roadside of your homes and enter at the office to be on the judges' route and to be eligible for our door prize drawing! An independent judging panel will award 2 judge's prizes.....solely relying on their discretion and preference. Please enter your home by Saturday December 14... We hope to have the judging 1 evening during the week. Winners will then be contacted. Our door prize winner will be pulled by Santa at our Donuts w/ Santa party on Dec. 14! GOOD LUCK!

Donuts with Santa will be from 10-12 on Saturday December 14, 2024. We will have Miller's IGA festive and delicious donuts, a hot cocoa bar and hot coffee and tea. The kids will enjoy a letter writing station and mailbox where they can fill out and color a form letter to Santa. \*\*\*Parents If your address is provided on the back of the form letter, each letter will be answered from Santa by one of his elf helpers and mailed to your child. We also have another cute and very simple Santa craft and a chance to visit with Santa himself. Photo opportunities galore!! Come out and join the Christmas FUN!

The LakeFest committee has met for the last time this year and has chosen The Wizard of Oz as our 2025 LakeFest Theme. LakeFest 2025 is Saturday July 26, with our Family Night Friday July 25. Next LakeFest Committee meeting is Wednesday February 5, 2025. Please plan to attend and come with your enthusiasm and ideas!! Let the planning begin!!!

**Director's Report: Chris Hassmann**

Chris reported that both the Safety Committee and the Neighborhood Watch group met last week with Sgt. Schoewe. The safety meeting was well attended and a lot of questions were raised. The committee has the start of a structure for having a hired professional security crew to do some patrols on and off the water next summer. The committee is gearing towards having this put in place on some of the busiest holidays and weekends. The focus of this patrol plan would be to educate, establish a presence and provide professional guidance on issues that occur on the lake or on the cart paths. The crew would have the proper authority to enforce local and state laws if necessary. It is thought that this will be a positive for our community.

Chris also noted that we should have an update from Tom Secor and the S5SD in the next week or so.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The new AED systems are in place in the lodge and at the maintenance building.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Dan S #342 Referenced the NORWA letter we all received. While his concerns are for all, and the letter implies that the unknown is what leads into each of our homes.... his focus is on the transite pipe which was a very common choice for water pipes in the mid 1900's. The issue being the transite pipes are made from asbestos-cement and when and if 1 breaks.... (Their life expectancy is anywhere from 50-100 years....) he wants to know what NORWA's plan of action is, and what they plan to do moving forward since these pipes are all aging. Dan will investigate and report back to us.

Reg B # 703 Wonders since NORWA over the past few years has just installed new vaults and meters, how can they not know what type of pipes are leading into our homes.

Al V # 872 asked about the O&M letter received for his aeration system from Huron County. Several from the floor told him to not worry about it.

**Please note: There is no membership meeting in December.**

The following members were approved with a motion from Lynda and a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Chris H. WELCOME!!

Cynthia & Scott Bennett 72,73 Sandy Trail

Jeffrey Malcom 507 Lake Shore

Brayden Mahl 662,663 Timothy Dr.

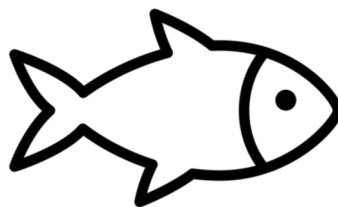
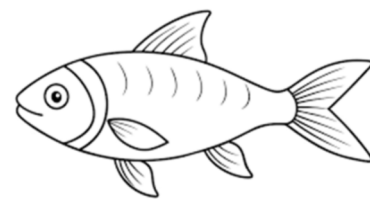
Michael & Carmen Reber 148 Lake Holiday Lane

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:32.

# Lake Conservation Update

On November 13th around noon our 2024 fish purchase was delivered from the fish hatchery. A total of 1800 perch were released into the lake at a cost of \$2700. We purchase larger fish for a better survival rate compared to "fry" sized fish. The perch year after year have done well in our lake with many different sizes being caught. Not only do the fish look healthy but catching very small fish indicate the fish are spawning. The delivery time is two fold. The delivery has always been sometime in November when temperatures are ideal for the transport from hatchery to our lake. Also the fish are "spawned up" meaning they are developing eggs in preparation to spawn the following spring. We need more data on the walleye to determine if they are spawning as well as successfully thriving in our lake. We encourage anyone catching walleye to let the office know how big the fish are as well as how many are caught. The fish committee ask that we honor the limits posted to ensure we continue to have a growing fishery in our lake. If we don't respect the limits as well as keep non-members from "sneaking" in and taking our investment it could result in over fishing, depleting the population. We greatly appreciate the donations that enable us to stock annually. If not for the generous donations we would not be able to continue with a stocking program annually. This year as well as purchasing the perch we were able to hold over \$527.25 towards 2025 purchase order. The fish committee will determine how many fish, what kind, and size of fish to purchase for 2025 dependent on donations collected in the spring.

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*The Rules & Regulations have been updated. Please check our website for the latest version.*

[www.holidaylakes.org](http://www.holidaylakes.org)

## ***HOLIDAY LAKES REQUIRED***

### ***BUILDING PERMIT AND CONSTRUCTION BOND FEES 2024***

	<b>Permit Fee</b>	<b>Bond Fee</b>
New Home	\$500	\$500
Addition	\$100	\$500
In Ground Pool	\$50	\$250
Above Ground Pool	\$50	\$250
Detached Garage	\$100	\$250
Boat House	\$100	\$250
Drive or Culvert	\$50	\$250
Septic System	\$50	\$250
Deck/Porch ~ New/Add-on/Replace	\$50	
Fencing	\$50	
Excavating/Demo	\$50	\$250
Dumpster		\$250
Shoreline	\$50	\$250
Dock ~ New/Replace	\$50	\$250
Concrete Work	\$50	\$250
Boat Lift/Platform	\$50	

(Any structure permanent or semi-permanent that creates an appurtenance in the lake.) No permit required for the following: Roof, Siding, Window/Door replacement. Members will be assessed a \$500 fine if found doing construction on any of the above projects without applying for and obtaining a construction permit and/or posting a performance bond prior to any work being done. Failure to do so will result in a \$200 per month fine assessed to the property owner until all construction has been terminated, removed, and restored. All work must comply with dimensions and set backs of Holiday Lakes Building and R.C.O. Codes. If more than one line item is to be performed at the same time, each permit fee applies. The only exception is a New Home Permit, which includes septic, culvert, and drive. No combining multiple jobs into one permit. If work is started without applying for and receiving permit with approved plans, the permit fee will be doubled, plus \$500 fine.

MEMBERS SHOULD CALL TO SEE IF A PERMIT IS NEEDED. 419-935-0238. PLEASE SUBMIT A SITE PLAN WITH EACH PERMIT REQUEST. New Homes, Additions, Detached Garages: Township zoning permit needed in addition. SUBMIT ROAD BOND FOR \$250 FOR ANY HEAVY EQUIPMENT THAT WILL CROSS HL ROADS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ANY KIND.



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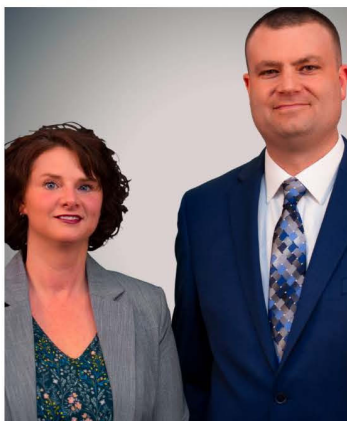
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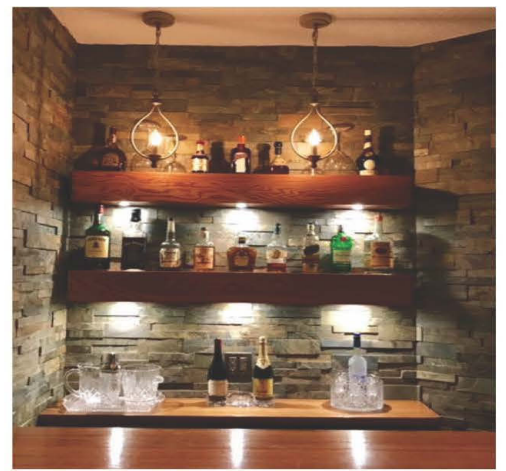
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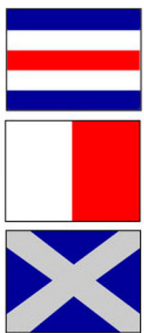


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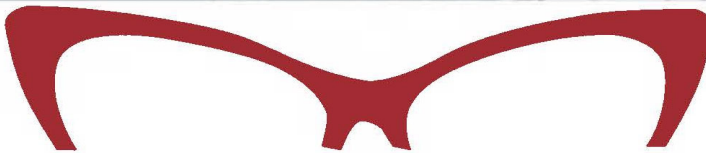
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