

Hitchcock Lake Improvement Assoc.

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Dear Hitchcock Lake Resident,

The HLIA Board truly appreciates the support of those residents that pay their membership dues year after year. We ask all Residents to join the HLIA. **Last year, Lakefront membership was below 60% and the HLIA operated in the RED.** The **Annual Dues** are used to **manage** the health of the Lake through weed treatments, to pay Insurance premiums to **protect** everyone's interests, and **maintain** the dam and valves. The HLIA's expenses have **increased** over time along with **added expenses** for state mandated dam inspections and additional weed inspections and treatments. The last dues increase took place over 10 years ago. The HLIA dues this year will be: **\$150 for Lakefront; \$50 for Off Lake. Owners of Lakefront homes or land, and Off Lake homeowners with deeded rights, are asked to join to support maintenance programs and to protect your property values.**

If you own more than one property you will receive more than one letter. **Both Owner and/or Tenant can pay dues. Please share Rules & Regs with tenant or occupant. Letters are typically not mailed to tenants. Tenant boat registration must be approved, in writing, by property owner. Refer to HLIA bylaws, available online, for additional guidance.**

Meet the 2018 HLIA Board of Directors

President: Lina Marunas; **Vice-President:** Andy Giordino;

Treasurer: Dan DellaVecchia; **Secretary:** Cindy Cayer

Directors: Robert Browne, Cheryl Corey, Noreo Gabriel, Laurie Greco, Judy Miceli, Tim Moynahan, Kathy Mrazik, & Ed Sullivan.

HLIA Meeting Dates: 4/30, 5/21, 6/25, 7/30, 8/27, 9/24, 10/29, 11/26



Important Message: Parking for Meetings is only on the grass or at the side of the building—no parking on pavement at the front or back of the building or on the road. Emergency vehicles cannot be impeded.

Upcoming Events

April 30

Boat & Member Registration:

OPEN HOUSE: 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Firehouse #1, 395 Central Ave.

May 21 & June 25 Meetings:

6:45pm Boat Reg./ 7pm Mtg.

How do I get in touch/ involved with the HLIA?

Attend a meeting: Last Monday of the month Firehouse #1, Central Ave.

"Contact Us" page at www.hitchcocklake.com

Email: hitchcock.lake@gmail.com

President Lina at 203-879-1366

Secretary Cindy at 860-877-4797

Meetings start @ 7pm

We take Safety Seriously

Lake and Boating Rules: dictated by CT State Regulations and the Rules and Regulations of the Wolcott Land Conservation Trust Inc.

State Boating Guide available at town municipal buildings or on-line www.ct.gov/deep. WLCT Rules and Regulations included in this mailing. They have been updated. **PLEASE REVIEW CAREFULLY!!**

Any violations of State Boating Law can result in a call to the Wolcott Police Dept. and/or CT DEEP. Violations of the Rules and Regulations will be addressed by the WLCT or HLIA.

Please keep our Lake safe by following all State Regulations and Rules of the WLCT. We want our Lake to be violation free in 2018. Please keep our environment clean (see sidebar) and co-exist safely with our feathered friends.

We enforce these rules to keep all users of the lake safe: motorized craft users, personal watercraft users, non-motorized boat users, and swimmers. Rules apply to residents and guests.

Community Development Committee (CDC)

The CDC sponsors our social events. **Did you know the CDC is entirely self-funded?** No dues are used for community events.

2018 CDC Chair: Kathy Mrazik

Important: HLIA Board

The January 2019 election will bring about changes. The HLIA will need to elect a new President due to term limits. The other Officer and three Director positions will be up for election. The Nominating Committee needs two representatives from the membership. If you are interested in serving on the 2018 Nom Committee or being considered for a position, please contact HLIA.

What is the difference between the HLIA & the WLCT?

Hitchcock Lake Improvement Association Inc. is the managing body of Hitchcock Lake.

Wolcott Land Conservation Trust Inc. is the owner of Hitchcock Lake and sets the Rules and Regulations of the Lake.



CDC News

Potential events for 2018. Let us know if you would like to host a date or help out.

Kayak Club

Fishing Tournament

Campfire Sing-along

Potluck Party

New ideas welcome!

Volunteers needed!

It is **against** the WLCT Rules & Regs governing Hitchcock Lake & DEEP State Statutes **to dump foreign substances into the lake or catch basins that drain to the lake.** These foreign substances may include: **oil, gas and other fluids used in the maintenance of your car or boat; lawn fertilizers and other lawn maintenance chemicals; car/boat wash products; paint and other painting supplies; lawn debris (grass clippings, sticks, weeds);** among others. This can raise the nitrogen and phosphorus levels which allow aquatic plant life and algae to flourish. **This in turn increases the need for chemical weed and algae treatments which are very costly for the HLIA.** Please be mindful of your actions and those of any contractors working on your property. Please properly dispose of items that do not belong in the lake.

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