



Upper Hay Lake Association
P.O. Box 769
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Summer Newsletter

July 2024

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GREETINGS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Summer is in full swing on Upper Hay Lake!

The UHLA held its annual meeting on June 13, 2024, at the Pequot Lakes American Legion for a burger night, association updates, and speaker, Jarret Drileck from the Crow Wing SWCD. Greg Thomas volunteered to join the Board of Directors—thank you, Greg! There is still an open position on the board. If any member is interested, please contact one of the board members.

The July 5th Independence Day parade was a success with favorable weather and about 30 watercraft circling the lake. Award certificates for best watercraft and docks will be handed out at the next event in August 14 @ 5:00. social mixer at Snarky Loon in Jenkins. The speaker will be Kristie Roedl, Shoreland Director, Whitefish Area Property Owners Association (WAPOA).

On another note, the board is concerned about the significant drop in paid members for 2024. We have sent out an email with a registration form as a membership appeal. We have the form on our website as well: <http://uhla.mnlakesanddrivers.org/> In the coming weeks board members will also approach lakeshore owners personally and appeal to them to become members of UHLA. As members, please consider talking to your neighbors about joining the organization.

First and foremost, we want all property owners to be members so that we can effectively communicate with everyone concerning matters that affect all of us. In addition, we want to hear from folks like you who have ideas for other projects. The more members we have, the more ideas we can consider.

The Lake Association conducts projects that benefit all lake property owners. We are permitted to control vegetation near our docks and swimming areas in a 40-ft. wide by 150-ft. out from shore area for nuisance vegetation.

Recently, I emailed Jarret Drileck at the Crow Wing SWCD about the dramatic increase in algae globules near the south shoreline. I inquired about what they were, and what, if anything, we could do about them.

He has not responded yet. We will need to work together to control vegetation growth in our lake. There is also interest in clearing vegetation to navigate the outlet into Lower Hay Lake. This will take a team of volunteers to contact the DNR and the Army Corps of Engineers to get permission and come up with a plan. Several years ago, UHLA was granted permission, but it was rescinded shortly thereafter. Perhaps it is time to investigate possible clearing of the waterway again. Again, please recruit your neighbors to become UHLA members. Together we can get important projects done!

--Brad Schultz

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SOCIAL MIXER TO BE HELD AT SNARKY LOON IN JENKINS ON AUGUST 14TH

On Wednesday, August 14th, UHLA will host a social mixer at Snarky Loon in Jenkins. Registration and socialization will be from 5:00-5:30 P.M. Kristie Roedl, Shoreline director from WAPOA will speak from 5:30-6:00. Following her presentation, attendees are encouraged to continue socializing. Food and beverages from the menu will be available at members' expense. Everyone is encouraged to attend this event!

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Check out this article about algae:

<https://www.pca.state.mn.us/sites/default/files/wq-s1-90.pdf>

**ANNOUNCING THE WINNERS OF THE
JULY 5TH BOAT PARADE**

These are the winners of the July 5th boat parade on Upper Hay Lake. Please help identify the winners for the “Most Patriotic Dock” and the “Best Non-motorized Watercraft.” Email the winners’ names to uhlammnorg@gmail.com

The winners will be awarded certificates at the social mixer at the Snarky Loon on August 14th.



BEST NON-MOTORIZED WATERCRAFT



MOST PATRIOTIC DOCK



MOST DECORATED DOCK: JOE & MARY GELHAYE



MOST DECORATED BOAT: WHITEY & KATHY LARSON



MOST PATRIOTIC BOAT: DAN & JULIE WEBER

UPPER HAY LAKE ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2023-2024

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OPEN POSITION				

Note: Unless listed otherwise, all addresses are Pequot Lakes, MN 56472

2024 Membership Application

Name (s):

Lake Address:

Summer Mailing Address (if different than lake address)	Winter Mailing Address (if different than summer address)

Lake Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Other Phone:

E-mail address:

Would you like to receive Newsletters etc. by e-mail rather than US mail? Yes _____ No

I am particularly interested in seeing the Lake Association do the following:

I would like to participate in the following committees:

- AIS Monitoring
- Shoreline Restoration
- Public Access
- Fund Raising / Grant Writing
- Social Committee (Picnic / Breakfast)
- Other _____

I would like my name placed on the ballot for a Board of Directors position.

Enclosed is my tax deductible membership dues of \$25.

Enclosed is my additional tax deductible donation of \$_____ in support of UHLA’s mission to promote environmental stewardship throughout the Upper Hay Lake area.

Make check payable to Upper Hay Lake Association and mail to:

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