

President's Report

With winter 2019 behind us (amen), it's time to look forward to warmer days and open water! On behalf of your KLHA Board, I would like to share the agenda for the upcoming annual meeting that will be held on Saturday, May 25th at the Ideal Township Community Center.

Consistent with past years, KLID will kick things off at 8am. The KLHA meeting will follow at approximately 9am. We have a full agenda given all that has been happening, including discussion of:

- **Access Monitoring** - Dave Rysdam and Tom Mahoney (Incoming AIS Chair), along with Jim Schultz (Outgoing AIS Chair) have devised a go forward Access Monitoring plan. This plan - endorsed by both the KLHA and KLID boards - promotes boater awareness and compliance with Aquatic Invasive Species prevention laws, at a reasonable and sustainable cost.

As in past years, we are asking Kimble Lake homeowners to make additional tax deductible contributions earmarked for "Lake Improvement" to help support a robust Access Monitoring program.

Thanks to the efforts of Dave, Tom, and Jim, the 2019 plan includes significant financial support from upstream Bass Lake and Star Lake homeowners.

A copy of the plan has been included in the mailing so you can come to the meeting well informed and prepared for discussion and a vote.

- **Budget** – Treasurer, Jan Lodico, will provide a recap of last year's financials (in-line with budget) and a proposal for the coming year's budget, including expenses associated with the Access Monitoring Plan.
- **Board Member Elections** - Ric Row and Dave Rysdam have agreed to serve another 2 year term and will be up for reelection at the meeting. In addition, Tom Mahoney has been nominated and will also stand for election to the KHLA board. **Please note, we are seeking candidates for the KLHA board for multiple openings next year. Please reach out to Jim Rusch or any Board member if you would be willing to share your talents.**

I'd also like to take a moment to say a brief word of thanks to the many volunteers who support our Kimble Lake Community:

- Kimble Lake Improvement District board - for continued efforts managing Eurasian Water Milfoil and dealing with zebra mussels and other Aquatic Invasive Species.
- Social Committee - thanks to our new co-chairs, Jean Larson, Kathy Mohr, and Karen Rysdam for a great 2018 season of events with a great line-up of 2019 activities.
- Newsletter, a special thanks to Kate Larsen for her years of service and to KLHA board member Dave Rysdam for care-taking the newsletter. **Please note: We continue to look for a new editor. Please contact Dave or any Board member if willing and able to take on this important volunteer role.**
- Website: Thanks to Gary Schwartz for keeping our website up, running, and current!
- Directory: Thanks to Jan Lodico for updating and maintaining our Lake Owner directory. This has been an important job given the number of new residents that have joined our community over the past several years.
- Water Quality Assessment – Thanks to long-time volunteers Steve Erikson and Arlen Johnson, and Bi-Annual Fish Stocking Program coordinator Larry Knutson.
- AIS and Access Monitoring – A huge thanks to Jim Schultz for his many years of tireless service to Kimble Lake including his work with AIS and Access Monitoring. Jim has taken on a new role with WAPOA and continues to serve and support the interests of Kimble Lake. Thanks also to Dave Rysdam and Tom Mahoney (new AIS Chair) along with Access Monitoring Program volunteers.
- Sunshine Committee – Thank you to chair, Barb Rowe, for conveying thoughts and prayers from the Kimble Lake Community to our lake residents in time of need.

- Thanks also to Maxine Knutson for managing Kimble Lake clothing sales.

Last, if you have not signed up for KLHA membership this year, now would be a good time. For your convenience, we have included a form and return envelope. Forms will also be available at the annual meeting and can be downloaded from the website.

In closing, on behalf of the KLHA Board, I wish everyone a happy and healthy 2019 and look forward to seeing you at the meeting on May 25th.

Jim Rusch (President/Secretary)

Jan Lodico (Treasurer)

Dave Rysdam (Access Monitoring)

Ric Rowe

Jeff Baumgartner