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Fall/Winter 2017-2018

# CLEAR LAKE NEWSLETTER

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Photos for Calendar

The CLPOA are looking for new submissions for our photo contest. If you think that you have a photo that represents our beautiful lake please email them to info@clearlakepropertyowners.com or post it to the Facebook group. We had great submissions last year and look forward to seeing what you capture! Along with the photo please provide: -Name of photographer -title for photograph -location on the lake -date Deadline is March 30<sup>th</sup> 2018 The photos can include pets and wildlife!

No photos of individuals please. We look forward to seeing your photos





A Portage Flyer Christmas - Evening Train Ride to Santa Saturday, December 23, 2017 Muskoka Heritage Place, Train Station

100 Forbes Hill Drive Huntsville (beside the Active Living Centre)

5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. (last train leaves at 7:30 pm)

\$5.00 per person (child or adult) tax included

Parking at the Huntsville High School, Canada Summit Centre, Active Living Centre or directly across the street from the event.

No advance ticket sales or reserve seating. Arrive and enjoy complimentary hot chocolate and cookies (while supplies last) and purchase your tickets on route to boarding.

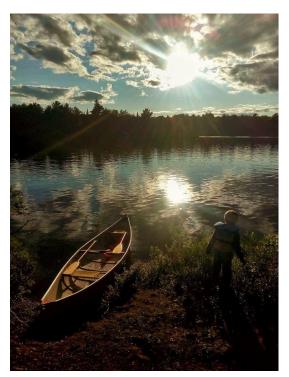
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Important Numbers Emergency – 911 (Know your Civic Address) Ontario Provincial Police 888-310-1122 Huntsville Hospital 705-789-2311 Poison Info Centre 800-268-9017 Forest Fire Report 888-863-3473 Hydro (No Power) 800-461-6418 MNR Bear Report 866-514-2327

### President's Message – Fall/Winter 2017-2018

Clear Lake Property Owner Members

Well lake lovers another summer behind us followed by a beautiful fall. We have great news on our water quality as it continues to improve. The e coli levels are well below the provincial standard with clarity improvements and you can read actual results further in the letter. Another year of us escaping blue green algae is something lakes around us did not achieve. Our board's number one priority is water quality and have achieved this through trapping beavers to prevent damming which keeps the water consistently flowing. This also lowers levels somewhat to prevent erosion and phosphorous entering the water which is one of the trigger's for algae. Our septic testing initiative has also contributed to this quality factor as just over 80 septic's have been tested. We will be continuing this initiative through 2018 in hopes to eventually test all property's on the lake so thank you all for your cooperation.





On a social note another successful golf tournament in July. It was a great weather morning with a ton of fun had by all. This will be on the agenda for 2018 with hopes of an even a larger group! After several years a regatta was reborn and held in August which brought a successful turnout and we were able to get all activities in before the rain came down. Thanks again for everyone's participation and generous contributions to make this a success, stay tuned for next year's date.

As a Board we will continue these initiatives and would welcome any new ideas you may have.

For 2018 we will be actively seeking new memberships in order to grow this Association and will look for your help in encouraging your neighbours to sign up.

Looking forward to winter at Clear Lake!

Best Regards

Ken Core



Caption David Drope

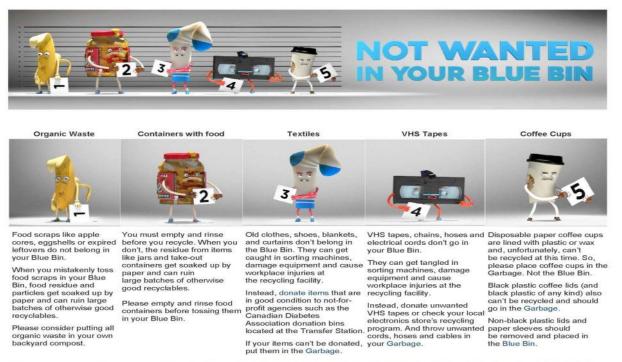
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### **Garbage and Recycling**

Resident must use clear bags for garbage, black/dark/tinted/coloured/white garbage bags are not accepted. You are permitted one opaque "privacy" bag inside each clear bag. This bag is to be approximately the size of grocery store bag and can be any colour. If you have any questions please see the Transfer Station Attendant.

The clear bag program has been introduced in the Township of Perry as a cost effective measure to increase diversion of materials from the landfill. It also improves the safety of workers and protects station attendants from cutting themselves on sharp objects.

Waste Management cards can be picked up from the Transfer Station Attendant; proof of residence is required by either driver's licence or a utility bill. Each household is permitted to dispose of an allotted 5 bags of refuse per month. A charge of \$2.00 for each bag to be disposed of over and above the 5 bag limit shall apply. A bag of refuse can be no larger than 26" by 36". Carry-over of bags from one month to another is not permitted (bags must be used within the allotted month on the disposal card).

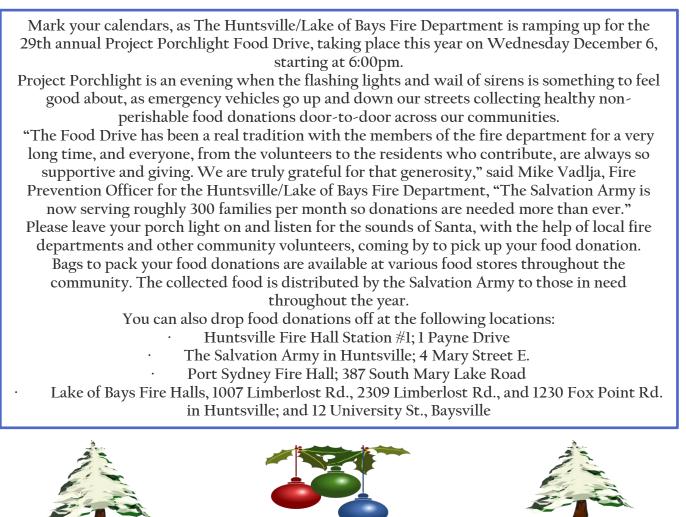


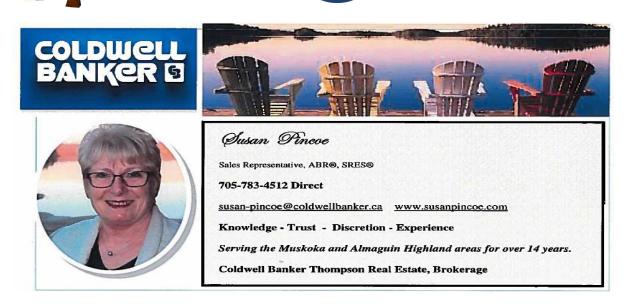
Other items that don't belong in your Blue Bin: Propane tanks, cylinders/helium tanks, medical waste (medication and syringes), tools, CDs & DVDs

Fall/Winter Hours Sunday: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm Monday: 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Tuesday: 12:00 pm– 4:00 pm Wednesday & Thursday: Closed Friday: 12:00– 4:00 pm Saturday: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

#### Credit: Township of Perry

### **The Salvation Army 29th Annual Food Drive**





## YOUR LAKES, YOUR VIEWS Safe Quiet Muskoka Lakes Activity Survey, 2017 Results

### **On the Waterfront**

• 98% of respondents have one or more boats of some kind; 87% have one or more power boats and 94% have one or more non-powered craft

• 62% have between 3 and 7 boats. Overall, there is an average of 2 power boats and 4 non powered boats per family

• 35% rate their experience of the lake as "close to ideal". Perceptions of safety, noise and boat traffic all contribute to the quality of the lake experience

• 31% rate their lake as "Very safe" and give an average rating of 8.8 out of 10 for the overall quality of their lake experience, while the 2% who consider their lake "Not at all safe" rate overall quality at just 4.1 out of 10

• 5% consider their area to be "Very quiet" in terms of boat traffic and rate the overall quality of their lake experience at 9.2 out of 10. The 12% who consider their area of the lake to be "Very busy" rate the overall quality of their experience at 5.2 out of 10

• 50% + perceive that there is more boat traffic, more boat noise, and a greater impact of boat wakes today compared to five years ago

### Top contributors to unwanted noise

- 46% view personal watercraft as contributing to unwanted noise
- 38% sound systems on boats
- 34% from modern power boats
- 32% from towing sports such as wakeboarding, water skiing, tubing
- 30% sound systems on docks
- Non-boating sources such as fireworks, aircraft and construction, which are outside the mission of Safe Quiet Lakes, are not major concerns to most people, but are significant irritants to

### **Top Concerns**

The three most frequent problems in 2017 are associated with unsafe and inconsiderate boating: o Boat noise, especially from personal watercraft and sound systems o Boat wakes o Boats operated at high speeds, especially when close to shore To see the rest of the results go to <u>http://safequiet.ca/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/2017/08/2017 Survey Full-Report-Final.pdf</u>





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### **Cottage Dreams**

Since 2003, Cottage Dreams Cancer Recovery Initiative has been offering cancer survivors the opportunity to spend a week at a donated cottage. This much needed time away with survivors, their friends and families allows them to reflect and celebrate recovery.

If this something you would be interested in helping with and would like to loan your cottage please contact Cottage Dreams at <u>http://www.cottagedreams.ca</u> or Cottage Dreams Cancer Recovery Initiative Inc.

The Village Barn 195 Highland St. P.O. Box 1300 Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0 Haliburton: 705.457.9100 | Fax: 705.457.9188



### **Important Recall Notice**

Kidde, in conjunction with Health Canada, has announced a recall to replace certain Kidde fire extinguishers. Kidde has sent copies to their retail customers with instructions to post a copy of the safety bulletin in locations that sold these extinguishers. This replacement program was initiated because certain fire extinguishers can become clogged or require excessive force to activate, posing a risk of failure to discharge. In addition, the nozzle can detach with enough force to pose an impact hazard. This recall involves two styles of Kidde fire extinguishers: plastic handle fire extinguishers and pushbutton Pindicator fire extinguishers. Plastic handle fire extinguishers: The recall involves 23 models of Kidde fire extinguishers manufactured between January 1, 1973, and August 15, 2017, including some models that were previously recalled in March 2009 and in February 2015. The extinguishers were sold in red, white and silver, and are either ABC- or BC-rated. Models are as follows:

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46-0004-4	Fire Away 1A10BC French	Fuller Canada TPS-1 1A10BC	
46-0066-6	Fire Away 2A40BC French	Fuller Canada TPS-2 2A40BC	
E 340	Fire Away Canada F-10 10BC	FX210R	
E-340-3	Fire Away Canada F-110 1A10BC	Kidde Canada TPS-1 2A10BC	
Fire Away 10BC French	Fire Away Canada F-240 2A40BC	Kidde Canada TPS-1 2A40BC	
Plastic handle models with date codes between January 2, 2012 and August 15, 2017			
46-0092-2	E10H	FULL HOME 110	
BC5GD	E110	M5C	
E10	E5		

### Water Quality

The 2017 sampling season has been finished

Overall the results show Clear Lake is in good shape

Near North Labs testing for E coli and recreational swimming showed acceptable levels to the provincial standard of 100 colony forming units per ml. As a matter of fact some locations had 0 readings of E coli at different times. Testing was done twice a month from June through September.

The Lake Partner Program sponsored by M.O.E. and FOCA had the following results. Secchi depths for water clarity was done 2 times per month from May through to October and on average depths of 5 to 5.5 meters were recorded. The best depth of 7 meters recorded was on October 9

Total phosphorus samples collected in May have been sent off to M.O.E and the results will be available in the New Year.

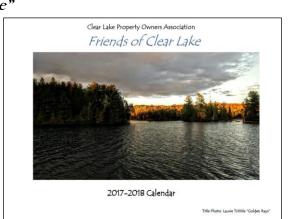
#### Ron Cox- 1st VP Water Quality Portfolio



**2017 Calendars** 

Our 2017 calendar was a great success! We received great photos of our beautiful Clear Lake and we would like to thank the following for their contributions:

would like to thank the following for th Cover Page: Laurie Tribble- "Golden Rays" June 2017: Mike Love - "Sunrise" July 2017: Jacqui Hayles Dobson - "July Sunrise from Lilac Lane" August 2017: Laurie Tribble- "Stickey Wicket Dock" September 2017: David Drope - "Autumn Reflections" October 2017: Brittany Leonardelli - "Changing Colours" November 2017: Paula Fallowfield - "Warm November Day" December 2017: Erika Vodouris - "Calm Winter Day" January 2018: Gina Newhall – "Winter Wonderland" February 2018: Ken Core- "Green Winter" March 2018: Lori Hepburn "Ice Adventures" April 2018: Hilda van Gyssel "Long Weekend Canoe" May 2018: Erin Craven "Red Sky at Night" June 2018: Jennifer Laurenssen-Aitkin" Beauty Night!"



Please remember to send in your new photos for the next calendar!

### **Clear Lake Newsletter**

## 2017-2018 CLPOA Executive Members

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> Hope's Foodland (Novar) (705) 789-1777

Monday 08:00 AM to 07:00 PM Tuesday 08:00 AM to 07:00 PM Wednesday 08:00 AM to 07:00 PM Thursday 08:00 AM to 07:00 PM Friday 08:00 AM to 08:00 PM Saturday 08:00 AM to 07:00 PM Sunday 08:00 AM to 06:00 PM



You can find us on Facebook! At "Friends of Clear Lake (Emsdale) Please note this group is only for property owners and their families. It is a group for the community and is not a CLPOA page. Please come join if you haven't already! Share your experiences and pictures online!

## CLPOA Accepts E-transfers!



CLPOA is set up to receive online transfers for payment of membership dues and donations. Interac e-transfers can be sent to: info@clearlakepropertyowners.com Please be sure to send a separate email with the security question answer. You can find the membership forms on the CLPOA website!

*Our CLPOA website has relaunched! Please go and take a look at it.* <u>www.clearlakepropertyowners.com</u>



Photo: Paula Fallowfield