

# LAKE MANITOU ASSOCIATION

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✦ **8/10, 5:30pm - ROAST & TOAST, Hog Roast, Raffle and Silent Auction, Moose Lodge**
- ✦ **8/15, 7pm - BOARD MEETING, Rochester City Hall**
- ✦ **8/31, 9am - MEMBERSHIP Q&A MEETING, Moose Lodge**

## 2019 MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

\$1,000	DIAMOND
\$500	PLATINUM
\$250	GOLD
\$100	SILVER

## JOIN TODAY

Membership Card On Back  
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## JOIN US FOR MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS

**3rd THURSDAY EACH MONTH  
7:00 PM  
AT ROCHESTER CITY HALL**

## THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone who attended our Annual Meeting on June 29th. Your participation and input is key to our organization. At the meeting, we discussed the projects and ideas that have been implemented this year, as well as future projects, recreational safety and concerns. Members in attendance voted for open board member seats. Below is a list of our Board of Directors: (\* indicates those elected on 6/29/19)

### LMA Board Members

Wayne Holleman	
Kenny Anderson*	Mary Ellen Lowe*
Nick Bokan	Joe Martin
Gary Bryant	Nikki McBee
Jim Ewen	Abby Renie
Steve Hearn*	Gregg Robinson*
David Heyde	Cathy Simmons

On July 18th, during our monthly Board Meeting, the following Officers were elected for 2020:

David Heyde, President	Jim Ewen, Secretary
Wayne Holleman, Vice President	Nikki McBee, Treasurer

Dinner Tickets are \$25/each; available at Rochester Homes & Lakeshore Realtors

50/50 Raffle Tickets are \$10/each or 10 for \$50 (min. payout of \$1,000); available from LMA Board members, Moose Lodge, Rochester Glass and Lakeshore Realtors.

**LAKE MANITOU ASSOCIATION'S ROAST & TOAST**  
**AUGUST 10th @ 5:30pm**  
**at the Rochester Moose**

**Hog Roast**  
**50/50 Raffle**  
**Silent Auction**

**LIVE MUSIC BY THE FRITO PACT**

Visit [lakemanitou.org](http://lakemanitou.org) for more information  
 Indiana Festival License No. 151024

### PRAIRIE UPDATE

We have submitted a petition to reduce the size of the special boating zone known as "The Prairie" in order to open up the navigable space between Wolf's Point and the Prairie for safety reasons. The Indiana Natural Resources Commission has established a committee who will investigate the merits of our request. This committee will then prepare a report and recommendations to present to the Commission. We will keep you advised of developments.

In the meantime, *please remember that no motors of any kind are allowed in the Prairie.*

### DREDGING UPDATE

We recently received quotes on 10 proposed dredging sites. We are working on a 3-year proposal for permitting and funding. We invite you to cruise by the 3rd channel or White Creek to see the positive impact dredging has in those areas.

We also installed turbidity curtains at the inlet near the bridge on White Creek. This is an experiment designed to direct silt coming into the lake from Graham Ditch to the corner of the bay making it easier to clean out. We hope this exploration provides some options for future sediment control in Rain Creek as well.

## LMA 2019 GOALS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### Research, Conservation & Restoration:

- Coordinate efforts with the Department of Natural Resources to restructure The Prairie
- Obtain quotes for dredging of ten areas of the lake; currently reviewing sources of funding for this project and logistics of implementation
- Engage with the Soil and Water Conservation District regarding watershed study and what we can do to maintain the health of Lake Manitou and its 27,000 acre watershed
- Develop the Citizen Scientist Program, a water quality study group through the Hoosier River Watch Training Program
- Contract with Clarke Aquatic Services for the 2019 aquatic plant control program
- Provide residents with discounted aquatic plant control packs for private usage
- Install prototype water circulators at two locations to illustrate effectiveness in reducing stagnant water & floating plants near piers/shorelines

### Fundraising:

- Secure a \$10K grant from the Community Foundation for assistance with our aquatic plant control program
- Engage with FEDCO for additional grant opportunities & attend City Council meetings
- Host fundraising events such as our annual Poker Run to support our efforts and lake businesses (additional community fundraising events: Roast & Toast on Aug. 10th, etc)
- Research and develop plan to implement a conservancy district if we can no longer achieve our goals privately through donations

### Safety & Recreation:

- Develop a volunteer 911 assistance program
- Install new buoys, including lighted buoys where necessary for safer nighttime navigation

### Communication & Awareness:

- Improve communication to residents through newsletters, informational meetings, new website and social platforms
- Develop and maintain a database of residents & members to improve communication about our mission

### General Organization:

- Hire facilitator for better organization, communication and research work
- Revise fiscal year from January - December
- Utilize new financial tracking software

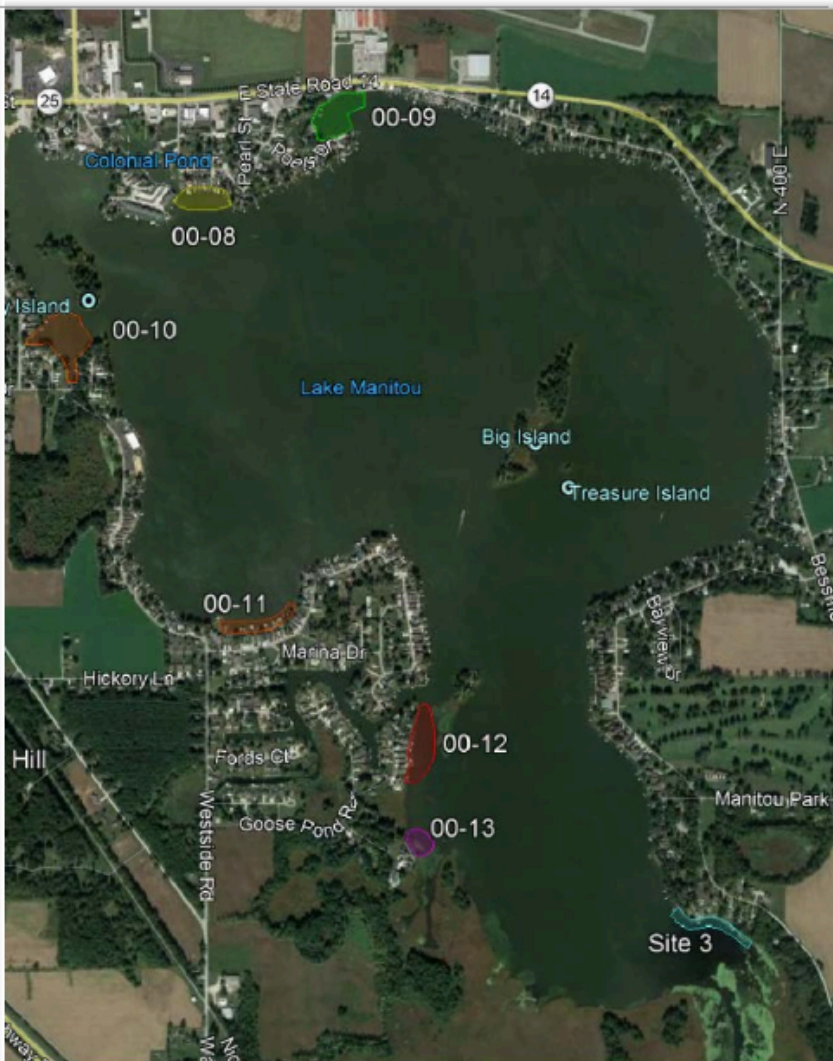
## MEMBERSHIP

We have reached 57% membership of all lake properties and related businesses. **Our goal is to reach 100% participation (about 600). Encourage your neighbors to join!**

## NEW EMAIL

The LMA has a new email address! You will now receive important communications from us via [info@lakemanitou.org](mailto:info@lakemanitou.org). **Do we have your correct email address?** If you need to update your email address with us, please send us a message. We want to keep you updated with what's happening on Manitou!

## AQUATIC PLANT TREATMENT



## SAFETY REMINDERS

1. **IDLE SPEED ONLY FOR ALL AREAS MARKED WITH BUOYS** INCLUDING WITHIN 200 FT OF SHORELINE AND IN CHANNELS.
2. **PLEASE DO NOT SKI OR WAKEBOARD AROUND BUOYS.** Doing so causes the buoys to move from their anchor point.
3. **NO MOTORS OF ANY KIND ARE ALLOWED INSIDE THE PRAIRIE.** (East of Moose - marked by buoys)
4. **YARD/PET WASTE SHOULD NEVER BE DISPOSED OF IN THE LAKE.** When yard waste (grass clippings, branches, and leaves) decompose, they release foul odors. Most importantly, this waste creates "muck" and can super-fertilize leading to algae blooms and killing fish.
5. **10 MPH IS THE MAXIMUM SPEED ALLOWED BETWEEN SUNSET AND SUNRISE.**



Photo courtesy of: Suzan Cox

The map above shows the areas that were treated by Clarke Aquatic on 7/24/19. PLEASE NOTE: Zone 00-11 was not treated on 7/24 as it was not permitted by the DNR. The DNR based their permitting on the Clarke Aquatic sonar biomapping performed in early May, which at the time, did not show a heavy concentration of aquatic plants in zone 00-11. However, our most recent visual inspections indicate that the area needs to be treated. We have submitted photographs to Clarke Aquatic and requested they reapply for treatment of this area. We have also contacted the DNR to reiterate the same.




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## Join Us In Keeping Manitou Healthy, Safe and Fun!

We thank you for being a vital part of keeping our lake a treasured place to live and play!

 **BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!!!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lake Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Lake Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES:**

Silver Member \$100

Gold Member \$250

Platinum Member \$500

Diamond Member \$1,000

Your support is the heartbeat of Lake Manitou. Our lake depends on your continued support. To become a member, complete the information above, select your membership category, and pay the corresponding dues (make checks payable to Lake Manitou Association). Return this postcard to the Lake Manitou Association, Box 376, Rochester, IN 46975. Dues for your LMA membership are payable January 1 and are current for calendar year.