

LAKE LEELANAU LAKE ASSOCIATION – January 2021 ebulletin



Photo by Jim Wysor

What's in This Issue

This month's issue features a unique map of Lake Leelanau with some shoreline markers that you won't find in public maps and the third in our series of articles on Aquatic Invasive Species. It also contains a save-the-date for our first virtual fundraiser coming in April and several summer volunteer opportunities. We hope you find this ebulletin timely and informative and welcome all and any feedback. If you have any comments, please send them to info@lakeleelanau.org

Add Your Neighborhood Marker to Our Lake Leelanau Map

Have you noticed that published maps of Lake Leelanau omit some neighborhood bays, creeks, beaches and other shoreline markers that you and your family have used for generations? That's now being corrected thanks to the efforts of George Prewitt, LLLA Board Director, who created [this Google map](#) showing many of the missing markers. Click on any local point listed on the left to see its location highlighted on the map. If you'd like to share a comment on this new

resource, or know of a shoreline marker that's still missing, send an email to info@lakeleelanau.org

Aquatic Invasive Species

Read this [third of a series of articles](#) about the impact and prevention of Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS), that pose an ongoing threat to our lake's environment, economy, recreation, health and safety. This article highlights the four watercraft cleaning steps of **Clean Drain Dry Dispose** which greatly minimize the risk of spreading Aquatic Hitchhikers into new locations. It was contributed by Nancy Popa, Board Director and member of our Lake Stewardship Committee.

Save the Date – Virtual Fundraiser

We've come up with a great way to beat the Winter blues and look ahead to the glorious summer months in Leelanau County. On **Wednesday, April 14** between **7-8pm** the Association will host an online fundraiser featuring a silent auction, raffle, donations and local sponsors. In the coming weeks, a team of dedicated volunteers will be organizing the event logistics and reaching out to contributors for auction items, donations and sponsorships. In the meantime:

- If you have any questions about the event, or
- If you would like to help us organize the virtual fundraiser, or
- If you have a skill that you would be willing to teach to others (sailing, tennis, fishing), an experience to offer (dinner, a hike,) or a painting you would be willing to part with, or
- If you or your business would like to be a sponsor

send us an email at info@lakeleelanau.org

Volunteer Opportunities

Although July seems far away, we've already started planning our Summer lake stewardship and community engagement programs and would love to hear from you if you'd like to volunteer for any of the following activities:

Lake stewardship

- Swimmer's itch research and prevention
- Eurasian watermilfoil prevention and control
- Aquatic invasive species prevention

Community engagement

- Kids Fishing Day
- Leland 4th of July parade
- Lake Leelanau Street Fair

Send an email to info@lakeleelanau.org if you'd like to know more about any of these volunteer opportunities.

Send Us Your Photos and See Them Featured in an ebulletin Header

If you like to take photos that showcase Lake Leelanau's natural beauty, wildlife or vegetation, send copies of your favorite photos to info@lakeleelanau.org. We can't promise that every photo submitted will be selected, but our editors will delight in seeing your contributions and make selections which match the contents of each ebulletin. We will, of course, recognize every photographer whose work is featured in an ebulletin header.

Help Your Friends and Neighbors Stay Informed

Do you have friends or neighbors who care about the quality and beauty of Lake Leelanau but don't receive our ebulletins? If so, please forward this ebulletin to them and all they have to do is reply with their name to info@lakeleelanau.org. We'll take care of adding them to our mailing list for future issues.

*Lake Leelanau Lake Association is a non-profit organization led by and for individuals, families and businesses who support its mission to protect and enhance the quality and beauty of Lake Leelanau and its surrounding watershed for current and future generations. **If you would like to make a donation to support our programs**, you can do so [here on our website](#). **If you would like to help our programs as a volunteer**, send a message to info@lakeleelanau.org*