

# Hawaiian Nextdoor Express Winter 2020



## Village Happenings Fall Festival



It was a wonderful spooky time at the Fall Festival! There were Arts and Crafts along with Chili and Desserts. The winner of the best chili was Sarah McGarth

and the best dessert was Michelle Taylor. Thank you to all of the Villagers who donated supplies, chili and desserts.

## Holiday Party

*Village winter wonderland*

Thank you to all of the Villagers who donated raffle items and



brought holiday snacks. A **BIG** "Thank You" to Mike Zimmerman who was Santa. Also, thank you to the Villagers who donated to the Salvation Army Red Kettle. Much fun was had by all !



## Hy-Vee - Bell Ringing

During the Holiday many Villagers helped "Pay it Forward" to the Salvation Army by Bell Ringing at our local



Hy-Vee. Again, a **BIG** "Thank You" to Mike Zimmerman who was Santa and all of the wonderful Villagers who Bell Rang. The Salvation Army said "Our bucket was the heaviest he had picked up so far" with a total around \$688.

## Winter Get Together

### Coming Soon to our Village

Getting tired of the winter blahh's , come to the social committee's winter party and have some fun reconnecting with your friends and neighbors.

Watch for a flyer and more information coming soon on Nextdoor and the marquee.



# Village People

## Dining Dolls & Bunco Groups



# Events in the Planning

*Watch for more info*

Winter Party - July 3<sup>rd</sup> Activities  
HVLA Luau - Fall Fest - Holiday Party  
More information will be available for each event as they draw closer.

## New Sign-Up App

Have you seen the NEW Sign-Up App on Nextdoor. It is a GREAT tool to organize volunteers, donations and supplies in one place. So easy to use. Watch for it when social activities are planned at the Village.

## Social Committee Update

Lisa Sleddens is stepping down as the chairperson of the Social Committee. Vicky Kilgore and Shelly Ekeler are taking the reins as the new co-chairs. A **HUGE** "Thank-You" to Lisa for all the dedicated work and many hours she put in. Lisa will still be helping in between her and her husband's camping trips.

If you are interested in being on the committee, just volunteering or want more info send Vicky or Shelly a message through Nextdoor.

## Interested is Joining?

Dining Dolls or Bunco - Peg Mahoney  
Book Club - Deb Podliska  
Mahjong - Silvia Conley  
**Look for them on Nextdoor**

*Aloha to New Neighbors  
Goodbye to Others*

Lot # 45

Aloha to Troy & Karen Gibler  
Goodbye Brant & Sheila Meink

## Little Library

The little library had a slight set back recently but will be up and stocked again soon. Thank you to Jeannie Koziol for all of her hard work and the Villagers who stepped up and donated book, games, movies and puzzles.

# SID NEWS

## Board Members:

Chairman – Dave Wennstedt  
Clerk - Dave Barry  
Trustee – Shellie Zeeb  
Trustee - Kevin Coats  
Trustee – Dick Heideman



## S.I.D. MEETINGS

The SID #97 Board meets monthly at 5 pm on the third Tuesday of the month. The meeting location is at the Sarpy County Sheriff Offices, on the southeast corner of 84th Street and Platteview Road. These meetings are open to all HVLA residents.

## HVLA Fish Committee

A Fish Committee has officially been formed at Hawaiian Village to work toward the proper management of our lake as it pertains to fish habitat and the proper fish diversification to keep the lake healthy and enjoyable for all of our residents. We met with the HVLA Board members to discuss the forming of this committee and laid out our goals. There have been funds provided each year in the HVLA Budget for fish shocking and fish stocking but it was determined that we needed a more coordinated effort to properly manage the lake needs in these areas.

We conducted a lake “creel study” the end of September that included shocking in the shallows between boat docks and shore stations to net, weigh, and measure our lake’s game fish. (crappie, bluegill, catfish, bass, walleye and wiper). The Creel Study was conducted by Aaron Klusmire, a Fisheries Biologist. The study can be viewed on the Hawaiian Village Web site.

According to the study, the lake fishery is in decent shape but steps can be taken to improve it. We have an overabundance of gizzard shad. If we can convert those shad into gamefish, the fishery will be even better. The recommendations from the study to accomplish this is to stock bass, walleye and wipers over the next several years. Another

recommendation is to add structure to the lake. This can be in the form of cedar trees or various man-made designs made out of 5 gallon buckets, pvc pipe, corrugated drain tile, irrigation tubing etc. Also, Aaron recommended that the fishermen on the lake practice catch and release of our larger game fish (bass, wiper, walleye) to allow these predators a chance to attack our shad population.

The Fish Committee will be making various habitat structures over the winter to put in the lake this next spring. Anyone wishing to help with this project please contact one of the Committee members.

## Committee members:

Brian Thomas 402-677-6001  
Dave Wennstedt 402-331-5220  
Frank Sommer 402-339-9142  
Al Mackevicius 402-593-8839  
Mark Kloewer 402-670-0466  
Bob Shaffer 402-596-1065

# BOARD NEWS

## Board Members:

President – Gene Kloewer  
Vice-president – Merle Dinslage  
Treasurer – Rich Kuper  
SID Liaison – Tom Strigenz  
Secretary – Rhonda Distefano



**Board Meetings – Watch for Dates & Times on HVLA website and Nextdoor Board member’s e-mail addresses and phone numbers are on HVLA website**

## Village Website Address

[www.hvla.info](http://www.hvla.info)

The website is maintained by the HVLA Board. If you have information to post or corrections please send to Lynn Schense at [acreaegaegal@aol.com](mailto:acreaegaegal@aol.com) or through Nextdoor. Directory updates contact Jeannie Koziol. at [jkozoi@cox.net](mailto:jkozoi@cox.net) Contact Lynn Schense if you have info to post on the Marquee or in the newsletter.

## A Spring Flood Public Meeting

March 11th at 7:00 PM at Bellevue University's Hitchcock Humanities Center 1040 Bruin Blvd, Bellevue, NE. During the meeting, the National Weather Service will be providing an update to the spring flood threat across the area. This meeting is open to the public. The Facebook event page can be found here:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1693932387415394/>

## News on the Lake

### **Worker Bees at the Lake**

If you have had a contractor at your residence that you would like to recommend to other Villagers, please go to the Nextdoor website and post under Businesses. Also, if you own a business and would like to spread the word post under Business on Nextdoor.

### Scary sighting on the lake

PLEASE watch your puppies - Several times it has been posted on Nextdoor about puppies out on the ice. Also, be careful if family or friends are on the ice. It only takes a second for an accident to happen.

### Street Snow Removal

When snow is in the forecast, please move all of your vehicles from the streets and into your driveways. This will assist the County in their street snow removal and keep our streets clear for traffic. Thank You.

### Water Main Breaks at the Village

Call Matt Wilson 402-689-3450

[mwilson@peopleservice.com](mailto:mwilson@peopleservice.com)

## **Work began on the dike**



## Important info for this Spring



Winter is here at the lake but spring is around the corner. If you have listened to the news and some of the forecasting concerning spring flooding we here at the Village need to be prepared.

1. Update your info on Nextdoor & Village Directory for village notifications and urgent messages. Include your cell phone numbers for contact and urgent messaging.
2. Watch for info posted on the marquee.
3. If you will be out of town have a fellow villager check in on your house and have your contact info.
4. Be proactive. Watch the news concerning flood information and warnings.
5. Have an evacuation plan in place and know where your important papers and special belongs are located.
6. If you have to evacuate take along important papers with you if possible.
7. Notify your family and friends where you are heading and staying.
8. Generators are easier to buy now if needed for any emergency.

Official posting on Nextdoor & website to avoid confusion -

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| 10. HVLA Members | Gene Kloewer<br>Merle Dinslage |