

March 18, 2019

Greetings Bay Lakers,

As I write this the morning of March 5, the temperature at the lake is +9, with a low of only -2 tonight. That's downright toasty after the earlier severe minus temps. Hopefully, as you read this Spring has sprung.

BLIA will be focusing on Water Quality in 2019. Issues to be addressed include:

shoreline enhancement and protection,
invasive species prevention and infestation management, and
excess phosphorous in the lake.

We're also focusing on FUN! You'll see all the activities and dates listed on the website. Two deserve special mention:

- The 2nd Annual Small Northern Pike Contest, starting on May 11, will be expanded with new opportunities and prizes. Contest developer Matt Qualen estimates that over 5,000 small pike were removed from the lake last year, a figure we're sure to surpass in 2019.
- Enhancements are also planned for our second annual Family Block Party on Church Island, August 10. Bring all your family members.

Our other popular programs will round out the summer.

And finally, several exceptional new activities are being planned for 2020 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Bay Lake Improvement Association. Details will be announced over the summer.

Thank you to the many volunteers who make all these activities possible. I look forward to seeing you on the water.

Cheers,

Phil Rollins