



The Bulletin

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FARWELL OR FAREWELL LAKE?

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When seeking a pleasant summer afternoon, many people head for the nearest lake. In our area, this could mean a trip to Farwell Lake . . . or is it Farewell Lake!

The name of this lake has been a source of controversy in this area for many years. The “old timers” insist that the name is Farewell - my grandmother, Hilda Mayer, was adamant about this. However, others insist it is Farwell Lake and the name of the road associated with it, Farwell Lake Road, would seem to support this. So which is it? Let’s take a look back in history.

Year	Lake Name	Road Name	Other
1874 Plat Map	Farewell Lake	Not named	
1894 Plat Map	Farewell Lake	Not named	
1911 Plat Map	Farewell Lake	Not named	
1961 Plat Map	Farewell Lake	Not named	
1965 Plat Map	Farewell Lake	Not named	
1980 Plat Map	Farewell Lake	Not named	
1982 Plat Map	Farwell Lake	Farwell Lake Rd	Farwell subdivision
1984 Map	Farewell Lake	Farewell Lake Rd	Farwell subdivision
1986 Plat Map	Farewell Lake	Farwell Lake Rd	Farwell subdivision
1989 Plat Map	Farewell Lake	Farwell Lake Rd	Farwell subdivision
1994 Plat Map	Farewell Lake	Farwell Lake Rd	Farwell subdivision
1995 Atlas	Farewell Lake	Farewell Lake Rd	
2000 Plat Map	Farewell Lake	Farwell Lake Rd	Farwell subdivision
2002 Map	Farwell Lake	Farwell Lake Rd	
2006 Map	Farwell Lake	Farwell Lake Rd	


With these latest maps we think we finally have the name solved! But no! On an online 2012 GIS (Geographic Information Systems), we’re back to Farewell Lake!

Then again, in 2013 the online DNR Fisheries map is back to Farwell Lake!

After contacting the Michigan Archives and Jackson County Parks with no further light, I spoke with a Michigan DNR Fisheries agent who suggested I contact the USGS (United States Geological Survey), saying they are the ones in charge of place names. On the USGS website, the 2011 map shows Farewell Lake and Farwell Lake Road. The USGS agent confirmed this on their latest maps as well as the Atlas he checked. He also suggested that it might have been simply a typographical error at one time that continues to surface occasionally.

So which is it?

2019 Winter Events

January 2019	February 2019
18 th - Community Potluck Dinner 6:00 pm gather 6:30 pm dinner	15 th - Community Potluck Dinner 6:00 pm gather 6:30 pm dinner
24 th -Annual Dinner 5:30 pm @ Heritage Park Event Center	16 th - Bluegrass Bonanza 7:00 pm
19 th - Bluegrass Bonanza 7:00 pm	

Annual Dinner and Business Meeting

Thursday, January 24th, 2019
Heritage Park Event Center
Cost \$15.00 per person

Join us for the HHAHS Annual Dinner and Business Meeting. This year's speaker will be Linda Hass a published author with a Masters Degree in Journalism from Michigan State University. Linda will be speaking about the Underground Railroad and Jackson County.

Dinner will be catered by Sweet Amy Jo's of Hanover and Dave Green will serve as auctioneer again this year.

There are numerous board positions up for election this year and this is the chance for each member to have their vote count. Please plan on attending this event. The food is delicious, the meeting important, the speaker informative and the auction is just a lot of fun.

Mark your calendar for the 24th and be on the lookout for your invitation in the mail soon.

Please be sure to RSVP

Heritage Park Event Center



The Heritage Park Event Center is a great place to host your next gathering. Whether you are expecting a small crowd or a full house, the event center can accommodate your needs. With a little vision, it can be a beautiful venue. If you are interested in renting either room, please contact the Hanover-Horton Area Historical Society office at (517) 563-8927 or Jim Allen at (517) 206-9909

2019 Organ Workshops



March 15 - 16

April 26 - 27

May 17 - 18

June 21 - 22

July 12 - 13

August 2 - 3

September 20 – 21★

October 18 – 19★★

★ Thank You Luncheon Saturday,
September 21, Noon at the Event Center

★★ IROS 2019 Gathering

All workshops are a Friday and a Saturday
from 9:00 am until about 5:00 pm.

Auction items needed-

We are accepting donations for the Annual Dinner and Business Meeting of the HHAHS on Thursday, January 24th, 2019.

Any Christmas gifts you would like pass on? Any antiques that you don't use? Do you do any sort of crafts that would be good to sell at the auction?

Please contact Terri Jordon
At (517)688-4157 or
tjordon@frontier.com This is our first fundraising event of 2019!!

Membership letters will be sent out in the next week or so! Be on the lookout and as always if you are looking to volunteer check the box on the membership sheet!!



This photo is from 1932 Horton High School.
Irene Harris is the Principal and English teacher.