

Friends of Silver Lake  
PRESS RELEASE

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### **Friends of Silver Lake announces the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Silver Lake Kids Carp Cull Contest**

Friends of Silver Lake proudly announces the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Silver Lake Kids Carp Cull Contest to encourage the removal of nuisance carp from Silver Lake. The organization is paying a reward of \$2/carp submitted across the three-week event. The contest rules are simple; it is open only to kids 16 and under (fishing license not required), only nuisance carp qualify for reward payment and the carp must be taken from Silver Lake in Mears. So participating kids can cull carp at anytime and bring their catch to one of the Sunday collection events; May 26<sup>th</sup>, June 2<sup>nd</sup> and June 9<sup>th</sup> (1:30-2:30PM).

Friends of Silver Lake will pay a reward of \$2 per carp physically submitted at the collection site, the Golden Township Park at Silver Lake Sand Dunes (8453 W. Silver Lake Rd, Mears, MI 49436), only on three consecutive Sundays; May 26, June 2, & June 9, from 1:30-2:30PM. Friends of Silver Lake will collect and dispose of the carp submitted at the collection events. Participants may submit carp on multiple Sundays.

Additional rewards during the event include \$50 for the Most Carp (2 or more) submitted by a single participant each Sunday and a free t-shirt for the first 50 kids that submit a nuisance carp across the three-week event.

Removing nuisance carp from Silver Lake helps promote the efforts to improve lake water quality, help establish native aquatic plants and improve our overall fishery.

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ABOUT – Friends of Silver Lake is a non-profit association of property owners and other parties interested in the betterment of the Silver Lake community. Our purpose is to discuss, promote and act upon ideas that contribute to keeping the greater Silver Lake community more beautiful, enjoyable, secure, and valuable. We promote the improvement of waters, roads, walks, beaches, and other area environments, advocate for various improvements, and assist in raising funds for such purposes.