



Deer Tales

DEER LAKE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

FALL 2012

President's Message



After a hot, dry and wonderful summer, we very quickly saw the leaves turn to their beautiful red/gold colors and

the temperatures quickly dropped as we stoked up the fireplaces and turned on the furnaces. You have also probably noticed about four to five feet of extended shoreline as the lake water level has dropped due to the lack of rain. I'm still hoping for some Indian summer days and yes we need the rain.

As we reported at the DLIA Annual meeting in July, we no longer have the benefit of the \$50.00 per property special assessment tax on our property tax bill. While this may seem good as individual property owners saved \$50.00, this is a \$16,000 annual hit to our Association. This is an assessment we have had for many years and the money is restricted for water quality treatment.

Your Board is working to resolve this situation in two ways. First we are working with the State of Wisconsin Revenue Department to get the assessment reinstated (we are not sure this is possible but we know it will takes several months). Second we will be sending out a letter to all property owners in the near future asking for voluntary donations to help fund continuing water quality treatment efforts. We hope you will participate.

Hope you all will be able to join us for the December 1st Holiday Party. See the article within.

Best Wishes to you all for a happy, healthy winter.
Bob Spinner, President

Events Calendar

2012:

Holiday Party: Sat. Dec. 1 6:00 pm
(Dalles House)

2013:

Spring Party: Sat. June 1 6:30 pm
(Chateau at St. Croix)

Neil McKenzie Youth Fishing Derby: Sat. June TBD 9:00 am
(Lagoon)

Music on the Lake: Sat. June 22 7:00 pm
(Bay)

Light Up the Lake: Wed. July 3 10:00 pm
(clockwise)

Boat Parade: Thur. July 4 1:00 pm
(Lagoon)

Music on the Lake: Thur. July 4 7:00 pm
(Bay)

Fireworks: Fri. July 5 10:00 pm
Storm Date: Sat. July 6 10:00 pm

Pontoon Party: Fri. July 12 6:00 pm
(off of Hungerford Pt.) - note time change!

Annual Meeting: Sat. July 13 9:00 am
(Trollhaugen)

Flagstad Farm Event:
Sat. July 27 TBD

Music on the Lake: Sat. Aug. 3 7:00 pm
(Bay)

Festival Theatre Night:
(St. Croix Falls) Sat. Aug. TBD
Social Hour: 6:30 pm
Play: 7:30 pm

Winter Party: TBD

Web-Page

This is a reminder to check out the Deer Lake website for pictures of all the events that occur on the lake, and changes/additions to the calendar.

www.deerlakewi.com





Boat Parade

Nine boats participated in the boat parade.

Winners were: in First Place - the Miller

Family; Second Place - the Sinclear Families; Third Place - the Boykens; and Fourth Place - T. Todd and the Water Beatles.

This is a reminder that all boats are welcome to be in the boat parade whether they are decorated or not!

Found

A mosaic cross with the initials "G.C." was found by the creek on the east end of Deer Lake. If this is yours, please contact Sue Shelton: 715-755-3662 or wasushel@centurytel.net, to identify it.

We will list found items only once in Deer Tales, and we will NOT list Lost Items or items For Sale at this time. Thank you for your cooperation.

Road Captains

These are the road captains for the following roads. The road captains will give welcome packets to new residents on the lake. Neighbors usually know who moves in and out, this also makes the welcome a lot nicer because it comes from someone you may see often. If you have any questions feel free to ask them.

Captain

Phone

Road Area

Dee Peterson	715-483-3383	Sunset View Drive
Bob Spinner	715-483-9580	Shady Grove Shores
Mark Thayer	715-483-9102	Northpoint Road
Steve Schletty	715-483-3376	Hwy 8
Pat Haertel	715-483-9548	Dry Creek Road
Rosemary Dummer	715-483-5060	Bayview Drive
Mollie Keys	715-483-9383	Deer Lake Park
Ramona Bartolic	715-483-3562	167th Street
Jane Sackett	715-483-3745	South Deer Lake Circle 1701-1733
Matti Hoffman	715-483-9170	South Deer Lake Circle 1735A - 1775
Bob Fedderly	651-338-6806	Mirror Waters
Cookie Jandric	651-343-1071	Pinewood Road
Denise Sinclear Todd	715-483-1442	Peer Avenue
Bob Rawlings	715-483-9152	135th & 140th Avenues
Laurel Fermanich	715-484-9353	Hungerford Point 1328 -1344
Tom McBride	715-483-3577	Hungerford Point 1345-1356
John Wright	715-483-1091	Hungerford Point 1357-1384

We are looking for volunteers for the following roads that have no designated representative:

190th Street	Andersen Lane	Birchwood Terrace	Highway 35
Lagoon	Maple Cove		

If you live on one of these roads and would like to be a representative, please contact **Dee Peterson:** 715-483-3383 or dapeterson2@gmail.com.

Join Us...

for the Deer Lake Improvement Association holiday party.
Gather your friends and come for an evening of friendship and great food!

Holiday Party

Dalles House

French Room, upstairs

Saturday, December 1st

6:00 p.m.

Located at: State Road 35
South of U.S. Hwy. 8



DLIA Holiday Party Reservations

Dinner includes:

Choice of Entrée:

(number)

- _____ Pan-Fried Walleye
- _____ Cranberry Pork Loin
- _____ Chicken Fettuccine Alfredo

**All entrees are \$25.00/person and will include:
salad, potato, and dinner roll.**

If you would like something sweet after dinner...
**add \$4.50/person for Fried Cinnamon Apples with Vanilla Ice Cream,
for a total cost of \$29.50/person - w/dessert**

NAME: _____ **PHONE:** _____

Total Number of Dinners: _____

TOTAL DUE: \$ _____

(checks to: "Deer Lake Improvement Assoc.")

**Send this form with your payment by November 15 to:
Cookie Jandric at: 1709 Portland Ave., St, Paul, MN 55104.
For more information, call Cookie at 651-645-8880.**

Thanks from the Neil McKenzie Family

Ninety kids had a fun day fishing June 16, 2012, with kind support of the Lagoon and Deer Lake Associations, sponsors, donors, and volunteers.

Thank you to:

- Arrow Marine/Terry Peer
- Bauer Bros. Salvage
- Bernick's Pepsi
- Cabela's
- Rich & Patty Coan
- Gary & Linda Coleman
- Wayne Coleman
- The Copy Shop
- Tom Green Construction
- Emory Giles
- Dave & Neva Larson
- Wisconsin DNR
- Deer Lake Association
- Don & Melanie Hoag
- Ellen's Blacksmith Shop
- Fawn-Doe-Rosa
- Forster Septic Services
- Fred Jrs. MN Wholesale Tires
- Frederic Design & Promotion/Betty Knutson
- Scott Hansen
- Lagoon Association
- Joe Mattson
- Kassel Tap
- Ken McKenzie & Hedy
- Lucky Baits
- Marketplace Foods
- Monty's Sportsman's Haven
- Rhett & Julie Neuman
- Noah Insurance/Mike Evans
- Polk County Bassers
- Polk County Recycling
- Polk County Tavern League
- Rack'em Up Taxidermy/ Chad Daniels
- Dan & Sue Schmitt
- Verizon
- Wal-Mart
- Sue Wolter



We thank each of you...the pontoon and boat owners, drivers and guides, fish weighers, food preparers, groundskeepers, registrars, and tent and table handlers. A special thanks to the originators of this event, Dave & Ann Hraychuck, Denny & Linda O'Donnell, John Boyer; and to the Polk County Sportsmen's Club for its co-sponsorship of this free event.

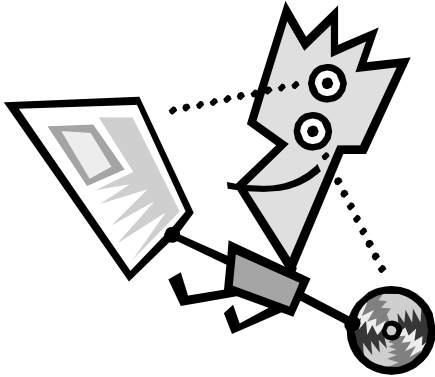
It is a nice tribute to Neil for his love and respect of the outdoors and his belief that kids need to keep fishin' and huntin' and...tellin' their stories. Keep Kids Fishin'!

Joyce, Kelly, and the Clan



Music on the Lake

Music on the Lake has been a great success and will continue next year, the dates are June 22nd, July 4th, and Aug 3rd. We may be one of the only lakes to offer this, come enjoy the uniqueness of the lake.



What Do You Want to See?

If there are any articles you would like to see in the Deer Tales, please let us know.

Contact: Laurel Fermanich
Email: laferm@earthlink.net
or call: 612-810-8832 (cell)

Environmental Committee Report

Deer Lake is exceptionally clean! Satellite images revealing the clarity of water indicate that Deer Lake is cleaner than any other lake in our area. Only lakes in far northern Wisconsin show equal clarity.

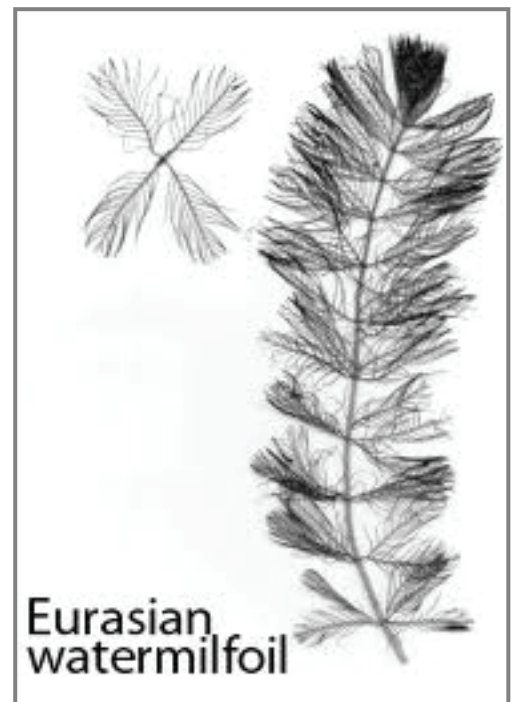
We participate in the Clean Boats, Clean Water program. This \$13,316 program is funded by a desirable cost share of 75% DNR, 25% DLIA. Interns staff the boat landing to educate boaters about the proper steps to guard against the introduction of aquatic invasive species - both plant and animal. Eurasian Water Milfoil has now infested nearby lakes in Minnesota such as Big Marine, South Center, Chisago, and South Lindstrom. We need to be constantly monitoring Deer Lake. DLIA pays Lake Management for periodic monitoring but it is encouraged that all lake owners educate themselves on the identification of Eurasian Milfoil (Google, etc.) and notify DLIA if discovered. DLIA has in place a \$30,000 "rapid response" Eurasian Milfoil plan if needed.

We treated 33 acres of Deer Lake on May 5th for Curly Leaf Pondweed when the water temperature was a desirable 55 degrees. At this temperature, the sprouting CLP is killed but the adjacent native plants (these help prevent invasives from propagating) are not harmed. We are pleased to receive a grant of 50% cost share for the next three years for the continued monitoring and treatment of CLP. We treated 6 acres of water on August 14th with copper sulfate to control an algae outbreak. These treatments are far less than we've needed in the past- good news!

We appreciate all of you lake owners that pay your dues to belong to the DLIA. Your dues are responsible for the above actions in maintaining the health and improvement of Deer Lake. Encourage any neighbors that are not yet members to join!

Deer Lake Improvement Association,
 Environmental Committee

Steve Schletty & Mark Thayer





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