

# Lake Washburn Association Newsletter

Working to Protect our Beautiful Lake and its Environment for Future Generations

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### IMPORTANT NOTE: Annual Membership Meeting SATURDAY, AUGUST 8TH

Check your mailing label for your membership status. Not a 2015 member? MAIL YOUR DUES TODAY!

### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



As I am writing this it is already the middle of summer! It seems like the cabin season just started and here we are half done and the days are getting shorter. I want to thank all of our Officers and Directors listed on

page 2. These folks do all the work to make Lake Washburn Association function so effectively. I also want to thank you who responded so generously to our Aquatic Invasive Species Fund fundraiser.

### June General Meeting

Over 60 folks attended our spring meeting. Ken Reynolds reported on the AIS fundraiser and handed out 44 "Preserving Lake Washburn" caps to folks who donated \$100 or more. If you were unable to attend to pick up your cap, we will have them again at the meeting on August 8th. If you would like to purchase a cap for \$100, I am sure Ken will be able to help you out. Thank you again to all who support and continue to support this effort. Because of you and the folks who contributed previously we were able to react quickly last fall and treat 11 acres of Eurasian Watermilfoil (EWM) in the East basin at a cost of \$22,000+. The battle is ongoing, and is not over. As you recall EWM was discovered and treated a few years ago and then for a year couldn't be found, but low and behold it was again discovered last year. We all hope that EWM is gone but realistically understand that it probably still exists someplace in our lake. Also there are many other threats. Zebra mussels for example would require equally costly treatment. Check out the other articles on the fundraiser and the Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Prevention & Treatment Fund in this newsletter.

Following the business meeting Brandon Nadeau, T.I.P. Vice President, gave us an overview of his organization. Turn In Poachers (T.I.P.) is a non-profit group originally organized by Bud Grant and others that worked with the DNR coordinating reports of poaching game. Brandon explained that as soon as a call is received, a call is placed to the appropriate Conservation Offices to follow up. Brandon wanted me to remind you of the T.I.P. hotline, 1-800-652-9093, or to check their website **www.turninpoachers.com**.

We then had dinner and a presentation by our own Les Raisch who provided a very helpful and informative slide show on the jet streams and how they affect the weather. Les showed photos of the cloud patterns and explained how to read them and predict the weather. Specifically he coached all of us on when to **get off the lake**!

### 2015 Summer Every Owner Visit

Over the winter the Board developed 2015 goals. The top of the list was the continuing battle against AIS, which is covered in other articles in this newsletter. The second goal was to increase the participation and membership in our Association. As one action to implement this goal, during July and August, our Directors will be knocking on every door around our beautiful Lake Washburn. They will be an-*(Continued on page 2)* 

### 2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS & STANDING COMMITTEES

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Watercraft Inspection: Bob Holman & Les Raisch

Water Patrol: Steve Carlson Water Quality: Dave Snesrud 763-753-2790 snesrud@usfamily.net Webmaster: Ron Reich

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swering your questions and addressing your concerns about the lake and surrounding environment. They will also leave a brochure about the association. If you discover a brochure in your door, you have already have been visited by one of these dedicated folks. I hope you will read the brochure and observe the many things your Association is doing and also are motivated to get involved in any of the committees or activities. **Bottom line** we hope that, if you haven't already, you will send in your 2015 Membership dues and also consider making an additional contribution to the AIS fund.

#### Webmaster

Currently we are in need of an individual to maintain our website: <u>http://www.lakewashburnmn.org</u>. The task involves updating our web pages by entering new information such as changes in the calendar, list of officers, meetings, etc. The basic requirement to become a Webmaster is that you have access to a computer and not be frightened of technology. So look at this as an opportunity to develop a new skill. We will train you on the specifics of how to update our website. We would also obviously welcome any individual with experience in Information Technology or someone who is currently maintaining a web page. Please contact me for more information on the details of this task.

### Lake Washburn History Project Update

The History committee has been very busy over the past winter collecting stories, photos, and other historic data concerning the last 100 years of cabins on Lake Washburn. The document is organized chronologically around significant events that occurred during the last 100 years. Currently a draft of the first half has been completed.

During this process it was discovered there are many individuals who contributed greatly to the development of Lake Washburn over the past 100 years. The committee struggled with the thought of dedicating the book to any individual or family and so we decided to allow you, the cabin owners, to submit individual Lake Washburn Memories. These stories may be focused around your family and recognize anyone in your family; parents, grandparents, great-grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc. who were significant to development of the lake home you enjoy today. Your submissions should be limited to 300 words and could include a photo. The committee will include your submission unedited in the Lake Washburn Memories chapter of the publications. Please make these submissions by October 1st. You may submit via the email below or to P.O. Box 26, Outing, MN 56662.

The committee is also looking for help with the cover design. If you have artistic or creative capabilities we encourage you to submit your artwork, photos, etc. Submissions should incorporate the theme **100 Years on Lake Washburn**. These submissions should be original artwork or photos capable of being used on the cover of the publication and also on the memorabilia such as caps, shirts, etc. Please submit your sketch, artwork, or photo by October *(Continued on page 6)* 

### ZEBRA MUSSELS CONFIRMED IN RUTH LAKE

O n July 13, 2014, the DNR Brainerd office received a call from a man vacationing at a lake home on Ruth Lake. The caller reported that his 15 year old son had been swimming in Ruth Lake on Saturday, July 11, 2015, and found a zebra mussel attached to a rock. DNR Invasive Species Specialist, Dan Swanson and DNR Invasive Species Intern, Luke Thoma, investigated the report on July 14, 2015. The zebra mussel had been kept on ice in a cooler. The 15 year old explained that he was snorkeling in approximately 3 to 4 feet of water just lake ward of the dock. He picked up a rock and when he turned it over he saw the zebra mussel attached. Dan and Luke then proceeded to search various shallow water areas for zebra mussels. Luke found a zebra mussel attached to a tree branch. A GPS was used to record way points at the locations were the two zebra mussels were found. The zebra mussels that were found were adults.

Ruth Lake was infested through overland spread, likely by people moving aquatic invasive species (AIS) attached to boats, docks and other equipment, or water not drained from watercraft. Overland spread is preventable if Minnesota's AIS laws are followed.

### **REQUIRED ACTIONS: You must...**

**1. CLEAN** all visible aquatic plants, zebra mussels, and other prohibited invasive species from watercraft, trailers, and water-related equipment before leaving any water access or shoreland.

**2. DRAIN** water-related equipment (boat, ballast tanks, portable bait containers, motor) *and* drain bilge, livewell and baitwell by removing drain plugs before leaving a water access or shoreline property. **Keep drain plugs out** and water-draining devices open while transporting watercraft.

**3. DISPOSE** of unwanted bait, including minnows, leeches, and worms, in the trash. It is illegal to release live bait into a waterbody or release aquatic animals from one waterbody to another. If you want to keep your live bait, you must refill the bait container with bottled or tap water.

### KNOW THE LAW: You may not...

- Transport watercraft without removing the drain plug.
- Arrive at lake access with drain plug in place.
- Transport aquatic plants, zebra mussels, or other prohibited species on any roadway.
- Launch a watercraft with prohibited species attached.
- Transport water from Minnesota lakes or rivers.
- Release live bait into the water.

### ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

**Spray, rinse, dry** — Some invasive species are small and difficult to see at the access. To remove or kill them, take one or more of the following precautions before moving to another waterbody, especially after leaving zebra mussel and spiny waterflea infested waters:

- Spray with high-pressure water
- **Rinse** with very hot water\*
- Dry for at least 5 days

Run motor and personal watercraft for a few seconds to discharge water before leaving a water access.



Clean ALL recreational equipment. It's the law.

**Transport fish on ice** — be prepared, bring a cooler.

\*These water temperatures will kill zebra mussels and some other AIS: 120°F for at least 2 minutes; or 140°F for at least 10 seconds.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### County Road 48 Cleanup Keith Ahlauist

**Neith Ahlquist O** n Saturday morning, May 16th, a group of 12 volunteers from Lake Washburn Association gathered at the Lake Washburn campground for the Spring road side debris pickup along County Road 48 from Highway 6 west to the end of the pavement. The cleanup was organized by Keith Ahlquist and Sue Towsend. Pictured below are some of the group as they received their vests and trash bags before heading out. After the clean up Sue provided home baked cookies for the group as they turned in their vests and bags of trash.

Pictured left to right are: Pat and Dave Oleson, Bill Pudwell, Keith Ahlquist, Sue Townsend, Diana and Richard Huss, and Karen Appel. Not in the photo but also helping Ken, Sue, and Matt Estvold and Ron Reich.

### Watercraft Inspection / AIS

Les Raisch / Bob Holman The \$500,000 AIS Grant Cass County received is being put to great use. The county has hired a full time AIS individual

responsible for the management of this grant including hiring the DNR trained Level 1 and 2 Inspectors and the assignment of these inspectors to over two dozen lakes within the county. The inspectors are qualified to inspect and refuse any possible



contaminated boats from launching into any bodies of water in Cass County. They also may request the contaminated watercraft be decontaminated and approved by a Level 2 inspector before entering any waters.

Crooked Lake Township has been assigned Level 1 inspectors for three lakes: Washburn, Roosevelt and Lawrence. The public landing on Washburn will be monitored from Friday through Sunday into September. Times are scheduled on Friday from 7:00 PM to 5:00 PM, Saturday from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Sunday 7:00 AM to 5:00 for a total of 30 hours each weekend. An additional 10 hours are scheduled for holiday weekends.

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The county has also purchased an AIS decontamination unit, given it to the township, and assigned Level 2 inspectors for operation. The decontamination unit is located between the old library and the canister station and is operated when the public landings at the three lakes are staffed by Level 1 inspectors. All inspectors are paid by Cass County. A sign will be present on Highway 6 whenever the decontamination unit is being operated.

### (See page 13 for the locations of other nearby decontamination units.)

We need volunteers to be Landing Ambassadors on the weekends. The duties are very simple: visit the landing daily, if possible; introduce yourself; ask if the inspector needs anything, and make sure they know how much the lake association appreciates the AIS inspector's efforts. Or for anyone passing through the area, simply stop by and say 'Hello'. Please inform Bob Holman or Les Raisch if you are able to help and what weekend you would like.

All boaters are reminded of the current Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Laws. Before transporting watercraft from any water access:

**CLEAN** visible aquatic plants, zebra mussels and other prohibited species off of watercraft, trailers and equipment.

**DRAIN** water from the watercraft's bilge, livewell, motor, ballast tanks and portable bait containers.

**KEEP** drain plug out and water draining devices open while transporting watercraft.

Also the boater may not: transport aquatic plants, water or prohibited invasive species; dump live bait into state waters or on the ground; or launch or attempt to place watercraft or trailers with AIS into any Minnesota waters.

Fisheries

John Harris—Washburn DNR Liaison

Due to a variety of circumstances, I have barely dipped a line in the pristine waters of Lake Washburn this year.



However, reportedly crappie fishing has been good and walleye fishing has been spotty. In particular, it sounds as though some anglers enjoyed good walleye success Memorial Day weekend and a huge 28" walleye was caught at that time. Washburn does have some nice fish.

**DNR:** The DNR plans to check our fishery by using gill nets and traps beginning August 11th. The nets/traps will be in place for several days. This every other year activity is part of the Fisheries Management program for our lake. The netting areas will be marked with flags. Please avoid all flagged areas in order to avoid entangling your boating/fishing equipment in the nets.

The current Fisheries Management Program for Lake Washburn runs through 2016. I'll be meeting with our DNR partner after the netting/trapping in August to begin the process of laying the ground work for a subsequent plan. A first step is to determine what the Association can do to expedite and influence that plan.

**Did you know..** that when discarded, the monofilament or fluorocarbon fishing line that we generally use can take hundreds of years (some sources say 600 or more) to break down?

Who's eating who? An attendee at the most recent Association meeting asked me what we can do about rock bass "...who are eating all the perch, leaving no food for walleye." He caught me off guard as I've never had a query about rock bass. While I did not have an answer, his question about perch is a good one... where are all the perch? I took a look at the food chain for various fish and perch seem to be part of the diet for most fish. The northern is one of the bigger culprits as they have big appetites and they love perch and they love walleye. There is a lot of competition in this food chain.

Fish	Eat
Northern Pike	<ul> <li>walleye (favorite food)</li> <li>perch (another favorite food)</li> <li>smaller pike</li> <li>large numbers of smaller fish</li> <li>frogs, crayfish, waterfowl,</li> <li>rodents, and other small mammals</li> </ul>
Walleye	<ul> <li>perch (favorite food)</li> <li>various species of minnows</li> <li>mudpuppies, snails, crayfish</li> <li>aquatic insects, such as mayflies</li> <li>their own young</li> </ul>
Bass	<ul> <li>minnows, perch, sunfish</li> <li>crayfish and dragonfly nymphs</li> <li>small terrestrial creatures including frogs</li> </ul>
Rock Bass	<ul> <li>aquatic insects, crayfish,</li> <li>small fish, including their own young</li> <li>perch, and minnows</li> </ul>

**Did you know...** that it is illegal to transport minnows or other bait that are in lake water from one lake to another? Bait must either be dumped on land or the lake water replaced. The good *(Continued on page 6)* 

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news is that there is a well at the campgrounds near the public landing where new, clean water may be obtained should you and/or your guests want to transfer live bait to another lake.

What's this? One of the more avid anglers on our lake, Greg Hosch, called a few weeks ago. Seems he'd caught a very unusual appearing walleye. The walleye was blue colored with fins he described as being "almost iridescent." Greg wasn't sure but wondered if it might be a species known as "blue walleye." Yes, there is or was such a fish. Although there of rumors of the fish being found in Southern Ontario and in Quebec, it is now believed to likely be extinct. As you know, walleyes come in a variety of colors including silvery, grey and gold. But blue? Very unusual. The DNR says that it is unlikely and improbable that the fish in question was actually a member of the blue walleye species. Unfortunately, Greg did not have a camera with him and the fish was released without a picture being taken. If you catch an unusual fish that you cannot identify, the DNR has offered to try to help with the identify. Take a picture of the fish, email it to me (inhni@yahoo.com) and I'll forward it to the DNR. Most of us have cell phones so taking a picture should be fairly easy.

Summer is here. Good luck to anglers. Let me know how your fishing experiences are going.



#### Water Patrol Cass County Sheriff's Volunteer Program Steve Carlson

A s reported in our past Newsletter, the future of the Water Patrol was in question. The Sheriff's Department was reevaluating the effectiveness of the program as our association and our partner association RALALA, struggled to get



volunteers on the lake. I am pleased to announce the program continues thanks to the commitment of many of our past volunteers and four new water patrol members. As of the July 4th weekend with the exception of one rainout we have had the Sheriffs boat on the lake every weekend this season. We still need more volunteers for weekends in August and on Labor Day weekend. Please consider volunteering.

When you are stopped by the Water Safety Patrol while out enjoying the lake, please remember these people are you neighbors spending their free time trying to promote safety on our lake. If you need a copy of the Boating or Personal Water Craft regulations, ask them. Often times they have color books and comic boats published by the DNR for the kids on board. Without exception every time we are on the lake we encounter a safety risk. Had they been stopped by a Sheriff's Deputy or DNR officer, they could have been ticketed. The most common violations we see are not enough life jackets or they are stowed and not accessible, young children under 10 not wearing a PFD (personal floatation device), lack of a throwable PFD, and too many passengers onboard exceeding the boats capacity. Accidents do happen, it would be very sad to have a drowning on Lake Washburn that could have been prevented. I was informed at the last board meeting that there was a collision between two moving boats several weeks ago. I don't know if there were any injuries but boats were damaged.

Be safe and have an enjoyable summer.

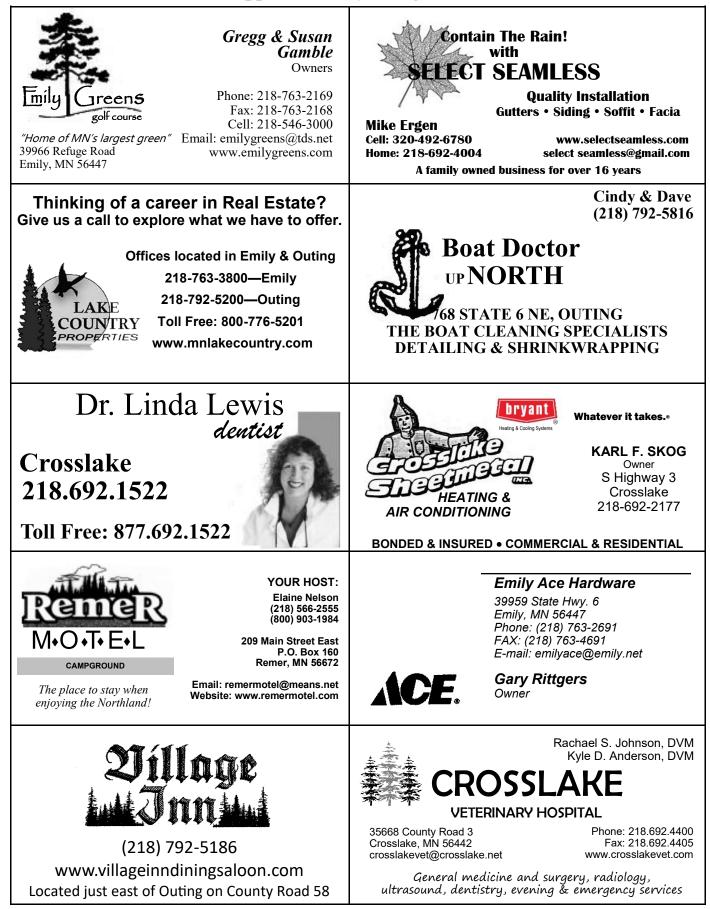
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1st, along with a publication release. The committee will review your submissions and select a winner. The selected artwork submitter will be recognized in the publication and also

provided a free copy of the final book. Other submitted photos and artwork may be included in the book at the discretion of the committee and if used will be credited to the submitter.

The committee has decided to celebrate **100 years on Lake Washburn** throughout the entire summer of 2016 rather than having a single celebration date. We will be accepting advance orders for the book this winter and currently plan to have copies available at our Spring General Membership meeting next June. Presentations drawn from **100 Years on Lake Washburn** will be featured at both 2016 meetings. We also plan to participate in area

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### **IN REMEMBRANCE** Our deepest sympathies to the families and friends of our lake friends.

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James Cyril Albers Jim Albers, 77, passed away peacefully at home Saturday

peacefully at home Saturday morning, February 28th, 2015 surrounded by his family, as a result of a brain tumor.

Jim grew up on a dairy farm with his eight sisters and two brothers. He attended the District 91 grade school near Rockville and gradu-

ated from Cathedral High School in 1955. He married his wife, Shirley Ann Buttweiler, on July 8, 1961, and together they raised four sons. Jim served in the United States Army Reserve for six years and was honorably discharged on January 31, 1965. He worked for 38 years at National Bushing & Parts Co. beginning as an outside salesman, moving to sales manager, vice president and eventually owner. In 1993 Jim sold his portion of the business and in 1996 he began working for Mathew Hall Lumber Co. selling roof and floor trusses for 16 years. He truly enjoyed his work in both the automotive and construction industries and especially loved the camaraderie of working with his customers and fellow employees. He retired in June of 2012 at the age of 74.

Jim had a passion for woodworking and his handiwork can be seen in all the wood projects he built for his home, cabin and children's homes. His hobbies included playing cards, snowmobiling and golfing as often as he could. Jim loved having his family and friends up at the lake cabin relaxing and going for a pontoon ride on the lake or taking a Ranger ATV ride through the woods. He was an avid fan and follower of the Minnesota Vikings, Twins and SCSU Hockey. He loved to travel and he enjoyed being outdoors with his sons and buddies hunting and fishing. His great passion was building the lake cabin and spending time up there with family and friends. Most importantly, he loved to be around people laughing and having fun.

### **Billy Dean Parrish**

### Billy "Bill Parish, 76, passed away Mohday, June 1,

2015, in Ankeny, Iowa. He was born June 7, 1938. He graduated from Ankeny High School in 1956 and then served his country in both the Navy and the Army. He met the love of his life, Shirley Ogilvie, and they were united in marriage on June 5, 1959. To this union they were blessed with three children. Bill and Shirley



were just a few days shy of celebrating their 56th wedding anniversary.

Bill worked for the Post Office before retiring, and continued to work after retirement for both Karl Chevrolet and Bob Brown Chevrolet. He was an avid coin collector as a member of the Ames Coin Club as well as a member of the Iowa Numismatic Association for over 30 years. Bill had a huge heart and he had the ability to carry on a conversation with anyone, always finding common ground.

He is survived by his loving wife, Shirley; two daughters, Paula (Brad) Cherry and Deb (Jerry) Fischer; son, Ron (Angie) Parrish; six grandchildren, two greatgrandchildren, brother, three sisters, mother-in-law, Marge Swartfager; and many nieces and nephews who he dearly loved.

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### Shirley May Parrish

Shirley May Parrish, 77, of Ankeny was greeted by the Lord Sunday, June 21, 2015 at Taylor House Hospice. She joined her late husband Bill, who passed away 20 days earlier.

Shirley was born May 1, 1938 in Des Moines, IA, the daughter of Richard and Marge Swartfager.

She graduated from Ankeny High School in 1956. She then attended Broadlawns School of Nursing, receiving her LPN nursing license.

She married Bill Parrish June 5, 1959. Most of her working career was spent as a dispatcher for the Ankeny Police Department. She ultimately became the supervisor of communications and the department statistician.

Shirley was a very creative person, an established seamstress, loved to crochet, and loved everything dolls; from collecting to repairing to even creating her own porcelain dolls. She was a member of the Kate Shelly Doll Club and the Sunshine Doll Club. She enjoyed her time at the lake in Minnesota and loved to fish and water ski.

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(Remembrance continued from page 11) She is survived by her three children, Paula (Brad) Cherry, Ron (Angie) Parrish, Deb (Jerry) Fischer; two daughters, Paula (Brad) Cherry and Deb (Jerry) Fischer; son, Ron (Angie) Parrish; six grandchildren, two great -grandchildren; her mother, Marge Swartfager; half-sister, half-brother, and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Shirley was preceded in death by her husband Bill, her father, Richard Swartfager, and an infant brother Tommy.

### Wilbur B. Rogers

Wilbur Rogers, 86 of St. Paul, passed away peacefully in his sleep on Monday, March 30, 2015. He was a long time Lake Washburn property owner. In 1968 he and his wife Gloria, bought land on the lake and built a cabin. The cabin became the center for family & friends. Wilbur's family remembers him as a sportsman, lov-



ing father & grandfather that always encouraged them to pursue their goals. His love of the lake will be continued through his children (Greg & Leanne Rogers, Lisa & Dennis Otten) many grandchildren and friends

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community celebrations throughout the summer. We are currently looking for individuals to help with planning all these activities. Should you be so inclined to help or have any questions about the publication please contact any of the committee members listed below.

History Committee: Tom & Marlies Brinkman, Bruce Downey, Diane Dubay, Gary & Sue Gabel, John Harris, Rollie Hirman, Bob Holman, Jan Judd, Ellen Leger, Julie Maranda, Theo Michael, Carolyn Oldre, Bill Patterson, Susan Tyra, and Ron Reich

#### **Annual General Membership Meeting**

Finally I would encourage you to join us at the Annual Membership meeting on August 8th at 5:00 pm. It will be held as usual at the Crooked Lake Township Hall in Outing. As well as the committee reports, the election of Officers and Directors will be held. Our featured speaker will be Lindsey Ketchell, Director of the Leech Lake Area Watershed Foundation. Among other things Lindsey will be talking about conservation easements and their value to the lakes area. The program will be followed by a light supper of sandwiches at 6:30 pm.

Have a great rest of the summer at Lake Washburn. I hope to see you August 8th at the Annual meeting.

Ron Reich Home: 952-888-7813 Lake: 218-792-5520 Email rrreich@usfamily.net

### **2015 BOAT PARADE REPORT**

by Robert J Harris

I t was a beautiful day for the annual boat parade; despite the haze, it was one of the best Fourths' ever. At 1:00 PM sharp, Jack and Grace Schuller sounded the air horn from the comfort of the deck on their home and the 22nd-23rd annual (a fairly reliable resource provided the number) Boat Parade was off and running. This year 35 boats participated, an outstanding turnout although slightly fewer than the huge number of participants last year.

The parade wound around Birch Bay where the cabin own-(Continued on page 13)



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families and friends greeted the boats with waves, cheers and more than a few squirt guns, water balloons and anything else that could shoot water .

The weather was warm as was the water so everyone seemed to have a good time. A few minor complaints were heard because Big Foot was not on the shore this year; he was represented by his more complacent cousin, Long Neck. Also, another really skinny, somewhat pathetic , definitely gruesome character was observed, observing. One never knows what or who might be seen during the boat parade.

Unfortunately, the parade seemed to break apart after the last cabin on the east side of Birch Bay with the number of boats decreasing significantly as the parade continued past Iowa Camp. This seems to happen every year. I am open to suggestions about how to keep the parade intact through the entire parade "route." We'd like to continue to include the Bear Paw-Iowa Camp area as part of the route but only if the parade can be kept intact.

Many thanks to those who took the time to decorate their boats and to participate in the parade. Thanks also to those of you who sat along the shoreline to greet us as we passed by. Also thanks to the Sheriff's Water



Patrol volunteers for stopping by. See you again next year, the same day as the Outing fireworks.

### AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES WATERCRAFT DECONTAMINATION STATIONS LOCATIONS IN CASS COUNTY & CROW WING COUNTY

(This list and other information can be found on the Association of Cass County Lakes website: www.acclakes.org)

### **CASS COUNTY**

Southern Cass County/Sylvan/Gull Lake (Saturday only) (\*) Gull Lake Recreation Area and Dam/Government Point #371 to #125 (Gull Lake Dam Road)



Prososki's Dock and Marine – 828 Highway #84, immediately south of intersection of #84 and #87. Phone: 218-947-3995

#### Hackensack/Walker (+)

Northwood's Docks – 1 mile north of Hackensack on #371. Phone: 218-675-5175

#### Longville (+)

<u>Musky House</u> – 1 mile north of Longville on #84 or 3 miles south of intersection of #200 and #84. Phone: 218-363-2044

### Cass Lake/northern Leech Lake/Winnie (\*)

Cass Lake – east on #22 to rest area. Maintained by the Minnesota DNR

### Walker (+)

Walker Marine, 8099 State Highway 371 in Walker. Phone: 218-547-1727

### Outing (\*)

Crooked Lake Town Hall in Outing on #6 (Fri.-Sun. from 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.)

(\*) No charge (+) Charges may apply

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### THANK YOU...

The final membership count for 2014 was 202. LWA would like to extend a huge "Thank You" to the following members for their support:

Abts, Jerry & Judy Ahlquist, Keith Albers, Jim & Shirley Anderson, Jerry & Karen Appel, Marty & Karen Arf, Kevin Baker, Ron & Nancy Ballard, Cecil Ballard, Gerald & Marie Ballis, John & Marge Barker, Jim & Jean Bear Paw Lodge Behning, Pat Benzel, Sharon Blackmon, Rick & Miki Bochman, Gary & Kathryn Breyen, Mark & Melissa Brinkman, Tom & Marlies Bullis, Ruth Campion, Jim Carlisle, Todd & Kim Carlson, Steve & Denise Carlson, Terry & Fran Carr, Corey & Victoria Carr, Nancy Cartwright, Bill & Eileen Cartwright, Paul & Donna Cazier, Janice Clausen, John & Penny Coleman, Rick & Kelly Consoer, Steve & Sherrie Crymble, Chuck & Shari Dahlager, Ken & Sonja Davis, Joy Davy, Bob & Zona Dawson, Keith & Donna DeVries, Steve & Hallie Downey, Art & Carol Downey, Mark & Marguerite DuBay, Donald & Diane Edwards, Jim & Marge Eisler, Jim & Shan Emanuel, Jill Erdman, Sheldon Erickson, Jim Erickson, Walt & Nancy Fisch, Tom & Mary Jo Fischbach, Juli & Charlie Fitzpatrick, Pat & Mary Pat Fortmeyer, George & Louise Fortmeyer, Phil & Caroline Frye, Tom & Lisa Gabel, Gary & Sue Gall, Gerard & Anne Gehrman, Don & Mary Geyer, Bob & Mary

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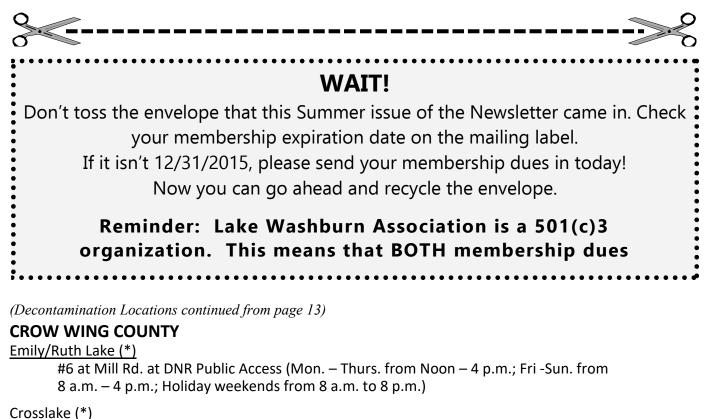
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## Yhy a Monofilament Fishing Line Recycling Program?

Lget rid of it when we purchase new line? We many fishing reels do we have that has old mono-filament line? And how are we to

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responsibly. or landfill, or by being taken out by birds or animals, so please dispose of your fishing line that is thrown in the garbage can end up in the environment by blowing out of the garbage can non-biodegradable and can last up to 600 years in the aquatic environment. Even fishing line of dollars when it gets caught in boat propellers and other gear. Monofilament fishing line is injuring and killing aquatic birds, fish and aquatic wildlife. It can also cost boaters thousands Discarded monofilament fishing line can wreak havoc on the lake environment by entangling,

Here is a solution from Berkley. A video is also on their website:

to lead this effort worldwide. moting and facilitating fishing line recycling, and is in the process of building a new program http://www.berkley-fishing.com/Berkley-recycling.html. Berkley has a long history of pro-

for every angler in America. recycled more than 9 million miles worth of fishing line. That's enough line to fill two reels ble. Since 1990, the Berkley Conservation Institute, with the help of anglers everywhere, has Public response to Berkley's innovative line and spool recycling program has been remarka-

ley's collection center at: Berkley Recycling, 1900 18th Street, Spirit Lake, Iowa 51360 line and recycle it by dropping it off in a recycling collection bin, or mail it directly to Berkpublic landing, similar to the one pictured here. In the meantime, pick up discarded fishing Lake Washburn Association is working with the DNR to put a recycling collection bin at the



