

Lake Washburn Association

Newsletter

Summer, 1993



President's Memo

by Jan Hron

In spite of the rain and high water, activities and fun continue at the Lake. Our committees are on the job and goals are being met.

Again this summer the Water Quality Committee is providing for boat inspections at the major boat launch at the Campground. Aerial Survey information is available by contacting Pat Behning.

Our fishing is sure to improve in the next few years, thanks to the Natural Resources Committee.

Membership goals are being met, Adopt-A-Highway is in full swing, and the Planning and Zoning committee is active.

I'm very excited about our upcoming dinner meeting. It's a first for us and I hope I'll see all of you there.

I've enjoyed my term as President and want to thank all of you for your support. The cooperation and help I have received have been invaluable. Your officers and directors devote a lot of time and work to make LWA a success.

Thanks to all of you and I'll see you all for dinner!

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At the August meeting we will also be voting on whether to continue our Adopt-A-Highway program. *Have you participated in a clean-up on one of the three days scheduled for this year?* The next day scheduled for clean-up is Sept. 4, 1993 at 9:00 a.m. Meet at the Campground.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS TO BE HELD IN AUGUST

Two new directors will be elected this year to fill the expired terms of Gerald Ballard and Jack Schuller.

Nominees for Director are:

Jan Hron - on the Peninsula
Greg Hosch - on Birch Bay

Nominees for Officers are:

President - John Houston
Vice President - Gerald Ballard
Treasurer - George Fortmeyer
Secretary - Marje Anderson

Nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

Our Membership goal for this year is to have 120 members. We need your help to meet this goal. If you have not paid your dues for 1993, now is the time. Fill out the membership form and send it with your check for \$10 to Lake Washburn Association, P.O. Box 26, Outing, MN 56662. If you are already a member, we thank you. Your support is appreciated.

AND DON'T FORGET!!!!

Our annual August Meeting:

When: Saturday, August 14, 1993 6:30 p.m.

Where: Outing Town Hall

What: A spaghetti dinner for adults, children and all your cabin company.

Cost: \$5.00 for adults, \$2.50 for children, and \$12.50 for the whole family.

The program for the evening will be "WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE LAKE - fun things to do in and around Cass County."

BE A DREAMER
by Grace E. Easley

Be a dreamer, fill your pockets
To the brim with fairy gold,
Wade knee deep in silver moonlight,
Gather all your arms can hold.
Leave a trail of fire behind you,
As you sail into the wind,
Now's the time to follow rainbows
That you may not find again.

Be a dreamer, there is magic
In the wonders you can find.
If you hunger after treasure,
Let it be the lasting kind.
Fill your moats and build your castles,
Spin your webs of diamond dust.
Weave life's colors into patterns
That will never fray or rust.

Be a dreamer, there is nothing
That can stop you if you try.
Let your light shine through the darkness,
Hold your candle to the sky.
Time has dimmed this old world's vision,
'Til things are not what they seem,
What it's desperately in need of,
Is a dreamer and a dream.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR WILDLIFE
Minnesota's Nongame Wildlife Program is one of the best in the nation, but it needs your support. Remember, even a couple of dollars will help. Look for the loon on your state income tax forms. Just fill in the amount you wish to give. Last year only 6.8% of Minnesota's taxpayers marked their tax forms. Let's increase that percentage! Next time you're at the Lake, and you hear the call of the loon, make a note to support the Minnesota Nongame Wildlife Program.

BARE FACTS ABOUT BEARS

Minnesota has more than 10,000 black bears. Some are brown, but all are the same species. Grizzlies have not lived in Minnesota since the late 1800s.

Most bears are killed by people. A few die during hibernation. Some will die of starvation after they leave the den in the spring. Cubs are sometimes killed by other bears and possibly wolves.

Black bears rarely attack people. When they see someone, they may slap the ground, woof, and even run toward the person, but turn away at last minute (called a bluff charge). Bears usually will not make contact unless a person does something foolish, like pick up a cub. Black bears will not attack if you try to scare them away from your house or campsite, even if you hit them with a rock. Wounds alone will not cause them to attack people.

from: "Black Bear Yearbook" by Dave Garshelis
DNR bear research biologist.

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