

# The Sugar Lake News

AUGUST 2011

## Sugar Lake Association Minnesota Waters' 2010 Lake Association of the Year 2009 Star Lake Recipient

2011

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**September 3-Diane's Lights Night**

Second annual 5K Run/Walk

**September 17-SLA Meeting\***

**October 15-SLA Meeting\***

\*SLA meetings are held at the Corinna Township hall at 8:00 a.m.

September & October meetings at 9 a.m.

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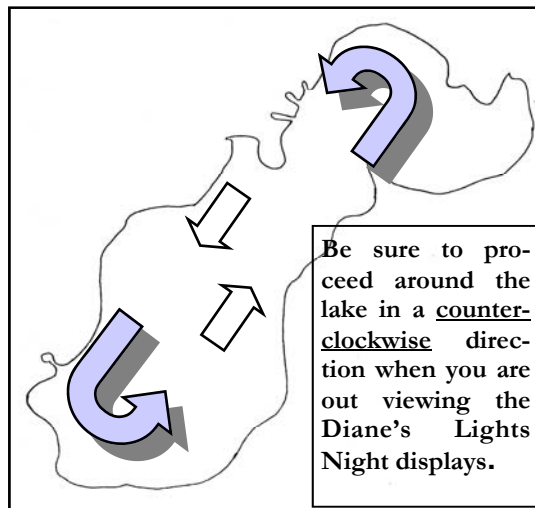
## Diane's Lights Night By Doc Williams

The grand finale to another wonderful summer on Sugar Lake is fast approaching. Diane's Lights Night is the evening where lakeshore owners are invited to put on a display hailing the end of warm summer days and the beginning of beautiful fall colors. It's a time when we say goodbye to some of our friends and neighbors. It's a time when we hardy Minnesotans prepare for ice fishing and winter activities. Why not join in this wonderful evening by putting up a display. If you're going for a free summer of Pepsi products, put out your best. The competition has gotten pretty spirited and you may have the winning entry. If you want to just add to the beauty of the evening, put out a simple display or even a few luminaries at the end of your dock. Each display, big or small, adds to the evening and makes Sugar Lake glow like the jewel that it is.



Saturday, Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> is the date and if it rains after 1 PM on that day, the event will be held on Sunday evening. The rules for the competition are simple: all illumination for your display must originate from a flame of some sort. Candles, campfires, torches, or any flame you can think of are permitted but no electrical lighting. As the day fades to night, the

DeGroot family, last years winners, will judge the entries. Doc Williams will notify the winners the next day. We ask all who view the displays by watercraft to proceed counter clockwise around the lake to avoid congestion. If you have a swim platform, please bring it in for the evening or place luminaries on it to avoid a collision. Make sure all your running lights are working. If your watercraft has landing lights and you feel the need to use them, do it sparingly so as not to detract from the displays. Good luck to all and above all, enjoy the evening.



## Brandon Beckman Memorial

### Sugar Lake 5K Run/Walk

## September 3

The second annual Sugar Lake Run/Walk in memory of Brandon Beckman will be held on Saturday September 3, beginning at 9 a.m. All profits go to SLA Lake Improvement Fund.

It is not too late to register. Download a registration form from the Sugar Lake website [www.sugarlake.org](http://www.sugarlake.org). Registration will also be available the day of the race. Registration/ check-in begins at 8 a.m. at the Corinna Township Hall on Ireland Ave, 1/3 mile north of County Road 39.

## Water Quality Report.

By Dan Erdmann

The latest lake report. The physical condition was 2 on a scale of 1 (good) to 5 (poor).

Light green color, small amount of algae present.

Culvert flowing fast, no restriction.

Date	Clarity	Water Temp	Air Temp	Culvert	
				Inlet	Outlet
08-15-06	7'	86°	79°	15"	20"
08-15-07	8'	79°	79°	15"	20"
08-14-08	8'	75°	74°	16"	21"
08-13-09	10'	81°	71°	18"	23"
08-18-10	7.5'	77°	72°	23.5"	29.5"
08-17-11	12'	78°	74°	31"	36"

## Membership

Paid membership to date this year is 293. If you know someone new in your area that might be interested in becoming a member of the SLA, notify Cathy Beckman. She will contact the new property owners with information and make them feel welcome to the area. Notify Cathy of any changes to the directory information including address or phone changes. Contact Cathy at 320-274-8623 or email [membership@sugarlake.org](mailto:membership@sugarlake.org).

## News Flash

The Sugar Lake Association maintains two email lists for communication with membership:

**News Flash:** This list is used to send information about invasive species treatment, event announcements, member information, government information, etc. To subscribe to this list send an e-mail to [newsflash@sugarlake.org](mailto:newsflash@sugarlake.org) requesting addition.

**For Sale:** This list is used to send information about items "for sale" by the membership. To subscribe to this list send an email to [forsale@sugarlake.org](mailto:forsale@sugarlake.org) requesting addition.

If you wish to unsubscribe follow the instructions in the email you receive from the list or send an email requesting removal to the addresses listed above.

For the latest news on Sugar Lake visit our website:

[www.sugarlake.org](http://www.sugarlake.org)

## Newsletter

Help save postage and printing costs by subscribing to the electronic version of the Sugar Lake News. You will receive a PDF file by email that looks like this newsletter *but in color*. Contact [newsletter@sugarlake.org](mailto:newsletter@sugarlake.org) with your email address if you are interested.

## Treasurer's Report

As of August 19, 2011

General Fund	\$27,323.02
Lake Improvement Fund	\$22,689.42
Milfoil and Invasive Species Fund	<u>\$126,601.91</u>
<b>Total All Funds</b>	<b>\$176,614.35</b>

## Rainfall

July rainfall totaled 8.5 inches. Normal July rainfall is 4.0 inches. August rainfall through 8/24 has been 4.55 inches. Year to date rainfall is 31 inches, about 11 inches above normal. Thanks to Andy Juetten for providing monthly rainfall totals.

## Township News

**Corinna Township** Town Board meetings are held the first and third Tuesdays of every month at 7 p.m. The Corinna Town Hall is located on Ireland Ave, 1/3 mile north of County Road 39.

Clerk: Mary Barkley Brown 320-274-8049

- Visit the Corinna Township website at [www.corinnatownship.com](http://www.corinnatownship.com).

**Clearwater Township** Town Board meetings are held the third Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. The Clearwater Town Hall is located on Highway 24, 3-1/2 miles south of Clearwater.

Clerk: Jean Just —Town Hall Phone: 320-558-6790

- Visit the Clearwater Township website at [www.clearwatertownshipmn.govoffice2.com](http://www.clearwatertownshipmn.govoffice2.com).

## Outdoor Catholic Mass

The Catholic Mass scheduled to be held on Sunday, Sept 4<sup>th</sup>, at 10 AM has been cancelled. Fr. Marty Shallbetter, the celebrant for the Mass was unable to find a replacement for his regular duties at that time. Thanks for your attendance in the past and we will try again next year.

## Directory distribution

Directories that were not passed out at the picnic were given to area communicators along with a list of those who had not picked up their directories yet. We are trying to save the cost of postage to mail them. If you have not received your directory in the next week or two please contact [membership@sugarlake.org](mailto:membership@sugarlake.org).

## Sugar Lake Board Election Results

The Annual Meeting and Board elections were held on August 20. The results are:

### New Board

### Members

(Terms expire August 31, 2014)



Pictured left to right: Don Peterson, Charlotte Schreiner, Charlotte Quiggle, Mike Mengelkoch, Jon Juntunen. Not pictured: Peter Ramme.

### **Elected officers for 2011/2012:**

Chair—Ron Elsner

Vice Chair—Don Peterson

Treasurer—Jon Juntunen

Secretary—Andrea Welter

## Thank You

Thanks to the following outgoing board members.

Pictured left to right: Trudy Gutowski, Cathy Beckman, Deb Beltrand. Not pictured: Marilyn Andersen, Mike Kluge, Greg Selle.



## Fundraising

The following individuals have contributed money beyond their dues. These contributions will allow us to treat invasive aquatic species according to our plan. We will be able to continue the work of maintaining and improving the water quality of Sugar Lake to the benefit of all property owners.

### *Thank You!*

Craig & Linda Allen  
Blaine Aslakson  
Karl & Enith Enghauser  
Marlin & Wilma Grant  
Dr. John & Paulette Harapat  
John & Deb Hoaby  
Gary & Cindy Hoganson  
Dan & DeAnne Jenkins  
Toni deRosier Jerry Hertel  
Lyndon Johnson  
Curt & Carrie Knowles  
Dennis & Mary Langhoff

Blaine & Barb Masee  
Fred & Geraldine Menth  
Tom & Suzanne Nimmo  
Denny & Sally Phenow  
Tom & Pam Pugh  
Larry & Anna Purcell  
Paul & Gloria Radtke  
Lynette & Dick Rougier  
Mark & Margie Schroeder  
Al & Cheryl Smith  
William & Susan Ziet

## No Wake Ordinance

The Wright County Board of Commissioners voted unanimously on Tuesday, 26 July to implement a temporary emergency slow/no-wake ordinance on 15 lakes in the county, including Sugar. This ordinance is in effect for our entire lake. Other area lakes covered by the slow/no-wake ordinance are: Clearwater, Pleasant, Bass, East Sylvania, West Sylvania, Augusta, the Clearwater Chain of Lakes (Caroline, Louisa, Marie and Mill Pond), Nixon, and Locke Lakes.

"Slow" generally means going no faster than 5mph; larger boats with deep hulls or wake-board boats that tend to generate large wakes may have to go even more slowly to minimize their wakes.

The ordinance will be in effect until October 1, 2011 or until the lake level has receded to 6" above the ordinary high water mark and stayed there for 3 consecutive days, whichever comes first.

The Wright County Sheriff will be enforcing the ordinance. Signs are posted at the public landings. Any violation of the ordinance is considered a criminal misdemeanor.

At the Saturday, August 20 meeting, the Sugar Lake Association Board of Directors voted to request an amendment to the ordinance for Sugar Lake. The amendment would establish a slow/no wake area within 300 feet of the shoreline. This request may be considered by the Commissioner's at their meeting the week of August 29.

## Vegetation Report

Dale Gustafson – Vegetation Committee

Our volunteers have found less Eurasian water milfoil showing near the surface this year. We have hired PLM Lake & Land Management company and they are completing the delineation of the EWM area that could be treated. We will review their results and decide which area to treat if any. You should watch for information through the Sugar News Flash so you could turn off your irrigation if you are in a treatment area.

## Sugar Lake Apparel

**SWEATSHIRTS:** It has been another great year for apparel sales, thank you! We do have several sizes available in this year's printed pattern. They make great gifts, especially for the guys, so please contact Sheree at 320.963.5295 for specific availability.

**ORDERED ITEMS:** Most of the sweatshirts (Women's and Youth sizes) should be available for pick up over Labor Day Weekend. Some of the fish glassware is on backorder and will follow in a few weeks.

**SNOOTY FOX ORDERS:** The store will donate 20% of all Sugar Lake items sold or ordered during the month of August. Gift shopping for your lake family is easy, more fun, and helpful.





# Picnic Recap

Picnic photos by Cindi Peterson

Although we had a little morning rain and a downpour at 3pm, a crowd of 630 turned out for this year's picnic. The picnic committee chairs this year were Deb Beltrand and Betsy Hanson, pictured to the left. A large volunteer staff is needed before, during, and after the picnic. Thanks to Deb, Betsy and all the volunteers who worked so hard to make the an-

annual picnic a success.

Expenses came in under budget. Raffle sales totaled over \$3800. Raffle income was deposited in the milfoil and invasive species fund. Thank you for the extra donations for extra guests.

Thanks to Karl Enghauser and his wife Enith for again hosting the picnic on their grounds.

### Raffle winners were:

- 1st: Andrew Tanler
- 2nd: Pat Dahl
- 3rd: Bob Peltier

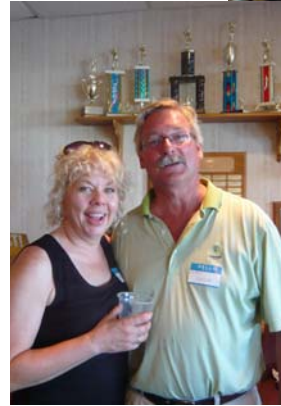
- Float Plane Ride:
- 4th: Sean Nonhof





## Golf Tournament

The third annual Sugar Lake Association benefit golf outing was held at the Southbrook Golf Club July 30. The event was organized by Greg Selle (pictured below, right). By all accounts, it was a huge success. 72 golfers signed up to play, 103 people attended the dinner following. Dinner was followed by both a silent and live auction. Everyone in attendance received a prize of some kind. 24 hole sponsors supported the tournament. \$5000 was raised for the Milfoil and invasive species fund. Thanks to all the hole sponsors, prize donators, participants, Southbrook Golf Club, and to Greg Selle for organizing the event. We are looking forward to next years benefit golf outing.



### Prizes Donated

Bob Gruys  
 Bob and Maureen Prestifilippo  
 Bob Niederer  
 Bridget Imkamp  
 Carol Kannianen  
 Cris Alves  
 Deb Beltrand  
 Diamond Vogel Paints  
 Ed & Jan Quinn  
 Gardendale Nursery  
 Gary Grant  
 Jeff Lipinski  
 Jim Kreatz  
 Joni and Greg Selle  
 Judy Schutte  
 Lyn Nonhoff Salvaag  
 Moreys Seafood  
 Pittsburg Paints  
 Sherwood Williams Paints  
 Susan Neiderman

### Hole Sponsors

Anchor Dock	M & M Express
Charlotte Quiggle	MG Drywall
Diamond Vogel Paints	Morton Paterson Inc
Don Peterson	Oak Realty
Englesma Construction	Pittsburg Paints
G. E. Selle/Joni Selle	Purcell Plumbing
Coldwell Banker Burnet	Sandberg Family
Grazia Communications	Sherwin Williams Paints
Hitching Post	State Agencies
Holiday Station Stores	Susan Niederman
Jaeger Family Trust	Z-Marine
Karen Sutherland	
Legacy Insurance	
LG Company	

## ***Picnic Thank You***

to the following merchants and individuals for donating prizes for the Sugar Lake Picnic. Their generosity is greatly appreciated.

Please remember these merchants as you shop.

A Meat Shop  
 Jim and Betsy Hanson  
 Kaz Hardware  
 Marilyn Andersen  
 Mike and Suzanne McDonald  
 Quinn Family  
 Scott Bergevin  
 Snooty Fox  
 Steve Harnett/ Keebler

Special thanks to Mike and Janet Mengelkoch for donating prizes for the games again this year.

Thank you Bob Gruys. Bob donated the fourth place raffle prize—a float plan ride.

**FOR SALE**

Demolition Sale

Furniture, household, gardening tools, paneling, collectibles, etc.

11805 Hollister Ave NW

Maple Lake, MN 55358

Friday, Sept 2, 9am to 5pm

Saturday, Sept 3, 12noon to 3pm

Contact: CR101@comcast.net

**DNR and  
Wright County Sherrif**

Picnic attendees included Max Burbach, pictured to the left, with the DNR Watercraft Inspection Program and Sgt. Scott Halonen, pictured on the right, with the Wright County Sherrif's office. They spoke to the membership and answered questions..



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**FOR SALE****Furnace \$450.00**Product Detail

CATEGORY:	COZY
CATALOG PART #:	1H4732N
MFG. PART #:	VCR501A
SUPPLIER:	Ingram Water & Air Equipment
BTUH INPUT:	50,000
DIMENSIONS H x W x D:	26 x 30 x 19-1/4"
FLUE:	4"
GAS:	Natural
WEIGHT:	117

Contact Tom at ttart@comcast.net

Or 320-963-3579 or 612-240-7448

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