



The Sugar Lake News

AUGUST 2013

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

2013

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 31-Diane's Lights Night

August 31-Brandon Beckman 5K

September 21- SLA Meeting*

September meeting at Ney Nature Center

October 19-SLA Meeting*

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

March, September & October meetings at 9 a.m.

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Diane's Lights Night By Doc Williams

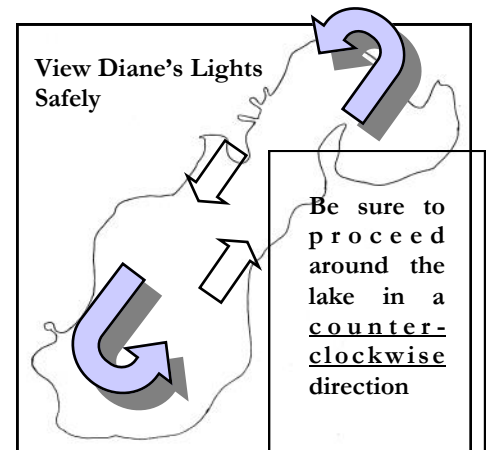
As the Summer draws to a close and the days get shorter, we on Sugar Lake have one more event to look forward to and that's Diane's Lights Night. It's a beautiful way of saying good bye to another wonderful season on Sugar Lake. Hopefully you have chosen to participate in some way in this year's event. Go for the prizes or just put out a few bags on your dock, it doesn't matter as long as you participate. On Saturday of Labor Day weekend, assemble your display and as darkness approaches, light your candles and be part of the show. Watch as others go by enjoying what you have assembled or be part of the parade of boats viewing our lake at its finest. Remember, all lighting for your display must come from a flame of some sort. Candles, fires, torches, or any other fire you can think of are allowed but no electrical lighting please. You can use either brown or white lunch bags, milk cartons, glass jars, etc, for your luminaries and tea-lights work well for illumination. Folding the top of the bag over on itself will help stiffen them in the wind and sand or stones in the bottom keeps them in place. We ask that those who have swim rafts either illuminate them in some way or bring them into shore to help prevent accidents. Reflectors though legal, can't be seen at night. All watercraft should proceed around the lake shore in a counter clock wise manner to prevent congestion. The DeGroot Family, last year's winner, will be out judging to pick the 3 top displays. The first place winner will receive a free summer of Pepsi products on Memorial Weekend of 2014. Look for a description of the 3 best displays, as well as any honorable mentions, in next month's newsletter.

A big thanks to Bernicks Beverage, the Pepsi distributor for the St. Cloud area, for donating the prizes as well as the soft drinks at the picnic. Enjoy the evening.

Brandon Beckman Memorial Sugar Lake 5K Run/Walk August 31

The fourth annual Sugar Lake Run/Walk in memory of Brandon Beckman will be held on Saturday August 31, 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. 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).

Date	Clarity	Water Temp	Air Temp	Culvert	
				Inlet	Outlet
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"
08-15-12	10.5'	76°	79°	15.75"	21.75"
08-16-13	10'	76°	78°	11.5"	17"

Membership

Paid membership to date this year is 266. 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.

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 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 for-sale@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

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 with your email address if you are interested.

Treasurer's Report

As of July 31, 2013

General Fund	\$13,651.47
Lake Improvement Fund	\$36,368.97
Milfoil and Invasive Species Fund	<u>\$120,193.68</u>
Total All Funds	\$170,214.12

Rainfall

July rainfall totaled 2.40 inches. August rainfall through the 22nd has been 1.0 inches. 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.

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.

Outdoor Catholic Mass

On Sunday of Labor Day weekend Father Marty Shallbetter will again celebrate an outdoor Catholic Mass at his family's cabin. It is located on the west side of Sunset point at 11777 Gulden Av. N W (area G). Park on the west side of the road. If you wish to come by boat, you may tie up at any of the neighboring docks. Look for the sign on the west side of Sunset Point. Mass will start at 10 AM and refreshments will be served after. Some chairs will be provided however, you may want to bring your own. Please join us.

Sugar Lake Board Election Results

The Annual Meeting and Board elections were held on August 17. The results are:

New Board Members

(Terms expire August 31, 2016)

Cathy Beckman

Karen Sutherland

Janet Tift

Ken Vande Steeg

Bob Peltier was appointed to fill an open position.

Elected officers for 2012/2013:

Chair—Karen Sutherland

Vice Chair—Don Peterson

Treasurer—Jon Juntunen

Secretary—Laurie Erickson

Thank You

Thanks to the following outgoing board members.

Pictured left to right:
Ron Elsner, Marilyn Hiscock, Tom Pugh, Sheldon Brown, Andrea Welter, Marianne Borgeson. Tom Nimmo not pictured



September SLA meeting

Please note the meeting place and time for the September Sugar Lake Association meeting has been changed:

When: September 21, 2013—9a.m.

Where: Robert Ney Memorial Park Reserve

5212 73 St NW

Maple Lake, MN 55358

(Off CSAH 8, one and one-half miles north of Maple Lake)

Fireworks Recap

Thanks Joel Williams and Waconia Pyrotechnics for a great show the night of the annual picnic. Thanks to the audience on the lake for keeping the perimeter clear.

Vegetation Report

Dale Gustafson – Vegetation Committee

This is the time of year when we can say we are done treating invasive species; however, we will be monitoring the plants we have treated and planning for what we will do next spring. We make our plans and then nature changes them for us. We adjust our plans and continue on!

This method of operating must be working for us because this year we treated 23.5 acres of Curly leaf pondweed and 12.44 acres of Eurasian water milfoil. For a lake our size - and with the volume of boats entering our lake - that is a pretty small area of invasive plants. We have adjusted our approach somewhat by treating the denser areas of these plants. Where the plants are less dense, they do not pose a problem for us as long as we can successfully treat them before they crowd out the native plants.

Our new equipment is serving us very well and we are developing some good maps of invasive infestations. With this information we can keep track of changes and be ready to react. We must keep vigilant to protect our lake in the future.

We are able to keep the invasive plants in check up to this point because of the generous donations all of you have made to our association. Thank you for doing that year after year. It really has made a difference for Sugar Lake.



We had visitors from the DNR at the picnic this year. Helping us out were Mitchell Woodstrom, pictured on the left, with the Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers program and Joe Stewig, pictured on the right, who is our new Area Fisheries Supervisor.

PICNIC 2013



Picnic Recap

Picnic photos by Cindi Peterson and Ken Vande Steeg
Perfect weather drew a crowd of about 700 for this year's picnic.

The picnic committee chairs this year were Deb Beltrand and Betsy Hanson. Deb and Denny 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 annual picnic a success.



Expenses came in on budget. Raffle income was deposited in the milfoil and invasive species fund. Thank you for the extra donations for extra guests. Thanks to all the members and others who donated door prizes.

Thanks to Karl Enghauser for again hosting the picnic on his grounds.

Raffle winners were:

- 1st: Nate Limerick
- 2nd: Tina Walker
- 3rd: Don Piefer



Bob Gruys donated a float plane ride. Bob held a live auction for the ride with all the proceeds going to the Lake Association. The winner of the auction was Laura Giertsen



2013 Sugar Lake Benefit Golf Outing

Photos by Ken Vande Steeg

About 66 golfers were present for the 1pm shot-gun start at Southbrook golf club in Annandale. The scramble format ensured everyone had a good time. About 80 people were present for the dinner. The money raised, about \$5200, goes to the invasive species fund. Thank you Greg and Joni Selle (pictured to the right) for organizing and hosting the event.



2013 Event Winners

- George Paterson
- Brian Patterson
- Joel Morton
- Wayne Adair – Iowa



Special Thanks to:

- Ken Vande Steeg – photos
- Dell & Shirley Jordan
- Bob Pestifilippo – cooking
- Joni Selle
- Charlotte Quiggle - Hole in One Official
- Maureen Prestifilippo - Hole in One Official

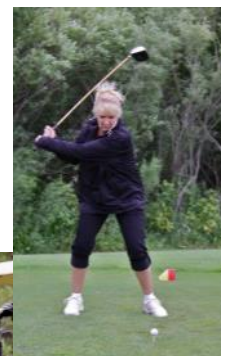
Youngest Participant: Gus Lasch

Out of Town Participants:

- Shane Tart – Hong Kong
- Lee & Todd Andersen – Texas
- Lasch Family – North Dakota
- Roger & Tammy Peterson – Finland, MN
- Wayne Adair – Iowa
- Nick Selle – North Dakota
- Bridget O’Connell-Long – Wisconsin

Donations

- Joni & Greg Selle
- Marilyn Andersen
- Wayne Adair
- Liquor Barn – Mike Yungner
- Pittsburg Paint
- Gardendale Green House
- Morey’s Fish – Greg Frank
- Nick Selle
- Dahlmicir Construction
- Bob & Maureen Prestifilippo
- Dell & Shirley Jordan
- Greg & Becky Jaeger
- Jeff Lipinski
- Bridget & Frank Imkamp
- Medina Ballroom
- Southbrook Golf
- Susan Niederman
- Maddigans
- Salvaag Family – Lynn, Greg
- Cris Alvers
- George & Cheryl Patersons
- Rick & Carol Kannianen
- Tom & Sue Nimmo



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