



The Sugar Lake News

AUGUST 2014

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

2014

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 30 Diane's Lights Night

August 30 Sugar Lake 5K

September 6 Octoberfest Beer and
Wine Celebration

September 20 SLA Meeting*

October 18 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

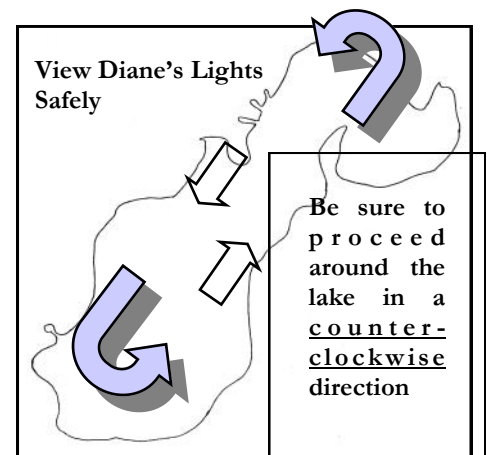
Many years ago, Diane Radtke introduced a wonderful idea to her neighborhood on the north side that quickly caught on across the lake that we now call Diane's Lights Night. It is a beautiful way to say goodbye to one another as the summer ends. Saturday evening, Aug 30th is the time we hope all will participate in some way by lighting up their shoreline with luminaries, candles, torches, campfires, or anything else you can think of that has a flame. There are those who will be going for the big prize of 12 cases of Pepsi products and most importantly, bragging rights for the best display.

There can only be one first place however everyone who has shoreline can participate. Put up a display of some kind, if only a few luminaries at the end of your dock, and be one of the many that together make Sugar Lake shine like the jewel that it is. Remember, all illumination for your display must come from a flame.

If it rains after 1 PM on Aug 30th, the event will take place the following evening.

For those viewing the displays from your water craft make sure you have proper lighting and proceed counter clock wise around the lake to prevent congestion. Those with swim rafts are asked to bring them in for the evening or illuminate them in some way to prevent any accidents. Most of all enjoy the evening.

Prizes for this event as well as the soft drinks at the picnic were donated by Bernicks beverage of St. Cloud.



Sugar Lake 5K Run/Walk

August 30

The fifth annual Sugar Lake Run/Walk will be held on Saturday August 30, 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).

Moderate green color due to algae but not affecting visibility much.

Date	Clarity	Water Temp	Air Temp	Culvert	
				Inlet	Outlet
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"
08-20-14	14'	78°	82°	15.5"	20.5"

Membership

Paid membership to date this year is 248. 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 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

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, 2014

General Fund	\$23,165.26
Lake Improvement Fund	\$39,537.89
Milfoil and Invasive Species Fund	<u>\$153,516.68</u>
Total All Funds	\$216,219.83

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. 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 16. The results are:

New Board Members

(Terms expire August 31, 2017)

Robin Fox

Todd Latterell

Sally Phenow

Appointments of Bob Peltier and Suzanne McDonald were confirmed.

Robert Strom was appointed to fill an open position.

Elected officers for 2013/2014:

Chair—Bob Peltier

Vice Chair—Ken Vande Steeg

Treasurer—Paul Gustafson

Secretary—Laurie Erickson

Thank You

Thanks to the following outgoing board members.

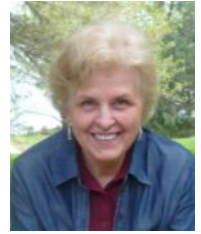
Pictured left to right:
Mike Menglekoch,
Don Peterson,
Charlotte Quiggle,
Jon Juntunen.

Trudy Richter and
Peter Ramme not
pictured



Chair's Corner

Last Saturday night a group of SLA volunteers met for dinner to honor the six outgoing Board members and welcome their replacements on the Board. As I looked around, I saw in these dedicated individuals what makes SLA such a special organization. Collectively, they have devoted hundreds of hours to this organization during the last year. Events such as the Winter Meeting, the Plant Exchange, the Summer Splash, the Fishing Contest, the SLA Picnic, the Golf Benefit and the 5K all require planning, preparation and participation. Volunteers monitor the carp trap, maintain the monarch native plant garden, produce the newsletter, treat invasives, patrol the lake, maintain the web site, serve as area communicators, manage the sale of Sugar Lake apparel, send out newsflashes and for-sale emails, attend state-wide meetings on topics that affect the lake and, of course, serve on the Board.



Their willingness to step up to the plate whenever help is needed made this year as Chair a real pleasure. I thank them all and wish our new Chair the best as he steps into a position that is made easy due to the support of so many-

Karen

Oktoberfest Beer and Wine Celebration

Enjoy the first Sugar Lake Oktoberfest Beer and Wine Celebration on Saturday, September 6 from 4-6 pm at the lakeside deck of

Blaine Aslakson and Claudia Finneman's home, 10861 Hollister Ave NW.



Extend your summer with lake friends sampling craft beer, Minnesota wines, cheeses and sausages. All proceeds will support improving water quality on the Lake. \$25/person.

For assuring sufficient good drink and food, please RSVP to Claudia [C M Finneman@graco.com](mailto:C_M_Finneman@graco.com)
(c_m_Finneman@graco.com)

PICNIC 2014

Picnic Recap

Picnic photos by Ken Vande Steeg
Perfect weather drew a crowd of about 540 for this year's picnic.

The picnic committee chairs this year were Deb Beltrand and Betsy Hanson. 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 Enghausser for again hosting the picnic on his grounds.

Raffle winners were:

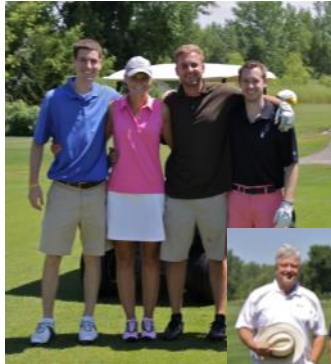
- 1st: Rosanne Reed
- 2nd: Ronald Flick
- 3rd: Walter Gusaas



2014 Sugar Lake Benefit Golf Outing

Photos by Ken Vande Steeg

It was a beautiful day for the 1pm shot-gun start at Southbrook golf club in Annandale. The scramble format ensured everyone had a good time. The money raised goes to the invasive species fund. Thank you Greg and Joni Selle for organizing and hosting the event.



Hole in One for Jim McDonald at Golf Tourney Wins \$10K!

Jim McDonald, shown to the right with his grandfather Ed Quinn, got a Hole in One on Hole 7 at Southbrook during the Sugar Lake Golf Tourney. Jim's account: "The hole was playing about 160 yards. I went with an 8 iron, and landed the ball about 10 feet past the hole, spinning it back and in!" Jim's uncle, Denny Phenow, was his cart partner and gave him some great golf tips. Jim's parents, Mike and Suzanne Quinn McDonald, filled out the foursome.

Congratulations Jim!



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