

The Sugar Lake News

JULY 2010

2010

Calendar of Events

August 7-SLA Picnic

August 21-Annual Meeting/
Board Election*

September 4-Diane's Lights Night

September 18- SLA Meeting*

October 16-SLA Meeting*

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

September & October meetings at 9 a.m.

Send Newsletter submissions to:

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10880 Imhoff Ave NW
Annandale, MN 55302
320-274-8623

E-mail membership@sugarlake.org

Annual Picnic

It is annual picnic time! Come out and enjoy the day with your friends, family, and neighbors from around the lake. Check in at the membership table for your name tag and raffle entry. Enjoy the great food, drinks, kids' games, educational opportunities, and annual raffle.

Date: Saturday, August 7

Place: Enghausers, SE corner of the lake.

Schedule of events :

8 a.m.	Setup
12 noon	Picnic starts
1 to 3 p.m.	Kids' games
3 p.m.	Raffle and door prize drawings

Food will be served all afternoon until it is gone.

DNR representatives from fisheries and "Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers" will be present to pass out information and answer questions.

- Please clean up after yourself, and be sure you don't leave anything behind on the grounds.
- Please note that registration and a name tag will be required for food and drink. Please register as soon as you arrive.
- Please leave your dogs at home.
- If you are bringing extra guests consider making a donation to help cover the cost.
- Anyone under 40 should be prepared to show ID for beer or wine service.

There are still one-hour shifts available for serving food.

Please donate an hour of your time at the picnic to help make it a success for everyone.

If you can help please contact:

Deb Beltrand 952-944-1526

email: dbeltrand@comcast.net

If you are interested in donating prizes for the picnic
or know someone who is please contact :

Marilyn Andersen

320-963-5527



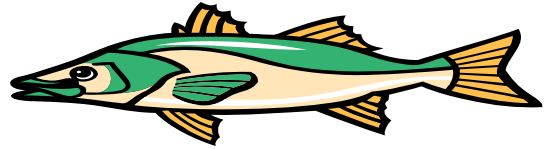
Second Annual Sugar Lake Benefit Golf Outing

The Sugar Lake Association will be holding its second annual golf outing at Southbrook Golf Club in Annandale on Saturday, July 31, with a 12:30 p.m. shot-gun start. The "tournament" will have a scramble format, so non-golfers are encouraged to participate for loads of fun. We hope to award lots of prizes (longest putt, most putts on a hole, shortest drive, you get the picture), so we need donations of prizes--they can be useful prizes or amusing prizes. We need individuals or companies to sponsor holes. (cost: \$100, tax deductible) Sponsors will be identified at each hole with a sign. It is great advertising or a way to show your support of the Invasive Species Fund.

- Supper of burgers and brats will follow the golf. Invite your wives, husbands, kids, families, and friends for an afternoon of fun.
- 18 holes of golf (including cart and supper) will cost \$65; supper only will be \$20.
- Silent auction gift baskets would be greatly appreciated. Get your creative juices flowing and put something together. Please let us know if you will be donating a basket.
- All money raised will be devoted to the Sugar Lake Invasive Species Fund.
- Sign-up deadline is July 20. For more information, contact Greg Selle at 763 476-4844 [home]; 612 719-1824 [cell] or gselle@comcast.net.

KASTL'S KORNER

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
07-14-05	8'	70°	90°	24"	29"
07-15-06	7'	78°	78°	18"	23"
07-17-07	11'	78°	85°	16"	21"
07-16-08	11'	75°	75°	25"	30"
07-17-09	10'	70°	63°	17"	22"
07-20-10	10'	75°	70°	24"	30"

Late afternoon, July 7, 15 loons were spotted in one group in front of Warners Resort.

Thanks to Dan Erdman for the water quality report this month.

Membership

Paid membership to date this year is 267. 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.

SUGAR LAKE NEWS FLASH:

Want the latest information on what's going on at the lake? If you are not getting the occasional e-mail from the Association it's probably because we do not have your up to date e-mail address. Please just send an e-mail to webmaster@sugarlake.org and you will be added to the list. We maintain two lists, one for News Flashes and one for "For Sale" information.

Visit our website at sugarlake.org for all the latest.

Treasurer's Report

As of July 17, 2010

General Fund	\$16,209.95
Lake Improvement Fund	\$15,169.35
Milfoil and Invasive Species Fund	\$80,489.30
Total All Funds	\$112,455.69

Rainfall

June rainfall total was 7.20 inches. Year to date through June 30 was 14 inches, about 2 inches above normal. July rainfall through 7/20 has been 1.35 inches. Thanks to Andy Juetten for providing rainfall data.

Water Patrol

We need Water Patrol volunteers. If you are interested in participating, have questions, or want more information please contact Rick Kannianen at 320-963-2226

Outdoor Catholic Mass

On Sunday of Labor Day weekend Father Marty Shallbetter will celebrate a Catholic Mass at his family's cabin which is on the west side of Sunset point. The address is 11777 Gulden Av. N W (area G). 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. If you wish to come by boat, you may tie up at any of the neighboring docks. All are welcome.

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.
- Junk amnesty day will be held Saturday, July 31, 7:30 am to noon at the Corinna Township Hall.

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: Sharon Lee 320-558-6725

- Visit the Clearwater Township website at www.clearwatertownshipmn.govoffice2.com.

Annual Meeting and Board Election

Proxy vote ballots and candidate statements for the candidates interested in serving as Board members are enclosed. You may cast your vote in person at the annual meeting, August 21, or you may vote by mail. Please return your ballot to the SLA secretary, Marilyn Andersen, on or before 8:00 a.m. Saturday, August 21.

**Proxy
Sugar Lake Association
Annual Meeting
August 21, 2010**

Sugar Lake Association Bylaws, Article 4, Section 10;

A vote may be cast in person or by proxy, provided that proxies shall be in writing, shall be only for the particular meeting designated therein, and shall be filed with the Secretary before the appointed time of the meeting.

I appoint SLA Chairman, David (Doc) Williams or
 SLA Member, _____
(Print Member Name)

as holder of my Proxy to vote on my behalf at the Sugar Lake Annual meeting August 21, 2010. My proxy for Directors should be cast as shown below.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I am a Sugar Lake Association member.

Select up to 6 Candidates for Director:

- Marianne Borgeson
- Bob Brabant
- Marilyn Hiscock
- Tom Nimmo
- Tom Pugh
- Andrea Welter

- **Please return this form on or before 8:00 a.m., Saturday, August 21, 2010, to:**
Marilyn Andersen
11761 Hendricks Ave NW
Maple Lake, MN 55358

Sugar Lake Association

Candidates for the Board of Directors

Marianne Borgeson

Lake Address: 12282 Hart Ave NW, Annandale, MN, 55302

Area: A; Owner/full time resident

I have been coming up to Sugar Lake since 1957. My parents, the Cahlanders, moved our cabin from Brooklyn Center to a lot that our son (Steve) now lives in. Eventually they bought 3 lake lots and all these years, my husband Don and I camped on the lake lots. After buying the property from my Mom in 1998, we built our current home. I have never been on the board, (but Steve has been) and haven't been to any meetings, but I have been in organizations before and am a willing worker!

Bob Brabant

Lake Address: 11920 Gulden Ave NW, Maple Lake, MN, 55358

Area: H; Owner/Full time resident; an association member for 9 years.

We have owned our property on Sugar Lake since August of 2001. In 2003, we made Sugar Lake our full-time home. We have always appreciated the effort put forth by the SLA Board to maintain the lake and water quality for all of us and generations to come. By serving on the Board, I feel as though I can help to do the same by providing my time towards efforts to keep Sugar Lake as a great place to live and/or visit.

Marilyn Hiscock

Lake Address: 11246 Hoyer Ave NW, Annandale, MN, 55302

Area: T; Owner/seasonal resident; an association member for 5 years.

We began our cabin life on Sugar Lake in 2005 and have met so many nice people in the community. We greatly appreciate the lake associations concern for the quality of the lake and its surroundings. I have enjoyed volunteering at the annual picnic the past 2 years and look forward to helping out in the years to come. Serving on the board would be a rewarding experience for me and I would like to put my efforts into maintaining the beauty of the lake for all to enjoy for many years to come.

Tom Nimmo

Lake Address: 11895 Gulden Ave NW, Maple Lake, MN, 55358

Area: G; Owner/full time resident; an association member for 6 years

Over 20 years ago we were lucky enough to begin enjoying Sugar Lake when my wife's parents purchased a place on the lake. We recently made this our year round home and are thrilled to be full time residents. We have always appreciated the hard work of the Sugar Lake Association and their efforts to maintain the quality of the lake. As a year round resident, I look forward to the opportunity to participate fully in the Sugar Lake Association as a board member.

Tom Pugh

Lake Address: 11769 Grant Ave NW, Maple Lake, MN, 55358

Area: E; Owner/seasonal resident; an association member for 25+ years

I grew up enjoying summers at my parents cabin on Sugar Lake. In 1978, my wife and I purchased a cabin and have raised our family by spending many memorable weekends on the water. Sugar Lake remains a beautiful place to relax and enjoy because of our active lake association. I would like to serve the Association, so that I can "give back" for what I have enjoyed and to see that Sugar Lake remains a great place for future generations.

Andrea Welter

Lake Address: 11705 Gulden Ave NW, Maple Lake, MN, 55358

Area: H; Owner/seasonal resident; an association member for 10 years

I've been enjoying Sugar Lake since my grandfather purchased a cabin in 1967. I was lucky enough to buy it in 1999. I've witnessed the lake clarity diminish and invasive species rise in my 42 years on the lake. The SLA has had a tremendous positive impact on Sugar, and I would like to contribute to their efforts. I believe stewardship of the lake requires a commitment of time as well as financial support, and want to do my part to preserve Sugar Lake so many more generations of residents and guests enjoy the same quality lake experience I have.

Sugar Lake Apparel

The 2010 apparel options will include some great new items. Last month you saw the photos of the digital print design that includes the active loon on various sweat-shirts. Many of you already put in your orders and enjoyed the convenience of early gift shopping. Thank you! 100% of the profits from all our apparel sales go to the Sugar Lake Association.



At the golf event and the picnic we will also take orders for full zip sweatshirts, vests, jackets and golf windshirts, all in various colors. These pieces will include a new custom embroidered Sugar Lake decoration. We have an expanded variety and think you'll like both the designs and the garments this year.

Please contact Sheree Mattes at 320.963.5295 or Karen Gusaas at 612.759.2567 if you have questions or want to see the new colors. They have great names like mint, raspberry, melon, cocoa, blue, pink, khaki, black...you get the idea.



If you pre-ordered one with this design and would like to pick it up before the picnic, please contact Sheree or Karen

Diane's Lights Night

By Doc Williams

For those of you who are new to the lake, I invite you to participate in our Diane's Lights Night event. Saturday evening of Labor Day weekend all lake-shore residents are encouraged to join in the fun. Light up your property with luminaries, candles, torches, campfires, anything you can think of, to celebrate the end of another great year on our beautiful lake. The rules are simple. The lighting for your display must come from a flame. No electrical lighting is allowed as that would disqualify you from the competition. As evening falls, all are invited to view the different displays as they cruise the shoreline. Judges will pick the top 3 for special recognition. The grand prize is a free case of Pepsi products for each of the 12 weeks of next summer. Ask some friends to help you design and put together your display. For ideas of what others have done in the past, Google www.sugarlake.org and go the September issues of past news letters. Saturday of Labor Day weekend will be here before you know it.



Sugar Lake 5K Run/Walk

On **Saturday, September 4, 2010**, the first annual Sugar Lake 5K run/walk will take place. The start and finish line will be just north of the Corinna Township on Ireland Ave. Please park in the lot at the township. The race will go north on Ireland Ave, along a part of the west side of the lake, and then back on Ireland Ave (traffic on route will be limited). All ages are welcome.

Registration form available at www.sugarlake.org

This is a fun/non-USATF registered event, and the proceeds will go to the Sugar Lake Association. This is considered a tax deductible event. Feel free to donate even if not participating.

Schedule of Events

8:00 – 8:45 am Registration/Check-In (Get numbers, t-shirts, etc)

9:00 am 5K Run/Walk (Everyone will start at the same time and at the same location)

All pre-registered participants will receive a commemorative t-shirt. Snacks and beverages will be provided in the parking lot after the event.

For the first year, there will not be an awards ceremony. The top finishers for the 5k run will be given certificates and announced in the September Sugar Lake Association newsletter.

Email Kristin at kristinturn@gmail.com with any questions or if you want to volunteer. The event will take place rain or shine!

Please make checks payable to Sugar Lake Association and mail other half of form to: Sugar Lake 5K, PO Box 46156, Minneapolis, MN 55446.

****Remember, mail-in registration only (no email). Registration and fee need to be received by August 18, 2010, in order to get t-shirt. Registration will also be available on race day (no t-shirt).**

Registration form available at www.sugarlake.org

Raffle Update

Raffle ticket sales are on track this year. Many thanks to all of you who have sold tickets! It's still early enough to get out and sell those tickets to help raise the approximately \$5,000 that was budgeted for raffle income this year. Raffle ticket proceeds will all go to the Milfoil and Invasive Species Fund. As always, there will be additional opportunities to buy more raffle tickets at the picnic.

If you would like more tickets to sell, please contact Marilyn Andersen:

320-963-5527

If you would like to return your sold ticket stubs and checks (NO CASH PLEASE!), made payable to the Sugar Lake Association, please send them to SLA Treasurer 10939 Hart Ave NW, Maple Lake, MN, 55358.

Fundraising

The following individuals have contributed money beyond their dues. These contributions will allow us to continue the work of maintaining and improving the water quality of Sugar Lake to the benefit of all property owners.

The following is a complete fiscal year to date list that includes the list published in the May newsletter. To our knowledge it is complete. If we have missed you, we're sorry, please let us know. SLA Membership Committee

Gumer & Amy Alvero	Elvira E Hanson	Denny & Sally Phenow
Marilyn Andersen	Dr. John & Paulette Harapat	Marion Pohlman
David & Susan Anderson	Chris & Richard Marshall Harff	Tom & Pam Pugh
Scott & Sandy Anderson	Bob & Jean Heberle	Ralph & Jeanette Pugh
Jim & Ginny Arone	Lee & Jonelle Hennen	Charlotte Quiggle
Robert Brabant	Toni deRosier Jerry Hertel	Ed & Janet Quinn
Melanie & Charles Barry	Stan & Shirley Hillestad	Peter & Lynn Ramme
Doug & Cathy Beckman	Harold & Carol Hinnenkamp	Dale & Lois Rasmusson
Dennis & Debbie Beltrand	Gary & Marilyn Hiscock	Joan & John Rausch
Gary, Bob & Leroy Bendickson	John & Deb Hoaby	Perry & Roseanne Reed
Vernon & Jean Berkness	Gary & Cindy Hoganson	Mark & Pam Rentz
Don & Dawn Berry	Jeffery Holmberg	Trudy & Alan Kamrath Richter
John, Gerry & Bill Biebesheimer	Steve & Roxanne Huff	John & Jean Rivers
B.J. Bjorkman	Jill & Todd Jackson	Troy & Lori Roovers
Nathaniel & Susan Blaylock	Dan & DeAnne Jenkins	Roz Roswell
Don & Marianne Borgeson	Lyndon Johnson	& Sally Thompson Lund, Dr. Nancy
Gary & Jan Borrell	Craig & Sharon Johnson	Gerald Sauter
Michael & Barbara Brandt	Gordon & Olive Johnson	John & Bonnie Schacherer
Jerry & Doris Brinkman	Jeff Jonswold	Gerry & Janet Schafer
Christopher M. Brown	Jon & Elizabeth Juntunen	Peter & Charlotte Schreiner
Tamzin Brown	Rick & Carol Kanniaainen	Elmer Schwartz
Thomas & Barbara Brown	Mary Kastl	Ed & Marge Scinto
Sheldon & Mary Brown	Chris & Mary Kastl	Irvin & Lorenchia Scott
Scott & Debera O'Leary Bullock	Mrs. Karl (Bobbie) Kaufmann	Dave & Susie Seestrom
Larry & Mary Burns	Dr. John & Dorothy Klobe	Greg & Joni Selle
Pete Campbell Family	Mike & Jane Kluge	Barb Slimmer
Tom & Terry Carter	Avon Kreatz	Al & Cheryl Smith
Tom Castle	Dennis & Mary Langhoff	Michael & Karen Smith
Bruce & Dana Chamberlin	Jim & Deb Lano	Paul & Joan Smith
Ellen Collins	Marie Lehn	David & Jean Snyder
Darrell & Pat Dahl	Judith & Ronald Libertus	JoAnne Solinger
Donald & Mary Dahlke	Duane & Nancy Lipinski	John & Jane Spielmann
Dick & Joann DeGrood	Robert N. Lund	James & Trudy Gutowski Stewart
Mark & Sue Dixon	Tom, Carol Ross Westrup	Herbert & Judy Storms
Donna & Gary Dovel	Mike & Barb Madden	John & Shirley Stringer
Tom & Sandy Ducharme	Steve & Sue Mann	Mary Stumpf
Gerald Dykhoff	Jim & Sandi Martin	Karen Sutherland
Ron & LuAnn Elsner	Blaine & Barb Masee	Tom & Connie Tart
Daniel & Sheree Mattes Erdmann	Mike & Suzanne McDonald	Michael & Gloria Thurmes
Ronald & Mary Lu Flick	Mike & Janet Mengelkoch	Bill & Marilyn Tierney
Jim & Jan Foldenaur	Mark & Barb Menth	Joanne Tierney
John & Alta Heneman Fossum	Fred & Geraldine Menth	Joe & Jean Urista
James & Elaine Fox	Steven E. Miller	Frank & Irene Vinella
Jim & Robin Fox	Doug & Martha Miller	Bill & Tracy Walker
Donna Frank	The Minneapolis Foundation	Ralph & Kristina Walker
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Drew & Laura Giertsen	Dave & Karen Moonen	Richard & Mary Ward
Joe & Pat Gill	Mary Lou Nelson	Andrea Welter
Marlin & Wilma Grant	Patty Newell	Jim & Deb Werdin
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Paul & Patricia Gustafson	Dorothy & Scott Olson	Steven & Diane Wiltermuth
Jerry & Carol Hackenmueller	Robert & Christine Peltier	Alan & Susie Wojchouski
Joe & Diane Hall	Don & Cindi Peterson	Denny & Sue Wurm
Tom & Maggie Hall	Craig Peterson	Alfred & Cathy Wurm
Mark Hanson	Mark & Teresa Peterson	Michael & Victoria Zieska
James & Betsy Hanson	Scott & Katie Peterson	Debbie Zinniel

Fundraising

Last October we offered a gift certificate form in the newsletter that you could clip out and give to your family and friends to let them know you would prefer a gift to Sugar Lake this year for Christmas, birthday, or make a gift in honor of someone. Following is a list of gifts given "in honor of"

Craig and Linda Allen *in honor of* The caretakers of Sugar Lake
 Tamzin Brown *in honor of* Janet and Tim Brown
 Robert and Eric Gusaas *in honor of* KJ Gusaas
 Jim and Betsy Hanson *in honor of* "Shuggs" Borgeson
 Patricia Newell *in honor of* Grammie and Gramp Quinn
 Barb Slimmer *in honor of* John Slimmer to protect water quality
 Al Wallin *in honor of* Ivan Ireland and Stan Miezwa
 Dave and Beth Williams *in honor of* Son Dave Williams

EWM Removal (Eurasian water milfoil)

It is extremely important that you attempt to remove all the EWM in the areas close to shore by your property. This is generally the area from the end of your dock to the shoreline. Because EWM is a plant that grows back from the root system, it is important to remove as much of the root system as possible. Simply cutting, raking, or pulling does very little good because the plant grows back extremely fast.

What you need to do is to remove the root system of the plant and also remove the top of plant at the same time. The best way to do this is to use a shovel or similar tool and dig around the plant roots to loosen the soil and then use your fingers to dig out the entire root system. As the water gets deeper, the process becomes much more of a challenge. However, because several of us have done it, we know it is possible.

Hopefully this sketch can help you to understand the task.

Eurasian water milfoil
"EWM"



Vegetation Report

By Dale Gustafson

The curly leaf pondweed season is just about over. In the next few weeks, what is left of the Curly leaf will die out. As that happens these dying plants will release back into the water the phosphors and other nutrients that it had extracted from the bottom of the lake. This spring we treated about 1/3 of the acreage we treated last year. Even though our Curly leaf problem has definitely been reduced, we will most likely need to treat some areas next spring. Later this summer the DNR will do a plant survey to sample the concentrations of native and invasive plants. This study will help evaluate how effective we have been with our invasive species control.

While the Curly leaf pondweed season ends, the Eurasian water milfoil season is reaching full stride. On July 19 we completed our first treatment for EWM. So far this year we have found most of the EWM along the east shore. We have treated a narrow but long strip of EWM along the SE shore in about 8 feet of water from area K all the way down to area N. We will keep watching this area and we may need to treat again this summer, or make a large area treatment early next spring.

With the treatments of both Curly leaf pondweed and Eurasian water milfoil there is a brief period of time when you should not use lake water to irrigate flowers, vegetables, and shrubs. If you do have an automatic irrigation system, you should have someone who lives on the lake that can turn your system off for you if you cannot be here when a treatment is done. It is a very difficult job for our volunteers to coordinate with the people that do the treating, the DNR representative that has to be here when we treat, and the weather to schedule and complete a treatment. We do our best to keep you informed by the Sugar Lake New Flash e-mail, so be sure you are on the list to get these warnings. By now you should have gotten a New Flash e-mail telling you that it is OK to use lake water to irrigate.

Milfoil Treatment

By Dan Erdman

Thanks to light winds and the help of the people listed I believe we had a very good treatment for Eurasian Milfoil on the east and west sides of the lake.

Dale Gustafson
 Mark Menth
 Rick Kanniainen
 Tom Tart
 Jim Stewart
 Dave Williams
 Dan Erdmann

Water will be tested on Wednesday, July 21, and sent in for analysis to determine if it will be safe for watering again.

Newsletter Classified Advertising

The Sugar Lake newsletter is published 7 times per year. April through October. The deadline for ads in the newsletter is the third Saturday of the month. It is usually in the mail by the end of the month. Please contact Don Peterson:

Email: don@sugarlake.org

Mail: Don Peterson, 319 Wayside Rd W, Hopkins, MN, 55343

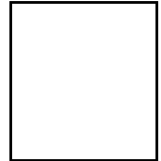
Phone: 952-212-9524

July 3 Fireworks

Another fantastic fireworks show by Joel Williams! Thank you and your coworkers for a great fireworks display July 3. Those of us watching couldn't tell the wind made it a little challenging. Great job! We are looking forward to next year.



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