



# Lake Washburn Association

*Working to protect our lake and its environment for future generations*

## Fall 2017

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### MEMBERSHIP FORM!!!

## Message from the President

Another wonderful summer on our lake, and for those who were here in the early autumn, we had some more fabulous days. Well this Spring we set out some goals...

Continue to battle EWM and other AIS—We have. We had great coverage on the public ramp (see page 15). We surveyed for AIS with volunteers and engaged a professional surveyor to check their work. The experts found two small patches. We hand pulled the EWM and treated to make sure there was no spread (see page 3). As noted in the article this was disappointing after two clean years, but 10 years on we are doing quite well.

Increase membership to 250 (70% of owners). We missed this so far. As of November 1st, we have 214 members, but we still have plenty of time to hit our goal. Please check the list on page 14. If you notice you are not listed and your membership is not in transit, please join. If you see neighbors who are not members, please engage them and see why they are not members of our association (please remain good neighbors!)

Improve Member Communication through electronic media—I think we did very well here. We have a new website up and running (thanks Kathy). We established a Nextdoor Neighborhood. See note on page 2 (thanks Glen). We even have a Facebook page. Please use these media to help us grow our community and enhance our ability to communicate. Of course we continue to use Constant Contact for time-sensitive communication as well. We are not on the bleeding edge of technology, but we are moving up the curve.

Plan Events to Improve Lake Community Spirit—We managed to organize our first “Floating Ice Cream Social” which had a great turnout, and exceeded our expectations (see page 13). LWA both supported and participated in the “Love our Waters” event in Outing. Of course, we continued our Spaghetti Dinner and Pulled-pork Sandwich Dinner at our General Meetings. By the way, a special thanks to Jan Judd and all her helpers for organizing, cooking, and cleaning-up! Jan has done these for years—they are great (and a heck of a lot of work!). Overall, we could have done better (i.e. more Ice Cream Socials, and other new events). Nonetheless, it was good start.

We are also collecting survey information to learn more about our whole community to get direct feedback from more than those members who traditionally come to our General Meetings. Member and nonmembers opinions are important to us. This is our first such survey. Please take some time to complete the survey and let us know your opinion and ideas. We can only react to feedback we receive! So here is your chance. See page 15 for more information or just visit our beautiful website.

We have had some long-time board members who are stepping down from critical roles and fortunately others on the lake have taken over those roles. This was great. Please thank folks like Keith Ahlquist and Steve Carlson who have done great work for all of us. Also thank Mark Stange and Dave Braun who have taken over. Volunteers are key to making all of our activities work. Please thank them, and if you can, become one!

Have a great Winter wherever you are!

Ted Johnson

*Have you renewed your tax-deductible membership? There is still time!  
Please mail it in or go to our website—[lakewashburnmn.org/](http://lakewashburnmn.org/)*



## Nextdoor Portal—Keep Informed!

By Glen Goodwin

In the early Spring of 2017, a *Nextdoor* Neighborhood was established for Lake Washburn and the immediate surrounding area.

Nextdoor is a private social network geared specifically for our "neighborhood." Each neighborhood's Nextdoor website is created and maintained for free by the Nextdoor.com company. Likened to a mini, localized Facebook, Nextdoor allows neighbors to post questions or chat with each other about issues or social activities.

It is a great way to stay in the know about what is going on in your neighborhood—whether it is finding a last-minute babysitter, getting referral for a painter for your home, learning about an upcoming block party, spreading the word about a garage sale, hearing about a rash of car break-ins or keeping an eye out for a lost pet.

There are so many ways neighbors can help each other, and technology is a powerful tool for making neighborhoods stronger and safer. Nextdoor simply makes it easier for neighbors to connect with neighbors and establish a sense of community.

If you want to learn more or have any questions regarding Nextdoor, please visit Nextdoor.com or contact the Lake Washburn Neighborhood Leader, Glen Goodwin (goodwintg@mac.com).

## Two Great Speakers For the August Meeting!

By Ellen Leger

### Keeping the Cabin in the Family

That was the focus for speaker, **Brad Person**. Brad is an attorney with Breen & Person LTD. The discussion focused on: cabin succession planning, conservation easements, wills/trusts, etc. The meeting provided beneficial dialogue. Brad reviewed the differences between estate plans, will, trusts and limited liability companies. Given the diversity of families today, succession can become counter-productive when dividing property between large family groups. He advised, "Establish as few owners as possible; dividing property among survivors should be equitable. Once a plan is agreed upon, it should be reviewed every five years to assure equity is consistent." Inquiries were made about spending down assets and vehicle ownership. The 45-minute presentation was informal and appeared to meet the needs of LWA participants. We gratefully acknowledge that Brad had given up a Saturday summer afternoon to spend time with the membership.

### Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) Camp History on Lake Washburn

Our after-dinner speaker was historian, Rick **Ingram**, from Camp

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# Fall Fisheries Report—Walleye Numbers up a Bit

By John N. Harris – DNR Liaison

How was your walleye angling this summer? Love to hear from you. The results that I did receive indicated that anglers enjoyed improved success over that of the past few years. Not only was the occasional walleye caught, some anglers even had stringers of the elusive fish! As usual, the fish that were caught were generally larger with few small fish taken. That, of course, is a mixed blessing. It'd be nice to have a lot of small walleye as that would bode well for the future.

We have several DNR-related activities to report:

**Gill netting:** One of the methods used by the DNR to evaluate the results of the Washburn Walleye Plan is gill netting. The DNR placed gill nets on Washburn on August 14-18. The nets are placed for 24 hours in GPS-determined sites that have been used for years. This is to assure that location is not a variable. Each day, the nets are moved to another location. Each net is 250' in length, divided into five segments, each 50 feet long. The openings in the segments vary in size ranging from  $\frac{3}{4}$ ", 1", 1  $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ " & 2". This design helps catch fish of various sizes. Some fish survive and are released but many do not. Overall, the nets cover a very small portion of the lake, are in the water only four days and have no impact on our fishery.

In looking at the chart below, gill netting results are indicated by an "O." You will note that the netting resulted in a higher number of fish being netted than in most prior tests. That feels encouraging and it is. But we are talking about just a few fish in each test so that even a change in the average by a couple of fish will show up as a big jump on the graph.

**Electro-fishing:** If you were at the cabin/home on the evening of September 12th, you might have seen a strange rig with lots of lights on the lake. That was the DNR doing electro-fishing. This is part of the ongoing process of trying to determine how our young -of-year walleye are doing and whether they are the result of natural reproduction or of stocking. Most fish survive this shocking experience. This year, the fish caught were all the result of natural reproduction, which was to be expected given that no DNR stocking was done in 2017. The results were again encouraging but just a couple more or fewer fish would make a big difference in the graph. On the graph below, the electro-fishing results are shown as bars.

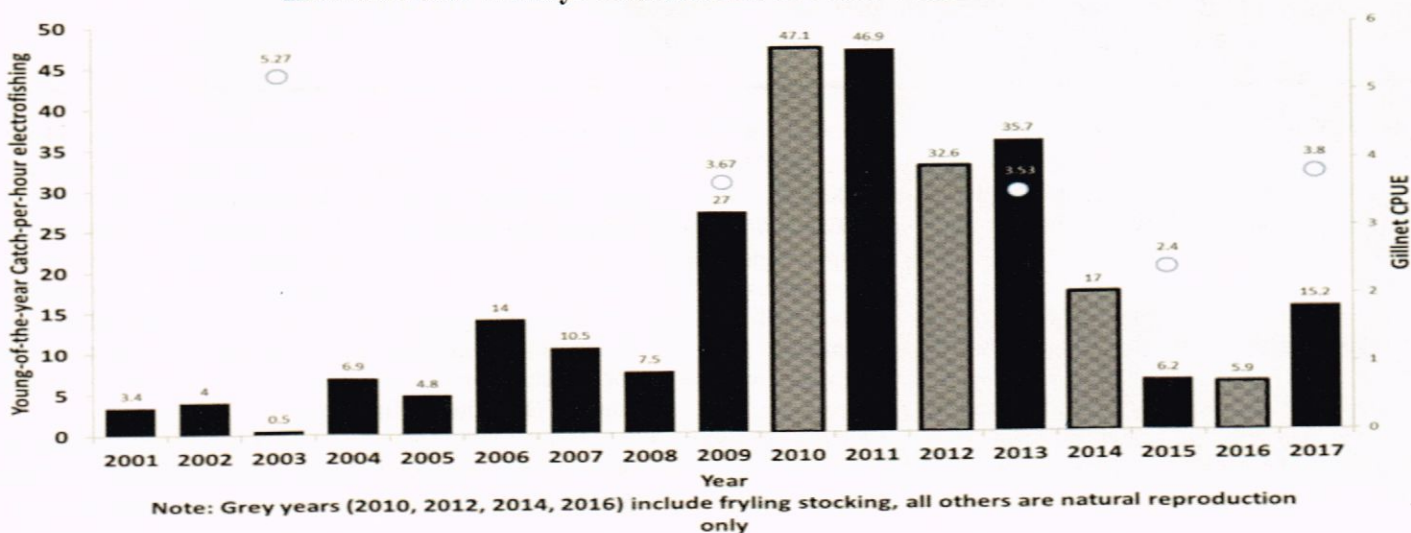
You can view the reports on the outstanding LWA website: [www.lakewashburnmn.org](http://www.lakewashburnmn.org)

## Tests Summary:

The DNR will evaluate the results of these tests to determine the extent to which stocking has affected our fishery. The conclusions arrived at will help in the development of a new walleye plan for Washburn.

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Historic DNR Walleye Test Results on Lake Washburn





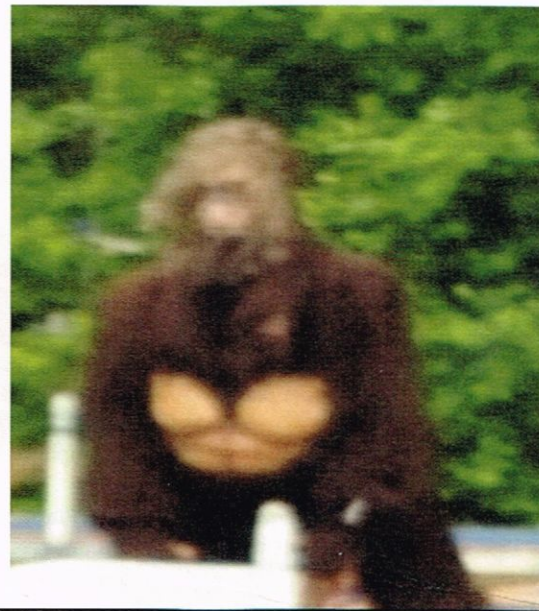
## Fourth Parade—Big Foot Sighted?

By John N. Harris

Despite a grey, threatening day, the annual boat parade was conducted on July 1<sup>st</sup> without a hitch. At 1 PM, with a blast of an air horn by the parade's leader emeritus, Jack Schuller, the Lake Washburn Water Patrol led a flotilla of decorated boats and other devices around Birch Bay. How many boats participated? One observer noted, "over 40." Another was more precise in the count, coming up with 54. What an outstanding turnout.

Was Bigfoot spotted? The answer is, yes, kinda. But, as is generally the case, only a blurry photo captured the beast, thus leaving open the question about whether the creature is real. Thanks to everyone who took part in the parade, either in a boat or as an observer on shore and a special thanks to Greg Hosch and Rick Blackmon who served as Water Patrol volunteers.

The parade will be conducted in 2018 so plan on participating. Because Independence Day falls on a Wednesday next year, the date for the parade is yet to be determined... usually it is the same day as the Outing Fireworks. We will provide more information in the next Association Newsletter.



### *Fisheries Report continued from pg. 3*

Combined test results in 2017 were better than most years but because of the small numbers, were essentially consistent with only a few fish difference. Washburn continues to rank in the bottom quartile of lakes in a similar class with respect to the number of walleye. It ranks in the upper quartile in the size of the walleye.

There are, as many will attest to, a high population of small "hammer handle" northern. The pending 2018 change that would increase the possession limit of small northern allowed could be beneficial but only if anglers keep those smaller critters.

The perch population is very small. Perch are a favorite food fish for most other species. Fortunately, there is a population of tullibee, which is also a popular food fish. Nevertheless, in the absence of

perch, small walleye become a popular prey, even for larger walleye.

**Coming up:** The DNR will be evaluating the test results this winter. This includes analysis of fish scales to determine what portion of the test fish were the result of stocking vs natural reproduction. Once that is done, a new walleye plan will be developed for Washburn. We will be asked to provide input into that process. As we reach that point in the plan development, I'll be seeking a few volunteers on Washburn who are walleye anglers to join a group willing to provide ideas and feedback. We welcome other thoughts, suggestions and concerns as well, in addition to that of the group. Thanks.

### *August Speakers continued from pg. 2*

Rabideau, located in Blackduck, in the Chippewa National Forest. In 2006 the Rabideau CCC Camp was designated a National Historic Landmark after restoration to 1930 specifications. The Camps were pre-built buildings which were picked up and moved when the work objective in each area was met. The average age of enrollees was 18-19 years old. Initially the instructional staff were military personnel. As the Camps progressed the military staff was replaced by local skill-based instructors who provided vocational skill based training including construction, cooking, cartooning, forestry, and typing. (See *100 Years on Lake Washburn 1916-2016* for detail on Lake Washburn)

The CCC Camp developed state parks, public campgrounds, tele-

phone lines, water towers, land management and planted between 2 and 3 billion trees. It has been stated the CCC was the most successful government program ever. Ingram's knowledge and passion about CCC history gave members a full hour of interesting, humorous and understanding of our past. Informational materials were made available along with an invitation to visit the Camp Rabideau National Historic Landmark. The Camp is open for tours during summer months and is located six miles south of Blackduck, Minnesota.

**Note:** Please contact the LWA Board through our website for suggestions of future speakers for our annual meetings.



# Two small EWM Patches found, removed, and treated

By Ted Johnson

We last treated for Eurasian Watermilfoil (EWM) in September 2014, and volunteers have been keeping an eye out for EWM (and other invasives). In addition, last year and this year we hired a professional surveyor to independently survey. The Surveyor is equipped with sonar, rakes, mapping software and highly accurate GPS. We surveyed the areas in East Bay where it is deep enough for EWM to live.

In early September unfortunately, but not unexpectedly, our surveyor found two small patches (*indicated with the yellow dots*). One was as the channel narrows on the west, the second was on the west shoreline about half way up East Bay.

We contracted with PLM Lakes Management to hand pull the plants and, in addition, PLM chemically treated treat the two areas with the maximum dose. That work was completed in early October, some of you might have noticed some buoys and activity. Again, this was the most aggressive tact we could take. Most associations would just treat chemically and hope for the best. In this case because the infestations were so small, we hope we were able to remove the majority of the plants manually and then the chemicals are intended to kill anything that was still present in the area.

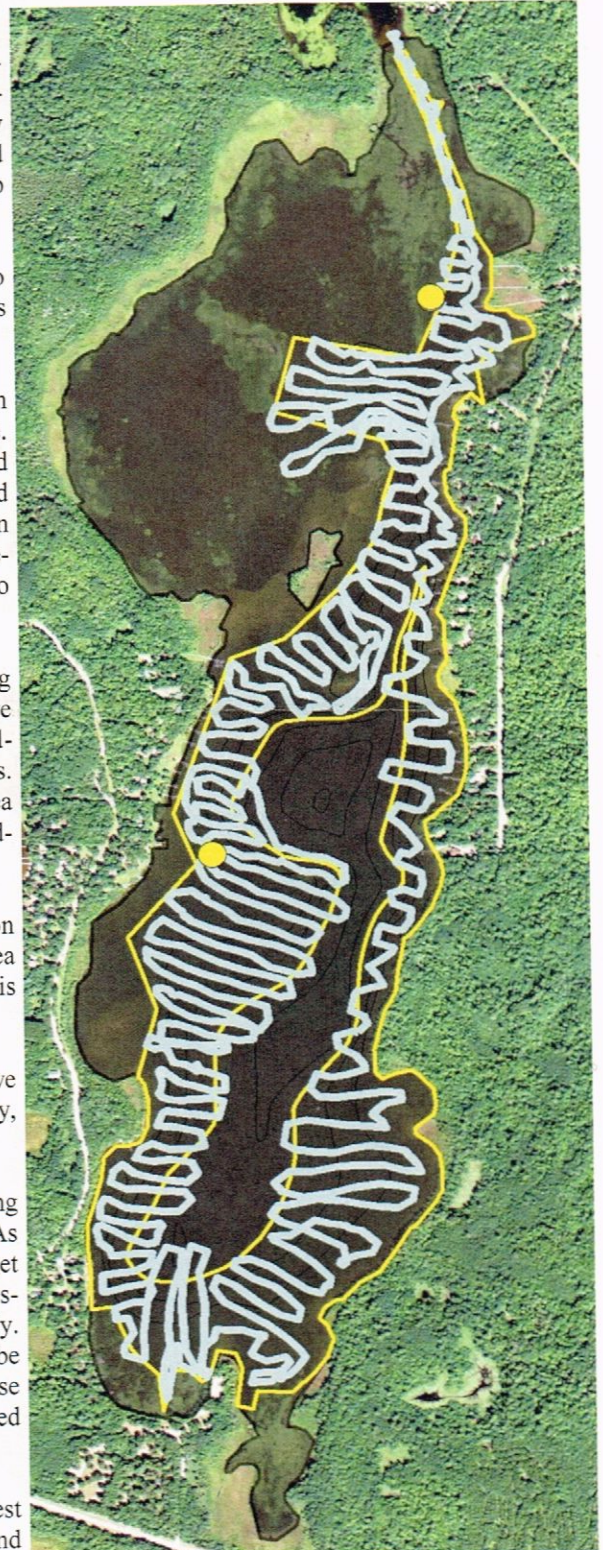
This year's approach is similar to the way we reacted in 2008. After treating the previous year, we did a significant amount of volunteer diving, and we found some plants that had survived the treatment. Volunteer divers hand-pulled those plants (very carefully!), and then spot treated around the areas. That proved to be very successful. We have not had a reinfestation in that area in 9 years (that was the area about a third of the way north from the public landing).

This is in a way good news. After three years of a pretty substantial infestation our treatment knocked EWM out for three years in well over 99% of the area treated. Because we used a combination of hand-pulling and chemicals on this reinfestation, I would expect very good results.

By any measure Washburn has achieved excellent control. After 10 years we have only two small patches after two clean years. Looking at this another way, after 10 years we have less EWM than we had at the outset.

The most important thing remains vigilance. The more people we have looking for AIS throughout the lake, the better our chances are for early detection. As with cancer, early detection is the key. If we detect early it is far simpler to get aggressive treatment permits from the DNR. Also early detection and aggressive treatments lessen the cost over time as spreading is reduced significantly. In lakes like Minnetonka the DNR simply does not allow all infestations to be treated aggressively because it deems the chemical load too high. In our case we have never treated over 20 acres in a 400 acre basin. This year we treated less than one acre, and of course the last treatment was three years ago.

Personally my goal is eradication. Generally the EWM has migrated northwest with the prevailing wind. It does not appear it has made it out of East Bay, and is running into areas that are not conducive to EWM growth. Our aim should be to get rid of it once and for all!





## AIS Requests Fund from Township—Vote 3/13/18!

By Les Raisch

The Crooked Lake Township (CLT) AIS Committee will be requesting \$10,000 additional AIS funds for the year of 2018 to continue with AIS control. This is over and above the current approved \$5,000 of recent years. This additional request is due to another township lake having discovered AIS and the increasing cost to conduct AIS surveys and treatments. From past years, LWA has funded the majority of the AIS cost for surveys and treatments. The increase in CLT AIS funding will make available additional funding for our AIS lake surveys and treatments. To ensure passage at the annual March 2018 meeting, we need Lake Washburn property owners to attend and vote in favor of the increase. **Anyone**

who owns property within the Crooked Lake Township can vote at annual meetings.

From Lake Washburn property owner's total real-estate tax, Crooked Lake Township gets 11% of the gross for its annual township budget. Lake Washburn property owners tax increase is minimal considering what clean water means to our quality of life here on Lake Washburn.

We encourage Lake Washburn property owners to take the time to attend the 13th March 2018 CLT Annual Meeting to vote for this important AIS fund increase – all will benefit.

## A Couple of Interesting Articles in the Press

### The Role of Lake Associations

There have been a couple of interesting articles in the Press over the recent weeks. The first published October 2nd, in the *Star-Tribune* reported the results of a Concordia University study summarizing the monetary and volunteer work done in Minnesota by Lake Associations on water quality. Minnesota's private lake associations contribute more than \$6.2 million and 1.2 million volunteer hours each year to preserve the quality of the state's signature natural resource.

Putting that in perspective, the monetary support is significant, and LWA certainly is typical. We have funded virtually all of our AIS treatments ourselves, pay for enhanced water testing and collect the samples ourselves. On EWM, this year we will spend around \$5,000 dollars, and that is just for two small treatments and surveying.

The labor is more striking. 1.2 million hours would translate to 600 full time jobs, or at \$15 per hour that would have a value of \$9,000,000! If you consider benefits costs \$15 per hour is extremely low (an hourly wage of about 11 to 12 dollars). In other words, if lake associations did not do this work, the state or local government would spend at least an addition \$15.2 million or the work would not get done.

### Taxation without Representation

The second article, published October 21st also in the *Star-Tribune*, points out that Seasonal property owners, a separate tax category, pay a disproportionate share of property taxes and often have a limited voice in local government.

Cass county is not the worst for Seasonal property owners... just the **second** worst. In Cass County, Seasonal property owners

pay 62% of the property taxes! Note that that does not count retired people who have moved up to the cabin in retirement and now homestead. If you consider what Seasonal and retired folk need for schools, police and other services it is a bargain for a county.

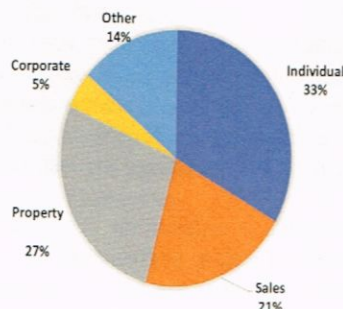
For the Seasonal folks too they are normally paying real estate taxes in the Metro area as well. So for an average family which has a family cabin and a Metro home, it is most likely it is paying more in property taxes than state income tax!

So make sure you contact your representatives at home and up north and let them know if you feel you are getting value for your tax dollars!

**TAX BURDEN LINK:** <http://m.startribune.com/in-minnesota-lake-country-cabin-owners-shoulder-a-big-share-of-the-property-tax-burden/452149933/?section=%2F>

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2016 MN Revenue by Source





## Buoy Committee Chair Steps Down and a Volunteer Steps Up

By Steve Carlson

You may have read my buoy article in last Spring's Newsletter announcing I was retiring as Chairman of the Buoy Committee. I asked for a volunteer to fill this position and volunteers who would like help out should we need it. I am pleased to announce that Dave Braun is our new Chairperson for our Buoy committee.

Out of the three hundred or so properties on Lake Washburn and the thousands of people who enjoy our lake. Dave stepped up to help. Had Dave not volunteered, our Association would no longer be able to manage our buoys ourselves. This would cause that responsibility to revert back to the Cass County Sheriff's Department. Had that happened we would most likely have lost many of our buoys. The Sheriff's Department

only places buoys on locations it considers dangerous hazards to navigation.

This Spring the buoys were placed by the Fishing Opener. Last year it was after Memorial Day before the last buoy was placed. Every year is different depending on when ice is out, weather and mainly when Olds Dock Service can get to them. Several years ago ice out was on opening fishing weekend. Olds Dock Service was so backed up that they would not have been able to get the buoys in until the end of June. That spring I placed all 31 buoys myself before Memorial Day. That is not a reasonable thing to expect a single volunteer to do when so many benefit from the safety of the buoys. I do not expect Dave to have to do all that and I will remain on the Buoy Committee to help if he needs it. Is there anyone else interested in helping out?

## Big Crew makes short work of Highway 48 Clean-up!

By Mark Stange

A picture-perfect day brought out a record number of participants (19!) for the September 2<sup>nd</sup> Highway 48 cleanup. A most sincere thank you to Keith Ahlquist for his many years coordinating this twice-yearly community service activity – most impressive considering Keith and Sue Townsend live up on Fehr's Road. He has it all very well-organized as he passes on the role to Mark



Participating were Keith Ahlquist, Karen and Jerry Anderson, Kathy and Gary Bochman, Hallie and Steve DeVries, Glen Goodwin, Skip Hovind, Vicki Lipstreuer, Sarah, Dave, Ellie, and Sam Patterson, Bill Pudwell, Rick Snyder, Mark Stange, Sue Townsend, and Susan Tyra.



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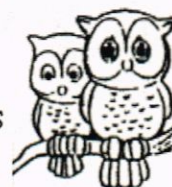
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# Real Life Emergency – Dock to Rescue Helicopter

By Ellen Leger

"I shouldn't be here," says Hubert Lindblad, who describes a once-in-a-lifetime scenario that unfolded this past July on the shore of Lake Washburn, off Longwood Point Road.

On Friday, July 28<sup>th</sup> Hubert was modifying a dock railing with some innovative PVC and bolts. "I decided to make some tin shims to hold the bolt and not mar up the pipe. I started putting in the shims. The first bolt went well. I got tired. The second bolt was in and now I'm really tired. I think to myself, 'For crying out loud I'm not doing anything difficult.' I get to the seventh bolt, I'm standing in the water and I'm exhausted. I fall forward, hit my head on the dock, a bolt cut my upper left eyelid and I tip over into the water."

"Now I'm under water. I come up spitting. I don't remember anything clearly. I guess I crawl some 20 feet to get near enough to lay down on the dock. I'm fuzzy thinking. My legs hurt so much I can't get comfortable. I find the alert device hanging around my neck. It's wet. I think maybe I should push it. I wasn't quite sure how to operate this. Then I think, 'Ah I don't need that'. He smiles saying, 'I'm a man you see.' But I wonder 'Do I keep on pushing? Do I hit it once or a couple of times? I think I hear a voice. I say 'I'm Hubert Lindblad at 5441 Longwood Point Rd. I can't get up.' I really can't hear anything because my hearing aids are full of water. I pass out. I phase in and out."

"Later I can hear a voice on the device, I don't know what they're saying. Then I hear someone say, 'There he is down on the dock.' I look up and some guys are standing up on my step. They get me onto the grass and they ask questions. I'm unsure what they want. But I say I have the 'File of Life' on my refrigerator. It has all the stuff you need to know."

"By now my yard is full of people. They tell me they're taking me in the ambulance. I'm worried about my tractor and locking up my house. My neighbor is there. He says, 'I'll lock up for you.' I'm foggy. Don't know where I'm going but my legs still hurt. I remember red lights, sheriff car and the flapping noise of the helicopter. The ambulance takes me over to the Marina storage area, you know, by the old rice plant. I'm loaded into the helicopter and they ask,

'Where to?' I say, Crosby. They say, 'No, it looks like you've had a heart attack and maybe another one in transfer. We're going to St Cloud.' Boy it took about ten minutes to get

there, or so it seems. That helicopter hadn't even settled down when they pulled me out and raced me into Emergency. I remember a lot of bright lights above me. Then I was in La-La Land. I woke up in a hospital bed."

"Now, this isn't the first time I used the alert device. It was July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016. I had fallen and knew I cracked my ribs. I had gone to bed. I woke up in terrible pain. Could hardly breath. I called 911. No phone. There was no power. I didn't know the storm had taken everything down. I remembered I had a cell phone in the van. It took Olympic strength to get my body up and out of that bed into the garage. The cell phone was dead. What do I do now? Oh God it hurt, but I got back to the house. I tell you, I gave one for the All Stars. I found the alert device (I didn't have it on me) and pushed the button. They called me back on the device and I told them I had no power. They told me roads were blocked by trees and they keep talking until help came and got me to the hospital."

Final Note from communication with Great Call Inc., the creator of the Jitterbug and 5Star Urgent Response Service, courtesy of Connie Jensen, Hubert's daughter:

"My Dad, Hubert Lindblad, is a customer of yours, "Help I've fallen and I can't get up" service. On July 28, 2017, he suffered a heart attack while working alone at his cabin. He fell in the lake while wearing his device. He came to, crawled onto the dock and began pushing his device button. When his emergency contacts were unavailable, we later heard several messages left on his phone by your service. When your service received no responses, your operators contacted law enforcement who in turn contacted local First Responders. They found my Dad on the dock and from there attended to his needs.

My Dad and our family cannot thank your service enough for you immediate and professional response. We were amazed the device worked even though it was wet and are convinced that your service saved Dad's life."

Hubert wanted to tell his story to encourage anyone and everyone who lives alone or in an isolated area to do two things:

- 1) Get an **Alert Device** and make sure it is Universal (GPS follows anywhere you go) and,
- 2) have the **File of Life** on your refrigerator. He smiles and says, "You know, I shouldn't be alive to tell this story."



# We all scream for Ice Cream!

Who loves ice cream? It seems everyone on Lake Washburn does! Kids and adults alike. We had a crazy idea to try a Floating Ice Cream Social ... To the best of our knowledge, this was the first such event not only on Washburn, but also in Minnesota.

We opened our inaugural Floating Ice Cream Social at 3:00 PM on September 3rd, and our coolers were emptied by 3:20 PM! The long line of pontoon boats was impressive.

Over 130 customers were satisfied. We apologize for underestimating the demand and enthusiasm. We sent out a couple of Constant Contact email blasts and were not sure how many folks would make it out. Turnout was around triple of the number of folks making it to our spaghetti dinners! SO if this is news to you and you want to be in the loop—get us your email because due to weather, locations and times can change for an event like this.

Fortunately we had fabulous weather! An exceptional day on Lake Washburn. The idea behind the event was to be a fun fam-ily event for our lake community that was on the lake, not in the Town Hall! It exceeded our expectations—and cooler space. To borrow a quote from *Jaws*, “We are going to need a bigger boat”.....and freezer!

We would like to thank everyone who turned out. The LWA was happy to end the summer with such a great event. What a unique opportunity for those around the lake to enjoy the day and say hello their neighbors.

The LWA would also like to extend its appreciation to those who helped.

- Steve, Denise and Braxton (7 yr) Carlson who supplied the pontoon, portable freezer and lots of labor.
- Keith Ahlquist, Sue Townsend, Carl Johnson (10 yr) assisting on the Ice Cream Boat.
- The Water Patrol Sheriffs, Greg Hosch and Glen Goodwin, who kept the peace and directed traffic as the flotilla of boats began to grow.
- Amy and Wayne Jorgenson of Owls and Things for placing the order, allowing us to buy at their cost, and storing the ice cream for us! Please thank them when you are there. They live on the lake and run a great business serving the Outing community.

We are planning on repeating (hopefully a couple times a summer), and will try to add to and improve to the event. Please send any advice for improving the event, and let us know if you would like to help out or even coordinate one. Also, this event was intended to reach out to folks who often do not make it out to General Meetings, if you have ideas on how any other activities that would help us reach out to the whole community please share them. Crazy ideas are ok! Please send to [tjohnsonCPA@comcast.net](mailto:tjohnsonCPA@comcast.net).





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## Lake Washburn Association Survey Update

By Glen Goodwin

The Lake Washburn Association (LWA) would like to better understand you and your family's concerns, suggestions regarding your enjoyment and preservation of the lake, and how we can support this moving forward. To that end, the LWA has developed a survey for all Washburn property owners.

The LWA Survey went up on our website and was also emailed October 3, 2017 to 255 households. So far, we have received 67 online responses. The answers and opinions shared have been honest and revealing.

In November, 125 copies of the survey will be mailed out to those who did not have email addresses on file.

We would love to get 100% participation to properly reflect the opinions of everyone on the lake. Your answers are extremely important in order for the LWA to evolve and better serve the needs of those who live and play on Lake Washburn.

You can access the survey on the LWA website: <https://www.lakewashburnmn.org>,  
Or directly at: <https://goodwinltg.wufoo.com/forms/lake-washburn-association/>

**We ask those of you who have received but not yet taken the survey to please take a few minutes to do so soon.** We are hoping to tabulate the findings in March of 2018, and publish the results in the Spring edition of the LWA Newsletter.



## Cass County AIS Inspection History and Current Success

By Bob Holman and Les Raisch

The Crooked Lake Township (CLT) Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Committee has been active since 2012 when it was created by a group of CLT residents at an annual meeting. The committee received approval for a \$5,000 annual funding for AIS including inspections, equipment, educational material, banners, posters, and other signage. We can take pride that CLT was one of two townships with a DNR grant and delegation agreement for an AIS inspection program—the first in Cass County.

The CLT AIS Committee comprises representatives from Crooked Lake Township, two lake associations, smaller lake property owners and concerned township citizens. For the first few years, Crooked Lake Township and the CLT AIS Committee, with support from the Lake Washburn Association (LWA) and the Roosevelt and Lawrence Area Lake Association (RALALA), were responsible for watercraft inspections, lake treatments and overall control of AIS. This included the organization and operation of watercraft inspections at three township public landings, furnishing equipment for the inspectors, and scheduling weekend inspection hours.

In 2014, the Minnesota State Legislature passed a bill delegating \$10M per year for AIS to be distributed to lake counties. From this monetary distribution, Cass County, with its AIS Prevention and Management Plan, took over the management of the AIS watercraft inspections at selected county public landings. For CLT and the committee, this meant working closely with the Cass County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) to ensure adequate inspection coverage was considered for our township public landings.

LWA has worked with the CLT AIS Committee and Cass County for the inspections at our DNR public landing. In 2018, Level 1 Inspectors have monitored boat launchings at the landing each weekend, Friday through Sunday, 10 hours each day. While the final Cass County 2017 total boat inspection summary is not presently available for Washburn; it is expected to exceed 600 watercraft. LWA is proud to be an active participant in the continued efforts to manage and control AIS. Lake surveys and AIS treatments have become an annual activity with increasing performance costs. Our appreciation goes to all who have contributed to the LWA AIS Fund. It is our responsibility to be good stewards protecting, improving and enhancing the quality of water for enjoyment now and in the future.





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