

Cedar Lake Conservation Club

Maple Lake – Annandale, MN

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President's Letter by Bill Arendt

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To paraphrase Charles Dickens: "It is the best of times, but not the worst of times."

There are events that are challenging, as they affect Cedar Lake:

This summer is one of the best in recent memory:

- ◇ The weather has been nice, not too hot or not too cool;
- ◇ Water quality has been improving, which benefits all who use the lake;
- ◇ Timely rainfall has helped maintain good water levels, so all can use the lake and avoid low water levels;
- ◇ The Clearwater River Watershed District Highway 55 Project was completed and is now helping in reducing the phosphorus load into Cedar Lake;
- ◇ CLCC had good turnouts for the Martin Fest, the July 4th parade and the picnic;
- ◇ Thanks to Dingmann Marine for another afternoon of music on the water;
- ◇ Thanks to the 90 members who have donated \$9,500 to the Visionary Funds so far this year.

- ◇ The DNR has confirmed that zebra mussels are in Clearwater Lake. This is definitely bad news for our neighbor lake. We have to be especially vigilant in our work to keep these aquatic invasive species (AIS) out of Cedar Lake. All watercraft have to do the "Clean, Drain, Dry" exercise to assist in limiting new AIS from being introduced into Cedar Lake. We need to be particularly mindful when moving docks, lifts, and rafts from lake to lake and do a professional decontamination or let dry for at least 21 days.
- ◇ Eurasian Water Milfoil has been affecting a larger area in Cedar Lake. The treatment this summer has been a success, but it will be a constant effort to keep it under control.

With a strong lake association, I am confident that these issues will be addressed, so that Cedar Lake will remain a premier lake. If any CLCC member has ideas, comments or concerns about any of the above issues, please contact me.

Enjoy the rest of the summer on the lake.

I also want to thank all the volunteers who made the Martin Fest and the picnic a great success. Without the sacrifice and assistance of the volunteers, none of the CLCC events would be possible. If anyone wants to assist with future events, please contact any of the CLCC officers or Board members (contact information is on page 5 or on our website. CLCC committees and chair contact information is on page 13.



CLCC President Bill Arendt fishing on Cedar

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Stay abreast of breaking news - visit www.cedarlakecc.org for the latest updates.

Do you enjoy reading about the activities on the lake? This publication is sent to every Cedar Lake property owner. If you don't belong to CLCC, please consider joining to support this newsletter and other CLCC activities.

Tour of Cedar Water Quality Improvement Project

August 14th | CRWD Old Hwy 55 Project | 4:00pm

For more details and information see page 4

CLCC Picnic and Music on the Water Celebrating our Lake Community

The CLCC Picnic and Music on the Water was another rocking success. Held again at True Friends (Camp Courage) on July 11th, over 240 people enjoyed the opportunity to gather with neighbors and meet new lake friends. The food, games, merchandise displays, and fund-raising raffles made for great fun. The event shifted to the lake's sandbar for Music on the Water. The band on the barge was sponsored by Dingmann Marine and More.



Enjoying lunch and the raffle



Picking raffle winners is serious stuff



Live band on the sandbar



I'm ready for fun on Cedar with my raffle prize



Row 1 Gopher Tickets!



Blow-up house slide fun

July 4th Boat and Dock Parade | EXTRA.FUN.DAY



Most Patriotic | Doug and Kristi Lain



Best Dock | Jim and Lynne (Badger) Kuhn

The kiss is courtesy of Kyle Badger and Sarah Grimm

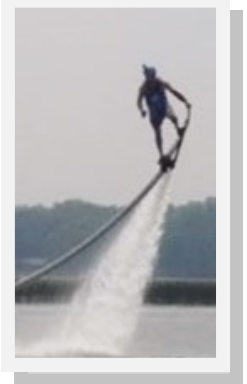


Most Enthusiastic | Rick Suddendorf



Most Creative | Brad and Mary Bakken

Our traditional July 4th Boat and Dock Parade continues as a delightful and enduring tradition. Dozens participated in the fun and the parade was enjoyed by all on the lake. The judges had an extra hard time picking the winners this year!



Honorable Mention
Josh Grangroth as
Captain Marvel

WATER QUALITY COMMITTEE

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Zebra Mussels Found on Clearwater-Wright/Stearns County

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There is sad news for the surrounding lakes in our area, for on July 13th, 2015 Zebra Mussels were discovered by the DNR in Clearwater Lake. It appears the established colony is about 2-3 years old. The DNR suspects they may have been brought in via boats, boat lifts, or docks from an infested lake. At this time, no one is exactly sure how they got here.

We must be even more diligent in our efforts to keep an eye out for their presence on Cedar. Stearns and Wright County are planning to increase access monitoring on Clearwater. It seems inevitable they will find their way to our lake just because of the sheer volume of traffic. Hopefully we can identify, stop them and treat them. We ALL need to be on the alert.

I attended a Zebra Mussel Training session on Sugar Lake on July 14th and learned a few tricks to spot them early. It was a good exercise and one we shall attempt to organize here on Cedar, so stay tuned. If you are interested in helping please let me know and we can go for an educational walk in the water. Even though we have over 30 monitors on Cedar Lake, it is still not enough. If at all possible, it is best to check your own shoreline if you can. Grab your friends and neighbors to help and use a nice hot August day to have a Zebra Hunt Party. If you would like to participate in the monitoring program or have any questions, please contact me.

Here are points of interest from the training session:

- ◇ For those with monitoring stations, keep a close eye on the monitoring stations and report anything that appears to stick to the surface and that looks like it has a zebra stripe on the shell. One millimeter (about 1/32 of an inch) in size is the early stage of formation in which current treatment methods may be effective. Zebras tend to stick or attach themselves to the surface of the object

vs. critters that can easily be wiped off with your fingers. Check rocks close to the shoreline and especially those partially submerged; it seems the zebras like the point right where the rock is sticking out of the lake bottom. A magnifying glass may be helpful.

- ◇ Check the frame of your docks and lifts.
- ◇ Check underwater debris or branches as zebras can attach to most anything.
- ◇ Check boat ramps, the sides on the concrete slabs, the dock, tires and framing as all can harbor colonies. Also check neighboring properties to those ramps.
- ◇ Zebras tend to drift in the water and find the nearest object to latch onto. They can also drift across the lakes with prevailing currents, eddies or even wind patterns.
- ◇ Look for clam shells. Zebras have been found on them.
- ◇ Check stalks of lake vegetation along the stems and leaves.
- ◇ Promote boat and trailer inspections. Drain live wells and bilges.
- ◇ Decontaminate your boat when traveling from lake to lake and especially if you know you were in an infested lake. J&J Marine (west of Annandale) provides decontamination at reasonable prices.

Want to read the local press on the zebra infestation in Clearwater? Check out the articles in the Annandale Advocate on July 22nd, 2015 www.annandaleadvocate.com

The zebra infestation in Clearwater really ups the ante on our personal responsibility to be stewards of the lake.

2015 Aquatic Invasive Species Control on Cedar

Our aquatic invasive species control for 2015 has been very successful. The Eurasian water Milfoil (EWM) treatment was completed on June 5th and 35 acres were treated. The cost of the EWM treatment this year came in right on budget at \$28,877. To help pay for the EWM treatment, we have, once again, received a DNR grant for \$3,490 to be used towards the treatment cost. We also expect a Wright County grant for \$5,000. The balance of the EWM cost is paid for by an assessment from the Clearwater River Watershed District (CRWD) through our AIS Control project.

This year, we did refrain from treating Curly Leaf Pondweed (CLP). We have gone from a high of 38 acres of CLP in 2010 to less than 10 acres for the last three years. Our goal is to keep CLP under 10 acres and in consultation with the DNR and our vendor, we believed it was a good year to skip CLP treatment.

We received quotes for a professional mapping for our CLP in June, and low bid was from Freshwater Science. The CLP mapping was completed at the end of June and about 17 acres were delineated. This mapping will be valuable as we make our 2016 CLP treatment decisions. Freshwater Science will also map our EWM in the early fall so we can be ready to permit for the 2016 season.

Cedar Lake 2015 EWM Treatment



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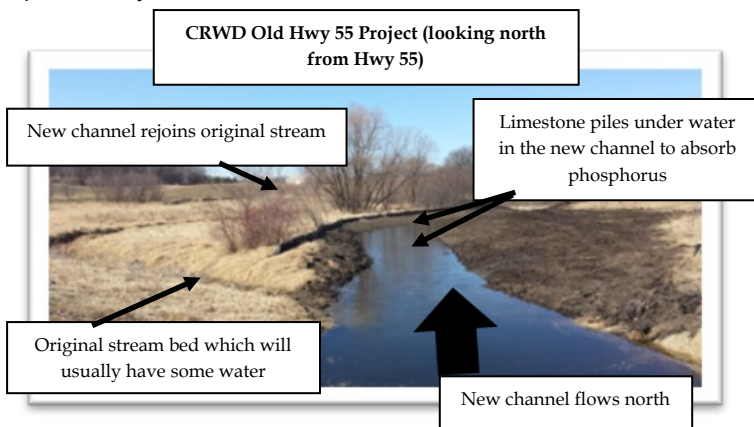
Clearwater River Watershed District (CRWD) Projects to Improve Cedar Water Quality

The Clearwater River Watershed District (CRWD) Board of Managers approved additional enhancements to the Cedar PO6 project. Project PO6 started in 2006 to improve Cedar water quality by reducing phosphorus and carp population. As background, through intensive lake and watershed monitoring, CRWD identified the major source of undesirable nutrients (e.g. phosphorus) to Cedar Lake. The source is three nutrient impaired shallow lakes (Swartout, Albion and Henshaw Lakes) south of Cedar and impaired wetlands that discharge excess amounts of soluble phosphorus. The initial phases of the project in 2006 included Segner Pond (south side of Cedar) and also extensive carp reduction strategies. Check out www.crwd.org for more details about the PO6 project.

The latest enhancements target reductions to the largest watershed sources of nutrients to Cedar and Swartout Lakes by installing iron sand and/or limestone filters. This helps to remove soluble phosphorus currently exported from degraded wetlands and lakes. The project targets reductions from the largest watershed sources of nutrients to each lake. The load reductions to Swartout Lake (800 lbs/yr), and Cedar Lake (480 lbs/yr) make both of these projects high value and cost effective.

OLD HWY 55 PHASE

The first phase of this project was completed in April of 2015—called the Old Hwy 55 project. The work was highly visible from Hwy 55. A channel was excavated near the stream that feeds the south side of Cedar. After a meander, the new channel rejoins the original stream that flows into Segner Pond. The new channel shares flow from the original stream and reduces the amount phosphorus and sediment coming into Cedar. The work horses of the new channel are the underwater limestone pilings that absorb soluble phosphorus. The restorative native vegetation and wild flowers on the project site are coming in nicely. Additionally, CRWD staff is already noticing that there is less debris in Segner Pond. The project site is considered private property; please do not access the site unless permission is provided by CRWD.



EAST SWARTOUT PHASE

The second phase of the project is planned for late fall in 2015. That phase of the project will be on the east side of HWY 6 near Swartout. This phase is more complex than the Old Hwy 55 phase. The current design includes an iron/sand filter on the primary tributary to Swartout. Not only will this load reduction improve Swartout, but Cedar will also realize a benefit as Swartout flows into Cedar. Numerous regulatory agencies are stakeholders as DNR wetlands are involved. In the spring of 2015, the DNR discovered Native American artifacts in the project site. The CRWD has contracted with an entity to con-

duct a more thorough evaluation of the artifacts to understand if we can move forward with the project. The artifact evaluation is planned to be finished by September, 2015 and those results will determine the next steps for the project.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: What is the cost of these projects?

A: The total cost for both projects is not to exceed \$554,000. We received a substantial grant from the Clean Water Land and Legacy funds of \$277,900. Other CRWD funds—and a \$10,000 contribution from the Cedar Lake Conservation Club Water Quality Fund, brought the cost assessed down to \$176,100. Most landowners on Cedar were assessed \$500, which could be paid over several years.

Q: Who owns the property that the Old Hwy 55 project is on?

A: The property the project is on was purchased by CRWD. The property will eventually be deeded to the homeowners in the area (estimated spring of 2016) and will become part of the restricted covenant area (Wright County property ID 206113CI) that was established decades ago for the protection of the buffer along the stream that enters the south side of Cedar. CRWD will have a perpetual easement to conduct maintenance on the project.

Q: Why is there water flowing into the original stream on the Hwy 55 project? Shouldn't all the water go into the new channel?

A: The project was engineered to take a good portion of the flow from the stream, but we still had to be mindful of the area hydrology and ensure that neighboring properties were not impacted—even in a heavy rain. We can expect to usually still see water in the original stream and in dry periods, both the original stream and new channel are expected to look dry.

Q: What about the big pile of dirt to the north east of the new channel?

A: The spoils from the project will belong to the homeowners in the area.

Q: What maintenance will be needed for the Old Hwy 55 project?

A: There is limited maintenance expected for the project. The design is simple, yet proven effective and that we expect at least a 30 year project life. Maintenance will be funded from the PO6 project and managed by CRWD.

Q: When will we see results from these projects on Cedar?

A: We will be monitoring nutrient levels before and after the Old Hwy 55 project and those results should provide information about the project fairly quickly—probably in a couple of years. We must be patient to realize the full effects of all our projects—maybe even 10 to 12 years.

CRWD TOUR of OLD HWY 55 PROJECT

You are invited to participate in an on-site tour of the CRWD OLD HWY 55 Project. CRWD administrator—Cole Loewen—will provide an overview of the project and we will visit the project site. The overview of the project will be on level ground, **but be advised that getting closer down to the project site is steep and rugged.**

WHEN: Friday, August 14th 4:00pm

WHERE: Meet just north of HWY 55 on Illsely Avenue

RSVP: Please let Kathy Jonsrud (kjonsrud@yahoo.com 320-274-2166) know if you plan to attend as the event will be weather dependent.

FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMITTEE

by Paul Schutte pschutte54@hotmail.com | 612-968-3034

The Fish and Wildlife Committee has had a great summer on Cedar; one of our busiest and most productive ever. Here's a recap:

Minnesota Purple Martin Fest

On June 6th, over 200 people attended this great event at Schroeder Park. Please take a look at page 15 for a review in pictures.

Our Loons

This year, we will have a total of two young loons on the lake that have survived the fragile time of their life. One successful adult pair produce two young that always seem to grow so fast. These young birds will head south to the Gulf of Mexico this fall and spend the next couple years there before returning. They will all be missed when they leave this fall. We always like to remind you to observe and enjoy them from a distance. Our committee added a new loon platform on Cedar this year, bringing the total to 3.

Walleyes

Our walleye population in the lake has shown an increase because of your commitment and support of our walleye stocking. At our summer picnic we raised \$377 on our raffle, and so to date we have \$2,475 in our walleye fund. You can also go to our website to donate to the fund. We are planning for stocking in the fall of 2016 of 5,000 fingerlings. The DNR will be stocking this fall in Cedar Lake.

Fishing Contest—Ends on September 1st

Our fishing contest continues with some very nice fish coming in. See more details on page 6.

Cedar Purple Martins

The Purple Martins on the lake have done very well this year. By the looks of it, we will fledge more martins than any other year. Thanks to the landlords that have given their time and dedication to maintain a colony at their site. On July 12th Tony Lau, a bird bander and a member of the Minnesota Purple Martin Group, banded 172 young martins. This will help in further research and also help us learn more about Purple Martins activity during its life.



Banding Cedar Purple Martins

Take the time to enjoy the wonderful things that Cedar Lake has to offer. When you give something back to nature you will be rewarded with something even better down the trail.

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CLCC board meetings are open to members and include an open forum for new business. The board welcomes and encourages member attendance and participation. See the CLCC Events calendar for Board of Directors meeting dates (page 6).

CLCC EVENTS – MARK YOUR CALENDAR

CALENDAR OF REMAINING 2015 EVENTS

August 14th	CRWD Tour of Old Hwy 55 Project Cole Loewen, CRWD Administrator to guide the tour	4pm North of Hwy 55 on Illsely Please RSVP to Kathy Jonsrud (kjonsrud@yahoo.com 320-274-2166) as event is weather dependent
September 1st	Fishing Contest Ends Winners Announced at Annual Member Meeting on Sept 12th	Weigh your fish with Dean and Kathy Nicholson 8979 Iresfeld 320-274-3516
September 12th	Annual Member Meeting and Board of Director's Meeting	All welcome! 9am Corinna Town Hall 9801 Ireland Ave NW
November 14th	Board of Director's Meeting	All welcome!

CLCC Fishing Contest | Cash Prizes

The CLCC Fishing Contest is a delightful and time honored tradition on our lake.

- ◇ Bring your lunker for weigh-in at Nicholson's 8979 Iresfeld 320-274-3516 (near Schroeder Park)
- ◇ Usual prize categories are for walleye, bass, crappie, and sunfish—but judges are impressed by all species
- ◇ Cash prizes awarded at the Annual Member Meeting, September 12th, 2015 9am, Corinna Township
- ◇ Contest ends on September 1st.
- ◇ All ages encouraged to join the fun!

Replacing the Cabin Porch Windows

By Kris Gendreau

Like so many of us on Cedar Lake, our cabin is in an ever evolving cycle of repair and replacement...do we keep that "charming" original fixture or bring it into the modern age?

We decided it was time to replace the original windows in "the porch" this year – they were cool old windows...the kind you opened from the bottom and hooked to the ceiling with an eyehook. Except they were "original" – meaning they were likely old when they were first put in over 80 years ago...and the walls around them had an interesting curve to them.

The original Gendreau cabin was built in 1932 by Charles and Hilda Gendreau. They were a resourceful and thrifty couple as well as hard working and self reliant. They used what they had; built things themselves and found interesting ways to use materials at their disposal. We found just those materials and some amazing memorabilia as the wall was taken down to the studs for the new windows. Sheet after sheet of newspaper had been stuffed into those walls for insulation. We found out that the room must have been finished in 1934 because that was the year of all the newspapers we were able to recover.



What an interesting bunch of headlines, articles, and advertising!



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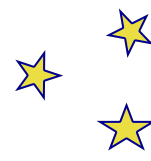
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Cedar Lake Visionary Fund

The Cedar Lake Visionary Fund is a great way to donate to the CLCC. CLCC is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization, so your donations are tax deductible. Our Visionary Fund was started in 2010 and has become an important cornerstone of making a difference on Cedar Lake. Our Visionary contributions are at an all time high for 2015—shattering all past records and we have over \$9,500 in Visionary contributions as of August.

Would you like to become a Visionary? Make the lake part of your plans. Your contribution will be directed to the fund of your choice: General, Walleye Stocking and Water Quality. Payments can be made either by check or very conveniently on-line. The CLCC website (www.cedarlakeecc.org) has a tab for donating electronically using Pay Pal. Please support this program by donating to the fund of your choice. For further information, contact Kathy Miron at 763-425-0904 or miron72@comcast.net

THANKS TO ALL WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED!

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CLCC MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

By Kathy Miron, CLCC Vice-President miron72@comcast.net | 763-425-0904

Have you paid your 2015 dues?

2014 was a record membership year for us—194 paid memberships which is over 80% of our lake residents belonging to CLCC. We are on a brisk pace to set a new record for 2015 as we already have 182 paid members. Most lake associations are delighted to reach 50% membership, so we certainly have a strong showing on Cedar. We need your support to maintain the CLCC as a vibrant lake association.

Dues are \$25 year and many “give a bit more” as a Visionary of Cedar Lake. We do not send out individual bills; we rely on this newsletter as the reminder. You can use the form on the back of this newsletter, or pay on-line at www.cedarlakeecc.org.

CLCC Annual Member Meeting

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 12th 9am, Corrina Town Hall (9801 Ireland Ave NW) for the CLCC Annual Member Meeting. New directors will be elected, activities reviewed and of course time for Q&A. See you there!

TWO EASY WAYS TO PAY DUES



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The CLCC newsletter is published three times a year (April, July & November). A copy is also posted on our website for future reference. Kathy Jonsrud is the editor of the newsletter, which is one of the best lake association newsletters in the Wright County area. Mark Trostad is in charge of the website and e-mail notifications. We can support up to two emails per family. Updates to emails (and other directory information) should be sent to Liz Baird, lizbaird22@gmail.com. Thanks Kathy, Liz, and Mark for your efforts.

CLCC Treasurer's Report

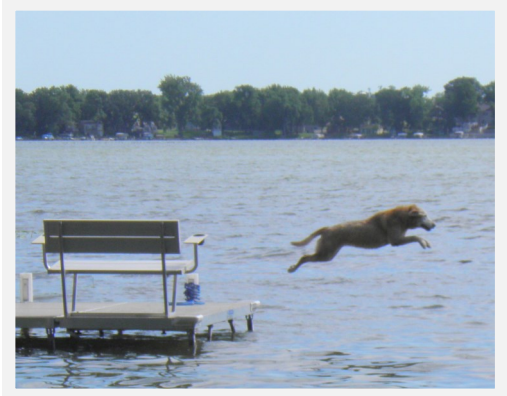
Fund Balances at 7/26/2015

<u>FUNDS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Water Quality	\$ 32,533.63
Walleye Stocking	\$2,475.19
General CLCC	\$7,327.83
Dave Larsen Visionary	<u>\$2,655.44</u>
TOTAL	\$ 45,012.09

Thanks to Liz Baird —Treasurer of CLCC. Accurate and timely financial recordings are critical to maintain the trust and confidence of members. An outside financial review is performed every two years (last completed in 2014) to ensure that funds and transactions are accurate.

Where on Cedar?

All lake people enjoy photographs of the beauty and fun we share on the lake. Think you know the lake well? Can you figure out where this photo was taken from? (answer on page 14).



We would love to have your favorite electronic photo of Cedar. Send to Kathy Jonsrud, CLCC Newsletter Editor kjonsrud@yahoo.com

Do you know where this picture is taken from on Cedar? See the answer on page 14

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Cedar Aquatic Vegetation / Water Buttercup Good Weed or Bad Weed?

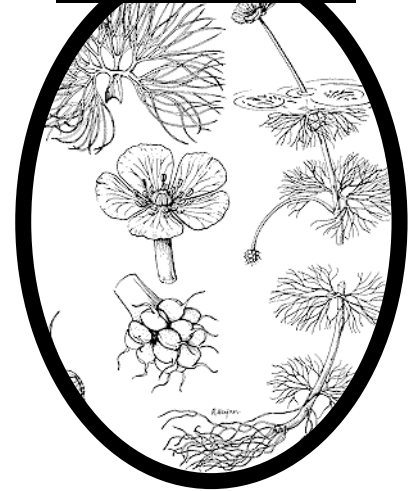


Water Buttercup (Water Crowfoot) is a good weed—but it may not seem like it, particularly in our shallower bays. We don't have it every year, but this year was a bumper crop. It is a choice food source for ducks and other water fowl. Water Buttercup also provides valuable habitat for aquatic insects.

Though a native plant, it can form dense mats and hinder access in quiet waters. If you decide to treat, please just do a spot treatment as needed to maintain navigation and swimming areas as it is a very beneficial plant.



Water Buttercup



Cedar Lake Merchandise is Available



We will be at all Cedar Lake Conservation Club events with clothing, towels, sweatshirts, vests, chambray shirts and t-shirts, in a range of sizes. There will also be a selection of coolers, mugs, glassware, plastic wine glasses, all with the Cedar Lake logo.

We would like to thank Cathy Campbell for managing the CLCC merchandise over the past two years. And we welcome Julie Grimme as the new merchandise chair.

If you know you would like an item in a specific size and color please contact Julie Grimme jul9hi@aol.com or 612-805-0081.

Nominating Committee | 2 Board of Directors Spots Opening

This year, we have two directors who have fulfilled their four year term and will be leaving the board in September. Carter Diers leads the Nominating Committee and we are looking for candidates to fill these spots.

- ◇ Is this your year to step-up?
- ◇ Do you have an interest in learning more about the lake?
- ◇ Would you like to serve with an exceptional group of volunteers?

Please let Carter hear from you! carterdiers@yahoo.com 320-274-6564

P.S. If not a board commitment, would you like to help on a committee or event? See below for a list of opportunities.

Where can you help? Please consider joining in!

The CLCC is a very active lake association, fostering fellowship among the lake residents while promoting and protecting the wildlife and natural beauty of Cedar Lake. No members, directors or officers receive any compensation. The success of CLCC depends on volunteer efforts, so please join in.

Make new friends and have fun as well!

CLCC Committee	Chair	Contact Information
Water Quality Protect & improve water quality & beneficial vegetation	Kathy Jonsrud	kjonsrud@yahoo.com
Fish and Wildlife Conservation Preserve & protect beneficial wildlife, fish, & the natural beauty of Cedar Lake	Paul Schutte	pschutte54@hotmail.com
Membership and Quality Lake Life Encourage membership & involvement	Kathy Miron	miron72@comcast.net
Social Promote fellowship among lake residents & friends of Cedar Lake	Arlan Daniel Cathi G Westman	arlandaniel@yahoo.com cglawoffice@gmail.com
Merchandising Select, manage & sell items that promote Cedar Lake	Julie Grimme	jul9hi@aol.com
Nominating Provide Board of Director nominations to the membership at the Annual Meeting	Carter Diers	carterdiers@yahoo.com

Wright County Erosion Control | What You Need to Know

by Sean Riley | Zoning Administrator, Wright County Planning and Zoning
and Wright County Coalition of Lakes Association

It seems like it's human nature to want to primp, groom and arrange our surroundings, whether it be a small garden project, a paver patio, or a large landscape retaining wall. In Wright County, many of these types of projects require that a permit be obtained from the local zoning authority, especially if you're on or near a lake.

If you're doing a project in lakeshore property that will move or disturb over 10 yards of earth (approximately 1 dump truck full), a permit is required. If it's something larger, over 50 yards of earth, you may need a Conditional Use Permit. You'll need a landscaping plan and a detailed description of the project to apply for a permit. Projects that are directly along the shore and on bluffs or steep slopes have DNR restrictions and the local planning and zoning office should be contacted before work in these areas. If work is being done below lake level or in the lake the DNR must be contacted first.

While doing the project, it's important to remember to protect the lake (and surrounding properties) from erosion and sedimentation. You can do this with a variety of methods, including properly installed silt fence, erosion control blankets, straw, mulch, sod or even seed. Keeping piles of dirt off of steep slopes and out of drainage ways can also help

alleviate erosion problems.

If you are doing a project smaller than the 10 cubic yard permit requirement, or whenever you move any soil on your lakeshore property, you should protect the lake by using erosion control methods like those listed above. As with the permit requirements, you should have an erosion control method in place before you start your project. The erosion control method should stay in place and be in good working order until the area is re-vegetated or protected. Protect your lake regardless of the size of your project!

Do you have issues with erosion on your shoreline? A very popular method for reducing shoreline erosion is to do a natural shoreline restoration. Not only does this help with erosion, it is easy to maintain, provides critical habitat for wildlife, keeps geese away, and is beautiful. The DNR has excellent information on shoreline restoration <http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/lakescaping/index.html> to help get you started.

Whatever the project is, it never hurts to call for advice and to know what the requirements are.

Examples of natural shoreline restoration on Cedar Lake



More Cedar Access Monitoring This Summer

There is not a silver bullet when it comes to controlling the spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS). To help with education and reduce the spread of AIS, we have great news about increased access monitoring on Cedar. Here is a summary of this summer's activities:

- ◇ **Manned Monitoring of County Road 6 Access 3-4 days a week:** Wright County has organized a robust plan to monitor accesses in Wright County. This is being funded by the state law for AIS Prevention Aid. Additionally, CLCC Board of Directors has purchased an extra 100 hours of monitoring using Water Quality Fund monies. We also expect the DNR to monitor the access for 60 hours this summer. All the monitoring is being coordinated for maximum value through Anchor Dock's AIS Monitoring Services.
- ◇ **In collaboration with Schroeder Park, manned AIS inspection and education at the Schroeder Park landing for select weekends.** This is our third year of providing these inspections.

Where on Cedar? The photo on page 11 is looking east on the north 1/3 of the lake. The furry friend taking a jump is precious Corkie. Corkie is no longer with us, but surely dog heaven has a lake and dock.

Photographer is Mary Ellen Wells.

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~~ Have you paid your dues? ~~Consider “Adding a Bit More”~~

CLCC needs your support. Annual dues to CLCC are \$25, based on the calendar year, and can be paid by check with the form below or electronically on-line. Visit the CLCC website (www.cedarlakeecc.org) and click on the “Donate” tab under “Dues” and the “Donate” tab under “Visionary” to make your contributions.

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