

#### Touch lightly...enjoy deeply

This publication is sent to every Cedar Lake property owner. If you don't belong to CLCC,

please consider joining to CLCC, port this newsletter and other CLCC activities.

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# Cedar Lake Conservation Club

Maple Lake – Annandale, MN

July 2020

**President's Letter** by Karl Leslie kmzleslie@gmail.com | 320-274-3077

In this letter, I am going to provide a couple of business updates, make a personal request, and share a fun story.

The first piece of business is that your CLCC Board successfully held its first-ever remote meeting this spring. Building on that success, and wanting to keep our members safe during the pandemic, we have decided to hold the Club's first-ever remote annual meeting. The annual meeting will be held on September 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM. You can find the call-in information below and on page 3. I hope you can ring in.

I also want to once again mention two of the Club's biggest accomplishments in the past year. As you can read on page 3, our CD3 station at Schroeder Park has been getting some significant use. The Board and Club leadership are thrilled that our partnership with Wright County Parks is already making a big splash. Also, you can see the shiny new gate installed by Corinna Township at the end of Ireland Avenue NW. If you bump into a Township Board member, be sure to thank them.

Now for the request. During these difficult times, a lot of charitable organizations have been hit hard. True Friends (a/k/a Camp Courage) is no exception. The camp has been a fixture on Cedar for decades. Not only have they been providing disabled kids experiences that last a lifetime, they have been a consistent local employer and a great partner to CLCC. If you have the means to give them a hand, I hope you will. You can read more about True Friends on page 10.

Finally, the fun story. My mom recently wrote an article about our Cedar Lake cabin that was featured in the StarTribune. To celebrate her 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday, we had a surprise Zoom call where we all wrote up a cabin memory and put them in a presentation for her to enjoy. I thought I would share my story with you. Maybe it will trigger a few fun memories of your own:

"I wonder whatever happened to that old 6hp Johnson."

The 6hp Johnson came with our 14-foot Lund. We went everywhere in that fishing boat. We went to Geardink's Resort for milk and bread. We fished the north bar, Gordon's bar, and even went all the way down to Cedar's south end. But mostly, we stayed close to home – because that 6hp Johnson didn't get you anywhere too fast, and you didn't want to be caught out on the lake if a storm came up. So, mostly we fished the Camp Courage Bay or along the weed bed in front of the cabin.

Oh, how we dreamed of bigger motors. Imagine what a 20hp could do. We could have fished anywhere, anytime, with a 20hp. But no, we had that 6hp Johnson. At least she trolled really well.

I think the fastest that old 6hp Johnson ever went was when we put her on an old wooden skiff. Once that skiff planed out, it felt like you were flying.

And then we got our first pontoon boat. It was a big old monstrosity. We were all thrilled. We had a pontoon boat. But wait, no motor? Well, we had that 6hp Johnson. Now if you thought it was slow-going pushing the Lund, pushing that old barge with that 6hp Johnson took slowness to a whole new level.

But we took that old pontoon everywhere, including "fishing" for girls at Schroeder Park. Given that we showed up on an old barge with a 6hp Johnson, it's no wonder we didn't have much luck.

And then, if my memory serves me right, someone broke into our boathouse and stole

that old 6hp Johnson. Of all the things they could have taken, they took that old 6hp Johnson. Well, at least she trolled really well.

"I wonder whatever happened to that old 6hp Johnson..."



Best of memories with the 6hp Johnson.

**2020 Member Annual Meeting** Saturday September 12th, 9am | More information on page 3 Phone in for the meeting 712-770-4010 Access Code: 617456 Board of Directors' Meeting immediately following Member Annual Meeting

# 2020 Summer Fun on Beautiful Cedar Lake



Bill and Ruth Westhoff | Their son and the WHOLE family enjoys the paddle board.



Greg and Char Duppler | Their 5 year old grandson caught this 18" bass off their dock. Papa was pretty excited too!



Brian and Elizabeth Hace | Enjoying the dazzling July 4th fireworks on Cedar from their dock. The full moon that night was magical.



Jim and Lynn Kunz | Their granddaughter caught a beauty of a bass off the dock.



Top photo | NW loons and the chick waving its leg. Photo by Katie Wolf Bottom photo | NE loons and their fluffy chick. Photo by Daniel Huss



RJ and Sue Wolf | Ahhhh.. we love to float in Cedar Lake.



Dave and Cheryl Wagner | Willow the grand-dog enjoying a pontoon ride.



Monarch Magic | Letting the monarchs go after a couple of weeks in a home nursery. Left is Carter and Kobie Diers' precious daughter with a female monarch who stayed around for a bit. Right is Cheryl Wagner and her monarch quickly flying

## Member Annual Meeting Telephone In Saturday, September 12th 9am 712-770-4010 Access Code: 617456

Due to COVID-19, the CLCC Member Annual Meeting will be held by telephone conference call. The Member Annual Meeting is required by CLCC Bylaws. The camaraderie of an in-person meeting will be missed this year (along with the coffee and wonderful treats), but we hope you can call in for the meeting.

It is easy to ring into the call; a few minutes before 9am on September 12th, dial 712-770-4010 and there will be a prompt for the access code followed by the # sign which will be 617456#. As members join the meeting, they will be on mute. As the Q&A opens, or as voting is conducted, all will be able to speak. Please plan to mute your phone unless you wish to speak.

Here's the planned agenda:

- Welcome and Introductions
- Fishing Contest Winners
- Year in Review (President and Committee Chair updates)
- Board Member Recognition
- Election of Board Members (3 spots open)



A regular Board of Directors' meeting will immediately follow the Member Annual Meeting.

The CLCC Membership will be electing three directors at the Annual Meeting. If you wish to make a nomination for the Board of Directors, please contact Nominations Committee Chair Carter Diers (carterdiers@yahoo.com) by August 29th. Our new Bylaws do not provide for nominations at the Member Annual Meeting.

# Watercraft Cleaning Station at Schroeder Park Makes a Big Splash



CD3 Watercraft Cleaning Station at Schroeder Park Because of your generous donations to the CLCC Visionary Fund, CLCC is delighted to announce that a cooperative effort has been formed with Wright County Parks for a watercraft cleaning station at Schroeder Park. CLCC and Wright County Parks and Recreation shared the initial purchase cost 50/50 each contributing about

\$16,000. CLCC will also be providing 5 years of annual maintenance funding estimated at \$1,500 per year.

The cleaning station is called CD3 (stands for clean, drain, dry, dispose) and is <u>free to use</u>. The station is designed to be a

self-serve, easy-to-use system that reduces the spread of

aquatic invasive species. The lighted station at Schroeder is solar powered and the tools available for watercraft cleaning include: wet/dry vacuum, air blower, brush, grabber, and wrench.

The station is "smart" and includes telemetry to provide detailed reporting about the use of the station. Reporting for the station started on June 5th. Uptake has been excellent. For June 5th through July 19th, here are a few top line numbers:

- 140 users
- 195 uses of the air blower
- 74 uses of the wet/dry vacuum
- 71 uses of the weed grabber tool



CD3 Watercraft Cleaning Station at Schroeder Park

# CLCC Dues to Increase to \$50 in 2021 Dues Remain at \$25 for 2020 (reprint from April 2020 issue)

The CLCC Board has voted to increase annual membership dues from \$25 to \$50 beginning in 2021. The decision to increase dues was not a topic the Board took lightly.

The last increase in our dues came over a decade ago. The Board compared the CLCC dues with other associations in Wright County. Notably, \$25 was on the low end, with most associations charging \$50 to \$100 annually.

Most important is the analysis performed by the CLCC finance team. That analysis revealed that, based on data from 2014 through 2019, the amount raised by membership dues covers

just under half of the organizational expenses (aquatic invasive species control and access monitoring are paid from other sources). This means that CLCC has been using its Visionary Funds to cover the difference, instead of spreading out those costs among the entire membership. The analysis further revealed that an increase of about \$25 annually would cover the difference.

Finally, for anyone who has already prepaid future dues, those payments will be honored. Thank you all for understanding and for your commitment to the CLCC. Any questions can be directed to CLCC President Karl Leslie at <u>kmzleslie@gmail.com</u>.



# CLCC VISIONARIES Making a Difference

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 dona**tions in 2019 were amazing—totaling over \$29,000. Over the past 3 years, we have averaged Visionary Fund contributions of \$26,000/year.

Your contribution will be directed to the fund of your choice: General, Walleye Stocking, Water Quality, and Memorial Fund.

Payments can be made either by check (P.O. Box 192, Annandale, MN 55302) or very conveniently online. The CLCC website (<u>www.cedarlakecc.org</u>) has a link for donating electronically using Pay Pal—scroll down the home page for the Visionary information. For further information, contact CLCC President Elect David Glass (glassdavida@gmail.com 651-343-9674).

THANKS TO ALL WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED!

## Visionary Contributions Since November 2019 and Lifetime Visionary

#### SILVER (up to \$99)

Darren & Rachel Flygare Wayne & Paula Hoistad\* Long Family Mike & Jeanne Izzo\* Margaret Johnson\* Jon & Linda Oxenford\* Lynn Rehm & Jill Beaupre\* Daniel & Laurita Roos Natasha Rueth\* Tracy Theisen Steve & Debbie Tobako\* Duane and Carol Wosje\* Wratkowski Family\*

#### GOLD (\$100 to \$499)

Michael & Kelli Andreen Mike and Ruth Ball\* Glenn & Shirlev Baillie\* Ron & Christy Bateman\* Jeff & Shawn Bouslog\* Randy & Sharon Cochrane\* John Cornelius\* Dean & Carolyn Custer\* Kale & Joanne Danberg\* Steve & Lois Dellwo\* Carter and Kobie Diers\* Bruce & Julie Emerson\* Scott & Meagan Galbari\* Ted & Sally Gangroth\* Dwight & Lori Geisler\* Dan & Kris Gendreau\* Chris & Karen Glaeser\* Darren & Andrea Heairet\* Rob & Jennifer Hennen\* Robert & Tara Hutchinson\* Lavern & Phyllis Johnson\* Ed & Bonnie Kelly\* Kathy Lampi\* Kent & Lori Larson\* Mike Mack\* Larry & Diana Maki\* Jim & Judy Martin\* Bob & Joanne Milligan\*

#### GOLD (\$100 to \$499) cont.

Dan & Mary Motzko\* John Puncochar\* Claire Rood\* John & Bonnie Sadergaski\* Diane Salls\* Rick & Lynne Seagraves\* Eric & Kristin Sorensen\* Doug Roderick & Julie Croft\* Dave & Debbie Tillman\* Joel & Linda Voss\* Paul & Denise Westling\* Dennis & Cheryl Wold\*

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Mike & Dawn Cole\* Steve & Jayne DeGroote\* Ron & Linda Dircks\* Jim Domian\* Bill & Terri Erickson\* **Ralph & Kristin Flees** Ralph & Mary Beth Gay **Brad Geisler\*** Steve & Becky Grabski\* Lisa Hjort\* Ray & Tracie Hogrefe\* Dan and Marnie Huss\* Larry and Melanie Kramer\* Leslie Kreutter\* Don & Holly Linn\* Gary & Kathy Miron\* **Rick & Tammy Nelson\*** Al & Paulette Nerheim\* Dan and Vickie O'Hara\* Gerald O'Keefe\* Alec Olson\* Tony & Leanne Peters\* Dave & Claudette Prybilla\* Warren & Sharyl Schultz\* Jeff & Susan Shellberg\* Dennis & Kathryne Smaagaard\* Ed & Jean Skomoroh\* Phil & Beth Trout\* Dave & Sandy Williams\*

#### LIFETIME (\$1,000 plus)

Bill Arendt & Mary Ellen Wells\* Connie Bakken Glenn & Liz Baird\* Scott Brooks & Renee Bianchi\* Bruce & Cathy Campbell\* Arlan and Janet Daniel\* Dick & Mary Beth Ebert\* Bobby & Michelle Ebert Mark & Julie Grimme\* Mike & Laurie Hankee\* Michael & Becky Hess\* Orv & Kathy Jonsrud\* Jim & Lynne Kuhn\* Christa Lane-Larsen\* Karl & Mary Leslie\* Bob & Karen Lohn\* Larry & Sandy May Terry & Christine Morse\* Scott & Chris Nelson\* Steve & Paula Ostrom\* Pam and Jeff Petersmever\* David & Brenda Stepp Dave & Jan Usset\* Charles & Judi Vinar\* Bob and Debra Wagner Wendy & Warren Watson\* John & Kim Wernz Bill & Ruth Westhoff\* RJ & Sue Wolf\* Katie Wolf Wright County Parks & Recreation

\* Indicates Sustaining Member with multiple contributions in that category. When donors reach a higher visionary category with multiple donations, they will be recognized in that higher category.

# Invasive Starry Stonewort Lake Sylvia Successfully Controls

Starry stonewort is a particularly troublesome and aggressive aquatic invasive species. It can quickly form very dense mats, choking out native vegetation, impacting aquatic habitat, and severely limiting recreation. There are three lakes close to Cedar with the infestation: Lake Sylvia, Pleasant, and Lake Koronis.

Lake Sylvia discovered a starry stonewort infestation in the fall of 2016. The infestation was very small, and since then, the Greater Lake Sylvia Association has been extremely diligent in their mapping and treatment strategy. They are delighted to report that this year's search did not find any starry stonewort. This is excellent news that early detection and meticulous treatment strategies can control the invasive.

Lake Sylvia's treatment strategy included extensive searches, hand pulling, and treatment with a cooled liquid copper based product. They consulted numerous experts nationwide to develop this approach to starry stonewort control. Over the past three years, their cost to treat the starry stonewort has been about \$30,000 per year. Lake Sylvia will continue with their meticulous monitoring, as early detection is key.

Detection of starry stonewort in an early infestation can be difficult as it looks very much like the "**good weed**" **chara**. We have a healthy amount of chara in Cedar Lake; the key difference is that starry stonewort has a different leaf configuration and the presence of the "starry" bulbils. Cedar has again engaged a professional to assist with searching for starry stonewort for this summer.

# At this time, we are not aware of starry stonewort in Cedar.

#### What can we do?

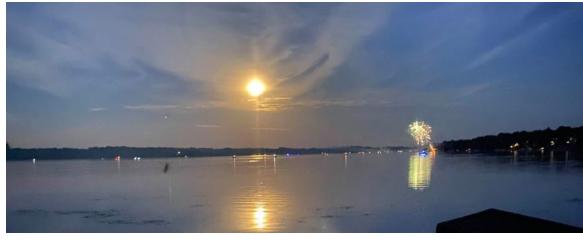
- <u>If you must take your watercraft to a lake with starry stonewort, it is imperative to do a decon-</u> tamination before going to another lake. *THOROUGHLY* inspect bunk trailers as it **can be spread by fragments.**
- Learn how to identify starry stonewort. Here's a great video: <u>https://youtu.be/te9iF5OTdtg</u>
- Watch the lake carefully for changes in vegetation. Report any suspicious vegetation to Glenn Baird (glennabaird@gmail.com).

MN Lakes with Starry Stonewort	County
Beltrami	Beltrami
Cass	Beltrami
Grand	Stearns
Koronis (includes Mud)	Stearns
Medicine	Hennepin
Minnewaska	Pope
Moose	Beltrami
Pleasant	Wright
Rice	Stearns
Turtle (Big Turtle)	Beltrami
Upper Red	Beltrami
West Sylvia	Wright
Winnibigoshish	Cass and Itasca
Wolf (Big Wolf)	Beltrami



Examples of starry stonewort (from the left: close up of star shaped bulbils, a rake pulling from the water, mat with bulbils).

# Where on Cedar? Full Moon and Fireworks Answer page 14



July 4th fireworks were particularly spectacular this year on Cedar Lake. This photo cleverly catches the full moon that night, the smoke and fireworks in the air.

Can you tell where this photo was taken from? Hint: it was taken from shore. Answer on page 14.

We would love to have your photos of the beauty and enjoyment on fantastic Cedar Lake.

Quiet moments and raucous fun are all welcome; so much texture and energy to share and enjoy in the language of photos. **Please send your Cedar Lake pictures to: kjonsrud@yahoo.com** 

# CLCC WATER QUALITY COMMITTEE

By Kathy Jonsrud | Water Quality Committee Chair | kjonsrud@yahoo.com | 320-274-2166

## Free High Pressure Hot Water Watercraft Decontamination Just Down the Road 1300 Business Blvd

Again this year there is a free aquatic invasive species (AIS) decontamination service for watercraft equipment. The service is a cooperative effort between Wright County Soil and Water (AIS Prevention Funding) and Bishop AIS Services.

#### WHERE:

1300 Business Blvd (Hwy 55, north on Annandale Blvd, follow road till the end)

#### HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday 9am-5pm Wednesday, Thursday Closed Friday, Saturday, Sunday 8am-6pm

- Has your watercraft been to a different lake?
- Are friends and family bringing their boat or jet ski to Cedar?
- Are you planning on purchasing used water equipment (especially docks or lifts)?

If the answer is yes, be sure to take advantage of the FREE AIS decontamination service!

## CLCC Extra Access Monitoring Up and Running on Busy Cedar Lake

CLCC has made another major commitment this year to reduce the spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS). As in past years, Wright Soil and Water Conservation District has a program for lakes to purchase additional access monitoring to augment the access monitoring provided by Wright County.

Wright County and the DNR were able to establish safe COVID procedures for the access monitors. Monitoring on Cedar Lake began in mid May.

The CLCC Board of Directors has purchased an extra \$25,000 of access monitoring in 2020. This provides approximately 4 shifts of weekend monitoring (2 shifts each at CTY RD 6 and Schroeder accesses) and 4 shifts of weekday monitoring each week during the boating season. Other Cedar accesses will be included in the monitoring on a random basis.

## Aquatic Invasive Species Control



PROPOSED AIS Treatment Plans are well in place to control aquatic invasive species (AIS) on our lake.

• Treatment of 13.5 acres of Curly Leaf Pondweed (CLP) was completed on May 19th. A different faster-acting chemical was used this year with excellent results.

• Treatment of about 5 acres of Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) is planned for late summer. Our professionals will be on Cedar later in July to finalize the small amount of EWM present. If the water within 150 feet of your property is treated, there is a sign posted on your shoreline. There are very few restrictions should your property be in the treatment area.

• In late summer, we plan to conduct a diver assisted starry stonewort search. Cedar does <u>not</u> have this newest invasive, but we remain vigilant to monitor. See more information about this newest invasive on page 5.

## CLCC Member Attends U of Minnesota AIS 101 Management

During the month of June, Cedar Lake resident Dwight Geisler

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA Driven to Discover

completed an online Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) 101 Management. The course was sponsored by the University of Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center with modules that included AIS identification, vegetation mapping strategies, rough fish management, and new approaches to zebra mussel control.

Dwight indicated he enjoyed the course and found the online format easy to use. He particularly enjoyed the online chat with other attendees and the advice offered by the instructors.

## Be a Student of the Lake

Would you like to learn more about aquatic invasive species and lake water quality management? Here are a couple of free webinars that are really worth your time.

U of MN Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center https://www.maisrc.umn.edu/ais-detectors/webinars

#### Boaters Willingness to Pay for AIS Control (1 hour)

This webinar details results of surveying boaters (while they are at the boat access) about their willingness to pay for aquatic invasive species control. There is interesting data on the percentage willing to pay, and how much they would pay.

#### Hybrid Watermilfoil (1 hour)

Though Cedar does not appear to have hybrid watermilfoil, this webinar helps understand the treatment strategies needed when the invasive hybridizes.



# Your Septic | Out of Sight but Not Out of Mind Sean Riley | Zoning Administrator, Wright County Planning and Zoning Kathy Jonsrud | Wright County Coalition of Lakes Executive Committee

Almost all of us with lake property in Wright County have an individual septic system or are part of a small communal septic. Both of these systems have been proven to be very effective in preserving water quality when property maintained. If you are like most homeowners, you probably never give much thought to what happens when waste goes down your drain.

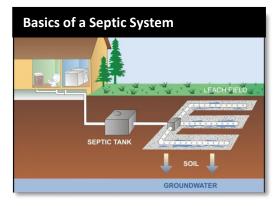
Proper operation and maintenance of a septic system can have a significant impact on how well it works and how long it lasts. And of course, preventing groundwater pollution from a failing septic system is a priority for our lake community.

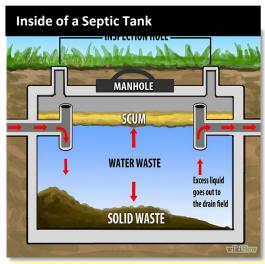
Wright County took steps over twenty years ago to address septic concerns. The regulations have specific requirements and a permitting process for those designing and installing systems. For lake property owners with existing individual systems, the regulations focus on two major components:

- When a property is sold, or when a permit is obtained for lake property improvements, the septic must be
  professionally inspected to ensure adequate conformance. This is also required for the sale of any property in Wright
  County.
- Septic tanks must be professionally inspected at least every three years. Solids must be removed from septic tanks to
  allow the system to function property.

Wright County Planning and Zoning has a great deal of septic system information on their website, along with a list of septic system professionals <u>http://www.co.wright.mn.us/183/Septic-Systems</u>.

#### Septic Systems Demystified and Simple Maintenance Dos and Don'ts





Want more information about maintaining your septic system?

Here's a great webinar sponsored by Minnesota Lakes and Rivers that you can view at any time:

#### **Septic Secrets**

www.anymeeting.com/292-823-775/ EA50D982874E3A For many of us, our lake home is our first experience with a septic system. There are two main parts in a basic septic system: the septic tank and the drainfield. The waste from our home goes into a septic tank. The floating particles form the "scum" layer in the tank and the solids settle out. The water then flows through the system baffles out to the drain field.

Most of the soil in Wright County is very effective at filtering the water that goes into the drain field. The water from the drain field seeps through the soil and goes back into the groundwater.

# Septic System Dos and Don'ts

- ✓ Do be mindful of water conservation. Toilets use 35% of our household water, washing clothes another 20%, and leaks account for 15%.
- Do have your septic tank inspected at least every 3 years. Families living fulltime should plan to pump their system at least every 3 years. Seasonal and small families may be able to pump less frequently.
- ✓ Do keep a detailed record of repairs, pumping, inspections, and permits.
- ✓ Do use <u>liquid</u> detergents and <u>mild</u> household chemicals. Powders may not completely dissolve. Use bleach and antimicrobial soaps sparingly to preserve the important biological balance in your system.
- Do wipe dishes and cooking pans before washing or rinsing to reduce grease and food particles in your system. Use sink and shower strainers to reduce particulate matter from entering your system.
- ✓ Do spread your laundry loads over the week. Many loads in one day can overwhelm your system and disturb the scum and solid waste layer in your tank.

#### DON'T

- Don't go down a septic tank.
- **Don't** allow anyone to drive or park over any part of the system.
- **Don't** plant anything over or near the drainfield except grass. Roots may clog and damage the drain lines. Never cover the drainfield with concrete or asphalt.
- Don't flush anything down the toilet except toilet paper. Feminine products, facial tissue, hygienic wipes, etc don't dissolve and can adversely impact your system.
- Don't flush medications down the toilet. Wright County Sheriff's office has a medication disposal service http://www.co.wright.mn.us/DocumentCenter/View/7271/Sheriff-prescriptiondropbox?bidld=.
- **Don't** use a garbage disposal. If you do use a disposal, plan on pumping each year.
- **Don't** use septic tank additives. Under normal operating conditions, these products do not help and some may even be harmful to your system.



# CLCC Nominating Committee Three Board of Directors Positions Opening This Year

by Carter Diers carterdiers@yahoo.com | 612-963-9303

The CLCC is a very active lake association, fostering fellowship among the lake residents while promoting and protecting the wildlife and quality of Cedar Lake. No members, directors or officers receive any compensation.

## Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.

- Elizabeth Andrew

The Nominating Committee, led by Carter Diers, plans to nominate three candidates at the Member Annual Meeting (more details on page 3). If you wish to make a nomination, please contact Carter Diers (carterdiers @yahoo.com) by August 29th. Our new Bylaws do not provide for nominations at the Member Annual Meeting.

CLCC Committee	Chair	Contact	Service to the lake is a great opportunity to
Water Quality Protect & improve water quality & beneficial vege- tation	Kathy Jonsrud	kjonsrud@yahoo.com	meet neighbors, and more deeply enjoy the lake with shared service. <b>Does a committee interest you?</b>
Fish and Wildlife Conservation		-	-
Preserve & protect beneficial wildlife, fish, & the natural beauty of Cedar Lake	Paul Schutte	pschutte54@hotmail.com	Or a leadership position on the Board?
Membership Encourage membership & involvement	David Glass	glassdavida@gmail.com	The success of CLCC depends on volun- teer efforts, so please join in. Please let
Events Promote fellowship among lake residents & friends of Cedar Lake	Lori Larson	ljlarson@mac.com	Carter know if you are interested. (carterdiers@yahoo.com)
<b>Nominating</b> Provide Board of Director nominations to the membership at the Annual Meeting	Carter Diers	carterdiers@yahoo.com	

# Contact the CLCC Board

	Position	Board of	E-Mail	Telephone
		<b>Director Term</b>		
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Terri Erickson	Secretary	Sept 2021	terriwestmetro@kw.com	612-889-2808
Chuck Vinar	Treasurer	Sept 2021	ohs7100@gmail.com	763-438-6198
Karen Lohn	Past President	Sept 2020	karenlohn@boreal.org	320-274-2858
Elizabeth Hace	Director	Sept 2020	elizhace@gmail.com	612-819-0060
Warren Schultz	Director	Sept 2020	hbi.warren@gmail.com	612-868-2938
Liz Baird	Director	Sept 2020	lizbaird22@gmail.com	612-599-4128
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Mike Cole	Director	Sept 2021	colestone1111@gmail.com	320-274-1956
Jim Kuhn	Director	Sept 2021	jkuhn@amc-on-line.com	952-250-5199
Larry Christen	Director	Sept 2022	lchristen@csbsju.edu	320-249-1591
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Brad Geisler	Director	Sept 2023	bradgeisler8@gmail.com	612-868-9337
Lori Larson	Director	Sept 2023	ljlarson@mac.com	703-599-4128
Greg Duppler	Director	Sept 2023	greg.duppler@yahoo.com	612-310-7236

# Fish and Wildlife Committee

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

# **CLCC Fishing Contest Ends August 26th**



Rick and Lynne Seagraves' daughter fishing at sunset on Cedar. Perfect time!

• All ages encouraged to join the fun!

• Cash prizes announced at the Annual Member Meeting, September 12th, 2020 9am Telephone in 712-770-4010 Access Code: 617456

### **Cedar Loons**

This year for the first time, we had four pairs of loons using each of our four nesting platforms! As of mid-July, each pair has one chick. Earlier this summer, we lost 2 chicks by unknown causes. And unfortunately, I observed a personal watercraft go over one chick at a high rate of speed. The good news is that the four surviving chicks all appear to be doing fine. The first year chicks will return to the Gulf of Mexico and usually stay there for two years before they return. Please enjoy the loon families and give them plenty of space on the water to tend to their families.

### Paul's Corner

On the July 4th weekend, I observed heavy erosion of sand on our

north shoreline and lots of vegetation being torn up and washing ashore. Some watercraft—and just not wake boats—were very close to shore, stirring up the bottom and also destroying valuable fish habitat.

The lake is very busy. Own your wake. Go slow near shore.

Let's take the time to educate everyone that operates a watercraft on the lake. Give them a map of the lake and ask them to stay out of shallow water unless coming to shore. We have plenty of deep water on the lake to have fun.

Finally, the lake has been very busy this summer. Be patient and give boaters plenty of room. Some watercraft operators may be less experienced and not familiar with our lake.

#### Walter is out there waiting for you on Cedar! Join the fun with the time honored tradition of the CLCC Fishing Contest. Though the competition is tough, all entries are welcome!

#### Here's the fishing contest scoop:

- Contest runs through August 26th, 2020.
- Bring your lunker for weigh-in at: Dean and Kathy Nicholson's 8979 Iresfeld (north side near Schroeder Park)

320-274-3516 Usual prize categories are for walleye, bass,

northern pike, crappie, and sunfish—but judges are impressed by all the fish in our lake.



Cedar Walleyes on a June morning From the left Orv Jonsrud and friend Steve Dellwo

## 2020 CLCC to Stock Walleyes

This year the CLCC will be stocking walleye fingerlings in Cedar Lake. We have over \$9,000 in our Walleye Stocking fund, exceeding our stretch goal of \$8,000. We plan to stock over 8,000 fingerlings. The stocking will take place in late fall, and West Central Bait in New London/Spicer will be filling the order.

We continue to strive to have one of the finest fisheries in the area and we **thank you for your donations**.

## **Clear Muskie Caught on Cedar**

Seriously, this is not a fish tale. A Cedar Lake resident was out fishing and POW he got a really good hit.

He had caught a clear muskie!

Muskies are not stocked on Cedar, but best we can figure is that over the many years of walleye stocking, a muskie fry was in the mix.

And yes, Mike the Muskie is back in the water. The lake always give us surprises, delights, and keeps us humble.





Cedar Lake Sunrise Bay (Turtle Bay) Purple Martins | Photos by Katie Wolf



# CALENDAR OF 2020 CLCC EVENTS Mark your calendar! gust 26<sup>th</sup> CLCC Fishing Contest Ends Weigh your fish with Dean and Kathy Nicholson

August 26	CLCC Fishing Contest Ends	8979 Iresfeld 320-274-3516
September 12th	2020 Annual Member Meeting	All welcome! Fishing Contest Winners Announced and
	Board of Directors Meting	Election of Three New Directors
		9am   Call In 712-770-4010 Access Code: 617456
November 14th	Board of Directors Meeting	All welcome!
		9am   Corinna Town Hall 9801 Ireland Ave NW

### Zebra Mussels on Cedar What to Expect and Stewardship Practices

Zebra mussels were discovered at multiple locations on the lake in 2018. Given the lake wide infestation, with current chemical treatment strategies, we are not a candidate for treatment.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

The zebra mussel infestation on Cedar will continue to grow. How fast? Only time will tell. In the fall of 2019, numerous home owners reported the evidence of zebra mussels on docks and lifts when removed for the season. Zebra mussels disrupt the ecological food chain and the long-term impact to lakes is difficult to predict.

We can expect the phosphorus level in our lake to decrease, and water clarity will more than likely increase, because of the zebra mussel disruption of the lake's food chain. The increasing water clarity can promote vegetation, particularly that of invasive vegetation. Invasive aquatic vegetation seems to quickly take advantage of increased water clarity, so our management practices of curly leaf pondweed and eurasian water milfoil must remain vigilant.

#### **STEWARDSHIP PRACTICES**

Now that we face this infestation, here are some important stewardship practices we all must do.

- Zebra mussels are attracted to darker, quiet areas; docks, lifts, and sea-legs tend to be favorite spots. **If you sell your equipment, seriously consider doing so only after it has over-wintered.** *The one sure method for killing zebra mussels is freezing.* If you need to sell equipment in the summer months after being in the lake, it must (by Minnesota law) be out of the water for 21 days before installing in a new lake. Plan to do a high-pressure hot water decontamination for free at 1300 Business Blvd, Annandale (April to October).
- If your watercraft is "resident" to Cedar Lake (e.g. in the lake all summer) there is a good chance it will have zebra mussels. Given this knowledge, and the difficulty and time for a complete decontamination, consider not visiting other lakes with your watercraft.

### True Friends Camp Courage Summer Update Some Services Resume

#### Hello Friends!

As your neighbor on the lake, we want to update you on how True Friends Camp Friendship and Camp Courage are doing.



Following the guidance from the Ameri-

can Camp Association (ACA), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) as well as county and state agencies, we felt it was in the best interest of our participants to temporarily suspend a variety of our programs and services.

Due to the pandemic, we made the difficult decision to temporarily suspend all our programming. In late April we slowly began to build back our services. We first began with restarting our Horse Therapy and Respite programming. Next, we began renting our cabins to the families we serve. And now we are preparing to welcome groups of 25 or less. We are excited to slowly build back our programs and serve people as safely as possible, as recommendations allow.

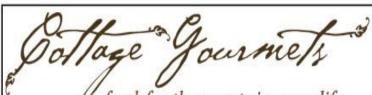
Donations are important to us every year. During this pandemic and to be fully prepared to restore our programs to prepandemic levels, donations are especially important.

If you're interested in making a donation to True Friends to assist us in getting through this crisis you can visit <u>www.truefriends.org/donate</u> or email us at giv-ing@truefriends.org.

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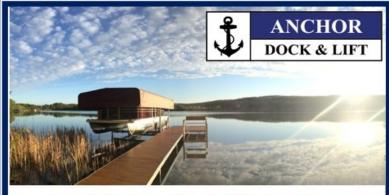


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# CLCC MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

By David Glass CLCC President Elect | glassdavida@gmail.com | 651-433-9674

CLCC membership is very strong this year; as of July we have 167 paid members. That means almost 70% of Cedar Lake residents are members—most large lake associations are pleased to achieve 50% membership. Thank you!

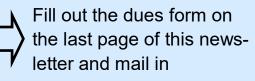
You can tell if your 2020 member dues are paid by looking on page 16 on the left hand side. Membership dues can be paid easily online with just a few clicks at www.cedarlakecc.org or by mailing them along with the form located on page 16 in this newsletter.

Also, our Visionary contributions are robust with over \$12,000 donated in 2020. We welcome several more Liftetime Visionaries (contributions totaling over \$1,000). Every donation is meaningful and appreciated. Consider adding a few extra dollars with your membership which allows you to direct your contribution to any of our Visionary funds: Water Quality, Walleye, Memorial, or the General fund.

Please know that your CLCC Board of Directors is here to help and serve. Please contact any of us (see page 8) with questions or concerns.

An important part of our outreach is to identify new owners on Cedar Lake. Please let David Glass (glassdavida@gmail.com) know if there is a new owner in your neighborhood and we will reach out and introduce them to CLCC.

# **TWO EASY WAYS TO PAY DUES**



Online payment at www.cedarlakecc.org

### Stay in Touch with CLCC in Your Favorite Way | Newsletter, Website, Facebook

CLCC has a variety of ways to stay in touch. The CLCC newsletter is published three times a year (April, July & November) and mailed to all Cedar Lake property owners. A copy is also posted on our website. **Kathy Jonsrud** is the editor of the newsletter.

Our Facebook page has an active following. CLCC Board member **Elizabeth Hace** (elizhace@gmail.com) manages the page. Facebook provides yet another way to stay in touch with Cedar Lake.

Scott Brooks is our webmaster-taking care 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 Chuck Vinar, ohs7100@gmail.com.



#### CLCC Treasurer's Report Fund Balances as of 7/20/2020

<b>FUNDS</b>	AMOUNT
Water Quality	\$67,825.47
Walleye Stocking	\$9,058.15
General CLCC	\$29,123.86
Memorial Visionary	<u>\$3,280.44</u>
TOTAL	\$109,287.92

Thanks to Chuck Vinar — 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 to ensure that funds and transactions are accurate.



## **Cedar Lake Favorite Recipes**

Here is a favorite recipe perfect for the lake!

Jack Daniels Marinade 1/4 cup Jack Daniels 1/4 cup soy sauce 1/4 cup Dijon mustard 2 sliced green onions 2 tablespoons brown sugar 1 tsp seasoned salt 1/4 tsp pepper Dash of Worcestershire sauce

Mix all ingredients together and marinate for at least 2 hours, or up to 12 hours. Particularly good to marinate chicken thighs or beef sirloin before grilling.

Do you have a favorite lake recipe to share? We would love to hear from you; please send to CLCC newsletter editor Kathy Jonsrud kjonsrud@yahoo.com

# Where on Cedar from page 5

Fireworks and Full Moon photo is looking south from the north shore of Cedar. Photo credit goes to Sue Nash. We would love to have your photos of Cedar Lake—send to kjonsrud@yahoo.com.

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Thinking of "Buying" or "Selling" Your Cedar Lake Home Work with a Cedar Lake Homeowner

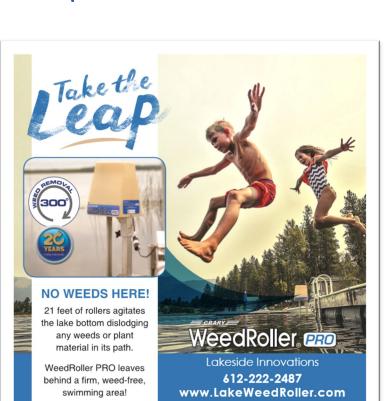
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