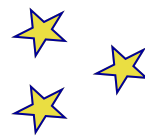


CLCC VISIONARIES

Making a Difference



The Cedar Lake Visionary Fund is a great way to donate to the CLCC. CLCC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Our Visionary Funds were started over a decade ago and have become an important cornerstone of making a difference on Cedar Lake.

We extend a warm welcome in 2024 to numerous new Visionaries, and several new Lifetime Visionaries.

In 2023, our Visionary donations were over \$22,900! 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—see form on page 16) or very conveniently online. The CLCC website (www.cedarlakecc.org) has a link for donating electronically—scroll down the home page for the Visionary information.

For further information, contact CLCC President Elect Sue Wolf (suewolf5600@gmail.com 612-619-5600).

THANKS TO ALL WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED!

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When donors reach a higher visionary category with multiple donations, they will be recognized in that higher category.



Help Wanted: Events Chair

CLCC leadership is seeking a volunteer to lead the Events Committee. It is a fun group of hard working lake residents, creating community and camaraderie. Interested?

Contact Sue Wolf, President Elect, suewolf5600@gmail.com | 612-619-5600

CLCC Picnic & Raffle | Music on the Water

Celebrating our lake community July 13, 2024

Let's enjoy lunch together!



Though the day started with liquid sunshine; it didn't dampen the spirits for lunch, raffle, and camaraderie together! The skies cleared for the afternoon and we all floated over to the sandbar for live music.

Clap and cheer for the organizing and planning for this day together: **Lori Larson**—Event Chair; **Sue Wolf, Chris Nelson, Holly Linn**—Raffle; **Carter Diers**—Band.

Save the Date
July 19, 2025

NEW VENUE for Picnic/Raffle
The Boathouse at 'Tween Lakes
(north side of Cedar)

Generous venue sponsorship by
Bob and Charlotte Shadduck



Happy raffle winners



Music on the Water
Benjamin Raye & The Empire Players

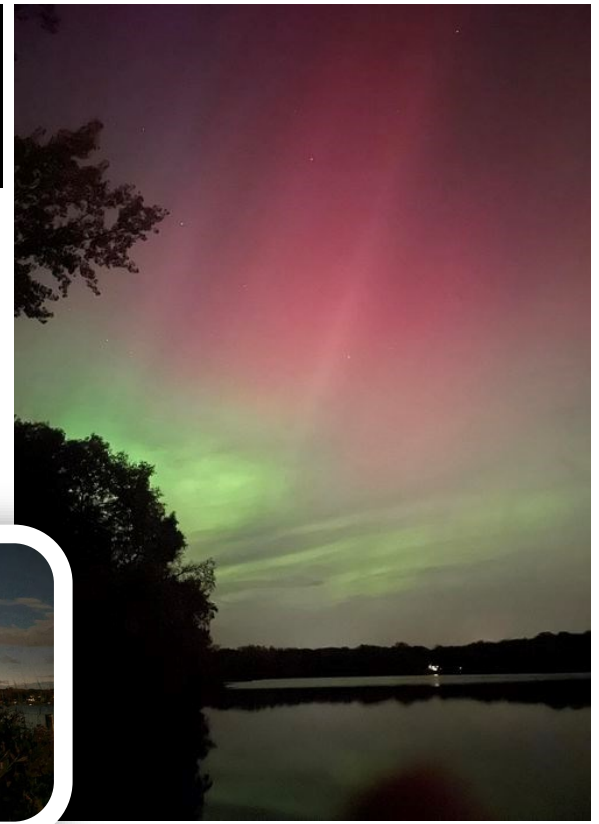
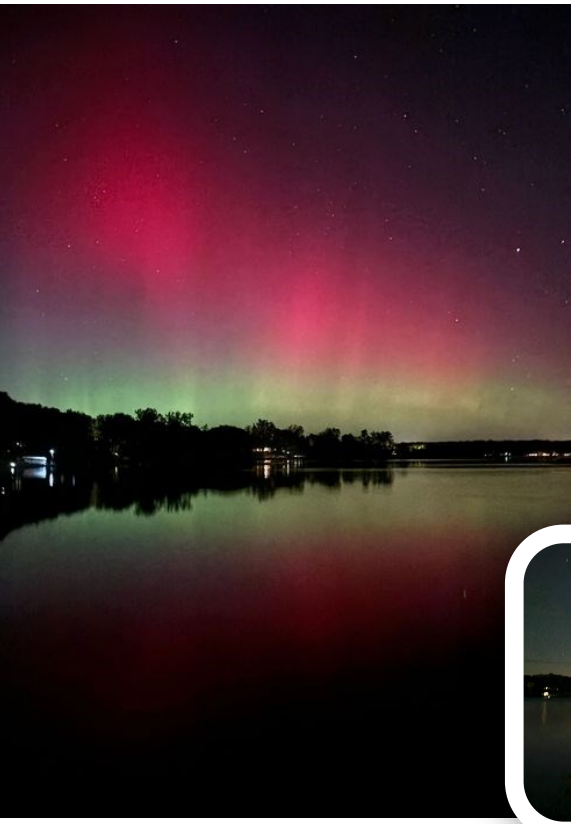
Where on Cedar?

Answers on page 11.

We had dazzling celestial displays this summer on Cedar.

The photos of northern lights (left and right) were taken on the same night in October. Sure, they are both looking north; can you figure out where on Cedar they were taken from?

And how about the photo below? Bonus points for the name of the comet and the visible planet.



CLCC Member Survey Summer 2024

By Sue Wolf, President Elect

The CLCC Board of Directors conducted a Member Survey this past summer. We had a great response on the survey, and Board looked at each comment that was submitted.

Here's a summary of a few top line items:

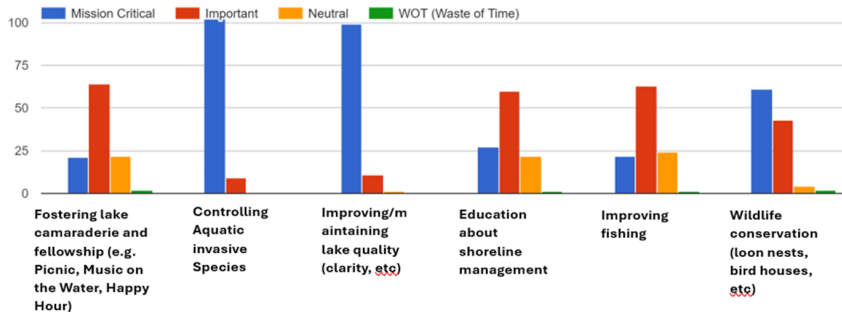
- Hands down the two most important CLCC activities are:
 - Improving/maintaining lake quality.
 - Controlling aquatic invasive species.
- One item that jumped out at the Board is that over 60% of those responding to the survey visit the CLCC website at least once a month.
- Regarding wake boat regulation, about 79% strongly agree or agree that regulations are needed.
- Most prefer the newsletter in hard copy and available on the website.
- More information is requested on the new required Boater Education and Certification Program, phased in starting in 2025 (see below).

If you would like more details about the survey, or have questions, feel free to reach out to Sue Wolf, President Elect (suewolf5600@gmail.com 612-619-5600).

Thanks for all the responses and your feedback is appreciated.

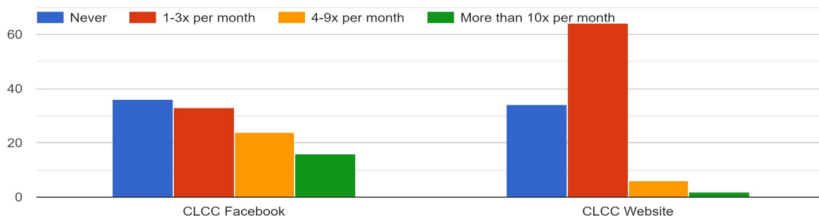


Here are some activities of the CLCC. Please indicate how important these activities are to you and your family.



Facebook and Website

CLCC has an active Facebook group and a nifty website that volunteers work hard to keep updated and relevant. How many times per month do you visit each?



Minnesota Boater Education and Certification Required for all boaters born after July 1, 1987 Phase in starting in 2025

Gone are the days when most boats on the lake were a twelve foot fishing boat with a 9-horse Johnson. Today's popular watercraft are large, powerful, and much more complex to safely operate.

Numerous Minnesota lake and river associations have worked for years to pass a require Boater Education and Certification program, and just such a program was passed by the legislature in 2023.

The phase-in begins July 1, 2025, with the first phase requiring those born on or after July 1, 2004 to complete the program.

Goals of the program include:

- Help to calibrate all Minnesota boater's knowledge with current information and research.
- Increase the likelihood of safe, responsible, and respectful operation.

Minnesota joins more than 40 other states that require a Boater Education and Certification Program



Passed by MN Legislature in 2023

Phase-in starting July 1, 2025



DNR creating and implementing the program

Core safety education in waterway rules, towing Boating manners

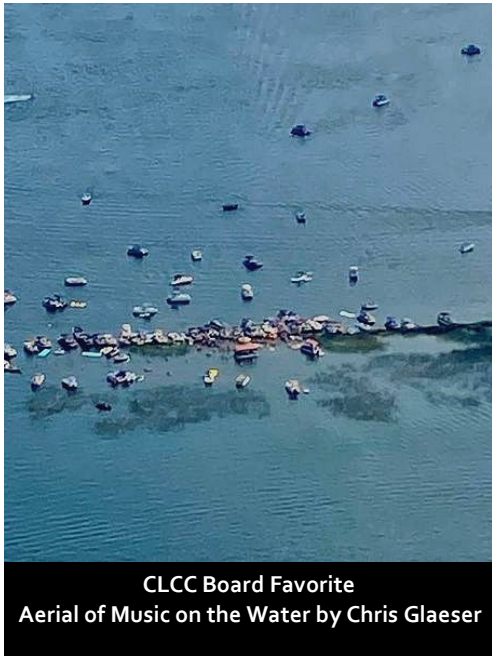
Lake ecology education (AIS, impact of excessive wakes and prop thrust)

Administered electronically or on paper



Boats with a 25hp or less do not require Boater Education and Certification to operate

Facebook Summer Photo Contest Winners



Linda Burke's heart-felt tribute to her father Bill received 77 likes/loves. Chris Glaeser's aerial photo of Music on the Lake was the board's favorite. Both won a \$100 prize. Congrats!

Thanks to everyone who posted photos showing why We Love Cedar Lake.

If you haven't joined the CLCC Facebook group, we would love to have you!



facebook.com/groups/cedarlakemn



Corrina Township Curbside Recycling Reminders

Please remember, no plastic bags in the cart!

Corinna Township provides a very convenient curbside recycling service every other Monday. All Cedar Lake properties are in Corinna Township and are encouraged to take advantage of this great service, which is paid for through your township taxes.

Please note Be sure your recyclables are not in a plastic bag when you toss them into the bin. Any plastic bags in the bin must be treated as trash by our recycling company. Return plastic bags to retailers for recycling.

Need a Corinna Township recycling bin? Just call Republic Services, 763-972-8049.

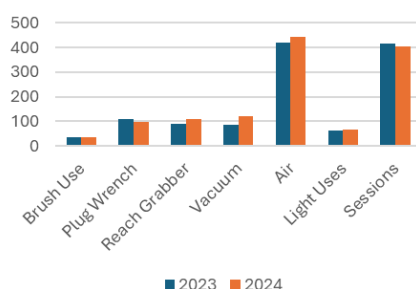
Household hazardous wastes (e.g., paint, adhesives, fluorescent light bulbs, lithium batteries) are accepted with an appointment at Wright County Compost and Recycling (505 County Road 37NE, Buffalo).

Call 763-682-7338 for an appointment or schedule online <https://www.co.wright.mn.us/162/Compost-Recycling-Facility>.



Watercraft Cleaning Stations (CD3) on Cedar Use continues strong trend by Dave Glass, Water Quality Committee Chair

CD3 Uses County Rd 6



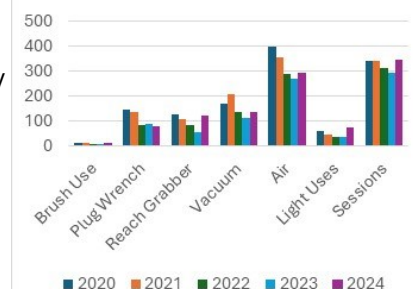
CLCC has made a substantial commitment over the years to give boaters the tools they need to reduce the spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS). We have two watercraft cleanings stations on Cedar—called CD3s.

CD3 historical data from inception shows the unit at the City Road 6 is the most popular site. Both sites show the air hose feature is most used.

Our CD3 stations have been used almost 2,500 unique sessions. This has been a great investment for CLCC to keep boats clean and operators aware of the necessity to clean, drain and dry.

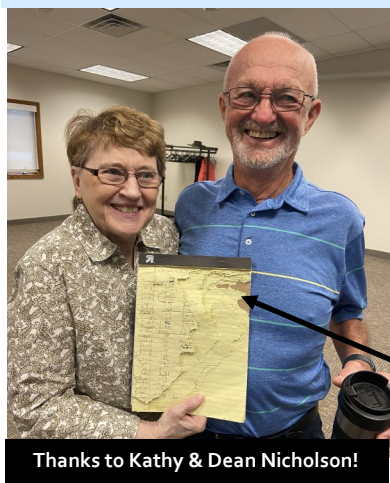
These stations coupled with our monitors at both landings have no doubt kept our lake as free as possible from new AIS.

CD3 Uses Schroeder Park



Fish and Wildlife Committee *by Paul Schutte*

CLCC 2024 Fishing Contest | Winner winner fish fry dinner!



Thanks to Kathy & Dean Nicholson!

At the CLCC Annual Meeting on September 14th, the Fishing Contest winners were announced.

A special thanks to Kathy and Dean Nicholson for their faithful tracking of the entries. They have provided over a decade of smiles and encouragement for Cedar Lake anglers when their entries are brought for weigh-in.

Check out their tracking log and the mouse mischief this year!

Sunfish	1 st Mitch Hoistad	0.63 pounds
	2 nd Annalee Eckenrode	0.42
Northern	1 st Zack Nicholson	2.22
Bass	1 st Noah Hedlund	2.69
	2 nd Noah Hedlund	3.29
Perch	1 st Aaron Lee	0.16
	2 nd Andrew Lee	0.15
Crappie	1 st Dylan Frage	1.52
	2 nd Zach Nicholson	1.42

Loons on Cedar 5 chicks for the season

The love of having loons on Cedar Lake is never ending, and the Fish and Wildlife Committee works very hard so we can continue to enjoy them for years to come. We maintain 4 nesting platforms on the lake.

Here is the recap of 2024.

- Sand Bar: Hatched 2 chicks
- South end: Hatched 1 chick
- East side: Around May 12th the platform was struck by a boater and the platform was abandoned.
- North side: Hatched 1 chick and a few days later was believed to be taken by a predator.

We thought we would end up with 3 chicks surviving for the year. Then a pair of loons appeared with 2 chicks on the mid-east side later in the summer! They had apparently found a natural area to nest. It is known that loons will re-nest if their first nesting is destroyed.

So it ended up being a very successful year after all, with 5 new loons to share their magical call for everyone to enjoy.

The loons left the lake in October to warmer climates; most loons from this area migrate to Florida.



CLCC walleye stocking this year



Walleyes being released into Cedar.



A close up of the frisky walleye fingerlings.

On October 24th, CLCC stocked 436 pounds of walleye fingerlings in Cedar Lake. That's about 9,500 fingerlings and the cost was \$9,600. **This stocking was funded entirely through your generous donations to the CLCC Walleye Fund.**

The next walleye stocking will be by the DNR in 2025. CLCC plans for a stocking in 2026.

This fall marks the kick-off for the 2026 Walleye Visionary fund. Here's how to contribute:

- Using the form on page 16 or:
- Contribute online at www.cedarlakecc.org and scroll down to Visionary.

We thank you for your donations to the Walleye Visionary Fund!

Paul's Corner

As I look out the window and see the sun rise over the lake, we are enjoying the change of seasons and appreciating everything we have here.

Since 2004 I have witnessed many changes to the lake and landscape. Many for the good, as we are blessed to have a lake association that is so involved in caring, overseeing, and protecting the treasure we have.

So take a moment if you are at the lake and breath in some fresh air, look across the lake, and be thankful. For all good things we give thanks.

DNR Fish Survey

This summer the DNR completed a fish survey on Cedar Lake.

Area Fisheries Manager Joe Stewig shared that in their preliminary analysis, there wasn't anything of a significant change since the last survey in 2019.

The draft report is expected by the end of the year.

Cedar is scheduled for a DNR fish survey every 5 years. It will take several survey cycles to understand the impact of zebra mussels on the fish population.

What's the Buzz for December?*

- **1st week** | Don't count on the ice being safe! But bird watching and feeding is certainly safe—and fun! Consider filling up your feeders and providing our feathered friends with a heated bird bath; it will bring many winter visitors, including chickadees, nut-hatches, house finches, and wood peckers.
- **2nd week** | This week we often hear the lake ice cracking, groaning, booming and even thundering as it expands and contracts in response to the changing temperatures. Millions of animals are in a deep hibernation; woodchucks, turtles, snakes, lizards, frogs, spiders, ticks, and insects to name a few.
- **3rd week** | Astronomical winter begins this year on December 21. This is the shortest day of the year for daylight, and now the days start to get longer.
- **4th week** | Will we have heavy snow this year? Only Mother Nature knows for sure! A balsam fir, even with a trim spiral shape, can hold more than six-thousand pounds of snow. Chipmunks stay awake, but we don't see them; they eat from their supply of food in their underground burrows.

* Source: Minnesota Nature Notes, Jim Gilbert

CLCC WATER QUALITY COMMITTEE

by Dave Glass

Banner Year | No need to treat aquatic invasive species (AIS) Outstanding 2024 average water clarity of 19 feet

The latest CLCC Member Survey shows mission critical status afforded to controlling AIS and improving/maintaining lake quality. We agree. CLCC has a robust program and partnerships with outside vendors and governmental agencies to monitor, detect and manage AIS and water quality.

Our recent all-lake delineation survey for AIS showed no areas of eurasian water milfoil needing treatment, no starry stonewort and just a handful of curly leaf pondweed. We will continue with delineation surveys and keep a watchful eye. We expect limited, if any, need to treat AIS in 2025.

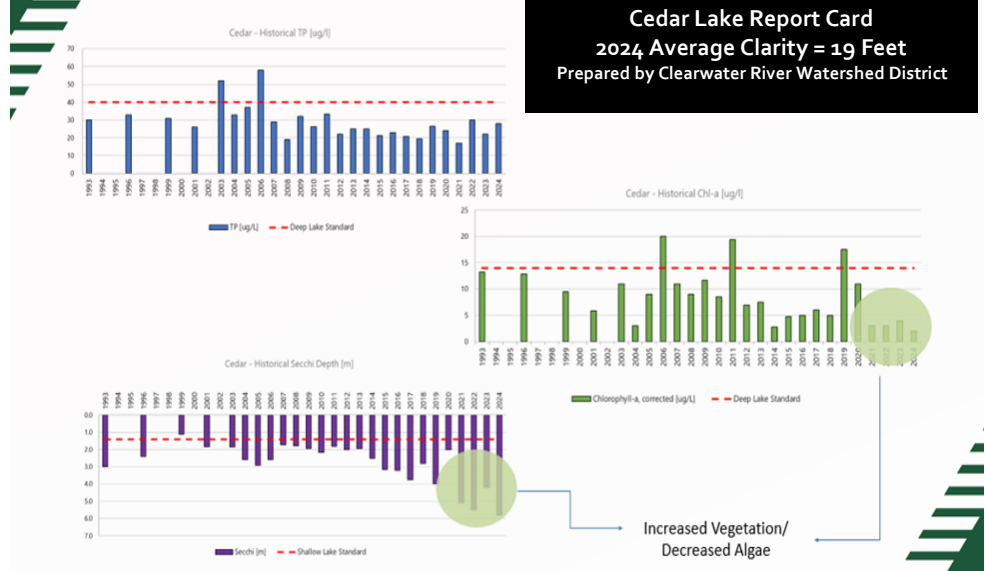
The spiny water flea sur-

vey did not occur this year due to staffing and weather conditions; it is still on tap for next year. As a reminder, no spiny water flea have been discovered on Cedar.

This year's lake report cards are ready (to the right). The report shows us still on the good side of three critical lake measurements:

- phosphorous,
- chlorophyll (algae amount),
- and water clarity at an exceptional 19 feet this year.

Cedar- Historical



Zebra Mussel Safari Year 2 and results from resident survey

Zebra Mussel Safari | Year 2

Cedar, along with several other Minnesota Lakes, is participating in a University of Minnesota multi-year study to better understand the cyclical nature of zebra mussel infestations.

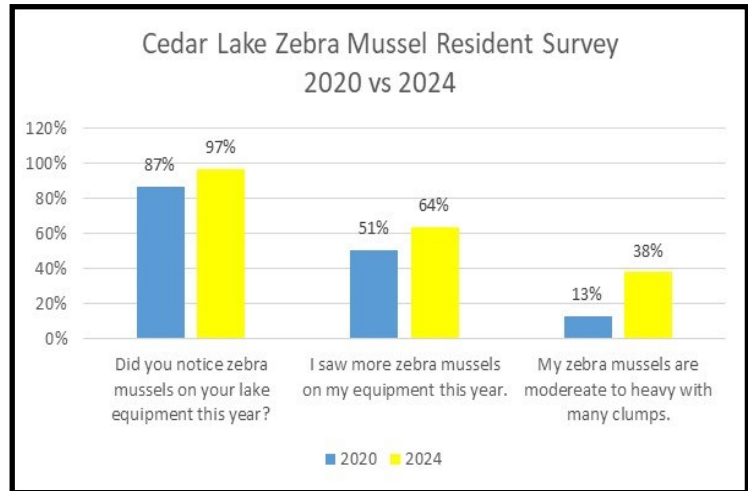
Six residents on Cedar hosted zebra mussel collection plates over the summer, and the research scientist from the U of Minnesota is analyzing the plates that were collected in September. We are looking at results to come in December. **Hats off to Holly Linn** for the project management and coordination on Cedar!

2024 Resident Zebra Mussel Survey

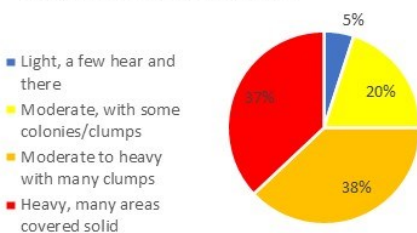
Since the fall of 2020, we have surveyed the lake residents regarding the presentation of zebra mussels on their lake equipment. Each year we get a good response and our thanks!

The bumper sticker for this year is:

- Over 97% saw zebra mussels on their equipment. In 2020, 87% detected zebra mussels.
- About 64% saw more zebra mussels compared to last year. In 2020, 51% indicated more than the year before
- About 38% described the zebra mussels as "moderate to heavy". In 2020, 13% described in that way.



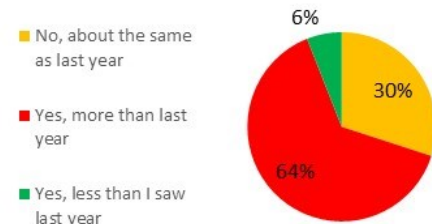
How would you describe the zebra mussels on your equipment this fall?



A closer look at the 2024 Zebra Mussel Survey sent to residents.

Thanks for completing the survey!

Was this year's zebra mussle presentation different than last year's?



What can I do to help improve water quality?

By Dave Glass, Water Quality Committee Chair

Just like a home, work needs to be done on the lake to not only maintain your investment, but also improvements to keep or increase value. CLCC will continue to monitor watercraft at landings, work on removing carp and improving water quality upstream, search for aquatic invasive species and stay close to respected lake stewardship thought leaders.

Current and voluntary best management practices will not be sufficient to maintain healthy lakes and shield impaired ones from additional pollution and effects from climate change. Even if all existing laws were followed to the letter, lakes would still be subject to unacceptable levels of nutrients and other contaminants. Targeted action will be required to cut off unregulated sources of pollution. We appreciate the donations to

the Water Quality Visionary Fund to help keep our lake clean and enjoyable. Besides the donations, other ways to help begins at home on your property. Start thinking about ways you can impact a positive difference to water quality.

On page 10 of the newsletter, there is an article on the Lake Steward program. I encourage you to read it and check out the referenced websites. The links are provided and it will not take much time.

We are not trying to take away beaches, or be yard police, far from it. We want to encourage you to be an owner who is aware of what you do and how it affects the lake. For instance, if you pump from the lake to water your

lawn, you may not need to fertilize at all due to the nutrients in the lake. Job eliminated.

If you see someone who has planted a natural shoreline during a boat cruise and have questions, stop and chat. People love to talk about their shoreline, I know I do. I can see the lake, I have no geese, I have beautiful flowers, butterflies, hummingbirds and other birds all year. Stay tuned for more information in the coming newsletters. In the meantime, if you have any questions please reach out.



Cedar Lake Natural Shoreline
David and Patty Glass

Top ways to help your lake from your yard

- Plant native and diverse vegetation with deep roots near your shoreline.
- Create a raingarden, install gutters, and direct the flow to a raingarden for filtering.
- Pick up pet waste and litter.
- Reduce salt use.
- Start home composting.
- Install a rain barrel.
- Plant home food gardens.
- Do not blow lawn clippings or leaves into the lake.
- Maintain your septic system.
- Avoid attempting to treat aquatic weeds on your own.
- Avoid the use of fertilizers and pesticides.
- Change from Kentucky Blue Grass to a fescue or other type of low maintenance lawn.
- If you have rip rap, plant native vegetation in it.
- Plant trees and shrubs in your upland lot.

Clearwater River Watershed District (CRWD) Update

By Dawn Cole | Cedar Lake Resident, Clearwater River Watershed District Board of Managers

Cedar enhanced carp control to continue improving water quality



The Clearwater River Watershed District (CRWD) is wrapping up a two year project that will benefit Cedar and the three lakes upstream that flow into Cedar (Swartout, Albion and Henshaw).

Last year, the populations of carp in each lake of the Cedar chain were determined with electrofishing, then radio trackers were installed on some fish. This spring the radio trackers were used to better understand where the carp are spawning and how they moved through the season. It also provided data about the effectiveness of our existing carp barriers.

What have we learned?

- Cedar had very sparse carp populations, likely because of our five current carp barriers (see the picture to the left—the yellow stars are carp barriers) and other water quality measures. Albion and Henshaw also have low carp populations, probably due to 2023 winter kill.
- Swartout's carp population is relatively high (estimated at nearly 3,900 carp). Its carp are relatively young (2-5 years) and averaged 26 inches in length. The number of carp in Swartout is reducing vegetative cover and diversity—both important for water quality.

What's Next?

- Analyze data from the radio trackers to understand how the carp are moving and spawning.
- Determine the most cost-effective approach to reduce the carp population in Swartout.
- Continue to survey carp biomass and abundance every 2-3 years.

If Cedar has few carp, why do we care about Swartout's problems with carp?

Swartout's water quality is important to residents because carp's rooting behavior releases phosphorus from the lake bottom into the water. Phosphorus causes algae growth. Swartout is upstream of Cedar. When heavy rains overwhelm Cedar's filtering systems, phosphorus-loaded water washes into Cedar from upstream lakes.

This enhanced carp control initiative is part of the original Cedar, Albion, Swartout, Henshaw (CASH) project begun by CRWD in 2007. Funding for this project comes from the CASH project's ongoing maintenance fund.

Aquatic invasive species project assessment increase for 2025



Cedar Lake also has an Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) project with CRWD. This project pays for AIS treatment and control, and in recent years, is the primary source of funds for the access monitoring on Cedar.

The amount collected for this project has changed over the years. At the start of project maintenance, the annual amount collected from 2015 to 2019 was \$30,000. In 2020, Cedar Lake requested a decrease to \$22,000 due to limited AIS treatment needs and DNR and Wright County AIS grants.

The fund can be used for access monitoring costs, and the CLCC has committed, since 2018, to fund about 1,600 extra hours of access monitoring. This extra provides coverage for most weekends on Cedar.

Since 2021, access monitoring costs have risen by 20%. The cost of 1,600 hours of monitoring in 2024 is \$29,000.

After careful consideration, and with the urgent threat of the aquatic invasive species starry stonewort in nearby lakes, the CLCC BOD wishes to keep the access monitoring at the current level. To continue funding this current level, the Board requested the CRWD Board of Managers to increase the annual assessment for 2025. The amount of the increase for most Cedar Lake properties is expected to be about \$50/year. This summer, the increase was approved by the CRWD managers for 2025.

The Clearwater River Watershed District (CRWD) is a local government unit serving portions of Wright, Meeker, and Stearns counties in central Minnesota. The District promotes and protects water resources in order to maintain property values and quality of life. Cedar Lake is part of the District and directly benefits from two CRWD projects.

Dawn Cole is a resident of Cedar Lake and services on the CRWD Board of Managers and as Secretary.

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Lake Steward Program could be a good fit for Cedar

By Dave Glass, Water Quality Committee Chair



You may or may not have heard of The Lake Steward Program*. This started with the Gull Chain of Lakes (promoted by MN Lakes and Rivers) to among other things, help lake associations improve water quality.

The CLCC continues with a deep stewardship and dedication to water quality. According to a recent set of articles on Minnesota Public Radio, Kirsti Marohn spotlighted this issue in

her series *Trouble by the Water: Minnesota's Vanishing Lakeshores*. Here are a few highlights:

- Nearly half the state's natural shorelines are gone.
- Natural shorelines continue to vanish by 1 to 2 percent a year.
- Water running off mowed lawns and hard surfaces continues to pollute lakes.
- A single pound of phosphorus in a lake can produce 500 pounds of algae.
- Many of Minnesota's lakes are in trouble.

The Lake Steward Program, strictly a volunteer effort, has succeeded where other efforts have failed, by using a quiz to get lakeshore owners interested, and then making contact which is personal and centered on the individual lakeshore owner, their family, and their relationship to their land and the water.

The MN DNR has scored 836 lakes. Out of a possible score of 100, Cedar Lake scored 62. Our shoreline quality rating is "Low quality

habitat". **We can be better.**

The process starts by sending 10 questions to "score your shore" to the resident. If the property qualifies, a sign is awarded designating the owner as a Lake Steward. If the property does not qualify for a sign, volunteers can talk with owners to develop plans to qualify, if they so choose. On Gull Lake, 614 owners were contacted to take the quiz, hundreds have done so. In only three seasons, 63 Lake Stewards have been awarded, and there are currently more than 90 owners working to become Lake Stewards.

How can we make this happen on Cedar?

Step 1: We would like to assemble a team (1-3 people) that can help respond to surveys, visit properties and share education and grant resources with the shoreline owner.

Step 2: Distribute the Lake Steward quiz to our members.

Step 3: Contact quiz responders and ask to visit the property.

Step 4: Conduct site visits.

Step 5: Order signs.

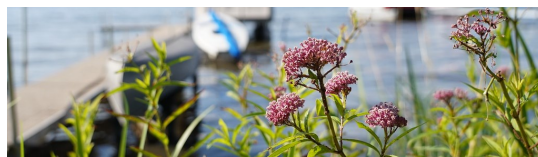
If you are interested in becoming a part of this team, please contact me at glassdavid@gmail.com or by phone at 651-343-9674.

For more information, check out:

<https://mnlakesandrivers.org/mlr-lake-steward-program/>

<https://www.mprnews.org/environment/trouble-by-the-water>

* Data was sourced from the website of MN Lakes and Rivers and MPR.



Cedar Lake Water Levels | Another year of wide variations

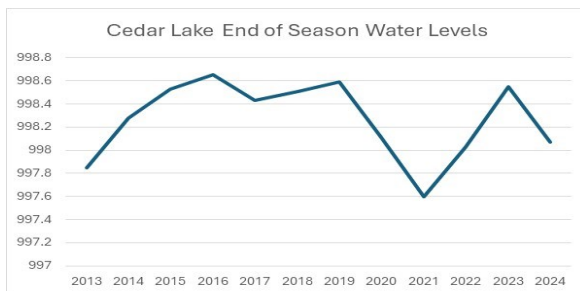
The CLCC Water Quality Committee monitors the lake level and provides yearly data to the DNR. Numerous readings are taken throughout the summer. **Hats off to Water Quality Committee member Karl Leslie for many years of collecting readings.**

We had another year of extreme water levels. In June of 2024, after an unusually wet spring, the had a very high level (999.19 feet) and our mandatory 300 ft-no wake was put into effect Here are a few more tidbits:

- The lowest known level of 997.21 feet on Cedar was in 1946.*
- This year's end of season lake level was more consistent with recent history, rather than the unusually low levels of 2021 and 2022.
- An annual fluctuation of the lake level is usually about 1 foot.

More information about Cedar's lake levels can be found at MN DNR Lake Finder <https://tinyurl.com/bdvrc8x> (Cedar, Wright County, click on "Lake Level" on left).

*Source: MN DNR



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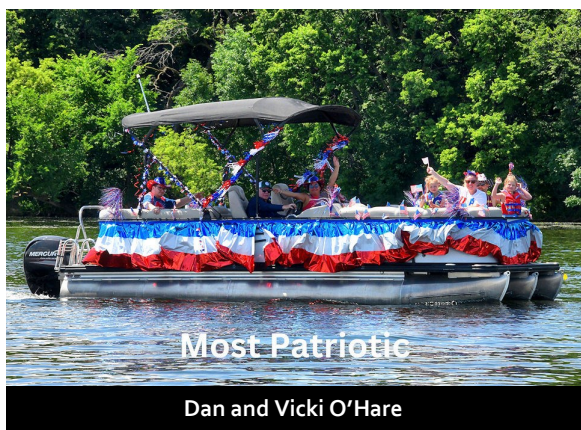
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2025 CLCC EVENTS Mark your calendar!

April 5th	Board of Directors Meeting	All welcome! 9am Corinna Town Hall 9801 Ireland Ave NW
June 14th	Board of Directors Meeting	All welcome! 9am Corinna Town Hall 9801 Ireland Ave NW
July 4th	CLCC July 4th Boat Parade	Decorate your watercraft or shoreline to celebrate America's birthday. Bunch up a bit before 2pm on the north side of the sandbar and follow the lead boat.
July 19th	CLCC Picnic and Music on the Water	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">New Venue for Picnic this year The Boathouse at Tween Lakes 8980 MN-24 (north side of Cedar)</div> You don't want to miss it! Stay tuned for more details!
September 13th	2025 Member Annual Meeting Board of Directors Meeting	All welcome! 9am Corinna Town Hall 9801 Ireland Ave NW
November 15th	Board of Directors Meeting	All welcome! 9am Corinna Town Hall 9801 Ireland Ave NW

July 4th Boat Parade Winners

Meet your new Board Directors



Bruce Emerson | Term ends 2028

My Grandpa and Dad bought the cabin land on Cedar Lake in the late 1940s. Together, they built a 720 sq ft cabin. Although it was small, it was full of family fun and good friends every summer! I have many fond memories of this place over the years!

I married Julie 38 years ago and we have 2 children—Emily and Andrew. We have 3 granddaughters Rylie, Penny and Marie!

Julie and I bought the old cabin in 2019. We rebuilt and look forward to making many more memories on Cedar Lake; our favorite being the week of July 4th! Everyone in the family (21 people and 6 dogs this past 4th of July) comes for the festivities on Cedar Lake.



Kathy Fisher | Term ends 2028

I've been coming to Cedar Lake since 1986 when my parents purchased a lake home. Many weekends and summer vacations have been spent on the lake.

I work full-time at Aspire Design Showroom Gallery/DSG as a plumbing showroom manager. I'm a past board member for the National Association of the Remodeling Industry and the Plumbing Heating Cooling Contractors. My husband Scott and I have 2 sons. My hobbies include biking, golf, hiking, reading and yoga. I look forward to continuing service to the CLCC Board.

2025 Aquatic Invasive Species Treatment Notice

Cedar Lake Property Owners:

The Cedar Lake Conservation Club (CLCC) plans to treat curly leaf pondweed and eurasian water milfoil, both aquatic invasive species/nuisance species, in Cedar Lake in 2025 if warranted. Additionally, if starry stonewort, an aquatic invasive species, is discovered, treatment will be conducted.

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources is planning to provide to the CLCC a waiver of the requirements that the Association obtain signatures of approval by owners of lakeshore property. Instead, the CLCC will notify property owners of the treatment through the:

- CLCC newsletter which is mailed to all residents of Cedar Lake.
- CLCC website www.cedarlakecc.org.
- Annandale Advocate and Maple Lake Messenger (local weekly newspapers).

Regarding the 2025 treatment:

- The proposed timeline for treatment is May – October.
- The target species for the treatment is curly leaf pondweed (CLP), eurasian water milfoil (EWM), and starry stonewort (SSW) if discovered.
- The products being used are aquatic herbicides and/or harvesting methods appropriate to control CLP and EWM, and SSW if discovered. Chemicals that are anticipated to be used are: CLP-diquat, EWM-ProcellaCOR, SSW (if discovered)-copper sulfate.

• **If the landowner does NOT want treatment to occur adjacent to the landowner's property:**

By April 15, 2025, fill out the form below and notify David Glass at the following address, phone number or email address:

Cedar Lake Conservation Club
7289 Ingram Ave NW
Maple Lake, MN 55358
E-mail: glassdavid@gmail.com
Phone: 651-343-9674

Sincerely,
Cedar Lake Conservation Club Board of Directors

I request that no herbicide treatment occur adjacent to our shoreline property in 2025.

Signed _____ Date: _____

All requested information must be entered for verification purposes.

Year: 2025	Property Identification Number(s):
Property Owners Name(s):	
Lake Property Address:	
City/State/Zip	
Phone Number(s) Preferred:	Alternate:
Mailing Address (if different from the Cedar Lake Property Address):	

Where on Cedar? from page 3

- Left hand picture is from the mid-southwest side taken by Linda Burke.
- Right hand picture is from the mid-west side (just south of the sandbar) by Elizabeth Hace.
- Lower middle picture is looking west from the south side by David Glass; the comet is the Tsuchi Shan-Atlas and the planet is Venus.

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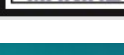
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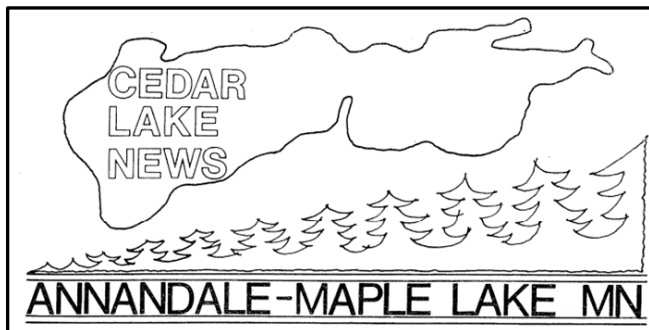
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A Step Back In Time | Fall 1977

Tidbits from CLCC Newsletters



- The October meeting of the Board of Directors discussed:
 - Dredging and cleaning of the south end of the lake;
 - Financial matters;
 - Watershed assessment on property tax statements

WEEP NOT FOR THE LEAF OF AUTUM AS IT BROWN AND WRINKLED LIES,
IT HAS SEEN THE RAIN IN APRIL AND THE PLEASANT SUMMER SKIES.

- Fishing Contest winners were announced. Ronald Dircks won with a 12 pound, 8 ounce northern and Rick Suddendorf won with a 1 pound 8 ounce bullhead.
- A pig roast was held in Turtle Bay (west side, also called Sunrise Bay). Nearly 140 people attend and “the pork was delicious”.
- A new directory is just about ready. It was a very time consuming task for Charlotte Ehrke and Carolyn Custer.



“A Step Back in Time” is a regular feature to enjoy the charming history of the CLCC newsletters. Would you like to read more Cedar Lake History?

Check out a nifty historical summary—1930 to 2001— of Cedar Lake and find the historical CLCC newsletters at www.cedarlakecc.org.

Cedar Lake Favorite Recipes

Kathy Fischer—CLCC Director

This is a fall favorite at our home and very easy to do!
Paleo/Low carb with an Instant Pot and slow cooker option.

Chicken Tortilla-Less Soup

Ingredients

- 2 large boneless skinless chicken breasts, salted
- 2 10-ounce cans diced tomatoes with green chiles
- 1 14.5-ounce can low-sodium chicken broth
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 2 teaspoons garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1-3 teaspoons chipotle pepper powder
- 1 teaspoon cumin
- 2 teaspoons chili powder
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1 teaspoon smoked paprika
- 2 medium zucchini
- 1 14-ounce can unsweetened, full-fat coconut milk



Directions

- Sprinkle salt on both sides of the chicken breasts and place in Instant Pot insert.
- Add all the rest of the ingredients, except the coconut milk, to the Instant Pot and gently stir.
- Secure lid on Instant Pot with valve in Sealing position. Set to Manual High Pressure for 18 minutes. Instant Pot will pressurize, then cook time will begin.
- When cook time ends, Natural Release of pressure for 10 minutes. After 10 minutes, immediately and carefully Quick Release remaining pressure and remove lid.
- Transfer chicken breasts to cutting board and set aside.
- Set Instant Pot to Sauté mode. Add coconut milk and stir.
- Dice chicken breasts to bite sized pieces, or shred. Return chicken to Instant Pot and stir.

Serve with fresh avocado slices, thinly sliced red onion, chopped fresh cilantro, and lime slices.

To Make in Slow Cooker

- Add all ingredients except coconut milk to slow cooker and stir.
- Set slow cooker to LOW heat for 6-8 hours or HIGH heat for 4 hours.
- After 6 hours on LOW or 3 hours on HIGH, check chicken doneness with internal meat thermometer. When chicken reaches 160 Fahrenheit, remove chicken and set aside. Dice or shred chicken.
- When ready to serve, add coconut milk and shredded chicken.
- Serve hot with garnishes listed above.

Stay in Touch with CLCC in Your Favorite Way

Newsletter | Kathy Jonsrud and Nicki Schumacher

The CLCC newsletter is published three times a year (April, June & November) and mailed to all Cedar Lake property owners. A copy is also posted on our website.

Facebook | Dick Ebert

Take a quick moment and join our Facebook group!

facebook.com/groups/cedarlakemn



Website and E-mail | Scott Galbari

There is a treasure of information on our website www.cedarlakecc.org—check it out! We can support two emails per family. Have a change to your email? See page 10 for contact information.

CLCC Treasurer's Report

Liz Baird—CLCC Treasurer

Funds as of 11/1/24	Amount
General CLCC	\$53,394.05
Water Quality	\$94,520.69
Walleye Stocking	0.00
Memorial	\$895.00
TOTAL	\$148,809.74

The Board of Directors approves expenditures from all funds.

Examples are:

General: Member communications, events, insurance

Water Quality: Contributions to large water quality projects, aquatic invasive species control, watercraft cleaning station, “Rapid Response” funds for new aquatic invasive species infestations

Walleye: Every other year walleye stocking

Memorial: Special projects as determined by CLCC Board of Directors

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