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Cedar Lake Conservation Club

Maple Lake – Annandale, MN

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President's Letter by David Glass glassdavida@gmail.com | 651-343-9674

Spring greetings to all. Much has changed since our last newsletter. The world does not seem as secure as it has for a long while. To paraphrase Abraham Lincoln: "For all of us, especially our leaders, let us be guided by the . better angels of our nature".

On a more optimistic note, we appear to be emerging from a pandemic that has affected all our lives. We should once again be able to share in graduations, weddings, birthdays, anniversaries and other events we have lost out on. We are once again rejoicing in the arrival of spring and the regeneration of life in this part of the country.

The arrival of spring also means it is time to pay your CLCC annual dues. See page 16 for online or check payment options. Please do it today; we do not send out a special dues mailing and rely on the newsletter notification.

By the time you read this, the ice has hopefully left the lake and made way for the opening of fishing season and putting lifts, docks and boats back in the water where they belong. We look forward to many days of enjoyment on our beautiful clean lake.

CLCC is actively planning numerous activities. There will be more in-depth discussions of some items in this newsletter. Our thanks go to the contributors and editor - if you appreciate their volunteer efforts, send them a thank you text or e-mail letting them know!

In the coming weeks and months, the CLCC will be discussing a number of issues that affect the lake, its residents, and its ecology. These topics include:

- A research project from the U of M on the impact of boating wakes;
- Corinna Township's Vacation Rental ordi-
- The continued aquatic invasive species ramp inspections on County Road 6 and Schroeder Park, to the tune of \$27,500
- The MN legislature's proposal to increase boater safety and require watercraft operator permits;
- Working with numerous government agencies to locate our second CD3 sta-

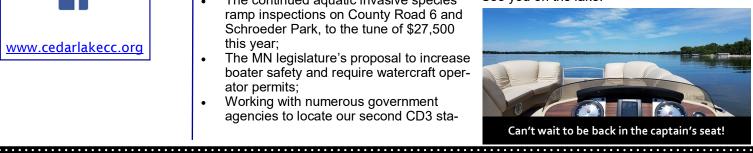
- tion (watercraft cleaning station), this one at the County Road 6 landing;
- Continued monitoring of invasive species and treatments for their control:
- And of course, the Annual Picnic and Music on the Water (July 16), as well as the Fourth of July Boat Parade!

More great news that highlights how associations like ours make a real difference: in our Clearwater River Watershed District, Lake Augusta and Union Lake have been removed from the impaired waters list. There will still be small areas to work on and careful vigilance needed, but kudos to all involved. This status change results from a partnership with associations, landowners and many government agencies. We are all stewards of the land, and your efforts to protect and preserve our beautiful lake are greatly appreciated.

CLCC is committed to serving our lake and its inhabitants. From initiatives such as our rapid response team for lake emergencies (i.e. the detection of a new invasive species, bluegreen algae) to long term planning, encouraging loon reproduction, and constantly improving water quality, we hope to ensure the lake's future for years to come.

I have been coming to Cedar Lake for nearly 60 years. The wildlife back then was turtles, bullheads, some martins and song birds. We now see eagles, swans, pelicans, deer, turkey, geese, ducks, more butterflies and hummingbirds. Sandhill cranes, yes, cormorants, but not so many rough fish. Our organization has helped this flourish in ways both direct and indirect. As a group, we should not only celebrate the coming of spring, but our own efforts and those of the many who served before us to maintain this beautiful resource that we all share.

See you on the lake.



Time to Pay 2022 Dues! Only \$50/year

Pay online www.cedarlakecc.org or use the form on page 16.



Well, it's that time of year again. The birds are returning, the ice is melting which must mean that planning for the annual picnic has begun.

...LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION...

Once again, we are fortunate to be able to use the dining hall at

True Friends/Camp Courage. It is such a treat to see the lake from this vantage point.

Please meet at the Lakeside Dining Hall (enter the camp and stay to the left and head to the lake.) Address is 8046 83rd St NW, Maple Lake, MN

...THE FOOD...

Cottage Gourmet will again be providing delicious picnic food, including vegetarian choices for us AND ice cream from Sweet Escape will be served.

...THE PEOPLE...

What a great time to reunite with neighbors and meet new friends. Board members will have information to share about Cedar lake and surrounding lakes. We can all learn how to take better care of our precious resource.

...THE RAFFLE...

The raffle items keep getting better and better. We have true artisans on the lake and lucky for us, they donate their art for the raffle along with others who donate gift cards and other fun items to the cause. Our local businesses also provide great gifts for us to bid on. Come out and support your lake association and hopefully take home some treasures. If anyone wants to contribute an item for the raffle, please contact Lori Larson at 703-599-4128. Tickets are \$20 for 25 tickets.

...THE DETAILS...

11:30am – 1:00pm July 16, 2022 Cost of the lunch is free to all members and children under 12. Guests are \$8.

...BUT WAIT, WE'RE NOT DONE YET ...

...THE MUSIC...

Back by popular demand is **STIM PACK** who will be providing live music on the sand bar. They will be playing from a barge from 2 – 6 pm. Float over and anchor your pontoon, jet ski, paddleboard or swim over and enjoy the music with friends.



Fish and Wildlife Committee

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

CLCC Fishing Contest

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 from May 14th thru September 5th, 2022.
- 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 any species of fish in our lake.
- All ages encouraged to join the fun!
- Cash prizes awarded at the Annual Member Meeting, September 17th, 2022 | 9am | Corinna Township.

Bluebirds Winter on Cedar



Bluebirds usually migrate for the winter, but this year some hearty bluebirds stayed on Cedar.

Above is a picture from late January of bluebirds at the all-you-can-eat buffet at Paul and LuAnn Schutte's home. They also have hackberry trees which is a food source, and the heated bird water is a favorite of all our feathered friends.

U of M Raptor Center | Take Down Bird Feeders to Reduce Spread of Avian Flu

On April 15th, the Raptor Center at the University of Minnesota asked people to take down bird feeders and stop using bird baths this spring to mitigate the spread of bird flu.

"Because the science is unclear on the role of songbirds in this current H5N1 outbreak, one consideration is to not encourage birds to gather together at places such as bird feeders or bird baths," shared Dr. Victoria Hall from the Raptor Center.

Hall said to pause the use of bird feeders and baths "for the next couple of months," or until the rate of transmission in wild birds decreases.

"Not only will this action help to protect those beautiful feathered creatures that visit your yard, but will also help all wild bird species that are already having it hard this spring,"

Loons on Cedar

Last year, Cedar had 4 nesting pairs of loons and all were successful with their chicks.

Loon Platforms on Cedar
Please keep your distance—at least
200 feet— and watch for the tiny
chicks that will soon be here!

As soon as the ice goes out, the Fish and Wildlife Committee will get the loon platforms in place. The loons have really imprinted on the platforms and will watch us as we install the platforms and then quickly claiming their home.

Loons can be very territorial so the distance between nesting sites is important. The Cedar Lake sites are always posted with advisory buoys as we obtain an annual permit through the Wright County Sheriff's Department.

Please give the loons plenty of space—at least 200 feet and watch your wake around the young chicks. With everyone working together, we will continue to hear the call of the loon on beautiful Cedar Lake.

Fishing Hard Water Walleye on Cedar

This winter I decided to put a little more time into my walleye fishing on Cedar Lake. I moved my shelter and placed it in walleye hangouts that I was familiar with. I have fished on Cedar Lake since the early 70's so I know catching walleyes on Cedar has never been easy. And this winter season proved no different.

I have always contributed the shy walleye bite to the amount of food source—many different species of bait fish—available to them. This winter was no different; if I caught one or two walleyes a day it was a good catch.

The water clarity this year was amazing, as I could see my bait down to 20 feet! Most of the areas that I fished had large quantities of yellow perch so there was competition in my pursuit!

But what truly amazed me was the diverse age class of the walleyes that I caught. They were from 8" and up to 21" in length. I don't think I have ever seen this on Cedar, but what this tells me is that our ongoing stocking has been very successful.

Walleye stocking on Cedar is a cooperative effort between the DNR and CLCC. The CLCC stocking takes place every other year of the DNR stocking. I truly believe this has helped bring our walleye fisheries to where it is todays. We thank you for making Cedar a quality fisheries lake that it is today. It is a blessing that just out our back yard we have a great fishery that we can enjoy.

CLCC Walleye Stocking This Year Half Way to Goal

This year the CLCC will be stocking walleye fingerlings in Cedar Lake. The stocking will take place in late fall. Currently we have about \$3,600 in the stocking fund. Our goal is \$8,000.

You can easily contribute to the Walleye Visionary Fund:

- Using the form on page 16, you can pay your dues AND contribute to the Walleye Visionary Fund or:
- Contribute online at <u>www.cedarlakecc.org</u> and scroll down to Visionary.

We thank you for your donations!

Water Connects Us All—Important State Issues

Proposed MN Watercraft Operator's Permit

MN DNR Boater's Survey

U of M Wake Boat Study

Proposed MN Watercraft Operator's Permit (SF 3392/HF 3787)

Many states require a permit to operate a watercraft, like the permit that Minnesota requires for hunting safety and other recreational vehicles. The Minnesota Legislature and DNR have been evaluating a watercraft operator's permit for several years, and this session there is support for the legislation from a wide variety of stakeholders.

The proposed MN Watercraft Operator's Permit legislation would:

- —require the successful completion of an online course, leveraging the current MN DNR course for youth boaters. Stakeholders would be involved in the development of the course material, expected to include education on:
- -decreasing aquatic invasive species spread;-improving boating safety;
- -lowering user conflicts;
- -protecting shorelines, lake sediments and lake ecology.
- —Allow those visiting in Minnesota for less than 60 days to follow the boating operating requirements from their home state.
- —Use a phased-in implementation, based on birthdate, starting in July of 2024.

The legislation is supported by a wide variety

of organizations, including the Minnesota Coalition for Lakes Associations.

"Through a more formal boater education approach throughout Minnesota, we seek to unite the many stakeholder groups and create a strong civic partnership that will provide for recreational enjoyment, public safety, a strong lake-based economy and the long-term health of our waterways"









Minnesota Lakes and Rivers, Marine Retailers Association, National Marine Retailers Association, and Tonka Bay Marina.

As of mid-April 2022, the legislation has progressed through several committee hearings, and next stop is the House Ways and Means Committee.

MN DNR Boater's Survey from Sue Nash

In 2020 the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) hired the Great Lakes Marketing Research (GLM) to conduct a statewide survey. 2,893 recreational boaters responded. The research objectives were:

- —To measure boating activities on MN waterways,
- —To measure satisfaction levels with MN boating services, and
- —To understand opinions about boating management and boat and water safety topics.

Most recreational boaters engage in boating for rest and relaxation (89%), social times (62%), or fishing/ harvesting (48%). The most common activities among boater owners are boat riding (77%), fishing (76%), and swimming off the boat (47%). Half of the recreational boaters used non-motorized boats in 2020.

The satisfaction survey reveals that recreational boaters are generally satisfied with the Minnesota boating system (87%) and enforcement of current boating regulations / boating safety (70%) including availability of information and area maps. Almost all respondents say some wakeboard boat restrictions are needed (about 94%). Two-to-one prefer restrictions on a lake-by-lake basis rather than on a statewide basis. More than half (54%) of the waterfront owners and 44% of those who don't own waterfront property oppose expanding hours to operate personal watercrafts. Key takeaways from this survey are:

—Most SUPPORT wake boat regulations.

—Most do NOT support expanding the jet ski hours of operation.

Full results of the 2020 Minnesota Recreational Boating Study are available online https://tinyurl.com/2er6fz4v.

For more information, contact the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources at 888-MINNDNR (646-6367) or email info.dnr@state.mn.us.

U of M Wake Boat Study

A new study by researchers at the University of Minnesota College of Science and Engineering found that popular wakesurf boats require a greater distance from the shoreline, as well as from other watercraft, compared to more typical recreational boats; this distance is needed to reduce the impact of their larger waves.

The study shows between 400 to 500 feet from shoreline and other watercraft is needed for wakesurf boats.

The results provide key insights into differences between specialized wakesurfing boats and more typical recreational boats operating on lakes and rivers. It also provides baseline data that can be used for future decision-making.

The second phase of the study will focus on the propel-

ler

"This research isn't about trying to limit enjoyment of lakes for boaters, but it seeks to provide the data needed to ensure our lakes can be enjoyed by all for generations to come."

Jeff Marr, Lead Researcher, U of M St. Anthony Falls Lab

wash interaction with the lake bottom and the impact to aquatic vegetation and shorelines. Here's the research brief and links to more information https://tinyurl.com/3xv5v7j7.

Corinna Township Updates Vacation Rental Ordinance Includes occupancy limits & septic, noise, and parking requirements by Bill Arendt and Linda Dircks

In 2020, after study of vacation rentals by a Corinna Township committee and several public hearings to gather input, the Corinna Town Board adopted a new Section 781 of the Corinna Township Land Use Ordinance entitled "Private/Vacation Home Rental". This regulates the rental of homes by the night or week.

The Township acknowledges the benefits of vacation rentals, however recognizes that short-term rentals can have a negative impact on neighbors.

In early 2022, Corinna Township reviewed the ordinance. One item that generated extensive discussion was to require a minimum length of stay—for example 3 days during the summer season. In the end, the minimum length of stay was not added to the ordinance. Corinna Township is the only area in Wright County that has a vacation rental ordinance.

Highlights of the changes made in 2022 include:

- Maximum occupancy is 3 guests per bedroom, or 12 guests which ever is less. A Conditional Use Permit is required to exceed those occupancy requirements.
- Parking requirements are more fully defined.
- Septic requirements clarified.

This is intended to be only a summary of the ordinance and the 2022 changes. For a complete copy of the ordinance, please visit

<u>tinyurl.com/sn2yvszr</u> sections #781 on pages 178-181, or contact Corinna Township 320-274-8049.

Corinna Vacation Rental Ordinance Highlights

- NEW Maximum occupancy of 3 guests per bedroom or 12 guests, which ever is less, otherwise permit required.
- If the property has a septic holding tank, an interim use permit is required (regardless of occupancy).
- Use of detached or temporary sleeping accommodations (e.g. RVs, tents, campers, etc.) to increase overnight guest capacity is prohibited.
- Standards for noise level, on-site parking, and preservation of road rights-of-way must be followed.
- Requirements for local contact/property manager.
- Contact information, emergency phone numbers, maximum occupancy/parking, and other information to be posted in rental.
- More information www.corinnatownship.com 320-274-8049.

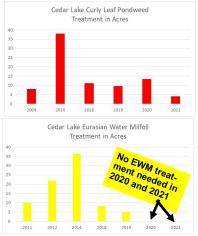
Editor's Notes:

- All of Cedar Lake resides within Corinna Township.
- Bill Arendt and Linda Dircks (both residents on Cedar Lake) serve on the Corinna Township Planning and Zoning Board.

CLCC WATER QUALITY COMMITTEE

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

2022 Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Control on Cedar | Limited Treatment Expected \$6,000 of Grants Awarded for AIS Treatment



The lake may seem to sleep in the winter, but the CLCC Water Quality Committee has been busy making AIS management plans. The graphs to the left show, that over the years, our disciplined and diligent approach to AIS management has really paid off. We have very manageable amounts of curly leaf pondweed (CLP) and eurasian water milfoil (EWM) to treat.

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Though we are lucky to be in a "steady state" with CLP and EWM control, new strategies and methods are evolving which we want to leverage. Below is a summary of our 2022 strategy.

Paying for AIS control | Clearwater River Watershed (CRWD) Projects on Cedar

The Clearwater River Watershed District is a local unit of government focused on promoting and protecting waters. Cedar has two projects with CRWD which are leveraged to pay for AIS control (more details in the box to the upper right).

Delineation of Lake Vegetation | Cornerstone to AIS Treatment Strategy

Plans are in place for targeted pre-treatment delineations to identify the areas of CLP and eurasian EWM). Each of these delineations costs \$950.

Curly Leaf Pondweed (CLP) Treatment | Expected in Late May

This year, we once again anticipate limited CLP treatment of about 10 acres. Chemical treatment costs are estimated at \$3,902.

Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) Treatment | *IF NEEDED* Summer to Early Fall

We continue to be in an excellent position with regards to EWM control. Last year, for the second year in a row, there were no areas large

quire treatment. We still have a very small presence of EWM on Cedar, and we are carefully watching areas to understand if we need to treat. Last year, a potential area of hybrid EWM (cross between the invasive and native northern water milfoil) was found on the north side. Our

AIS	Estimated 2022 Financials		
Curly Leaf	Treatment Cost	\$3,902	
Pondweed (CLP)	Pre-treatment survey	\$ 950	
Estimate 10	DNR Grant*	(\$3,000)	
acres	CRWD Cedar, Albion, Swartout,		
	Henshaw (CASH) (previously known as P06)		
	Project Expense	\$1,852	
Eurasian Water	Treatment Cost	\$9,168	
Milfoil (EWM)	Pre-treatment survey	\$ 950	
	DNA Analysis of North Side	\$500	
Estimate 10	Carry over 2021 DNR Grant	(\$550)	
acres	DNR Grant*	(3,000)	
	CRWD Cedar AIS Project Expense	\$7,068	
Starry	Diver assisted search	\$800	
Stonewort			
Search	CRWD Cedar AIS Project Expense	\$800	

*DNR Grant | \$6,000 available for 2022-23

vendor will be conducting sampling and DNA testing to understand the best treatment approach for that area this spring.

If we have EWM to treat in 2022, we estimate it would be less than 10 acres and chemical treatment costs (using the new chemical ProcelleCOR that has produced excellent results for us) of \$9,168.

Starry Stonewort | None identified on Cedar, But All Hands on Deck to Watch

Starry stonewort is one of the newer invaders with a particularly fearsome potential for matting and interfering with lake recreation and ecology. All of our vendors are on the watch for starry stonewort, and we have scheduled a diver assisted search late in the season. The diver assisted search costs \$800.

AIS Treatment Grants | Cedar Receiving at least \$6,000

- DNR: The process for the DNR AIS treatment grants once again changed this year. The changes were followed closely, and we were awarded \$6,000 for use over 2 years.
- Wright Soil and Water: Applications have been submitted and we are waiting for the grant awards to be announced.

Watercraft Cleaning Stations (CD3) on Cedar Plans for a Second Unit at Cty Rd 6 Access

EVERYONE LIKES A CEAN BOY

CD 3 at Schroeder Park

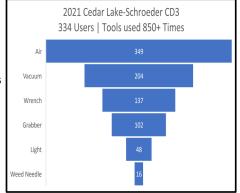
CLCC and Wright County Parks sponsored the first CD3 watercraft cleaning station in Wright County in 2020.

The Schroeder Park station (north side of the lake) is **free to use** and continues to be very popular with boaters to help reduce the spread of aquatic invasive species

Last year, the CD3 unit at Schroeder was busy, with over 330 users and the tools used 850+ times

times.

CLCC is working with the DNR and Wright Soil and Water Conservation District and hopes to sponsor another station at the CTY Rd 6 landing in 2022.





Side of Schroeder CD3 with sponsor logos

Cedar Lake 2021 Report Card

Highest Clarity Reading Recorded

As the COVID pandemic entered the second year in 2021, recreation on Cedar Lake continued at a high level. Though difficult to quantify with a number, many commented the lake was busier in 2020 and 2021. Cedar Lake was a welcome retreat for outdoor recreation.

Monitoring of Cedar's water quality has been performed for decades by the Clearwater River Watershed District. Samples are regularly taken from our lake during the summer months and analysis is done by a laboratory.

Cedar's 2021 average water quality values contribute to an overall positive trend. The 2021 weather was hot and this part of Wright County experienced an exceptional drought. The water clarity was excellent, however we did experience a nuisance filamentous algae bloom in the early summer, as did many other high quality lakes due to extreme weather conditions.

Clearly, our Clearwater River Watershed District project implemented in 2006--and with enhancements and ongoing maintenance--is delivering results, even with extreme climate variations.

Here's a summary of our 2021 values:

The gold standard for monitoring lake water quality is the phosphorus level. A good lake is considered to have a level less than 40ug/l. The average 2021 phosphorus level in Cedar was 18ug/l, exceeding the water

The average secchi depth (clarity) reading was 5.0 meters (16.5 feet) which is the best year since monitoring starting in 1993. The zebra mussel infestation, now in its

third year, may have contribut-

ed to this dramatic clarity in-

crease.

quality project goal of 20ug/l. We should take delight that all our stewardship has manifested in a positive trend for improvement in water quality.

> Each of our individual actions is important, from financial support for projects to mindful enjoyment of our beautiful lake.

The chlorophyll average was 3ug/l, representing low-level algae



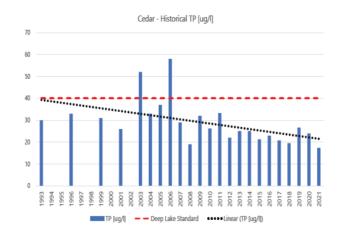
The lower the phosphorus level, the cleaner our lake is. The primary phosphorus source for our lake is the south inlet. Clearwater River Watershed projects (fish barrier, buffer management, and retention ponds) reduce the amount of phosphorus into our lake.

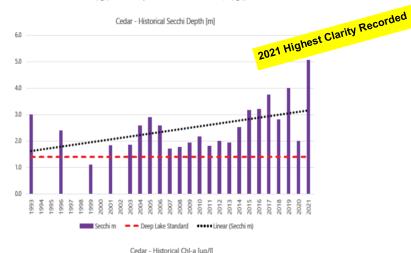
Secchi (Clarity) Depth

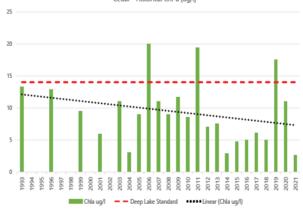
A measurement that we all can identify with is the clarity of the water. A secchi disk is a disk with alternating black and white areas that is lowered into the water until it can no longer be seen from the surface.

Chlorophyll-a

Chlorophyll-a usually goes hand in hand with the phosphorus level—the lower the better. In general, the chlorophyll-a level rises with the presence of algae blooms.







Cedar Lake Kids Corner By Eloise Steinmetz, Jake and Kyla Lohn Grandchildren of Bob and Karen Lohn

Cedar Lake Kids Corner is a feature to connect CLCC with the next generation.

Do you know a lake kid who would like to become a contributor?

Please contact Christa Lane-Larsen clanelarsen@gmail.com.

My favorite thing to do at Ceder lake is swim, I LOVE to SWIM and swiming with pfish in a lake with kylar & Jake is even better a few times I've actually touched a fish! I but to find shells and see big fish and hold my breath under water. I love watching bons and imitating their call. Ceder lake is the funest lake I've ever been to,

grade 4 at Yinghua Academy

Eloise Steinmetz, Age 10,



Here we are at Grandma and Grandpa's on Cedar Lake. We love the old fashioned tire tubes that they got for us to float on!

Great stuff on the website

CLCC has a wealth of information on the website www.cedarlakecc.org

Here are a couple of examples:

CLCC Bylaws and Purpose | Revised in 2019, select Board Files at top of home page

Yearly Review of Water Quality and Aquatic Invasive Species Management | Each year, important Cedar Lake facts, data, and projects are summarized. Scroll down the home page, and click on "Water Quality and AIS". This is a perfect summary for new or prospective residents.

A roving reporter approached the Lohn family having a play day on the ice of Cedar Lake. The reporter asked each of the kids a few questions and here are some

What is your favorite and least favorite memory of times on Cedar Lake?

Jake Lohn, age 13, grade 7 at Rogers Middle School: My favorite thing on Cedar Lake is snorkeling. I love staying under water, looking at the fish and shells and weeds under there.

My least favorite memory is when I was little and fell in, head first, when the ice was just out. My mom jumped in so fast I hardly got wet, but it was COLD! When I got out, I said, "It was so green!"

Kyla Lohn, age 10, grade 5 at Hassan Elementary School: We were on the sandbar playing when two loons started chasing one another. They flapped their wings and raced

across the water. One would turn and chase the other one, flapping and almost running for a long, long time. Finally one flew off. It was great to see. I love all of the birds and plants we see. Here's my picture of a loon on beautiful Cedar Lake.



My least favorite memory was getting stung by a bee on the dock when I was little. It stung my lip and hurt a long time!

Cedar Lake Word Find | Kids Safety on the Water 18 Hidden Words or Phrases Some are safe things, some are not. How many can you find? (Hint: they can be up/down, left/right, or diagonal)

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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 donations remain robust and over \$19,000 was contributed in 2021. 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 nandale, MN 55302) or very conveniently online. The CLCC website (www.cedarlakecc.org) 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 Greg Duppler (greg.duppler@yahoo.com 612-310-7236).

THANKS TO ALL WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED!

Visionary Contributions Since November 2021 and Lifetime Visionary

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CLCC Plans for \$27,500 of Extra Access Monitoring

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 moni-

toring provided by Wright County.

The CLCC Board of Directors plans to purchase an extra \$27,500 of access monitoring in 2022. This will provide approximately 4 shifts of weekend monitoring (2 shifts each at CTY RD 6



each week during the boating season. The monitoring is in addition to the access monitoring provided by Wright County.

Last summer, the access monitoring program on Cedar completed 1,313 inspections.

Two Lakes in Our Watershed Delisted from Impaired List



The Clearwater River Watershed District is delighted to report that two lakes in

the District-Union and Augusta near South Haven—have been removed from the 2022 Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's list of impaired waters.

Since 1981, CRWD has worked with local, state, and federal partners on a variety of projects. The projects in the Union and Lake Augusta area included a stormwater management system for the City of Kimball. Near Union Lake, a landowner converted row crops to pasture to significantly improve the water quality.

Other projects that contributed to delisting the lakes include:

- -area farmers using targeted fertilizer techniques;
- -carp management in the wetlands and
- —and field drainage improvements.

Where on Cedar? Answer on page 10



Do you have a guess where this picture of Cedar Lake is from? Is it sunrise or sunset?

Need a hint? Look at the right side of the photo and the curve of the shoreline.

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

Lake.

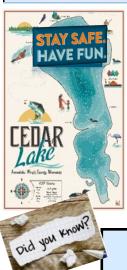
Quiet moments and raucous fun are all welcome; so much texture and energy to share and enjoy in the language of photos.

Please send your Cedar Lake pictures to: kjonsrud@yahoo.com.



CALENDAR OF 2022 CLCC EVENTS Mark your calendar!

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May 14th	CLCC Fishing Contest Opens	Weigh your fish with Dean and Kathy Nicholson 8979 Iresfeld 320-274-3516
June 18th	Board of Directors Meeting	All welcome! 9am Corinna Town Hall 9801 Ireland Ave NW
July 4th	July 4th Water Parade	Decorate your watercraft and/or shoreline! 2pm north side of sandbar
July 16th	CLCC Picnic and	Lunch 11:30-1pm Camp Courage 8046 83rd St NW
	Music on the Water	Music on the Water 2-6pm Sandbar
September 5th	CLCC Fishing Contest Ends	Weigh your fish with Dean and Kathy Nicholson 8979 Iresfeld 320-274-3516
September 17th	2022 Member Annual Meeting	All welcome!
	Board of Directors Meeting	9am Corinna Town Hall 9801 Ireland Ave NW
November 12th	Board of Directors Meeting	All welcome! 9am Corinna Town Hall 9801 Ireland Ave NW



When on Cedar, Stay Safe and Have Fun

The CLCC Board of Director's regularly discusses safety concerns on Cedar. Cedar is a highly recreated lake, and a shared value in our community is a safe and fun experience for all using the lake.

Spring time on Cedar brings great joy and anticipation; here are three items the CLCC Board would like all to remember and share with visiting friends and family:

- 1) As the fisherman get on the water, give them plenty of space. Wave action from a wake boat or larger watercraft can be dangerous for a small boat.
- 2) Likewise, own your wake when approaching nonmotorized watercraft and those enjoying a float in the wa-

ter with their pontoons.

3) Cedar has 4 active loon nesting areas, marked with buoys during the active nesting season. Please see page 3 for a map of the areas and be sure to



give plenty of space for the loons—stay at least 200 feet away . The chicks usually are born late May and can't dive till July, which makes them very vulnerable to watercraft traffic and wake wash.

Current Watercraft Operation Age Restrictions & Education

Q: Do you need Minnesota Boating Education?

A: You need education if you are 12-17 years old, unsupervised, and will be operating a boat over 25hp. And yes, if you are 14 to 17 years old, are unsupervised, and will be operating a personal water craft (jet ski).

- —Anyone under the age of 13 may not legally operate a personal watercraft (jet ski).
- —Anyone 18 years of age or older may operate a motorized vessel or personal watercraft (jet ski) without any restrictions.

Here's the link to the DNR Boater Education, which is required in Minnesota for the ages and watercraft described above https://www.boaterexam.com/usa/minnesota/. The cost is \$24.95, and must be 12 years old to take the test.

Also, here is a link to the most current MN Boating Guide https://tinyurl.com/nhht8e4r.

CLCC Nominating Committee
Three Board of Directors in 2022 by Carter Diers
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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

The Nominating Committee, led by Carter Diers, plans to nominate three candidates in 2022

Service to the lake is a great opportunity to meet neighbors, and more deeply enjoy the lake with shared service and purpose.

Does a committee interest you? Or a leadership position on the Board?

The success of CLCC depends on volunteer efforts, so please join in. Please let Carter know if you are interested. (carterdiers@yahoo.com) 612-963-9303.

Where on Cedar from page 9

The photo, taken by Cedar Lake resident Linda Dircks, is from the west shore looking to the south east at sunrise. How beautiful is the reflection of the clouds in the calm water! We would love to have your photos of Cedar Lake—send to kjonsrud@yahoo.com.

Contact the CLCC Board

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Zebra Mussels on Cedar and Stewardship Practices

Zebra mussels were discovered at multiple locations on the lake in 2018. Zebra mussels disrupt the ecological food chain and the longterm impact to lakes is difficult to predict. 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. Last fall, in a resident survey, 99% of those completing the 2021 survey saw zebra mussels on their equipment, compared with 87% in 2020. 71% said they saw more in the fall of 2021 than in 2020.

Stewardship Practices to Stop the Spread

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

Help Protect Minnesota Waters

Selling Watercraft Equipment | Do it after over-wintering

Zebra mussels are attracted to darker, quiet areas; docks, lifts, and sea-legs tend to be favorite spots. If you sell your equipment, the safest practice is to sell it right now in early spring, as it has over-wintered and has not been installed for the season. 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.

Watercraft Resident to Cedar | Should Stay on Cedar

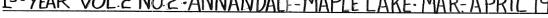
If your watercraft is "resident" to Cedar Lake (e.g. in the lake all summer) there is a good chance it will have zebra mussels. Given this knowledge, and the difficulty and time for a complete decontamination, consider not visiting other lakes with your watercraft.

A Step Back In Time | Early 1974 Tidbits from CLCC Newsletters

By Terri Erickson, CLCC Secretary terriwestmetro@kw.com 612-889-2808







- 80 members attended the winter 1974 meeting.
- Work continued on the first directory; planned for completion in the summer of 1974.
- 1974 dues were \$10.
- DNR Representative Chuck Burrows reported that stringer sorting is illegal and wasteful. Fish can not be caught, placed on the stringer, and continue fishing to replace larger fish with the
- In May of 1974, members voted to unanimously to support the establishment of the Clearwater River Watershed District. The purpose is to create a local unit of government that has the authority to handle the increasing problems of pollution in area lakes & streams and to manage our water resources.



"A Step Back in Time" is a regular feature to enjoy the charming history of the CLCC newsletters. Find the CLCC newsletters—going back to 1973—on the website. www.cedarlakecc.org (top banner click on **Newsletters**)

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CLCC MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

By Greg Duppler CLCC President Elect | greg.duppler@yahoo.com | 651-343-9674

We had 187 paid members for 2021, which is similar to other years and a very strong showing for a large lake association. A big thanks to all those who are members and see the value this

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organization provides. We are a strong, active lake group, with a mission of water quality and socialization.

The arrival of spring means it is time to pay your CLCC annual

<u>dues</u>. See page 16 for online or check payment options. Please do it today; we do not send out a special dues mailing and rely on the newslet-

ter notification. You can tell if your dues have been paid by looking at page 16 by your name and mailing address. Membership dues can be paid easily online with just a few clicks at www.cedarlakecc.org or by mailing a check with the form located on page 16 in this newsletter.

Cedar Lake Favorite Recipes By Cheryl Wagner

This is a perfect summer lake dessert and is a family favorite—do-ahead, fast, and easy—but looks fancy. Use the bot-

tom of a drinking glass to press the crumb mixture. Enjoy!



Blueberry Ice Cream Tart

1 recipe Vanilla Wafer Crust (see below)

1/2 cup water

2 cups fresh or frozen blueberries

2 tbsp. sugar

4 tsp. cornstarch

1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon

48 oz vanilla ice cream (I like Blue Bunny)

- 1. Prepare Vanilla Wafter Crust (below). Meanwhile, for blueberry sauce, in a small saucepan combine water and blueberries (if using frozen blueberries use 1/4 cup water). Bring to boiling; reduce heat. Summer uncovered for 3 minutes.

 2. In a small bowl stir together sugar and cornstarch; stir into blueberry mixture. Cook and stir until thickened and bubbly; cook and stir 2 minutes more. Stir in cinnamon. Turn blueberry mixture into bowl; cool. Cover and chill completely.

 3. Place vanilla ice cream in a chilled bowl in refrigerator about 30 minutes or just until ice cream is softened. Carefully fold in chilled blueberry mixture to swirl. Spread ice cream mixture into prepared crust.
- 4. Cover and freeze for several hours or overnight. Remove sides of pan. Cut into wedges to serve. Serves 8-10.

Vanilla Wafer Crust

In a medium bowl combine 1/3 cup melted butter, 1&1/2 cups crushed vanilla wafers (about 33 cookies), 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon. Toss to mix well. Press crumb mixture evenly onto bottom and 1 inch up sides of a 9-inch springform pan to form a firm, even crust. Chill about 1 hour or until firm before adding ice cream filling.

As a member, please read your newsletter, contact any board member with questions or concerns (page 11) and do not forget about the website, www.cedarlakecc.org.

We encourage you to shop with our sponsors and thank them for supporting us.

We also wish to thank the Visionary members this year for their continued generosity. In 2021, \$19,953 was donated to the CLCC Visionary Fund. This money helps not only with day-to-day expenses and special projects, but to stock walleyes and keep the water quality at a high level. Contributions are tax deductible, so if you are thinking of donations for this year, please visit the website, or use the form on page 16.

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

Stay in Touch with CLCC in Your Favorite Way

CLCC has a variety of ways to stay in touch.

Newsletter | Kathy Jonsrud

kjonsrud@yahoo.com

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.

Facebook | David Northenscold

dnorthenscold@gmail.com

We have an active Facebook following and great photos!

Website and E-mail | Scott Brooks

bianchibrooks@gmail.com

There is a treasure of information on our website www.cedarlakecc.org—check it out! We can support two emails per family. Updates to emails (and other directory information) should be sent to Chuck Vinar, ohs7100@gmail.com.

CLCC Treasurer's Report Chuck Vinar – CLCC Treasurer ohs7100@gmail.com 763-436-6198

FUNDS as of 3/21/2022	<u>AMOUNT</u>
General CLCC	\$38,880.65
Water Quality	\$91,127.68
Walleye Stocking	\$3,668.65
Memorial Visionary	<u>\$4,175.44</u>
TOTAL	\$137,852.42

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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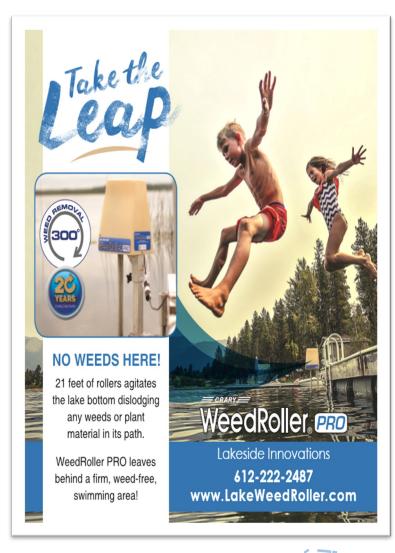








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Dues Payment YES! I can give a bit more as a Visionary (circle desired fund): General Water Quality Walleye Stocking Memorial TOTAL:	\$50.00
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