

TEN MILE LAKE ASSOCIATION



# Newsletter



FALL 1988

## PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE FOUND IN TEN MILE LAKE VICINITY

WHEN THE ASSOCIATION BOARD met in September a lovely purple-flowered plant greeted members as they sat down to consider the organization's business affairs. Molly Bliska had found it growing within a stone's throw of Ten Mile on the south side of the lake.

It was purple loosestrife, one of two newly publicized aquatic plants that are threatening Minnesota's lakes and wetlands. The other one is known as Eurasian water milfoil. Both are incredibly prolific and both crowd out other more beneficial plants. Let's take them one at a time:

PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE. Thrives primarily in swamps, marshes and along shallow shorelines. As the name implies, the flower is purple in color and grows close to the plant's long, thin stem. Control measures include pulling it up by the roots and burning it if the infestation is a relatively confined one, or using an approved herbicide if the plant has spread. If you suspect the presence of this plant, call the DNR aquatic weed control specialist at Bemidji and ask for an inspection. The DNR has the herbicide; you must furnish the labor to apply it.

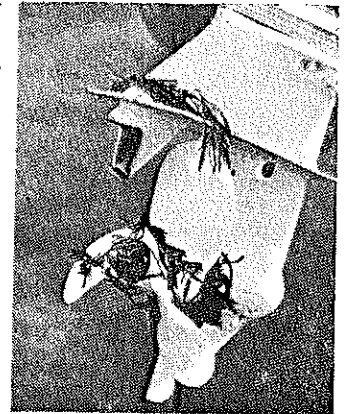
EURASIAN WATER MILFOIL. Can grow in water up to 15 or more feet deep, taking root in silt, sand and even broken gravels and rock. Weed fragments can hitchhike on boats, trailers, weed harvesting equipment and other vehicles and be transported from one lake to another. Thorough cleaning of such equipment is the best way to help control the spread of Eurasian water milfoil. Its growth is so dense that it effectively ends fishing, swimming, water skiing and similar activities in those areas. No effective control measures have been developed, but certain herbicides do appear to check its spread. Eurasian water



EURASIAN WATER MILFOIL FRAGMENT

milfoil is difficult to identify because it resembles other milfoils that are not considered threatening plants.

WHAT SHOULD WE DO? Keep a watchful eye out for purple loosestrife and notify the DNR if you spot it. The agency will inspect the area and tell you what control measure to use. In the case of Eurasian water milfoil, when you move your boat from lake to lake, or your guests arrive with their boat, make sure the propellor, anchor and boat bottom are free of all aquatic plants before launching.



The Association's Committee on Environment and Ecology is working on signs that will be placed at all boat accesses, resorts and public streets to the lake asking boaters to clean their rigs of weeds before launching and when the boat is brought back in. -- Jim Schwartz

Do not transport aquatic weeds!

## STAN SKAUG AND JOHN ALDEN ELECTED TO TOP TMLA POSTS

LEADERSHIP OF THE Ten Mile Lake Association in 1988-89 will be in the hands of Stan Skaug and John Alden. They were elected president and vice-president, respectively, at the annual meeting August 6 in the Hackensack Community Building. Lois Sandell, Molly Brandt and Sally Helsman will continue as secretary, treasurer and recording secretary.

New directors are Jack Adams, Steve Chase and Virginia Burnett. Willa Shonkwiler-Martin was reelected as a director. Skaug succeeds Ross Melgaard, who served two years as president. Outgoing vice-president is Deacon Larson, who held that post four years.

Other highlights of the meeting, attended by slightly more than 100 members:----->

THE ASSOCIATION showed a healthy balance in cash and investments of \$69,705 as of Aug 1. The major asset was \$53,804 in investments from the gift two years ago from Lloyd and Mildred Sundin, longtime summer residents.

LAKE CLARITY CONTINUES to be good, though the exceptional readings of early summer (21' to 24') took a sharp nosedive (to 12'-14') after the rains began. Annual average clarity readings, approximately 17'-18', haven't varied significantly in 15 years.

LAKE LEVELS SLOWLY DECLINED during the summer, standing at 5 1/4" below the May 1 level on Aug. 6 (two months later, on Oct. 6, the lake level had dropped another 2 1/4").

THE SWAMP AND CULVERT testing program that had been scheduled for this summer was postponed because of the abnormally dry season. It will be reconsidered next year.

The evening's program consisted of a question and answer session between Association members and three resource persons. Some of the points made by the panel:

\*STEVE KUHA, county assessor, reported he expects taxes on lake property to go up about 17 percent as a consequence of tax changes made during the past legislative session. He said the agricultural tax credit has been eliminated. Kuha also reported that seasonal and recreational property owners pay 52% of the county's total tax revenues.

\*HARLAN FIERSTINE, area fisheries manager, said he now is convinced that some natural walleye reproduction takes place in Ten Mile, though how much remains a question. In response to an inquiry about a low-flying airplane over the lake during the summer, he said a plane had been making contract flights for the DNR to count fishing boats, and promised to check into its flight patterns.

\*JIM DOWSON, county sheriff, urged members to participate in Neighborhood Watch and Operation ID programs as a means of discouraging theft and vandalism. He said his 13 road deputies do patrol Ten Mile Lake, but pointed out they also must patrol more than 500 other lakes in Cass County. -- Bill Macklin and Jim Schwartz

### FOCUS OF 50/71 PROJECT SHIFTS TO TWIN CITIES



ALTHOUGH THE HIGHWAY 50/71 improvement project remains in the county's five-year plan for 1991 and 1993, much of the summer's discussion about it occurred in the Twin City area.

A meeting organized by State Representative Tony Kinkel in St. Paul on July 13 was at-

tended by George Brandt, Bill Macklin IV and five state officials, including Kinkel.

DISCUSSION CENTERED on the feasibility of a rustic road concept similar to that of Wisconsin and led to another meeting in Bloomington on September 29. At that session were representatives from Ten Mile Lake and a committee of the Minnesota Association of Counties (MAC).

Virginia Burnett and Bill Macklin III conveyed the desires of Ten Mile residents along the routes for upgrading and improving the design to make the highways safer. MAC representatives expressed interest in the rustic road concept, but said liability remains the major issue for them.

THEY EXPLAINED that County State Aid Highway (CSAH) standards of engineering prevail and getting variances is difficult. Bambridge E. Peterson, executive director of MAC, asked Ten Mile representatives to provide a position paper on just what type of highway they favor.

Meanwhile, at the annual 5-year road review by Cass County Commissioners in late August, the Highway 50/71 project was described as "still having a high priority for funding." It is slated for grading in 1991 and surfacing in 1993. -- Bill Macklin

### PROPOSED PUBLIC ACCESS APPEARS CLOSE TO REALITY



ABOUT 70 TEN MILE LAKE residents attended a public information meeting September 14 to voice their objections to the proposed public access on Long's Bay just off Highway 371. Seven persons represented the Department of Natural Resources, which had arranged the meeting at the Hackensack Community Center.

(Previous articles on the subject appeared in the Fall, 1987, and Summer, 1988, issues of the Newsletter.)

A PRESENTATION BY DNR personnel reiterated the agency's reasons for establishing additional public accesses in the state and the reasons for choosing the Long's Bay site (as spelled out in the Summer, 1988, Newsletter.)

The lake property owners' questions and answers might be summarized by saying that, while they are not opposed to additional access and parking facilities, they do oppose development of the Long's Bay site, especially at this time. They encouraged the expansion and improvement of the present access on the southwest shore, where there are some 40 acres available.

WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT, subsequent to the meeting, regional DNR personnel recom-



### SYLVIA HAASE RECALLS HONEYMOON AND EARLY DAYS ON TEN MILE LAKE

I NEVER WILL FORGET the first time we turned off dusty Highway 371, in July, 1932, when it was still gravel, and drove a mile to the cottage where we had been invited to spend our honeymoon.

We rounded curves, met no cars, saw no homes -- just beautiful scenery. Finally we came on the Andy and Bess Christy farm and resort. We continued down the road to the North Shore Resort owned by our aunt and uncle, Jens and Carrie Pedersen.

THE CHRISTY FARM was where Alvina Kubo lives and included the Zwiefel home. The Pedersen resort started with the Lydia Adams cabin, Miller's, a little store that is no more and the Marsh rental cabin. That's where we lodged for our honeymoon.

It was a place of silence: no telephone, no television, few radios and high-powered boats -- just peace, quiet and beautiful Ten Mile Lake in which to swim and enjoy the clear water.

WE SPENT THE NEXT THREE summers renting from Pedersens until they sold their cabins and built the little house across the road in 1936 with a big garden out behind. Uncle Jens guided tourists and entertained with stories that filled in when the fish weren't biting. Aunt Carrie was a fine cook on her little wood-burning stove, and made wonderful pies.

Harold's health wasn't too robust in 1936 so we decided to move to Ten Mile. We arranged to buy a grocery store on the present location of Bromley's restaurant. That deal fell through because Harold had to give notice of leaving his Ida Grove, Iowa, job and they raised the store price \$1,000.

WE SLEPT IN A TENT and slapped mosquitoes until Uncle Jens came up with an idea: buy a piece of shore from Ole Larsen. We made a deal and hired some carpenters to build a store. On July 4, 1936, we opened for business with a celebration. Our cured meats came from Duluth, groceries from Brainerd, milk, cream and ice from the Andy Christy farm down the road.

Ralph and Marie Gobel on the Woodtick Trail sold us fresh vegetables and dressed chickens. No electricity 50 years ago, but we had gas stoves and gas lights, lake ice for refrigeration and the plumbing of that era -- an outhouse. Next year, to meet the requirements of tourists, we bought a three gallon freezer and made our own ice cream.

Our little store was a gathering place for neighbors who came to swap fish stories. We were open from 7 a.m. until 11 p.m. Young people would drop by for pop and ice cream to make sodas, then sit around our dining table and chat.

AT THAT TIME there was no road into Boone Point, so folks there would park their cars and boats on our side of the lake, and they became good customers.

Second year, we decided to add some cabins. We built four in 1937 and two in 1938. Harold would take the guests out fishing, and caught plenty. In those days it wasn't a problem of catching but of keeping. So we built an ice house for guests to cool their catch. Albert Thomas put up the ice. The roads were lined with berry bushes and we made cobblers, and jelly out of pin cherries.

DURING WORLD WAR II, we sold our resort to the Dolls and Fishers of Des Moines, and in 1943 Harold bought an Ida Grove drug store. He had earned his pharmacy degree in the late 1920s, but was too young then to take state boards, so he worked in various drug stores in the 1930s during winter months.

In 1952 the Estel Andersons of Oskaloosa, Iowa, came to our Ida Grove store and asked if we were interested in buying their cabin, which they had purchased from the Hirshfields. We did and have enjoyed it since with our daughter, Sherry (who first visited Ten Mile at the age of two weeks), her husband, Jo, and grandchildren Dax, Danielle and Nicole. They are fourth generation, beginning with Uncle Jens and Aunt Carrie Pedersen. -- Sylvia Haase.

### PERPICH AND WILLETT RECOGNIZE WARREN GOSS FOR PUBLIC SERVICE



TWO STATE OFFICIALS, Gov. Rudy Perpich and Gerald L. Willet, Commissioner of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, have commended Past TMLA President Warren Goss for his long record of commitment to protecting the environment.

Both thanked Warren for his work on behalf of the public through his involvement in the Ten Mile Lake Association and the ISTS (Individual Sewage Treatment Systems) Advisory Committee. Warren recently resigned as a public representative on the ISTS Committee. He was succeeded in that post by Jim Schwartz, also a Past TMLA President and co-chair of the Association's Environment and Ecology Committee.

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TURN IN POACHERS --- REWARDS --- 800-652-9093

### HIRAM LAKE PRODUCES LARGE CROP OF WALLEYE FINGERLINGS

THE BEST YEAR EVER! That's the story of this season's walleye fingerling rearing effort in Hiram Lake south of Hackensack. After two weeks of "harvesting" operations in late September and early October, more than 46,000 walleye fingerlings had been stocked in Ten Mile Lake. All but 1,970 of those fish came from the Hiram Lake rearing pond. The 1,970 came from Cass Pond west of Hackensack.

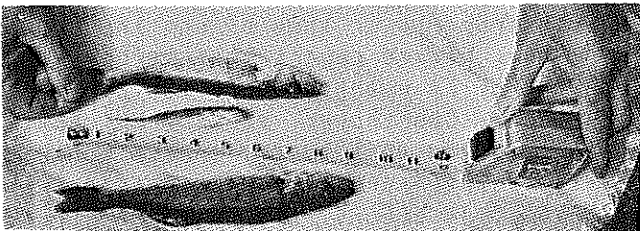
Of the total, 875 were "large," averaging five per pound and measuring from 8 to 12 inches. The rest were smaller specimens, running from 4 to 7 inches in length and averaging 35 to the pound. All were in excellent condition, promising a relatively high probability of survival.

THE FINGERLINGS were released at three lake locations: The public access at the southwest corner, DeLury Street on the North Shore and Long's Bay.

Supervising the trapping process were three DNR veterans, Steve Campbell, Dale Donat and Jerry Geving. They manned the boat, lifted the traps and transported the fingerlings to Ten Mile Lake.

HELPING WITH COUNTING and weighing the fish were more than 20 volunteers: Rod Owre, Walt Kane, Cecil Bair, Harry Hotovec, Ray Raetz, Roger Jensen, Ross Melgaard, Glen Anderson, Frank Trafidlo, Doug Kane, Bill Hall, Rudy Hokum, Glen Aagaard, Cliff Gunnare, Harold Jensen, Jim Schwartz, Bill Macklin, Forrest Teig, John Vilipski, Bob Wittman, Leo and Bob Dobrovolsky, the latter two from Lake Ingwadona.

A "fringe benefit" for the volunteer crews was the daily "catch" of crayfish, known more popularly as crawdaddies. A sizable number of Ten Milers took home a half bucket or so, boiled them for ten minutes, more or less, and then dug in for the good part: a great feast of delicious freshwater shrimp. Want to volunteer for next year? -- Jim Schwartz.



Pictured are typical large and small walleye fingerlings harvested from the Hiram Lake rearing pond. Hands and measuring tape belong to Harry Hotovec. -- Bill Macklin photo.

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THIRTEEN YEAR WALLEYE STOCKING HISTORY

The table below shows the fingerling stocking record in Ten Mile since 1976:

Year	Number
1976.....	15,611
1977.....	631
1978.....	6,300
1979.....	8,365
1980.....	14,010
1981.....	1,440
1982.....	24,380
1983.....	86
1984.....	5,858
1985.....	766
1986.....	23,880
1987.....	30,170
1988.....	46,055

POND FAILURES DUE to population carryover accounted for the three lowest years. In 1976, the right pectoral fin was clipped from 14,940 fingerling fish and in 1981 the left was clipped from 1,440 young walleyes.

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### HERE'S A SUPER WALLEYE THAT DIDN'T GET AWAY!



A PINE RIVER MAN, John F. Stepanek, reported a 15-pound, 6-ounce walleye caught in Ten Mile Lake on Sept. 24. He was trolling a Rapala 12 feet down about 8:30 p.m.

"My father was with me and helped land it," said John, an experienced angler who fishes Ten Mile frequently in spring and autumn.

THE TWO MEN FISHED another half hour before leaving the lake in a boat they tow. They wanted to register the fish but passed Swanson's in Hackensack because it was closed. They put the fish on ice overnight and next day took it to Marv Koep's bait shop, Nisswa. It weighed in at 15 pounds, 6 ounces.

DNR fisheries people said on the basis of scale tests the fish likely was 13 years old. It was 34 1/2 inches long and had a 20-inch girth.

The Minnesota record walleye is 17 pounds, 8 ounces, caught in the Seagull River near Ely. The world record is a 25-pounder, taken in Tennessee. -- Bill Macklin

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To make sure your name appears in the new '89 directory, pay dues by the Feb. 1 deadline.

### COMMITTEE STUDIES ALTERNATIVES FOR USE OF ASSOCIATION INCOME

ALTERNATIVES FOR USING Association income from investments, gifts and dues were presented to the TMLA board at its September meeting. The report was offered by an ad hoc committee established by Pres. Stan Skaug.

Possible uses were:

1. Materials to build loon nesting platforms.
2. Additional buoys for safety markings.
3. Reserves for financing future lake ecology programs and for paying legal fees.
4. Office space retention for year around Association use.
5. Signs requesting that boat owners clean their boats and motors of aquatic plants.
6. Mailings of selected educational materials to the membership.
7. Acquisition of a video camera for use by the History Committee and for other purposes.
8. Assist with archeological studies around Ten Mile Lake.



The suggestions were presented in no particular order of priority. The board approved point 6, gave tentative approval to point 5 and deferred action on the remainder pending further consideration. Committee members were Walt Kane, Chair, Ross Melgaard, Jim Schwartz and Fritz Krueger.

### HISTORY COMMITTEE SEEKS ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS

MEMBERS OF THE TEN MILE community who would like to work on any aspect of the lake's history are urged to call or write Willa Shonkwiler-Martin, chair, and let her know of that interest.

The committee has set as its main priority the task of getting histories of the lake from knowledgeable persons. To provide guidance for those who will be doing the interviewing, the committee has prepared a list of proposed questions. They range across personal histories, photographs, clippings, people, fishing, hunting, maple sugaring, logging, Lothrop, schools, resorts, and so on.

ONCE THE INFORMATION has been gathered, it can be organized into a form suitable for preservation as well as individual enjoyment. Members of the history committee, besides Shonkwiler-Martin, are Ross Melgaard, Warren Goss, and Ginny Burnett.

During the committee's organization meeting

it was noted, among other things, that Long's Bay is not a geographical name. Instead, the bay was named for a Mr. Long, who lived there and had a launch that he used to ferry people to and from the restaurant and lodge located on Angel Island.

ALSO DISCUSSED WAS how logs were transported on the lake during the logging era. Goss said it was his understanding that large log rafts were pulled by a horse and captsan arrangement on the raft. Someone would row ahead in a boat, drop an anchor and attach the line to the raft's capstan.

There also are reports that the lake level was almost up to the railroad tracks at that time, making the loading operation much easier. An unanswered question: Was there a dam on the lake when logging was in full swing? Melgaard said he would check into the matter further at the Walker Historical Museum as well as in a logging book of Willa's.

### ABANDONED WELLS BECOMING MAJOR POLLUTION PROBLEM

AN INCREASING AMOUNT of attention is being paid to what is considered a potential threat to the state's ground water: Abandoned wells. No one really knows how many there are or even precisely where they are. Estimates are that abandoned wells by the thousands are scattered throughout the state.

Such wells represent a potential pollution threat to ground water because contaminated surface water can seep downward around the well casing. For that reason, state agencies are beginning a campaign to locate abandoned wells so the problem can be corrected.

WHAT'S THE SOLUTION? All such wells should be capped and sealed by a certified operator. Treatment of that sort will effectively prevent surface water from moving down into the ground water.

So, if you have an abandoned well on your property or know of one in your area, please report that information to Mr. Paul E. Fairbanks, Solid Waste Officer, Cass County Courthouse, Walker, MN 56484. He'll tell you what to do. -- Jim Schwartz  
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WE'VE SAID IT BEFORE, BUT IT BEARS REPEATING:



DON'T USE LAWN FERTILIZERS!

WHAT MAKES LAWNS GREEN ALSO MAKES LAKES GREEN  
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TEN MILE LAKE ASSOCIATION  
OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS ELECTED AT ANNUAL MEETING 8/6/88

President.....	Stan Skaug	675-6261	Box 450
Vice-President.....	John Alden	547-3114	Box 728
Secretary.....	Lois Sandell	675-6628	Box 646
Treasurer.....	Molly Bliska	675-6122	Box 186
Recording Secretary.....	Sally Helsing	675-6821	Box 270

DIRECTORS

<u>Resident Incumbent</u> - Term expires 8/89:			
Walt Kane.....	675-6193	Box 956	
Virginia Wagner.....	675-6857	Box 488	
<u>Resident Incumbent</u> - Term expires 8/90:			
Sally Helsing.....	675-6821	Box 270	
<u>Resident</u> - 3-year term expires 8/91:			
Willa Shonkwiler Martin.....	675-6952	Box 564	
Ginny Burnett.....	675-6458	Box 586	
<u>Summer Resident Incumbent</u> - Term expires 8/89:			
Robert Crabb.....	675-6120	Box 347	
Ellie Nelson.....	5473520	Box 780	
<u>Summer Resident</u> - 2-year term expires 8/90:			
Jack Adams.....	547-3346	Box 801	
<u>Summer Resident</u> - 3-year term expires 8/91:			
Steve Chase.....	547-3924	Box 770	
<u>Honorary Director</u>			
Warren Goss.....	675-6226	Box 604	
<u>Ex-Officio Board Member</u>			
Ross Melgaard.....	547-1943	Bpx 750	

COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND MEMBERS

- Gifts and Grants: Melgaard, Larson, Burnett
- Endowment Advisory: Chase, Schwartz, Macklin, Adams
- Environment and Ecology: Schwartz & Goss, Melgaard, Adams
- Finances and Taxes: Crabb
- Fisheries: Wagner, Kane, Blowers, Swanson, K. Chinander, Schwartz
- History: Shonkwiler-Martin, Goss, Melgaard, Burnett
- Lake Safety and Courtesy: Burnett, Chase, Hughes
- Lake Level: Kane
- Zoning and Planning: Macklin, Nelson, Alden
- Newsletter: Macklin, Schwartz
- Membership and Directory Coordinator: Sandell



U.S. FOREST SERVICE ASKS CITIZEN INPUT  
ON LONG RANGE LAND MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

AS PREPARATIONS ARE MADE to implement the U. S. Forest Service's 15-year land management plan, the Walker office is soliciting comment from the TMLA membership. The local area affected will include forest lands along Cass County Highways 50 and 71, Shingobee 51, and State Highway 34. Planned practices and activities include tree harvesting, some road building, road closures, habitat management, possible improvement of Portage, Gadbolt and Howard Lake boat access sites, maintenance of hiking and ski trails. For more information call 547-1044.

HAMLIN U. NAMES NEW  
MUSIC HALL FOR SUNDINS

TWO VETERAN MEMBERS of our Ten Mile family are about to see a lifelong dream become a reality. Construction is under way at Hamline University on Sundin Music Hall, a \$1.35 million performance center being built with funds donated by Lloyd and Mildred Sundin, of Santa Barbara, CA.

The Sundins, who have had a summer home on Ten Mile Lake since the 1930s, attended Hamline in the early 1920s. Lloyd was active in the school's glee clubs and musical productions as well as in athletics, while Mildred participated in drama.

AT HAMLIN THEY DATED, fell in love and, in 1922, were married. Even before their wedding the Sundins vowed that some day they would give something back to the St. Paul university that provided them with so many wonderful memories. Sundin Music Hall is that gift.

The 330-seat building will feature a large open stage and two backstage areas for rehearsals and storage. There also will be a new grand piano. Completion is expected by next June.

PLANS FOR THE HALL actually began almost 20 years ago, but it wasn't until this summer that bids and the Sundin gifts came together. In addition the Sundins set up an endowment fund to equip and maintain the hall in "first class condition."

Although both Lloyd and Mildred have suffered strokes, they visited their Ten Mile Lake property late this summer and, on their return trip to California, participated in ground-breaking ceremonies at Hamline for the new Sundin Music Hall.

THREE YEARS AGO, the Sundins presented the Ten Mile Lake Association with a stock gift worth more than \$50,000. Proceeds from sale of the stock were invested and that income is being used for projects to improve the lake's water quality and its beauty. (Excerpted from the Sept. 26, 1988, Star Tribune, with additions by Jim Schwartz and Bill Macklin.)

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT - AUGUST 1, 1988

Checking Account

Beginning Balance, 8/11/87 .....		\$ 1,636.83	
Receipts:			
Dues .....	\$ 6,681.40		
Trans., End., Gifts & Mem. Acct. ....	3,712.00		
Trans., Reg. Savings Acct. ....	\$ 1,300.00	<u>\$11,693.40</u>	
		\$13,330.23	
Trans. to Reg. Savings Acct. ....		<u>\$ 4,500.00</u>	
		\$ 8,830.23	
Expenses:			
Annual meeting .....	\$ 225.00		
Copying .....	215.09		
Postage .....	663.84		
Printing .....	572.22		
Supplies .....	250.22		
Telephone .....	40.13		
Instrumental Research .....	4,162.00		
Dues (COLA, ACCL) .....	60.00		
Flowers (memorials) .....	53.00		
Signs for Roby property gift ..	42.62		
Taxes (Roby property) .....	274.00		
Survey (Roby property) .....	467.65		
Videos .....	59.43		
CPA Services .....	225.00		
Check printing .....	17.40		
Safety deposit box .....	\$ 11.50	<u>\$ 7,339.10</u>	
Balance, 8/1/88 .....		\$ 1,491.13	

Regular Savings

Beginning balance, 8/1/87 .....		\$ 4,617.81	
Interest income .....	\$ 515.37		
Trans. from checking .....	\$ 4,800.00	<u>\$ 5,315.37</u>	
		\$ 9,933.18	
Trans. to checking .....		<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>	
Balance, 8/1/88 .....		\$ 8,933.18	

Endowments, Gifts and Memorials

Beginning balance, 8/1/87 .....		\$ 3,774.16	
Interest income .....	\$ 141.17		
Memorials .....	205.00		
Dividends .....	\$ 5,070.66	<u>\$ 5,416.83</u>	
		\$ 9,190.99	

Other Investments as of 7/27/88

Common Stock .....		\$ 9,234.00	
Mutual Fund .....		<u>44,570.40</u>	
Total .....		\$53,804.40	

-- Molly Brandt Bliska, Treasurer

ACCL ASKS COMMISSIONERS TO TIGHTEN ZONING RULES

The Association of Cass County Lakes (ACCL) met with the Board of Commissioners in September to present 10 specific recommendations aimed at toughening the county's shoreland zoning regulations.

The Association statement pointed out that the value of seasonal and recreational properties, whose taxes contribute about half of the county's total revenues, is in danger of being eroded by deteriorating water quality. That in turn, said ACCL, will shrink the county's tax base and do serious damage to the region's economy.

The Association blamed improperly treated human sewage and other injurious practices, most of which it said can be controlled or corrected, for doing what was described as "grievous damage to the health and beauty of our lakes." ACCL, which numbers about 30 Cass County lakes in its membership, including the TMLA, called upon the Commissioners to:

1. Establish a hard and fast deadline for all individual sewage treatment systems to be brought into conformance with Cass County's sanitary ordinance.
2. While the above recommendation is being implemented, require immediately that all lake properties changing hands have a conforming individual sewage treatment system as a condition of sale.
3. When land-use permits are granted, require the zoning officer to fully inform the recipient as to what can and cannot be done with regard to lot clearing, interfering with pressure ridges, filling wetlands, and other lot alterations.
4. Establish a schedule of stiff fines for violations of shoreland zoning regulations and impose the fines on a consecutive daily basis until the violation is corrected.
5. Where zoning violations require followup inspections, assess inspection costs to the individual committing the violation.
6. Approve an ordinance requiring licensure procedures for and regu-



TREASURER'S REPORT - SEPTEMBER 13, 1988

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Checking Account

Beginning Balance, 8/15/87 .....		\$ 3,835.63	
Receipts:			
Dues .....	\$ 1,598.00	\$ 1,598.00	
			\$ 5,433.63
Expenses:			
Copying .....	\$ 19.00		
Printing .....	20.24		
Telephone .....	2.81		
Postage .....	25.00		
Annual meeting .....	10.41		
Roby property signs (lumber) ..	12.45		
Jim Schwartz (seminar expenses)	148.00		
Deep Portage (2-year Contrib.)	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,137.91	
		\$ 4,295.72	
Trans. to savings .....		\$ 3,000.00	
Balance, 9/13/88 .....		\$ 1,195.72	

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Regular Savings

Beginning balance, 9/15/88 .....		\$ 8,372.71	
Interest income .....	\$ 39.71		
Trans. from checking .....	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,039.71	
Balance, 9/13/88 .....		\$11,412.42	

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Endowments, Gifts and Memorials

Beginning balance, 8/15/88 .....		\$ 5,896.60	
Interest income .....	\$ 27.51		
Dividends .....	\$ 382.20	\$ 409.71	
Balance, 9/13/88 .....		\$ 6,306.31	

-- Molly Brandt Bliska, Treasurer

lation of those who are engaged in the sewage pumping industry.

7. Require soil percolation tests as part of the procedure for designing and installing individual sewage treatment systems.

8. Expand the Zoning Office staff by adding at least one person with training in environmental science or related subject matter.

9. Authorize zoning officers to issue citations on the spot for flagrant violations of shoreland and sanitary ordinances.

10. Initiate a policy of having zoning officers inspect building sites at the time installation is begun to check footings and individual sewage treatment systems for conformance with setback, sideyard, water table and other zoning clearance standards.

The Commissioners unanimously approved a motion that (a) endorsed ACCL's objectives, (b) provided for getting legal advice on which of the recommendations could be put into effect immediately and which would need public notice and public hearing procedures, and (c) stipulated that a Commissioner be appointed as liaison with ACCL to keep the Association informed as to the status of its recommendations.

-- Jim Schwartz

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"I LIKE TREES because they seem more resigned to the way they have to live than other things do." -- Willa Cather (1873-1947).

**LAKE SAFETY AND COURTESY COMMITTEE PLANS PROGRAM**

ONE GOAL OF THE Lake Safety and Courtesy Committee is to have news or notes in each Association Newsletter. The committee is chaired by Ginny Burnett and has Steve Chase and Rick Hughes as members. We have quite a good number of posters with safety hints printed on them. They are aimed at resorts, but could be posted in guest houses or in any home, for that matter. Let Burnett know if you would like some.

Steve Chase has inspected and approved or noted needed safety improvements on several boats this past summer. Next season he will be available to give boats a Coast Guard



Auxiliary Check. It is good to know your boat is equipped properly for the safety of yourself and others.

If anyone is interested in starting a Power Squadron chapter, let Burnett know. Anyone passing the safe boating course gets a 10% discount on boat insurance. Safe boating is no accident. -- Ginny Burnett

**FOUR MORE PROPERTIES ON SEPTIC HONOR ROLL**

NEW SEPTIC SYSTEMS have been installed by four more Ten Mile property owners since the summer Newsletter was published. They are:

Mary Anne Schmidt and the Jim Bechers (The Knoll), the Lloyd Sundins, the Lynn Abrahams, and the Milton Zobels.

**ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP  
TOTAL IS JUST SHY OF 650**

WE CONTINUE TO GROW at a healthy rate. Since the summer Newsletter the following 33 new members boosted our total on October 1 to 648:

ABE, David K. & Mary  
(Carpenter)  
7405 Radcliffe Drive  
College Park, MD 20740 H3446

BAIR, David and Suzanne  
6010 Riverwood N.W.  
Atlanta, GA 30328 H3059

BATES, Allan E. & Jane L.  
600 Saratoga  
St. Paul, MN 55116 H3442

BERGSTROM, Terry & Char  
13812 Holyoke Path  
Apple Valley, MN 55124 H3176

BLASKOVICH, Chuck & Terri  
6854 So. Webster St.  
Littleton, CO 80123 S5357

BRUST, Frank & Karen (Moxness)  
10 Park Drive  
Northfield, MN 55057 H2191

CARPENTER, Dr. Anne E.  
(Betsey)  
334 Guerrero St.  
San Francisco, CA H3446

COLE, Dana & Kay  
3831 S. 32nd Circle  
Lincoln, NE 68502 S5193

CULLEN, Robert & Jane (Holle)  
1529 45th St.  
Des Moines, IA 50311 S5039

DEVITT, William L. & Mary M.  
5210 Belmont Ave. So.  
Minneapolis, MN 55419 H2171

FOSS, Daniel & Mary  
2790 N. Riviera Dr.  
White Bear Lake, MN 55110 H2137

FRANKS, David & Debbie  
(Kaczmarek) 13927 87th Ave. N.  
Maple grove, MN 55369 H2075

FRIETOY, Kurt & Rita  
4628 No. 39th St. Pl.  
Phoenix, AZ 85018 S5421

GRANT, Nancy J.  
7809 Andover Woods Dr., #404  
Charlotte, NC 28210 H3254

GRAVES, Jim & Julie  
732 So. Park Place  
St. Cloud, MN 56301 S5339

HELSCHER, Stephen & Barbara  
Route 2, Box 35 A-2  
Columbus Junction, IA 52738 S5469

HOLTE, Daniel  
3961 Woodland Ave., #8  
West Des Moines, IA 50265 S5097

HOPKINS, Lt. Andrew  
2715 Circulo Santiago, Apt. K  
Carlsbad, CA 92008 H2667

HOPKINS, Benjamin  
3675 King St., Apt. 14  
La Mesa, CA 92401 H2667

HORN, Art, Jr., & Ginny  
330 23rd Ave. So.  
Minneapolis, MN 55407 H2629

HORN, Richard A. & Joan E.  
7101 Cardinal Drive  
Middleton, WI 53562 H2629

JUNKERT, Scott & Becky  
(Urbanski)  
3873 Rose Road  
Duluth, MN 55811 S5147

KAYSER, Eugene & Pat  
6637 Flagstaff Star Route  
Boulder, CO. 80302 H2315

KEEVILLE, Jerry & Jayne  
(Kaczmarek)  
5932 Shepard Lane  
Champlin, MN 55316 H2075

LAND, Brian & Ellen (Hansen)  
425 D. St., S.E., #104  
Washington, DC 20003 S5099

MELGAARD, Eric J. & Donna  
1502 Westwood  
Blue Springs, MD 64015 S5171

MDE, Robert & Kim (Abraham)  
822 First St., S.W.  
Madelia, MN 56062

MOLL, Daniel C. & Cathy 22  
County Road No. 24  
Wayzata, MN 55391 H2177

PAHL, Myrtle  
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Bloomington, MN 55425 H2677

SCHAEFER, Douglas & Cindy  
1238 East Georgia  
Phoenix, AZ 85014 S5421

SKONSENG, Tom  
2321 Birchwood Lane No.  
Brainerd, MN 56401

SPARR, Bob & Kathy (Bair)  
113 S. Waverly Pl.  
Mt. Prospect, IL 60056 H3059

SUNSTROM, Frank F. & Esther G.  
925 Lincoln Avenue  
Boone, IA 50036 H2151

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! RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER TODAY !

**1988-89 ENVIRONMENT/ECOLOGY COMMITTEE PROJECTS:**

DESIGN AND ARRANGE FOR POSTING of signs at resorts, public accesses, etc., warning boaters to clean rigs of weeds; distribute pamphlets on septic systems, household wastes, lakeshore management to membership; support the Association of Cass County Lakes 10-point recommendation list to County Commissioners; work on a set of proven shoreland management practices for inclusion in a forthcoming membership directory; consider flyover pictures of Ten Mile Lake as a means of detecting possible pollution sources; reconsider swamp and culvert project for 1989 season.