

**Ten Mile Lake Association**

# Newsletter

**Summer, 2007**

*Dedicated to the Preservation and Improvement of Ten Mile Lake and its Environment*

**MINNESOTA LAND TRUST'S MR. FRANCIS FITZGERALD TO SPEAK AT 55<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEETING,  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 4<sup>TH</sup> by Tom Cox**

**Francis (Fitz) Fitzgerald**, Conservation Director, Northern Region, Minnesota Land Trust (MLT) will be our guest speaker at our 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting at Union Congregational Church, Hackensack, on Saturday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007. MLT is a private, nonprofit, land conservation organization dedicated to protecting the land and waters that define our communities and enrich our quality of life.

Our meeting this summer will be in a new venue, **Union Congregational Church, UCC**, just beyond the Community Center and the new Senior Class Retirement Center and across from the ball field on East Lake Avenue in Hackensack.

Committee display tables will be open and socializing will begin, with coffee and lemonade, at 9:30 A.M. The meeting will begin promptly at 10:00.

Conservation Easements (CEs) are a means of protecting land against unwanted future development and, in some instances, of obtaining a tax advantage. As such, CEs hold special interest for Ten Milers who want both to guard their property against unwanted development and to protect the lake and its environs over the long term.

A CE is a legally recorded agreement by which land owners voluntarily restrict use of their lands. A land owner conveys the CE to, for instance, the MLT, and retains title to the property, the right to sell it, the right to restrict public access and the right to deed it to whomever the land owner chooses. But by this same instrument a landowner typically restricts or eliminates rights to future development, thus ensuring that the property remains in a predetermined condition in perpetuity, regardless of who its future owners may be.

Another advantage of a CE is that under certain conditions, donors may become eligible for income, estate and property tax benefits. Recent tax legislation includes three charitable-contribution provisions designed to encourage conservation easements during approximately a two year period. These new provisions are effective for 2006 and 2007 for most individuals.

A TMLA Conservation Committee is presently working with Mr. Fitzgerald to place a CE on TMLA-owned properties on and near Ten Mile. Once this CE is in place later this year, the Association will have a model CE on which individual property-owners can base their own easements if they wish. The TMLA easement will be assigned to MLT.

Mr. Fitzgerald's illustrated presentation at our Annual Meeting August 4<sup>th</sup> will tell the story of the Minnesota Land Trust and its heartening environmental successes, and provide information of vital interest to all Ten Milers interested in protecting and preserving Ten Mile's environment and quality of life.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!  
ATTEND THE TMLA ANNUAL MEETING  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 2007  
9:30 a.m.  
at the  
UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
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**TEN MILE LAKE —****A FIRE-FIGHTING RESOURCE**

On Friday, May 18, 2007, a number of residents around Ten Mile Lake observed a lot of activity: planes swooping around the lake. Everyone wondered what it was all about. Fortunately, our able roving photographer, **Brad Putney**, was out on the water with his camera and got pictures of the action.

Brad says, "I took the photos from our pontoon boat, using a 300mm lens on my digital camera. I was just off the east side of the island and their run was approximately on a line between the Moos' cabin and Pinewood Resort. What I know is: there were two planes, #262 and #263, working to put out a fire about six miles south of Akeley.

"Each plane made about 15 dips apiece, maybe four to five minutes per loop. They are Canadian planes made by Bombardier which have two eight-inch intakes for the water pick up. They move around North America during the fire season and will be back sometime in September or October depending on fire conditions."

You will see pictures taken by Brad of the water-carrying planes on pages 4, 9, and 11 of this *Newsletter*.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK, , , .

*By Al Griggs, TMLA President*

**SUMMER IS HERE.** The weather has been quite unsettled. We have had many hot and cold spells complete with strong winds, thunderstorms, and occasional rain. The lake is still down from last year, although it is coming up a little. The Boy River below the perennial beaver dam just downstream from the Highway 6 bridge has vegetative growth occluding most of the stream, so there is either very little flow or perhaps the beavers have dammed it further downstream.

**MEN'S COFFEE:** Ten Mile Lake Men's coffee is languishing for lack of hosts, this year. There are quite a few empty weeks in July, August, and September. If anyone (please!) would be willing to host a coffee, please contact me, or Tom Cox, or e-mail Geoff Cox and it will be put on the TMLA website.

**CONSERVATION EASEMENTS** are a hot topic this year. The Conservation Committee has been working with **Fitz Fitzgerald** of the Minnesota Land Trust to hammer out a single conservation easement covering all seven of the TMLA held properties. We are hoping it will be in place by our Annual Meeting on Aug 4, since Fitz is our featured speaker. The final contract could serve as a template for others who are considering CEs for their property. Several Ten Milers have expressed interest in CE's for their property.

**"GIFTING"** is another topic that the Board is addressing. We in TMLA are becoming ever more aware of the spiraling costs which can be incurred in protecting the lake and, if necessary, defending it from unwise overdevelopment. Past benefactors have enabled us to finance septic inspections, proceed with the conservation easement program, and benchmark our water and shoreland quality. Significant disruptions can and will be addressed. We want all Ten Mile residents to know that gifts will be greatly appreciated and will be used to our best ability to maintain the relatively pristine quality and beauty of our wonderful lake.

**LAND USE ORDINANCE REVISION:** Below is the schedule of public forums to air and discuss the Land Use Ordinance Section 1116 revision. This revision covers Conservation Developments (CD's), formerly known as Planned Unit Developments (PUD's) and is a significant improvement over the Section 1116 currently in force. It is not perfect, but I believe we need to support it in its current form. It greatly reduces riparian dwelling unit density and boat slip density. I suspect there will be a strong argument to allow boat slips for non-riparian (off lake) dwelling units in a CD and we need to oppose this. Most CD's will have far more off-lake units than riparian units.

<b>SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS ON LAND USE ORDINANCE REVISION</b>				
<b>Pike Bay</b>	<b>Town Hall</b>	<b>July 16</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	I urge everyone to make an effort to attend whichever meeting best suits you. We need to be vocal at these meetings, in support of the revision as it currently exists with NO boatslips for non riparian dwelling units. See you there! It also wouldn't hurt to send e-mails to Jim and to the Commissioners.  <b>James E. Ballenthin, Facilitator</b> <b>Cass County SWCD</b> <b>Phone: 218-682-2055</b> <b>E-mail: jebatty@uslink.net</b>
<b>Crooked Lake</b>	<b>Town Hall</b>	<b>July 19</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	
<b>Longville</b>	<b>Salem Luth. Ch.</b>	<b>July 21</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	
<b>* Remer</b>	<b>City Hall</b>	<b>July 24</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	
<b>Walker</b>	<b>Courthouse</b>	<b>July 26</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	
<b>Lakeshore</b>	<b>City Hall</b>	<b>July 30</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	

\* Place subject to change

**REPORT OF THE ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

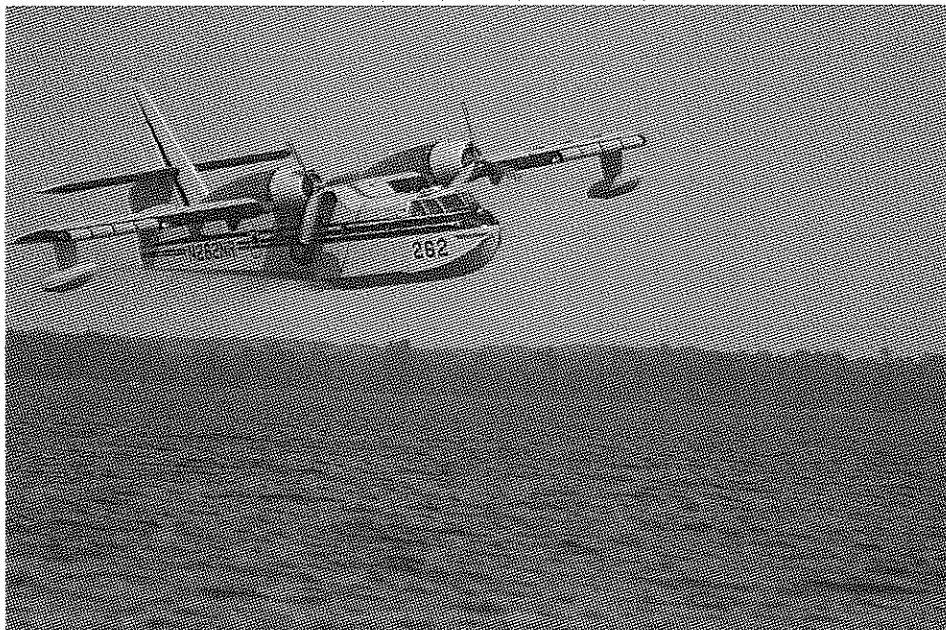
*by Bruce Carlson, Chair*

**2006 LAKE SAMPLING REPORT** - Since the E & E report was sent out for the Spring TMLA Newsletter, we have received the year-end report from Instrumental Research Inc. for lake water sampling for 2006. The good news is that the various measures of lake quality showed an almost uniform improvement during 2006. The more sobering news is that the seeming improvement may be closely related to the dry season of 2006 and the corresponding reduction in nutrients entering the lake. This is a phenomenon that occurred in most of the lakes of our region last summer. Nevertheless, things keep looking good for Ten Mile, and there is no indication of deterioration in water quality in the main lake. However, a couple of the bays, namely Flowerpot and Robinson's Bays show indications of poorer water quality over the past decade.

One of the main concerns of the E & E Committee is to monitor nutrients entering the lake, because these are the basis for a lowering of water quality. This is why we are so vigilant about maintaining the quality of our septic systems; these are major potential polluters of a lake. This is also why we discourage the use of lawn fertilizers in lots around the lake, because what makes grass grow well also makes algae and plants grow when the fertilizer enters the lake.

Because Ten Mile has no inlet stream, our lake water comes from springs, rainwater and various swamps around the periphery (mainly along the west side) that drain into the lake. For more than a decade, we have monitored a number of sites where wetlands drain into the lake. Unfortunately, with the paving of highway #71 this summer, all of these sites will have changed, and a long-term database will be permanently altered. One of the future tasks of the E & E Committee will be to determine where wetlands drain into the lake after highway construction is completed. It is hard to say at present whether drainage of swamp nutrients into the lake will be worse or better in the future. All we know now is that it will be different.

**MAY 2007 WATER SAMPLING REPORT** - Data from the May 2007 lake water sampling are encouraging. In almost all categories the readings were better than they were at the same time in 2006. Secchi disk readings are also holding their own, but windy weather in May made it very difficult to obtain accurate readings. As of this writing, the annual deposition of pine pollen in the water is causing temporary problems with Secchi disk readings, as well.



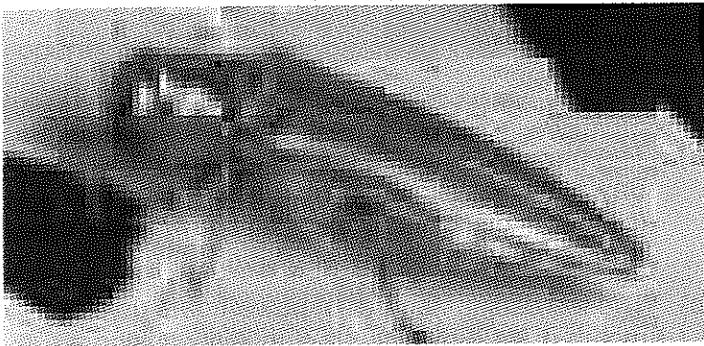
**Fire Plane Approaching for Water Pickup** (Photo by Brad Putney)



## THE EMERALD ASH BORER A NEW PEST TO TO PAY ATTENTION TO:

By Marty McCleery

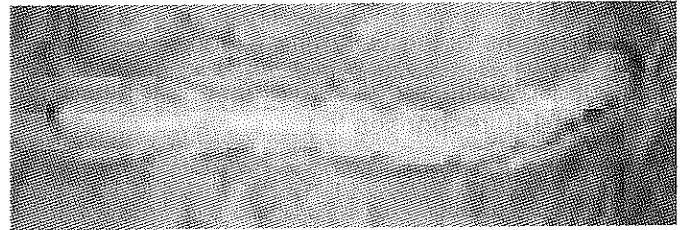
The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) has been identified as the latest invasive threat facing Minnesota's natural environment. Naturalists say that "it could rival Dutch Elm disease as the worst thing to hit Minnesota trees in our lifetime." EAB larvae attack and kill ash trees by tunneling into the bark and destroying the tree's circulatory system. The insect has damaged or killed millions of ash trees since 2002, when it was accidentally introduced into Michigan from China. While not yet known to be active in Minnesota, it has spread to Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, and Maryland.



The Emerald Ash Borer

Minnesota is a prime target because we have so many susceptible ash trees. (The map of Minnesota on the DNR Website shows that much of the Backus area and large sections of Cass County are at high risk of infestation.)

No matter how hard government officials work to control EAB, the actions of even one careless camper could undermine all these efforts. That is because the weak-flying EAB spreads mainly by hitching a ride inside firewood transported by people. It could also be transported on nursery stock.



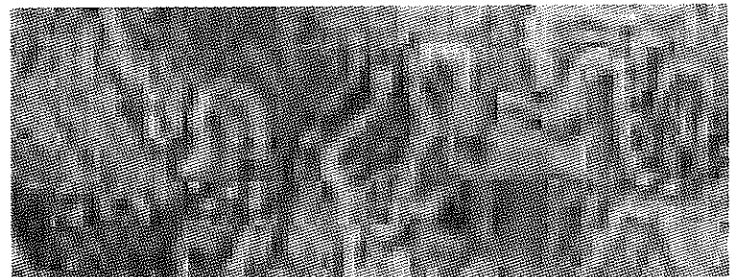
Emerald Ash Borer Larva

### What can you do to help protect Minnesota from the Emerald Ash Borer?

- **Don't transport firewood.** Buy it where you burn it, and burn all of it where you buy it.
- **Don't buy firewood from outside Minnesota.** Any time you buy firewood, ask about the source of the wood; if it came from outside Minnesota, don't buy it.
- **Keep an eye on your ash trees.** If you notice problems with your ash trees, call your city forester or county extension educator for help in addressing the problem.

And, in any case, advises **John Alden**, our Watershed coordinator, **don't plant ash trees.** If you do you are highly likely to lose them to the Emerald Ash Borer.

*(Information provided by the Minnesota Department of Agriculture,, Plant Protection Division.)*



Wood Tunneled by the Ash Borer

## FISHING CHATTER

By Bob Horn, Chair, Fisheries Committee

The TML Fisheries Committee met in June to review the results of the 2006 TML Fishing Survey. Here are some of the Committee's observations:

1. The Committee was very pleased that there were 140 responses to the survey.
2. We decided to recommend to the Minnesota DNR a 26"- 36" Northern Pike slot limit. (The DNR will be holding a public meeting this year to hear public input on the present Northern Pike regulation for Ten Mile Lake.)
3. At the present time, the Committee believes there is no need for a walleye slot limit.
4. We were impressed at the number of people who have caught a smallmouth bass in Ten Mile Lake (66 percent).
5. The question about the possibility of stocking lake trout was favored by 72 percent of the respondents. The pros and cons of introducing a new species into the lake were discussed; the decision was to move slowly with more research to be done.
6. Winter fishing on Ten Mile is practiced by only 16 percent of the respondents.
7. Only 2 percent of the people who fish in Ten Mile do NOT practice some form of "catch and release."
8. Question # 7 on the Fishing Survey asked, "What species do you fish for on TML?" The following are the percentages for each fish:

Walleye	95%
Largemouth Bass	67%
Northern Pike	61%
Crappie	57%
Sunfish	56%
Smallmouth Bass	45%
Rock Bass	30%
Perch	18%
Whitefish	8%

Other concerns of the TML Fisheries Committee:

- a) The amount of fishing pressure in Lundstrom Bay and Long's Bay during the spring season. (concerns discussed were: fish spawning disruption, weed bed destruction.)
- b) The increasing number of powerboats using the mouth of the Boy River, potentially causing a break-up of very important fish spawning areas.

Our Association believes fervently that we must protect our fish resources in Ten Mile Lake. If you see or hear of anybody that is abusing these resources, we encourage you to report it to **Gary Sommers** of the MN DNR at **547-4501**.

### RUN/BIKE AROUND TEN MILE LAKE

*A Message from David Buck*

I and my two boys, Riley, 11, and Griffin, 10, are planning to circumnavigate Ten Mile Lake on Saturday morning, **September 22, 2007**, starting at **8:00 a.m.** You probably know that is more than 10 miles: it is an 18.5 mile event. I will be running and the boys will be cycling.

If you are interested in joining in on the fun, call me, **David Buck**, at **612-308-9394** or e-mail me at [DavidLBuck@msn.com](mailto:DavidLBuck@msn.com).

We'll start at the Buck Cabin (5318 County 71) on the north side of the lake and head east. Bagels and a celebratory dip in the lake may be in order after our achievement!



## DON'T BE A PAIN IN THE BOAT!

by Don Harris, Chair, Lake Safety Committee

The Lake Safety Committee would like to offer two reminders that will make Ten Mile Lake safer for all of us:

### 1. AVOID THE "CIRCLE OF DEATH!"

Every year, somewhere in Minnesota injuries and deaths occur when boat operators let go of the steering wheel or outboard steering handle while the boat is moving. Both conditions can occur when boat operators are steering in tight circles trying to make "water moguls" for tubers to bounce over for a big lift. A phenomenon called steering torque forces the unhelmed motor to slam to the left, causing the boat to swerve sharply to the right, and throwing the operator and any passengers into the water.

The boat continues to travel in an ever-tightening circle, and may return to strike the victim(s) in the water, with the potential to inflict massive propeller injuries. Thus the term, "Circle of Death."

The solution?

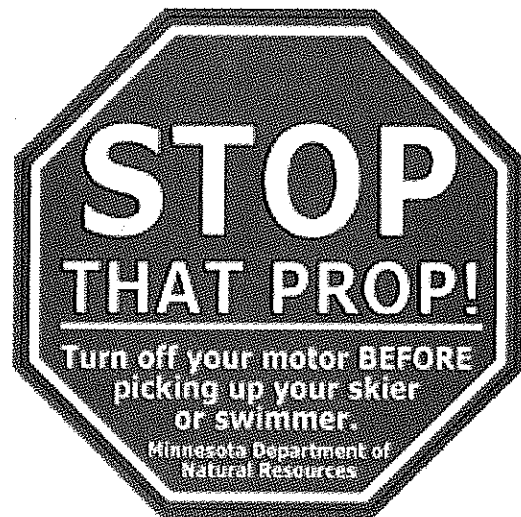
- a. Let the waves and boat wakes provide sufficient excitement for tubers.
- b. Never let go of the steering mechanism while the boat is in motion.

Note that driving a boat in tight circles injures the lake as well, since it tends to scour the floor of the lake and add to the turbidity of the water.

An additional note: If you observe a runaway boat, **DO NOT TRY TO CAPTURE THE BOAT** because there may be victims in the water. If possible, get the victims out of the way and **CALL 911**. The Cass County Sheriff's Water, Boat, and Safety Officers are trained with techniques on how to capture runaway boats in the "Circle of Death."

### 2. RED STOP!

Another source of an increasing number of injuries and maiming occurs when skiers, tubers, or wake-boarders attempt to reboard or deboard a boat when the motor, left idling, suddenly slips into gear. A major statewide program is underway to encourage boat operators to **TURN OFF THE MOTOR** whenever someone is in the water near the boat.



*DNR Sticker to Remind Boat Operators  
To Turn Off Motors*

At the annual TMLA meeting, the Lake Safety Committee will have a supply of "RED STOP" stickers. We encourage everyone to mount a sticker on any motored boat, to remind the operator to cut the motor fully off when picking up a passenger from the water.

If you watch the six o'clock news on KARE 11 TV, you can observe some of the victims that have been seriously injured by tow ropes and propellers when the boat was in neutral with the motor still running. Let's not have any Ten-Milers on those newscasts! **STOP THE MOTOR!**

## JURASSIC PARK — ALIVE AND WELL IN TEN MILE LAKE

by Bim Brandt

One evening last summer a friend from St. Louis and I were fishing for bass on Ten Mile Lake. We found a spot where they were hitting frequently, and I was fortunate enough to catch one, but observing Mark reel in one after another was like watching one of those anglers on TV. The only things missing were sponsor patches on his jacket and the 225 HP trolling motor.

With little break in the action, one of Mark's strikes was more ferocious than the others. The water was boiling, and Mark's pole was bent like the St. Louis Arch. The fish then dove for the weeds and Mark found himself in the middle of a mighty struggle, but eventually he was able to land the pugnacious rascal. While untangling the weeds from the fish, Mark was wondering what strange thing he had pulled up from the depths of the lake. I quickly ruled out a northern pike, and it was too big and long for a largemouth in Ten Mile Lake. It had the coloring of a walleye, but no, it wasn't a walleye either, and it had noticeably and unusually large teeth for a fish — more like a small dinosaur's.

In summers of yore, I used to see — particularly in one of the bay areas of Ten Mile — a big fish swimming in a snake-like motion with just its head above water. It appeared to be eating whatever it could find on the surface. I thought it was a huge northern pike, so as opportunity presented itself, I would try to catch it. Once I thought I had, but alas, it took my Hula-Popper right off the end of the line. I attributed the all too familiar "it got away" to the faulty knot this poor fisherman had tied.

Well, sometime along the way, someone told me that the fish I was seeing was a Dogfish, but I still didn't know how big a fish it was, how it looked, or what purpose it served in the aquatic world. As Mark and I peered at his fish that night, it seemed possible he had caught a Dogfish.

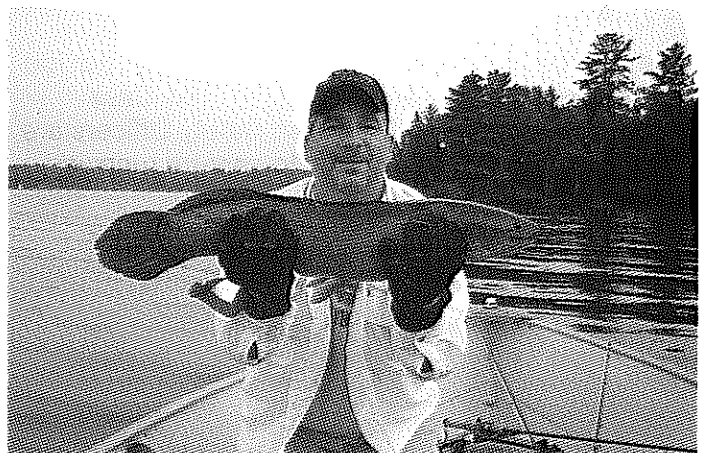
Mark had the curiosity to look up "Dogfish" on the web, so we thought that what we learned may be of interest to other Ten-Mile-lakers. Another name for the fish is "Bowfin," which is an order of primitive, ray-finned fish. The remains of Bowfins have been found in Jurassic, Cretaceous, and Eocene fossils. The Bowfin still extant in Ten Mile Lake exist in their current form almost unchanged as the species existed while the great dinosaurs roamed the earth!

In the accompanying picture of Mark and his fish, reptilian features are especially noticeable from the head. The most distinctive feature of a Bowfin is the very long dorsal fin which runs from mid-back to the base of the tail and consists of forty-five to fifty rays. In the picture, this fin is only partially visible because most of it is lying down. Also not visible because it is underneath Mark's right hand glove is a single-lobe caudal fin.

When a Bowfin does not get enough oxygen, it rises to the surface and gulps air into its swim bladder, which is lined with blood vessels and can serve much as a lung does. Perhaps this is what the fish were doing when I saw them in the past and thought they were top-water feeding.

The Bowfin can grow to over three feet in length and weigh almost fifteen and a half pounds. It is not very good eating for fish connoisseurs, and it is scorned by sportsmen because of its voracious appetite for game fish and pan fish. So it is really a "dog" of a fish, but what can we expect from a large fish with big teeth whose ancestors lived with the Tyrannosaurus Rex?

The story of the Bowfin seems like one more thing that adds to the draw, mystique, and aura of Ten Mile Lake — to think that there are prehistoric fish in our lake! Mark and I were catching and releasing that evening, so along with all those bass, we also put the Bowfin back. Somewhere out there in the waters of Ten Mile is lurking a dinosaur-like fish, not as big as a shark — but then, I would bet it has grown since last summer . . .



*Bim Brandt's friend Mark holding the Bowfin*

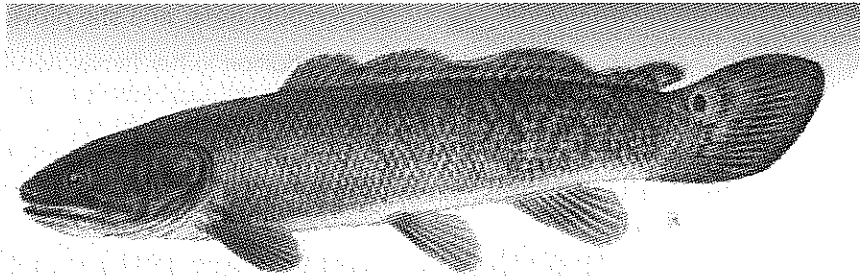


**Editor's Note:** If you google "bowfin" you will find an essay by Dr. Alan Richmond, Biology Department, University of Massachusetts. The Bowfin, *amia calva*, belongs to the family *amiidae*, which once contained many species and was widely distributed around the globe. Only the one species remains, and it is restricted to North America, covering the majority of the Mississippi basin and extending east along the Gulf Coast and extending north up the Atlantic Coast and into the Delaware River. *Amia*, the Bowfin, migrated east through the Great Lakes and the Saint Lawrence River basin into Lake Champlain.

"Bowfins seem to prefer slow sluggish backwaters where they feed on other fishes and invertebrates. In the spring, they breed in weed beds. Males build circular nests from fifteen

inches to about three feet in diameter. Unlike nests of sunfish or bass where the male clears a circular depression in the sand, *Amia* males often build nests in fibrous root mats, clearing away stems and leaves. One male may breed with two or three females. After breeding he continues to guard the nest until the young hatch eight to ten days after deposition. Baby *Amia* swim in schools and are protected by the male. They retain this schooling behavior until they are about four inches long." (From essay by Dr. Richmond.)

Picture of Bowfin from Richmond Essay



Fire Plane Picking Up Water (Photo by Brad Putney)

## REMEMBERING OUR TEN MILE LAKE FRIENDS

### Ivis (Ivy) Edrea Abraham

Ivis Edrea (Julien) Abraham was born on December 4, 1927 to Ida and Joe Julien on her family farm home in Dovray, MN. Ivy was a quick study and skipped two years of country school to start Mankato Teachers college at the age of sixteen. She entered a devoted career of teaching high school Math and Chemistry from 1950 to 1981. She had a powerful impact on the lives and careers of her students and was respected and loved as a teacher, colleague, and friend in the many communities where she taught including Hanska, Madelia, and Truman.

Ivy met her lifelong love, Arlo, at college, and they were married at Rice Lake Lutheran Church in 1951. Soon thereafter they started a family and began their busy lives teaching in the winter and running a family resort-camp-ground at Ten Mile Lake in the summers. Ivy could be found cleaning cabins and shower houses, bailing boats, washing loads of sheets, and baking homemade chocolate cake for their many guests. All the while you could hear her humming everywhere she went. In her spare time she loved to pick raspberries and chokecherries, and made the most wonderful jams and jellies. Ivy was an endless powerhouse of energy.

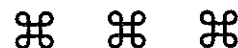
In 1981 Arlo and Ivy retired to Florida part time, but enjoyed traveling to Mexico, Alaska, Norway, and the Amazon, and once took a road trip touring the USA.

Ivy loved to sew, cook, sing, travel, walk on the beach, and most of all, to laugh. She was active in her community: teaching school, leading Girl Scouts, and teaching Bible school. She was always involved in her church circle and Bible study. Ivy will be remembered as a kind, compassionate, loving mother and a devoted wife who walked in the light of her faith.

Ivy fought a battle with Alzheimer's disease for fifteen years. During those years Arlo stayed by her side until his death in 2005. In spite of her illness she remained pleasant and was an inspiration to us all because of her gentle, peaceful spirit.

Ivy died on October 7, 2006 at her home in Naples, FL with her family at her side. Survivors include daughters Kim (Robert) Moe and Karla (Craig) Seibert, all of Bonita Springs, FL; son Kraig, of Naples, FL; sister Jordis Jans of Westbrook; brothers-in-law Oren Abraham of Naples, FL and Lynn Abraham and wife Pat of Hackensack, MN; four nieces and one nephew; and loving and dedicated caretakers Del, Darla, and Nichole. Ivis was preceded in death by her parents, husband Arlo, and infant brother Orlin.

*(Information provided by Kim Abraham Moe.)*



### Leone Helen Carey

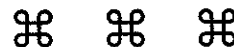
Leone Helen Carey died suddenly and unexpectedly from the effects of a cerebral hemorrhage on May 1, 2007 in Minneapolis, MN at the age of 81 years. She was born in Staples, MN on July 24 to Melvin and Emma (Roe) Schuck.

With her husband Pat and children, she came to Kenfield Bay in 1968; the beautiful white pines, the possible swimming beach, and the view across the bay clinched the sale. The family cleared the land and camped for several years before building the first version of their summer place. For a city girl, she took very nicely to fishing. Her delight was the northern pike and the largemouth bass, and she provided well for her family.

In addition to her family and friends, she enjoyed the feast days, shopping for bargains, conquering the daily crossword puzzle, out-pegging you in a game of cribbage, a good game of bridge, outfishing anyone in the boat, the view across the Bay, and passing on the books that she deeply enjoyed.

Leone and Pat were married at Salem Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, MN on August 27, 1948. She is survived by her husband and their children: Coleen (David) Pantalone, Jean (Bruce) Carey, Trish (Don) Arbach, Margaret Carey, Barbara (Kim) Spotts, Cathy Carey, Pat III (Kristine) Carey, and Polly (Chris) Friendshuh; twenty grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two sisters, Peggy and Carol; and many nieces and nephews. She is sorely missed but joyfully remembered.

*(Information provided by Pat Carey.)*



### Freda Katherine Haukon

Freda Katherine Haukon, 93, of Austin, MN, died Thursday, April 19, 2007 at Comforcare Good Samaritan Center.

She was born November 30, 1913, in Lyle, MN to Henry and Marie (Schwandt) Hobkirk. She attended Lyle Country School until eighth grade. She married Rudy Haukom March 28, 1936. The couple owned the Charity Nook Restaurant in the 1940s. She also worked at Hormel Foods for fifteen years, was a homemaker, and helped her husband on the family farm.

In their retirement, the couple spent winters in Mesa, AZ, and summers at their lake home on Ten Mile Lake. In her spare time she enjoyed sewing, crocheting, and fishing. She was a member of St. Olaf Lutheran Church in Austin and Hope Lutheran Church in Walker, MN. She is survived by her husband, Rudy, of Austin; one son-in-law, Dean Martin, of Oakland, MN; one sister, Myrtel Peters of Bakersfield, CA; nine grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and ten great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two daughters: Jean Martin and Arlene Dients; three grandchildren, and one brother, Lee Hogkirk. Funeral services were held April 23 at St. Olaf Lutheran Church, with interment at Grandview Cemetery in Austin.

*(Information taken from the Walker Pilot-Independent, Wednesday, April 25, 2007.)*



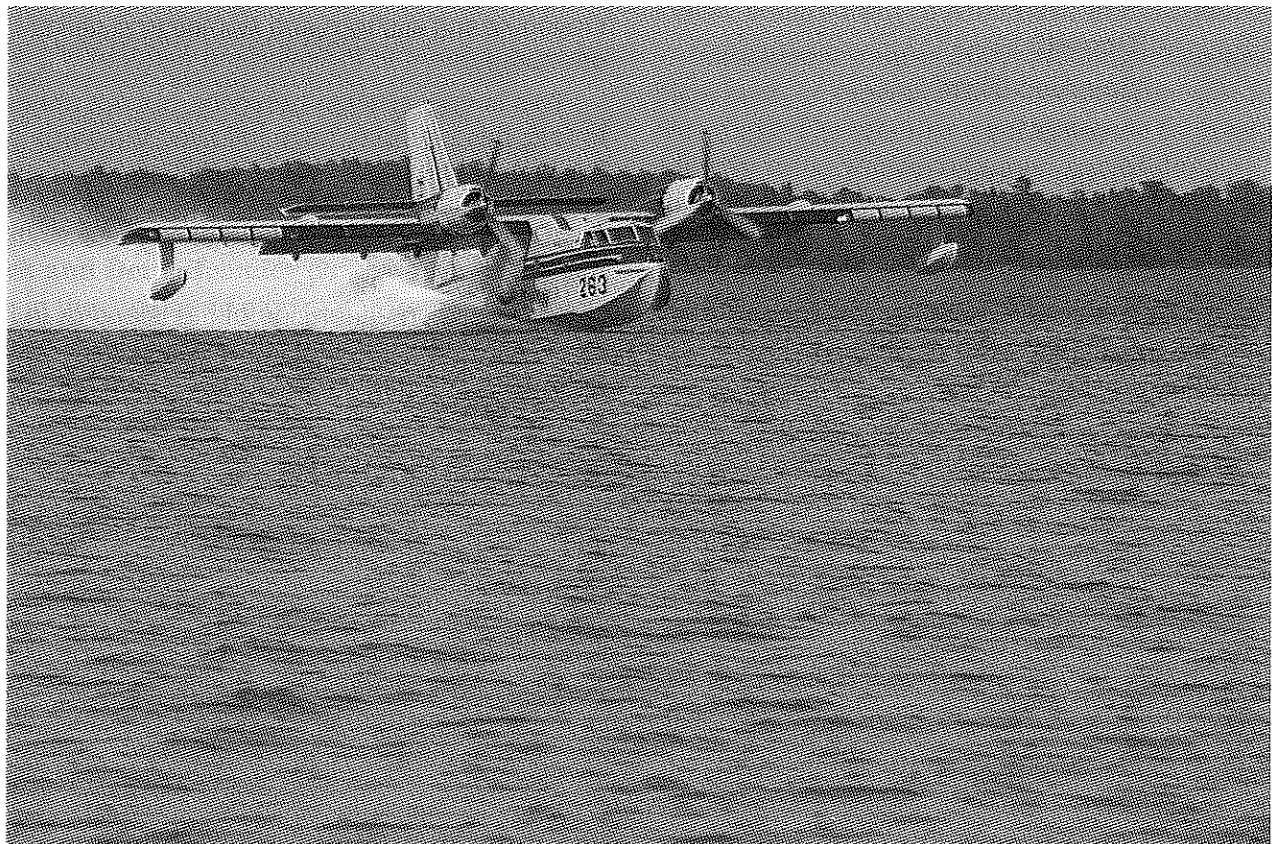
**Willard "Dutch" Pauly**

Willard H. "Dutch" Pauly, age 90, a lifetime resident of Chanhassen and longtime summer

resident of Ten Mile Lake, died on May 8, 2006. Dutch was a lifetime member of St. Hubert Catholic Church and a longtime member of the Chanhassen American Legion and the Knights of Columbus. He was the former owner of Pauly's General Store (Grocery and Hardware), and was retired from 35 years as Postmaster of Chanhassen.

Dutch enjoyed his many summers at Ten Mile Lake and the friends and memories he accumulated there. He was preceded in death by his wife, Kathryn ("Kay"), and his brother Fritz Pauly and sister, Clarice Coulter. He is survived by children Connie (David) Goetze of Baxter, Steven (Dorothy, "Dolly") Pauly of Hackensack, Tom (Lynn) Pauly of Chanhassen, and Mary (Duane) Goetze of Carver; twelve grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

*(Information from the Minneapolis Star-Tribune, May 9, 2006.)*



Fire Plane Picking Up Water (Photo by Brad Putney)

## THE LOON JOURNAL

### BY ANY NAME . . . THE LOON IS SPECIAL

By Kim Moe

**Gavia Immer** (the scientific name for the common loon) has flown under many interesting names for many years and in numerous countries. **Gavia** means diver; **Immer** means to immerse or immerse.

Norsemen call loons "*lumen*," meaning benumbed, weary, exhausted.

The Swedes refer to the loon as "*Looney*," meaning to be a rascal, and mischievous.

Those from Iceland name the loon "*Lumb*," meaning lame, lummox, clumsy.

In Mexico they use the words "*Bobo*" and "*Somorgero*," meaning fool.

American Indians have several names for the common loon: "*Mookwa*," "*Tuutlek*," "*Mahug*," and "*Ah-Ah-Wauk*."

Many other descriptive names have been given to this unusual bird:

"Dipper"  
 "Bobchicken"  
 "Ducker"  
 "Speckled Diver"  
 "Arsefoot"  
 "Ember Goose"  
 "Ringed-Neck Loon"  
 "Waloon"  
 "Black-billed Loon"

Some like to call the Loon "*Gavia Immer*" — the Incredible Swimmer!

### THE LOONS OF TEN MILE LAKE

By Bob Moe

We definitely have two chicks that hatched on a natural site near the old Pinewood resort. There also seems to be a loon on the man-made nest just inside the point in Kenfield Bay.

The two chicks that are near John Hartzell's shore by the Loufek property will have quite a story to tell their grandchicks! They were hatched on a pond/wetland off the lake between the old Thomas farm and Loufek shores. On Saturday, June 16 they were discovered by John Hartzell in the MIDDLE of Boone Point Road near the Aronson driveway. Risking life and limb, John rescued the loon chicks from the middle of the road, and then engaged in beak-to-leg combat with the adult that was accompanying them on their trip to the big lake! They then apparently continued on their almost half-mile overland journey, going down the Aronson driveway, under the clothesline, over the edge of the rocks to the big lake. They were verified to be in fine condition with both parents in attendance the next day. While they were on their trip to the lake, one of the adults stayed near the shore and hooted and called encouragement to the overland caravan.

This is very strange behavior, but not unheard of. In fact, this pair may have followed the same process the last couple of years. An adult was seen on the same road last year, and loon chicks have mysteriously appeared on the sandy beach shore for the last two years.

No chicks on either side of the island or in Flower Pot Bay for the first time in many years — cause unknown. Too many adult loons on the lake? This writer thinks so.



## THE HISTORY PAGE

### GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

*By Kim Abraham Moe, History Committee*

Not since the 1920s has the property on the hill overlooking Long's Bay been vacant.

What a shock to see NOTHING in a spot where there had always been SOMETHING. Oh yes — I heard, via e-mail and phone calls: "It's totally gone!!!" But only when I drove by this spring did I feel the emptiness. Flat. . . Treeless . . . Vacated asphalt lot and one lone light pole.

The Weyerhaeuser/Mississippi Lumber Company owned this land the last time it was vacant —in 1873.

By the 1900s, when the railroad passed by this area, the Ten Mile Lake Station had become a popular shelter for rail patrons. The Boone Point cabin owners got off and on at the station and Mr. Long provided a launch service from the shelter to their Ten Mile Lake cottages.

In 1922 **Curtz and Lethra Rattz** bought the station and the surrounding property. Here, they established their homestead. In 1949, **Lewis Chalice** bought the home and converted it to the Ten Mile Lake Store. It was also a fun and hopping bar and dance hall.

**Chuck and Dena Bromley** purchased this small business in the 1950s and named it "Bromley's Ten Mile Lake Inn." Their business eventually outgrew

the tiny tavern. The Bromleys added on to the building three different times. Perhaps you remember the yummy smoked ribs and the huge salad bar. (I was, proudly, the "Salad Girl" for three summers in the 1970s.) Dancing to a live band was a big part of the entertainment, after watching the sunset while enjoying a delicious meal. Service of 200-plus meals on Friday and Saturday nights was very common throughout the summer season.

This thriving business was sold by the Bromleys in 1979, to the **Seeleys**, and sold again in 1993 to the **Petersons**. In 1994 the **Oppegards** purchased the inn and named it "Arthur's Ten Mile Lake Inn." They provided bug-free outdoor dining in the newly built screened-in porch. This was a real hit in Northern Minnesota! But again, new owners, Dan and Cindee Petrie, bought the Ten Mile Lake Inn in 2003.

Now here we are in 2007. No longer can we drive, bike, boat, or snowmobile to our favorite spot for a nice meal. The establishment that gave us great food, a lovely view, wonderful times, and lifelong friendships is gone. The Ten Mile Lake Inn was demolished in the fall of 2006. Perhaps you are lucky enough to have many fond memories of the Ten Mile Lake Inn.

### THE TEN MILE LAKE HISTORY BOOK

The long-anticipated TMLA History Book will be hot off the press at the annual meeting, August 4. It has 250 articles, including about 175 individual family histories. These fascinating and informative articles were written by you, so you will want to have a coffee table copy as well as others for gifts to family and friends.

The price will be somewhere around \$35, depending on the final printing costs, so please bring your check books to the annual meeting! The book will be available at the annual meeting, every week-end in August, and during the Labor Day week-end from any member of the History Committee listed on Page 2 of this *Newsletter*.

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