

# Newsletter

Fall, 2010

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

## TEN MILE LAKE CALENDAR FOR 2011

**SPRING FLING** ..... **Saturday**  
5:00 p.m. ..... **April 30, 2011**  
At Tianna Golf Clubhouse

**FOURTH OF JULY BOAT PARADES** ..... **Monday**  
10:00 a.m. ..... **July 4, 2011**  
North Shore ..... Area by former Arthur's  
South Shore ..... Public Access

**WATERCRAFT OPERATOR'S  
PERMIT TRAINING** ..... **Thursday**  
8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ..... **July 7, 2011**  
At the Hackensack Community Center

**WELL WATER TESTING** ..... **Saturday**  
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. ..... **July 16, 2011**  
At former Woock's Store (South Shore, Rock Rose  
Trail & Lower Ten Mile Lake Road) or  
Christiansens' (North Shore, 5457 Co.Rd.50)

**ANNUAL MEETING** ..... **Saturday**  
9:30 a.m. ..... **August 6, 2011**  
At Union Congregational Church, Hackensack

**TMLA BOARD MEETINGS** ..... **Saturdays**  
9:00 a.m.  
At Tom & Sarah Cox's ..... **May 21, 2011**  
At Lee Ann Sand's ..... **June 18, 2011**  
At Bob & Kim Moe's ..... **July 16, 2011**  
At Jim Miller's ..... **August 20, 2011**  
At Teri Gapinsky's ..... **September 17, 2011**

**FALL FETE** ..... **Friday**  
5:00 p.m. ..... **September 16, 2011**

**DEADLINES, MATERIAL FOR NEWSLETTERS:**  
Spring Issue ..... **April 1, 2011**  
Summer Issue ..... **June 15, 2011**  
Fall Issue ..... **September 1, 2011**

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

At its 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting on August 7, 2010, TMLA included the following announcements and discussions:

- The James W. Schwartz Award Plaque was presented to **Phoebe Alden** in honor of her husband **John Alden** and his many services to the Association.
- The Conservation Committee presented a proposal concerning the purchase of Tract 8 of the Loufek property including 500 feet of Sandy Beach shoreline. The sense of the meeting was to attempt to raise money for this purchase. All members have since received letters about this proposal.
- The guest speaker was **Pam Perry**, a wildlife biologist and non-game wildlife expert with DNR. Having studied loons extensively, Pam presented a slide show and a great deal of fascinating information about loons in Minnesota. Minnesota has about 12,000 adult loons, the largest population of any of the states.
- A slate of officers and directors presented by **Al Griggs**, chair of the Nominating Committee, was elected unanimously. We now have a full slate of officers and directors. (See Page 2.)
- **Sue Eikenberry** and **Don Harris** were presented with certificates acknowledging their services to TMLA. Each has served for nine years on the Board of Directors.
- President **Bruce Carlson** appealed to all members to join a committee and participate in the important work of protecting and preserving the water of Ten Mile Lake.

**Ten Mile Lake Association Officers**

Bruce Carlson, President .....	675-5580
Jay Cline, Vice President .....	675-5880
Ken Regner, Treasurer .....	675-5464
Lee Sand, Secretary .....	675-5582

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Tom Cox.....	675-6844
Teri Gapinsky .....	547-3337
Al Griggs .....	675-6312
Don Hoppe .....	675-6265
Ivar Sigveland .....	Cell: 218-675 6282
Sarah Swanstrom.....	675-6226

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Karin Arsan .....	675-6247
Bill Brandt .....	675-6107
John Hartzell .....	675-6994
Bob Iversen .....	547-1876
Marty McCleery .....	675-6908
Bob Moe .....	675-3975

**Membership Coordinator**

Phoebe Alden.....	547-3114
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**Newsletter Editor**

Sarah Cox.....	675-6844
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**Web Master**

Geoff Cox.....	<a href="mailto:geoff@geoff-cox.com">geoff@geoff-cox.com</a>
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**Committees**

**Adopt-A-Highway** – Ivar Sigveland, Denny & Paula Abbott, Mary Ackerman & Jim Reents, Phoebe Alden, Karin Arsan, Jim & Susan Brandt, Larry Clemens, John Coughlin, Elaine Crabb, Cary & Janet George, John & Lolly Hallberg, Bob & Nancy Horn, Mike and Sandy Kennedy, Paul & Carolyn Krech, Emily Minor, Jane & Ken Odell, Bob & Carol Williams.

**Advisory** – Al Griggs, Jack Adams, Tom Cox, Bob Crom, Al Hoover, Jim Miller, Jim Schwartz, Stan Skaug, Don Willis

**Conservation** – Jim Miller, John Hartzell, Gary Anderson, Andy Biebl, Bruce Carlson, Mimi Garbisch Carlson, Barrett Colombo, Tom Cox, Al Griggs, Shelly Knuths, Jim McGill, Tom Moore, Loydee Stonebrink, Diane Westmore

**Directory** – Phoebe Alden

**Environment & Ecology** – Bruce Carlson, Gail Becher, Al Griggs, John Hallberg, Don Hoppe, Bob Iversen, Marty McCleery, Tom Moore, Ray Raetz, Bob Rydell, Dick Sampel, Otto Schneider, Jim Schwartz, Judy Seward, Muriel Towler, Forrest Watson, Dick Zejdlik

**Fisheries** – Bob Horn, Pat Carey, Bruce Carlson, Teri Gapinski, Warren Gerber, Al Griggs, Rod Owre, Jim Schwartz

**Healthy Lakes** – Marty McCleery, Gail Becher, Tom Cox, Bob Rydell, Sarah Swanstrom, Randy Vosbeck

**History** – Sue Eikenberry, Karin Arsan, Tom Cox, Alden Gjevre, Deb Hamilton, Cathy Iversen, Tom Meyers, Kim Moe, Sue Seyala, Murry Towler, Larry Urbanski, Mary Ann Varela

**Lake Safety** – Don Harris, Pat Gjevre, Doug Kramer, John McManus, Jerry Mills, Bob Moe, Sharon Peterson, Brad Putney

**Loons** – Kim Moe, Dave Byers, Bob Crom, Bob Horn, Lynn Martin, Bob Moe, Murry Towler

**Nominating** – Al Griggs, Sue Eikenberry, Heidi Hoppe

**Treasurer's** – Ken Regner, Jay Cline, Jim Hickman, Dave Losby, Ivar Sigveland, Sarah Swanstrom

**Water Level** – Tom Cox, Jay Cline, Dan Eikenberry, Marty McCleery, Ray Raetz, Jim Schwartz

**Zoning** – now handled by the Conservation Committee

**THE HONOR ROLL**

From time to time, we include in the Newsletter an Honor Roll of those Ten Mile Lake residents who have upgraded their septic systems or installed new systems. We honor them because maintaining effective and safe septic systems is one of the most critical components of our ongoing effort to "preserve and improve . . . Ten Mile Lake and its environment." Below we list those families who have improved, replaced, or built new septic systems since we last published the Honor Roll.

- Robert G. and Leontine M. Barney
- James D. Kohl
- Dwight A. Lincoln
- Chester L. Jr. and Luella Malek
- Patricia and James Miller
- Mimi and Erik Carlson/The Garbisch Ten Mile Property, Inc.
- The Greco-Zalk Partnership
- Mark and Heather Stonacek

We thank these residents for doing their part to protect the health of the lake. If you or someone you know has updated a septic system and not been recognized in the Honor Roll, please let us know about it.

**TEN MILE HISTORY: 200 YEARS**

The TML History Book makes a wonderful Christmas present for Ten Milers and their friends. You may still order copies from:

- Tom Cox  
218-675-6844 or [tbcoxreston@aol.com](mailto:tbcoxreston@aol.com)
- Sue Eikenberry  
218-675-6183 or [tenmile@tds.net](mailto:tenmile@tds.net)

Cost: \$35.00 plus \$5.00 shipping

Please make checks payable to Ten Mile Lake Association, and date them either the 1<sup>st</sup> or the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.

## FISHING CHATTER

BY Bob Horn, Chair, Fisheries Committee

The TMLA Fisheries Committee met this August with **Harlan Fierstine**, the Walker DNR Fisheries Manager. DNR was on Ten Mile this past July setting their gill and trap nets to survey the kinds, amounts, and health of the different kinds of fish. They set 15 gill nets that are 250 feet long and 6 feet tall. The trap nets are set to target pan fish. The gill nets are set in the same 15 locations every 1-5 years. The chart below will help you identify the "catch rate" for each species of fish over the past fourteen years.

After reviewing the results of the test nets, Harlan said "there were no red flags " He said that DNR will continue to stock walleye fingerlings in Ten Mile every other year at a rate of 2600 pounds per year.

You will notice on the chart that the Rock Bass is the most numerous fish netted. If you have done much fishing on Ten Mile you probably know already that most Walleye lakes have an abundance of "Rockies" because they also prefer well-oxygenated lakes. For those of you who care, the Minnesota record Rock Bass is 2 pounds.

**FACT OR FICTION: There have been North Shore residents who say that we have a monster fish in TML. This fish is over 5 feet long and will actually surface during the summer. Is this fish a Sturgeon, Muskie, or a Northern Pike? If you have a picture of "Walter" please send it to the TML Website.**

TEN MILE LAKE GILL NET RESULTS, 1997 – 2009 *						
(Average Number of Fish Per Net)						
FISH SPECIES	YEAR					
	1997	2000	2003	2006	2008	2009
WALLEYE	11.50	6.80	8.42	10.17	5.07	5.93
NORTHERN PIKE	7.40	6.70	10.42	7.17	14.00	6.07
LARGEMOUTH BASS	0.90	1.90	2.25	4.17	1.47	2.40
SMALLMOUTH BASS	0	0	0.42	1.25	1.20	0.73
CRAPPIE	Trace	Trace	0.25	1.58	1.00	0.93
PERCH	8.30	12.50	14.73	7.42	11.87	11.53
ROCK BASS	13.50	14.50	22.00	21.33	22.40	18.73

\* Data provided by Harlan Fierstine, DNR Fisheries Manager, Walker, MN.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

By Bruce Carlson, TMLA President

This letter is being written toward the end of a very active summer for the Ten Mile Lake Association. It was very gratifying to see almost 200 people in attendance at our 58<sup>th</sup> annual TMLA meeting in early August. Our Association has long had the reputation of being one whose members really care about the well-being of their lake, and the excellent attendance at our annual meetings is a reflection of that spirit. We had a very informative talk about loons by Pam Perry from the DNR and had a good discussion about the potential purchase of the Sandy Beach property in the limited time available for that. Let me expand on the latter.

### Sandy Beach Issues

As those who were present at the annual meeting already know, earlier in the summer the TMLA was presented the opportunity to buy 500 feet of the Sandy Beach plus an additional 70+ acres of adjoining woodland and wetland, which was all part of the former Loufek property. For over 70 years, residents on the lake have been able to use that beach for swimming and socializing. This purchase opportunity was brought to the TMLA Board by the Conservation Committee in July and was discussed at length by the Board in its July meeting. After discussing the pros and cons, the Board voted to bring this opportunity up at the annual meeting to see if there might be sufficient interest among the members to pursue the purchase of the property. After the discussion at the annual meeting, there were sufficient numbers of raised hands indicating interest in the purchase that the Board decided at its August meeting to authorize a full-fledged fund-raising campaign to see if the money required to purchase the property could be pledged on a very short notice. You all should have received a long letter and a brochure concerning the Sandy Beach property.

It is important to understand how matters like the potential Sandy Beach purchase are conducted under the bylaws of TMLA. Such a purchase would be made possible through designated gifts made to TMLA, which would be the clearing house for such gifts. According to our bylaws, the TMLA Board, not the full membership, has the authority to accept or not accept any gift to the Association. (A vote of the full membership, however, is required to sell any land already owned by TMLA.) In this case, all pledges toward the purchase would be compiled, and the TMLA Board would in late September decide

whether or not it is prudent to proceed with the possible purchase. The Board would go through the same determination even if presented with a single donation for the full purchase price. Should the Board decide that the amount of pledges is insufficient to consummate the purchase, all pledges to the Association would be voided. Regardless of the outcome, the decision of the Board will be posted on the TMLA Website, since that meeting will take place after the deadline for the *Fall Newsletter*.

**Newsflash, September 20.** As of September 17, 80 families had pledged funds toward the purchase of the Sandy Beach property, but the amount pledged did not meet the asking price for the land. Therefore at its meeting on September 18, the TMLA Directors voted not to proceed with the purchase of the Sandy Beach property. Because of this, those who did pledge money for the purchase of the land have no obligation to fulfill their pledges.

### Shoreline Restoration Possibilities

One of the striking characteristics of Ten Mile is the concern that most cabin-owners have about the environment and about maintaining the pristine quality of the lake. Because of this, we are high on the radar of governmental agencies who, themselves, feel that this is a special lake that should be preserved. To this end, we are frequently presented with opportunities to both study and maintain the overall quality of the lake. One such area is in shoreline restoration and improvement, where a lot is happening (see the E & E report in this *Newsletter* for more details). Another relates to conservation easements, which represent a means of preserving the natural state of land into the perpetual future (see the report of the Conservation Committee for details on special opportunities for Ten Mile).

### Resource Protection Districts

Another topic that has been discussed in previous *Newsletters* involves the proposed Resource Protection Districts, according to which land in ecologically sensitive sites (there are five on Ten Mile) would receive extra protection. As you may recall from the *Summer Newsletter*, TMLA has collected information on landowner sentiment in each of the five proposed districts. We are not as an association planning to initiate further steps toward establishing such districts, but TMLA will serve as a resource for any groups interested in pursuing such action. I have

been in recent meetings called by township representatives, who are wondering what is their appropriate role in the process. One concrete suggestion is to hold an informational meeting, called by the townships, possibly in June 2011, to explain procedures and answer questions that have already arisen. According to the tentative plan, the four townships (Hiram, Shingobee, Birch Lake and Turtle Lake) that cover both Ten Mile and Birch Lakes would hold a single meeting. It would be attended by County and DNR personnel, who should be able to answer all questions for landowners on both lakes. I hope we will be able to make a definitive announcement of such a meeting in the Spring 2011 Newsletter.

**Exotic Species**

Ten Mile Lake remains fortunate in not having any known exotic species introduced into our waters. In other lakes in Cass and nearby counties, the presence of exotics has sometimes had devastating effects on these lakes. They have also caused great expense to the shoreline landowners, because the State does not assume responsibility for dealing with exotics once they gain a foothold in a lake. Despite our good fortune, we must remain vigilant, and on a personal level ensure that when we are bringing boats into the lake they, including the livewells, are free of any viable forms of animal or plant life.

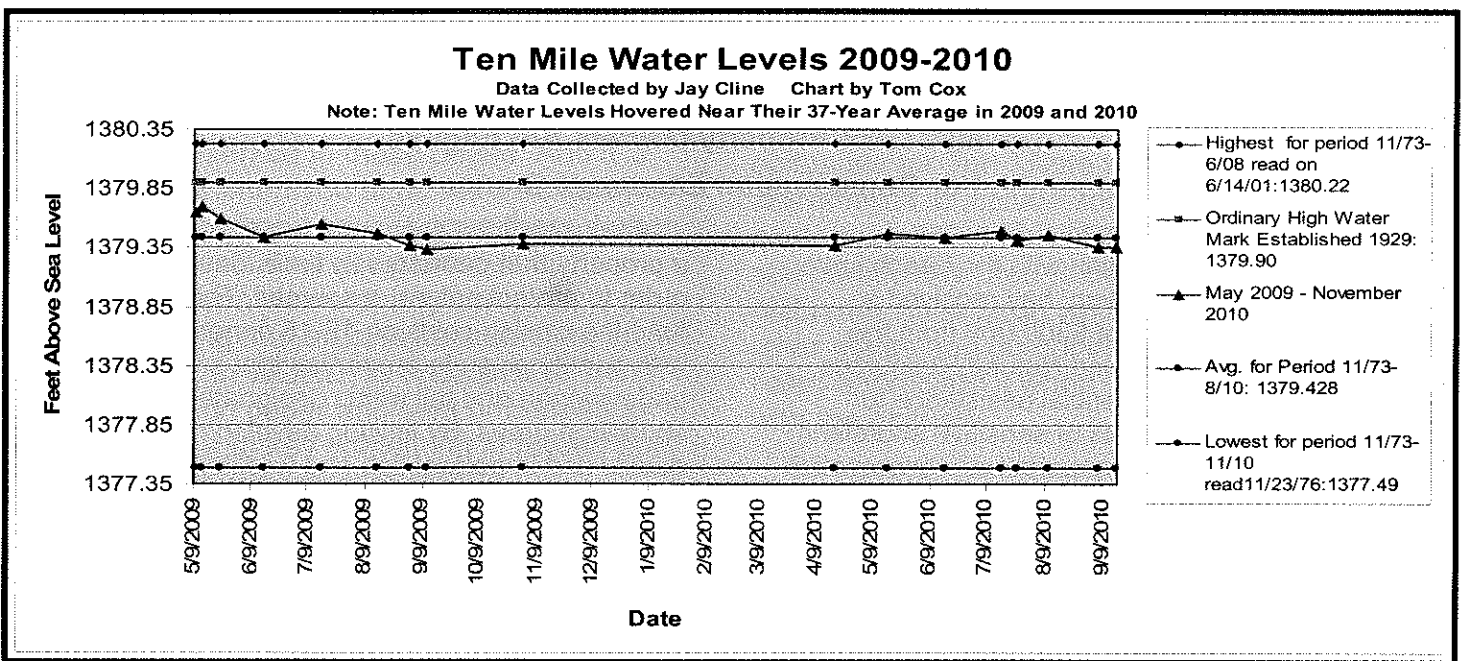
**A Safety Reminder**

On a more somber note, a late-night boat accident in early August resulted in a death on the lake. The lack of any lights on one boat contributed to the accident. As someone who is often out late at night fishing, I can appreciate how important it is both to have adequate lighting on your boat and also how important it is to be exceptionally careful when you are operating a boat after dark. On the road, the maxim is not to overrun your headlights. On the water we normally don't have headlights, so just think about how long it takes to both see and react to another boat in your path when it is totally dark.

**Membership Participation**

To end on a more cheerful note, I have been delighted to note some new members on TMLA committees. It is through new participation that the Association retains its vitality, and every new member brings something different to the Association. I thank all those who have become active in the Association during 2010 and encourage others to become involved. If you are interested in becoming an active member of the TMLA, please contact me ([brcarl@umich.edu](mailto:brcarl@umich.edu)) and I'll try to place you on some committee or activity that fits your interests.

I wish you all the best for the coming winter. Be assured that the Ten Mile Lake Association will continue to be active throughout the winter months in its pursuit of maintaining the quality of the lake and the lifestyle that is so important to our members.



## QUALIFIED CONSERVATION EASEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

by Jim Miller and John Hartzell – Conservation Committee Chairs

### Potential Income, Real Estate And Estate Tax Savings

Congress has continued to allow enhanced charitable contribution deductions associated with conservation easements. A qualified conservation easement allows a taxpayer to claim a charitable deduction for a permanent easement restriction placed on real estate, while retaining full ownership and use of that real estate. Typically, a lakeshore easement would permanently restrict any future development of the property, but allows the property owner to retain possession, ownership and use of that property.

The diminished market value of the property from the permanent easement is treated as a charitable contribution. This charitable contribution is limited to 50% of the taxpayer's annual income, with the excess being allowed as a carryforward to future tax returns for 15 years [IRC Sec. 170(b)(1)(E) and 170(h)].

The diminished market value of the property may qualify for reduced real estate taxes. If the owner is exposed to federal or state estate taxes, the reduced property value from the permanent easement will decrease those taxes.

A good Ole and Lena example regarding the opportunities involved in conservation easements is contained in the [tenmilelake.org](http://tenmilelake.org) website under "Conservation Committee." Here is an abbreviated version of that example:

*To measure their charitable deduction, Ole and Lena secure two appraisals: An appraisal of the 200 frontage feet of property and accompanying woodland as is (based on its development potential) and a second appraisal after placement of the easement restriction. Assume that the property appraises at \$500,000 if capable of development, but only appraises at \$300,000 of market value with the permanent easement that restricts any future development. These appraisals indicate that Ole and Lena's conservation easement has diminished the market value of this parcel of land by \$200,000. This \$200,000 represents their allowable income tax charitable deduction.*

For questions and further information, please contact any of the members of the Ten Mile Lake Association Conservation Committee listed below:

	Ten Mile	Business
Jim Miller, CPA, Chair	218-547-3337	612-376-4506
John Hartzell, Vice Chair	218-675-6994	239-283-8379 Winter
Barrett Colombo, Attorney	218-547-0802	320-656-3506
Andy Biebl, CPA	218-547-2702	612-397-3121

### Ten Mile Lake Property Owners Are Eligible For Conservation Easement Grants

Cass County Environmental Services Department, in collaboration with the Leech Lake Area Watershed Foundation, has received a legislative appropriation of \$300,000 from the Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund to provide financial assistance to shoreland property owners of sensitive shoreland who are willing to donate a perpetual conservation easement on their property. Ten Mile is among the 18 Cass County lakes identified through the DNR Sensitive Shoreland study as a high priority for the project. Sensitive shorelands are areas of unique ecological significance for fish and wildlife habitat.

A conservation easement is a legal restriction on a property that permanently limits development in order to protect natural resources. The project will fund the closing costs on 12-15 donated easements, with priority given to properties that are largely undeveloped and fall within designated sensitive shoreland areas. By limiting development, water quality and important fish and wildlife habitat is protected. Landowners who place permanent easements on their properties retain ownership and use of their properties while the development rights are held by a qualified entity, which will be either Cass County or the Minnesota Land Trust per the landowner's preference. If the property is sold or

inherited, the easement passes on to the future owners to ensure permanent protection of the resources. If desired, the landowner can set aside future building sites or uses in the easement.

The project grants will provide a willing landowner with financial incentive (approximately \$15,000 per easement) to put the easement in place. This would cover costs for appraisals, land surveys, legal reviews, documentation of conservation values, and other associated costs. Conservation easements

usually qualify for an IRS charitable deduction. Every easement is individually tailored to the landowner's conservation interests.

For more information on participating, contact **John Sumption**, land conservation specialist with the Leech Lake Area Watershed Foundation, at 218-363-2942 or [sumptionenv@gmail.com](mailto:sumptionenv@gmail.com). Or, contact Cass County Environmental Services at 218-547-7256, or any of the members of our Conservation Committee listed above.

## THE LOON JOURNAL

*By Kim Abraham Moe*

This past summer Ten Mile was home to many adult loons and only two nesting pairs. Four chicks were hatched this summer on our lake. As of late August the adult loons are rafting and fishing in groups. They need to put on weight and get stronger for their long flight south.

Loons are now molting or loosing their old, worn, frayed and weak feathers. They need to grow new "Flight feathers" to carry them to their winter home, thousands of miles from here! These feathers are strong enough for hard flapping at 90 miles an hour.

The oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico is a great concern for our loons migrating to the Gulf. The death toll of

the common loon could jump once our northern birds return to the Gulf.

Scientists used color and numbered I.D. bands to track loons in the past. Now there are 10 common loons that are carrying satellite transmitters. Each bird can be tracked and followed on its migration. You can follow these loons on-line by going to the website: USGS UMESC:Loons Tracked by Satellites. This is a very interesting site!

Thanks to all of you who helped with the platform nests and markers. Thank you to all residents that are working to coexist with our loons on Ten Mile so that they will be joining us each summer at the lake!

## A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR: HOW TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE NEWSLETTER

I am always delighted to receive articles, stories, or poems for publication in this Newsletter. My goal is to get as many of you as possible represented in these pages. And it is usually helpful when you send me articles by e-mail — except when I cannot open them. I often can't open them if they are produced in applications I don't have on my computer. I am therefore asking that articles be submitted in one of three ways: in WORD, in WORDPERFECT, or printed out on paper and sent or handed to me. (It is easier to key something in myself than to struggle with foreign applications.)

If you do send an article by e-mail, please do not try to format it in some way you think might fit the newsletter. I will probably have to remove a lot of your formatting and redo it to fit the place

I have found for it. Just type it out in normal paragraphs as simply as possible

It is also very helpful when you send me obituaries for Ten Milers who have died. I often ask families to include some notes on how the person related to Ten Mile Lake and what he or she particularly liked to do at TML. (Some obituaries have been written for newspapers in other states and do not include this information.) I also appreciate it when you send a photo to go with the obituary.

So keep the articles coming. Many members have told me they read every word in the newsletter, so we want to keep communicating about "preserving and improving TML and its environment."

Sarah Cox, Editor

*Note: On September 4<sup>th</sup>, the TMLA Conservation Committee met at the home of Meg and Mark Anderson adjacent to Sandy Beach to consider the proposal of an ad hoc group which had met a week earlier to develop possible guidelines for the use of Sandy Beach in the event it should be purchased by the TMLA. Though the Association Board voted at its meeting on September 18<sup>th</sup> to discontinue the Sandy Beach purchase project, Conservation Committee Co-chairs Jim Miller and John Hartzell recommended that excerpts of the minutes of the September 4<sup>th</sup>*

*Conservation Committee meeting be published. Though the Association will not own the Sandy Beach property, the guidelines described in these minutes are nevertheless still appropriate not only for the use of Sandy Beach but also for the use of all of the seven parcels of land already owned by the Association. Contributions to this discussion of usage guidelines from members are always welcome, and may be made to the Conservation Committee.*

## TEN MILE LAKE ASSOCIATION EXCERPTS OF THE MINUTES OF THE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING

10:00 A.M. Saturday, September 4, 2010

Home of Meg and Mark Anderson

### Principal Topic: Sandy Beach Usage Guidelines

**Present:** Jim Miller, Chair; John Hartzell, Vice Chair; Meg Anderson; Andy Biebl; Mimi Garbisch Carlson; Barrett Colombo; Tom Cox; Al Griggs; Jim McGill; Loydee Stonebrink; Meg's husband, David Washburn

**Absent:** Shelly Knuths, Rod Owre, Diane Westmore.

#### 1. General Discussion

The meeting began about 10:00 A.M. Displaying on the dining table the Certificate of Survey of the Loufek property, which showed an outline of Tract 8 and its Parcels B, C and D which TMLA hopes to purchase, **Jim Miller** reviewed our current situation by reference to the survey and by reference to the terms of the purchase agreement signed by TMLA and **John Zacher** of Shore Quest LLC.

Jim referred to the discussion of the ad hoc Guidelines group (**Mark Anderson, Meg Anderson, Karin Lane Arsan, Eric Carlson, Mimi Garbisch Carlson, Tom Cox, Jim Miller**) which had met on August 28<sup>th</sup>. One of that group's recommendations had been that there be no trails developed, as trails would encourage usage that would increase the risk of accident and thus of TMLA liability. It was agreed today that keeping the forest in its natural state fits in with the TMLA mission and purpose.

Jim reported that the CE proposed by **Rob Gregory** to be placed on his portion of the property stipulates no development of buildings. ...

A question arose as to whether TMLA is qualified to have Mr. Gregory's CE assigned to it. Barrett will review the pertinent State statute to see whether

TMLA qualifies to hold CEs. If so, TMLA would soon be responsible for preparing a benchmark evaluation of the property.

The issue of creating a separate but Ten Mile related 501(c)(3) entity to hold CEs also arose. Barrett avowed that such an entity would be easy and quick to create.

#### 2. Usage Guidelines Discussion

There was general discussion of the usage guidelines developed by the ad hoc guidelines group on August 28<sup>th</sup>. . . . The discussion touched on the following issues:

- **Control of the Beach.** Control would be by means of guidelines signs placed strategically, as well as articles in the *Newsletter* about the importance of being good stewards of the beach.
- **Public Access.** There would be no open public access to the property from Boone Point Road. Access would be from the water. The general public would not be prohibited.
- **Trash Accumulation.** This has not been a serious problem, according to those who live near the beach and those who have used it. The guidelines address this issue.
- **Fires.** The Guidelines stipulate no fires.
- **Trails.** The group agreed that in keeping with the TMLA's mission, trails would not be developed. Conservation education efforts would emphasize the availability of many forest trails for hiking, observing nature, cross-



country skiing, etc., elsewhere throughout the area.

- **Property Line Demarcation.** Signage would include property line signs.

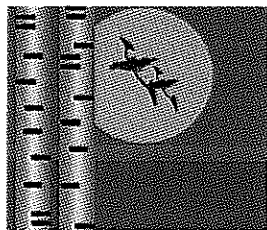
**3. Further General Discussion**

- It was observed that there are actually two measurements of the shoreline side of the property. One is the "survey line," which is some 10-12 feet back from the water line, and is 496 feet in length. The other is the actual water line, which is 520 feet in length.
- Andy Biebl pointed out that a CE can be expected to reduce the value of the property. In Mr. Gregory's case, he would receive a tax deduction for a charitable contribution equal to the amount of the difference in the land's value before and after the placement of the CE.

**4. Signage Considerations**

- It was agreed that in the event the Association goes to closing on the property, we should post at least two "Guidelines" signs, as well as the lot-line signs at each end of the beach.
- The language currently being considered for the Guidelines signs reads:

**Property of Ten Mile Lake Association, Inc.**



**How You Can Be a Good Steward  
of  
Sandy Beach on Ten Mile Lake  
GUIDELINES FOR MEMBERS,  
GUESTS AND FRIENDS**

- ◆ Time of Use: Morning until Sunset
- ◆ Please Clean Up After Yourself and Your Pets  
Pack Out What You Pack In
- ◆ Take Care of Ten Mile's Clean, Sparkling Waters  
Please do Not Use Soap or Shampoo in the  
Water
- ◆ Noise: Please be Considerate of Neighbors and  
Other Visitors

- ◆ To Preserve Water Quality and Protect the Forest,  
No Fires  
No Hunting

**5. Appointment of Sign Subcommittee**

Tom Cox suggested that the signs' language and other signage details be addressed by a subcommittee. The following persons agreed to serve:

- Tom Cox
- Meg Anderson
- Mimi Garbisch Carlson
- Mark Anderson (co-opted in absentia)

**...Adjournment and Beach Exploration**

At about 11:15 A.M. Committee members adjourned informally to explore the beach on foot from the Anderson property across parcels C and D of Tract 8 and Parcels D, C and B of Tract 7 of the Shore Quest LLC property. It was noted that, extending to the south, the sand beach continues for about 320 feet along the shoreline of Tract 7 of the Shore Quest LLC property before it gives way to a steep, wooded bank. Just two old beverage containers were found to be littering the shoreland in that 800' stretch. (The group noted the remains of a camp fire on the Anderson property near the property line.)

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Cox  
Acting Secretary

**WHEN WINTER COMES,  
CAN SPRING BE FAR BEHIND?**

**DON'T FORGET THE**

**2011 SPRING FLING**

**AT TIANNA GOLF CLUBHOUSE**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2011**

**DOOR OPEN, 5:00 PM**

**DINNER, 5:30 P.M.**

## THE HISTORY PAGE

### AN ANDERSON FAMILY HISTORY

*By Karen Arsan, based on her interviews with the Mark Anderson*

**Clifford (Cliff) and Margaret (Peg) Anderson** first came to Ten Mile in the mid-1960s as guests of **Robert and Catherine Crabb**. They were good friends from the cities and their son Mark was a friend of the Crabbs' son, John. A few years later, in about 1968, the Andersons bought the old Murray cabin just at the 90 degree bend in Cass County 6 (Lower Ten Mile) as you come to the lake from Highway 371. They and their 3 children (Mark, Katherine AKA Kate, and Margaret AKA Meg) enjoyed this cabin for many years. In the 60s Margaret was a camper at Hillaway.



**Mark Anderson's Cabin**

This property had been used to lay one of the first telephone cables at Ten Mile back in the 50s. The chief speech writer for President Eisenhower, **Malcolm Moos**, had a cabin on the north shore of Ten Mile and wanted a telephone. In order to do this they needed to lay a cable on the floor of the lake from the south to north shore. This cable came down Lower Ten Mile Lake Road from 371 and went out through the Murray/Anderson property to the lake and then on the floor of the lake to the north shore. **John Crabb** remembers seeing it when he and Mark would swim there in the 60s and 70s.

In 1977 Camp Hillaway was sold to Robert Crabb and 5 of his friends including Cliff and Peg Anderson. This included not only the main camp on the south shore but also the beach on the east shore where the girls used to go camping. The new owners divided up the land so each would have a site to build and also keep some land in common and a few lots for future sale. At that time Andersons chose the land on the east side beach. The site needed a road put in through the swamp in back of it. This project was supervised by Mark in the summer of 1978. Mark remembers the building of this road as being done by a man named **Mr. Adolphson** who had a giant piece of equipment to haul the necessary dirt and gravel. The gravel pit was owned by **Albert Thomas** who lived just across the way from where the new road was being built. This road, which is the driveway to the Anderson cabin, is now 30+ years old and has never needed any repair nor suffered any degradation.

During this time Mark was very happy to meet this new neighbor, Albert Thomas. He describes Albert as very gracious and friendly and he would invite Mark to his farmhouse. Mark said, "It was fairly rustic I guess you could say. I don't know that housekeeping was Albert's first priority. But he took me into the kitchen and offered me some beef to take home and I was...it was a new experience for me. I went into the kitchen and I could see that he was in the midst of butchering the cow in the kitchen and I had never experienced that sort of thing before. There it is — parts of the cow in various parts of the kitchen. It was a different, new experience. Anyway, I think it would be fair to say Albert lived fairly close to the land, and spoke of butchering and using the meat from a cow as we might talk about going out to the garden and picking a tomato. But he would just...well, I'm running low on meat so I'll just have to harvest one of the cows'. My impression was the last thing he would need to do would be to have

someone butcher. He would sort of butcher the cow just as we would slice a tomato right there in the kitchen. It was all perfectly natural to him as unfamiliar to it as I was. He was very gracious. I think at the same time he offered me a pie that his sister living in Hackensack had baked for him. So he was an extremely gracious person...very gracious, naturally so and very smart with a lively mind, well informed about current events at that time. He was a fascinating character. You know a person living, at that time, a person living a life somewhat out of time, or out of his time from a period of, even then maybe close to a hundred years before given the style in which he lived. But [he was] a great guy and an endlessly interesting person. As I say, it was a real treat to have known him...a real character in the very best sense of the word." (There is more information about Albert Thomas and his family in the book *TEN MILE LAKE HISTORY: 200 YEARS.*)

Anderson's neighbor to the south of their Hillaway property was the Loufek family until that property was sold in 2002. Mark only met one of the family, Charles, who was one of the 4 children of the

couple who bought the property in 1937. Mark told me, "I did not know the Loufek family very well. They were seldom at their property as I remember it. There were stories that I would hear occasionally about one or more members of the family coming up and, given the large piece of property they had, completely wild and undeveloped except for a cabin they had near the point and perhaps an out building as well. They would come up and enjoy, as I remember being told, target practice. So occasionally from my parents cabin on the old Hillaway property just to the north of Loufek's property we would hear occasional gun shots and so on, and so for us city slickers that was a little bit of a disincentive to rush over through the woods and visit the neighbors not knowing if they would know what it was that was coming toward them through the woods."

Cliff and Peg are gone now but the property on the east shore is still in the family. We hope it will be used and enjoyed by their children and grandchildren for years to come. The old Murray cabin has recently been sold to Ten Mile newcomers **Travis and Kelly LaMar.**

### **WOOCK'S STORE GOT PICTURES??**

The former Woock's store has been bought and renovated by **Paul and Kathy (Campbell) Edelbrock.** Your history committee is looking for any old photos of this store, especially from the inside...such as, perhaps, with the children buying candy or G.M. Martin selling her goodies. Please let us know if you have any photos we could copy.

You can call **Karin Arsan** at 675 6247 or e-mail her at [karin.arsan@exceld.com](mailto:karin.arsan@exceld.com).

We would also be interested in any information or photos of any other lake stores.

### **CLASSIC BOATS**

The History committee is seeking TMLA members who own **Classic Boats!!!** We hope to acquire a list, historic information and pictures of the old boats that are on and around Ten Mile Lake. (Chris Craft, Larson, Minnetonka, Old Town Canoes, Row boats, Duck boats, C-boats and Steamboats from the past are what we want to learn about.)

We would love to organize a **Classic Boat Show** for the 2011 boating season. If you are interested --- contact **Sue Eikenberry, Kim Moe** or any member of the History Committee.

Soak those wooden boats next spring so they will be water-ready for showing!!

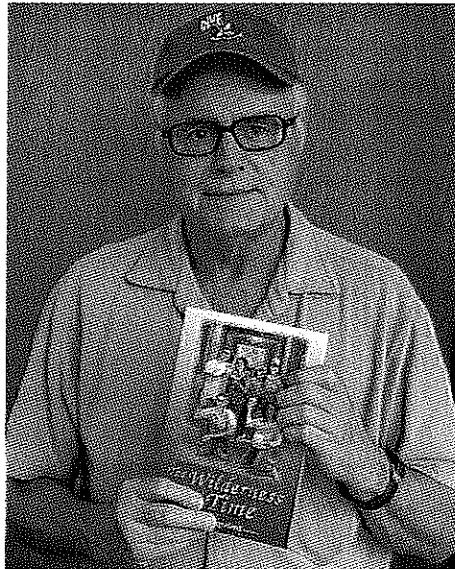
## TEN MILE LAKE NAMES IN THE NEWS: BOB SIQVELAND, WRITER

On June 30, 2010, the Walker Pilot Independent wrote that Bob Siqveland, a year-round resident of Ten Mile Lake for 10 years, had published a book, "The Wilderness of Time." Two opportunities were offered to meet the author and hear him discuss his book, one at the Chase Hotel and one at the Hackensack Senior Center. The book is "a tale of the ambiguous chasm that separates justice from the law."

As a student, Bob received many awards for athletics, public speaking, and acting. He graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1966, and served in the U.S. Army, achieving the rank of Captain. He then spent 25 years as an entrepreneur and venture capitalist, starting and funding 33 companies. In 2007 he received the Twin Cities Business Journal's highest award. He is

currently involved in casinos around the world.

Bob's grandfather, Dr. Ivar Siqveland, started his dental practice in 1892 in St. Paul, eventually practicing from an office in the Lowry Medical Arts Building. Dr. Siqveland owned the first automobile in St. Paul (shown on Page 109 of the St. Paul Almanac), and first purchased property on Ten Mile Lake in 1923. His son, Dr. Ivar Siqveland, Jr., continued the dental practice that lasted for more than 80 years. Dr. Siqveland Jr.'s passion was building boats, and he received acclaim for building 16, one of them a steamboat



Author Bob Siqveland and his new book, :The Wilderness of

Bob's mother, Shirley Buck Siqveland, first met Ivar Jr. in the 1930's on Ten Mile Lake. Her father, Frank Buck, bought property on the north shore of the lake in 1927. Bob is one of Shirley and Ivar Jr.'s four sons.

### REMEMBER WHEN . . . ?

A Column Compiled By Susan Benbrook Seyala, History Committee Member  
Remember when . . .

towards September, walking out onto the dock, what could be a better end to the day than to see and enjoy nature's spectacle — the northern lights, sometimes in color and streaming up overhead from the north?

...as kids we hand cranked homemade ice cream and popped corn in the fireplace? That furnished many light and enjoyable evenings. (This included playing "Hearts".)

These are Stan Benbrook's memories. The History Committee would like to publish your memories too. Please send them to Sue Seyala, to be published in the *Newsletter*, at [s.seyala@gmail.com](mailto:s.seyala@gmail.com)

## REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENT & ECOLOGY COMMITTEE

by Bruce Carlson, Chair

The summer of 2010 has shown the lake to remain in excellent condition. Virtually all tests, ranging from water chemistry, to Secchi disk readings, to dissolved oxygen, show a substantial improvement from last summer. This is not so much a positive development, but a return to what is more normal, after worse than normal conditions last summer (the relatively poor 2009 readings reflected across-the-state conditions that related to lower than average rainfall the previous year). The main message in this is that usually readings for a single year reflect normal variation, rather than a trend. Nevertheless, regular testing is extremely important because these tests can help to detect the rare one-of-a-kind event that can be dealt with by direct intervention.

### Shoreline Restoration

A main theme for the summer has been shoreline restoration and improvement. During last winter over 40 shoreline landowners indicated an interest in restoring or improving their shorelines. During the summer, on separate trips, Heather Baird from the DNR and Kelly Condiff from Cass County have made detailed evaluations of the Ten Mile shoreline and will soon be recommending some sites for restoration procedures to be funded by grant funds administered by DNR and the County. If you are interested in any aspect of shoreline improvement or restoration, please contact me ([brcarl@umich.edu](mailto:brcarl@umich.edu)). I will give you an idea on how to proceed. We are also conducting a survey of the condition of the entire 23 miles of shoreline of the lake. We will then have in hand a set of baseline data that can be used for

comparisons in future years to see if there is improvement or degradation of the shoreline of the lake. The aggregate results of the survey will be converted into a color-coded summary map.

### Exotic Species

The E & E Committee continues to monitor the lake for the presence of exotic species of animals and plants and has found none to date. This summer residents have contacted the committee for identification of species that might be exotic. To date, all have been native species, but we encourage anyone who has questions to contact the committee for information or identification of specimens.

### Swimmer's Itch

One of the big topics of the summer has been swimmer's itch. We have had more reported incidents of swimmer's itch than in any year since our survey has been in effect. These incidents included areas of the lake that have not in living memory had the problem. Unfortunately, there is not much that can be done to prevent the presence of the aquatic parasites that cause the condition except to discourage the presence of ducks on your shoreline. However, wind can disperse the parasites, so avoiding swimming when the wind is blowing into your shore will reduce the chance of problems. For more information on swimmer's itch, see the Fall 2006 *Newsletter* or check out pp. 194-195 of Bruce Carlson's book, [Beneath the Surface](#).



Got lots of treasures (junk) you want to sell?  
Announcing plans for a Ten Mile Lake Community  
Garage Sale "Crawl"

**July 8-9, 2011**

Contribute \$1 towards advertising and flyers.  
Then set up in your own driveway or garage.  
Interested? Let me know and we'll make arrangements.  
Spread the word to neighbors, too.

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## REMEMBERING OUR TEN MILE LAKE FRIENDS

### Nancy Getz Adams

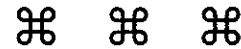
Nancy Getz Adams, age 76, an Ames resident, died Saturday, July 31st, 2010, at Northcrest Health Care Center surrounded by her family. A funeral service in celebration of her life was held August 4, with burial at the Ames Municipal Cemetery.

Nancy was born Dec. 30, 1933, in Des Moines, Iowa, the daughter of Dr. Austin and Loya (Durrell) Getz. As an Army Officer's daughter she lived in Virginia, Texas, the Philippine Islands, Iowa, Michigan and Wisconsin. She graduated from Ames High in 1951, attended William Woods College in Fulton, MO, transferred to Iowa State University and graduated in 1955 with a BS degree. She married Bruce Adams on Sept 10, 1955 at the United Church of Christ, Congregational, in Ames. He preceded her in death in 2005. She then married Roger Deal on June 6, 2009 at Northcrest in Ames. She was a life guard instructor at Carr's Pool, and YWCA youth advisor in Neenah, WI; after her children were in school she worked at B.J.'S Formal Wear, Van Voorhis Heating and Cooling and was a receptionist for ISU Foundation and Alumni Association for ten years before she retired. Nancy enjoyed her children's and grandchildren's school activities, ISU Athletics, theater, music, swimming, gardening, crocheting, traveling, and Ten Mile Lake in Minnesota.

She belonged to the United Church of Christ – Congregational, Ames Chapter HO of PEO, Gamma Phi Beta Alumni, ISU Alumni Association and National Cyclone Club.

Nancy is survived by her Husband Roger Deal of Ames, three children and seven grandchildren: son, Jay (Linda) Adams, Jay, Sam, and Clint of Huxley; daughter-in-law, Loretta Adams, Lindsey and Dylan Adams of Ames; daughter, Sarah Adams, Lauren and Angus, of St. Croix Falls, WI; and daughter Marna (Gary) Lenz of Bloomington, MN; step daughter, and two step grandsons, Melissa (Mike) Weber of Spencer, Brandon Weber (Lindsay) of Ankeny, and Eric Weber of Spencer; sister Margaret Vance of Ames; brother, Peter (Louise) Getz of East Moline, IL; brother-in-law Jack (Barb) Adams of Ames, sister-in-law Marna (Bill) Stevens of New Hope, MN; brother-in-law, Richard (Bernadette) Deal; sister-in-law Janet (Jim) Gluck; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Nancy was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Bruce Adams and a son Stan Adams in 2008.



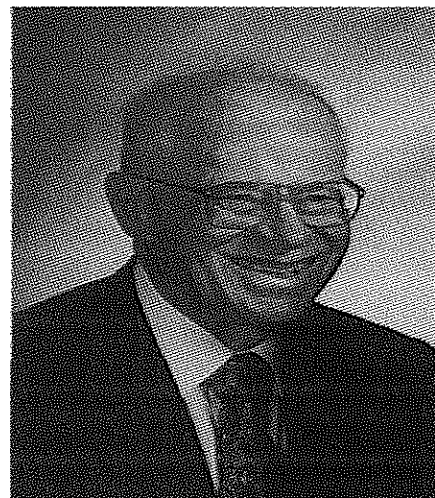
### Frederick Arthur Brosius

Frederick Arthur Brosius, 84, of Ames, Iowa, passed away Tuesday June 8, 2010 at Green Hills Retirement Center. Funeral services were held June 11, 2010 at First United Methodist Church in Ames, the Reverend Deanna Pullen officiating.

Fred was born July 11, 1925 in Milwaukee, WI to Hans August and Martha Anna (Schubert) Brosius. He earned a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering in 1948 from the University of Wisconsin. After college, he went to work for Cargill, Inc., and spent his entire career of 38 years with the company in a variety of management assignments and at multiple locations in the U.S., Europe, and South America.

He married Amanda Christensen in September, 1951. They were married for 58 years until her death on September 22, 2009 (their wedding anniversary date). He served in the U.S. Army for two years.

Fred was member of First United Methodist Church in Amers, where he and Amanda were



**Frederick Arthur Brosius**

married. He was an Eagle Scout in high school and played the violin in the school orchestra. He was an avid gardener throughout his adult life, and was committed to health and fitness in his retirement years.

He is survived by one son, Andy (Debbie) Brosius, of Ida Grove, IA; one daughter, Martha (Shukri) Dalloul, of Chattanooga, TN; two grandchildren, Eric and Carly Brosius; one niece, Gail (Bruce) Hertig

and family; and one nephew, Mark (Sandy) Hueschen and family. He was preceded in death by his twin sister, Ruth (Robert) Hueschen.

*(From the Ames Tribune, June 10, 2010. A briefer obituary for Fred Brosius was included in the Spring 2101 Newsletter. The family requested that this more complete obituary be included in the Fall Newsletter.)*



### Lorraine Estelle Stromquist

Lorraine Estelle Stromquist, 88, of Hackensack, MN died Thursday, July 1, 2010, in Brainerd, MN.

Funeral services were held July 7, at Union Congregational Church (UCC) in Hackensack with the Rev. Michael Small officiating. Interment was at Hillcrest Cemetery in Hackensack following the service.

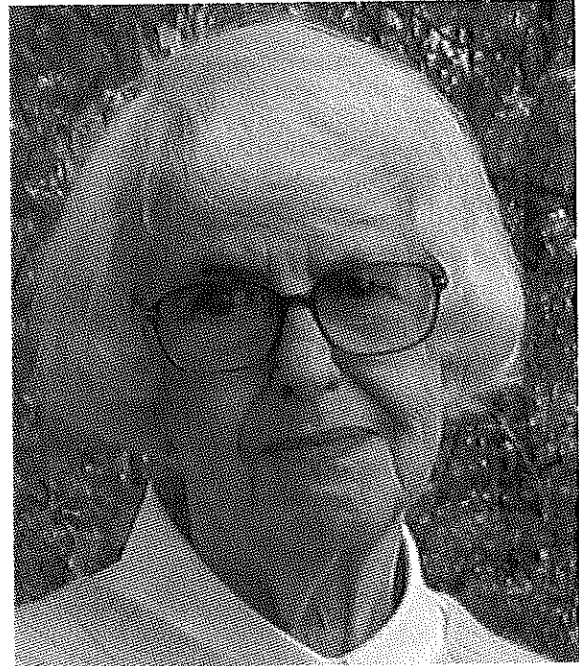
Lorraine was born Jan. 31, 1922, in Minneapolis, to Fred and Sadie (Vinson) Faast. In 1924, she moved with her family to Minong, WI. She started first grade in 1928 in Minong and attended school there until the fifth grade, when her family moved to Spooner, WI. She lived in Spooner until 1940 and graduated from Spooner High School. During her high school years she played clarinet in the Spooner High School Band, and she led a Girl Scout group. She attended Barron Teacher's College, a branch of the University of Minnesota, and began teaching elementary school in 1943 at Minong. She also taught during World War II at St. Francis, MN., and North Branch, Minn.

In 1948, she became engaged to Roy Stromquist, and they were married the same year. They settled in Arden Hills, Minn. She was elected city clerk for Arden Hills in 1953. In 1957, she was appointed by the Arden Hills Council as City Clerk-Administrator. This job continued until 1965. In 1967 she worked with Arden Hill League of Women Voters, Arden Hills Garden Club and other local activities.

In 1975 the couple moved to Hackensack, where she was elected Hiram Township Clerk. She held that position for 22 years before retiring in 2004.

Lorraine and her husband, "Cub" established themselves on Lundstrom's Bay in the northwest corner of Ten Mile. "Cub" died in 1998; he and Lorraine had been married 50 years. Shortly afterwards Lorraine became active on the Ten Mile Lake Association History Committee. Lorraine

organized the assembling, categorizing, cataloging and filing of the plethora of documents, clippings, articles, photos and oral history interviews assembled by committee members over previous decades. In 2003 she succeeded Willa Shonkwiler Martin as committee chair, and soon thereafter the Association moved the two heavy fireproof filing cabinets in which the history materials were stored from the Shonkwiler cabin to the basement of Lorraine's cabin. The committee began to hold its monthly summertime meetings in Lorraine's dining room, and there in the winter she and other committee members continued their organizing and filing work which became fundamental to the assembly and composition of the 400-page book, *Ten Mile Lake History: 200 Years*, published in 2007.



**Lorraine Estelle Stromquist**

Her husband died in 1998. They had been married for 50 years. In November 2002, she married Bud Leines.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Roy "Cub," brothers Bill and Don, and sister Margy.

She is survived by her husband Bud Leines, brother Pat Faast, children Sharon and Russell Goudge, grandchildren Christine and Joshua, goddaughter Becky Lyng and many relatives and friends.



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