# Ten Mile Lake Association

# Newsletter

Fall, 2008

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

# TEN MILE LAKE CALENDAR FOR 2009

FUR 2009		
SPRING FLING	Saturday	
5:30 p.m.	April 25, 2009	
At Tianna Golf Clubhouse		
FOURTH OF JULY BOAT PARA		
10:00 a.m. North Shore	July 4, 2009	
North ShoreSouth Shore	Dock at Arthur's	
	Public Access	
WATERCRAFT OPERATOR'S PERMIT TRAINING	Thursday	
8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.		
At the Hackensack Communit		
WELL WATER TESTING	July 11, 2009	
At former Woock's Store (Sout	h Shore, Rock Rose	
Trail & Lower Ten Mile Lake Road		
Jerry Mills' Garage (North Shor		
ANNUAL MEETING	Saturday	
9:30 a.m. At Union Congregational Chur	August 1, 2009	
TMLA BOARD MEETINGS		
9:00 a.m.	Saturdays	
At Tom & Sarah Cox's	May 16, 2009	
TBD		
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TBD	September 19, 2009	
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FOR NEWSLETTERS:		
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# BRUCE CARLSON ADDRESSES ANNUAL MEETING

Dr. Bruce M. Carlson, Professor Emeritus of the University of Michigan, and chair of the Environment and Ecology Committee, addressed the members of the Ten Mile Lake Association (TMLA) at the annual meeting, Saturday, August 2, 2008. Dr. Carlson discussed the characteristics and "critter" population of Ten Mile Lake, based on his recently published natural history of TML titled "Beneath the Surface" (Minnesota Historical Society, 2007). His presentation included illustrations from the book (by Bruce Granquist) as well as photographs and videos of the lake bottom and of fish in the lake.

Sue Eikenberry, new Chair of the History Committee, presented awards to Lorraine Stromquist, retiring after many years as chair of the Committee, and to Tom Cox for his work as editor of the recently published Ten Mile Lake History Book. Also recognized were Jim Schwartz, who is retiring from his work as a contributing editor of the Ten Mile Lake Newsletter and Al Griggs, retiring after three years as president of the Association. Vice President John Alden took office as TMLA's new President, and Bruce Carlson became the new Vice President. Ken Regner was elected Treasurer to replace Joyce McManus, who was recognized for her several years of outstanding service. Lee Sand was re-elected Secretary for another one-year term..

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Zoning & Land Use - John Alden (Temp.), Elinor Chase, Pat Golden, Ted Mellby, Ellie Nelson, Don Patterson, Dick Roberts.

# 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 septic 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." The following families 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 Malck
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 Ten Mile history book makes a wonderful Christmas present for Ten Milers. You may still order copies from:

Tom Cox 218-675-6844 or tbcoxreston@aol.com

Sue Eikenberry 218-675-6183 or tenmile@tds.net

Lorraine Stromquist 218-675-6037 or <a href="mailto:lorstrom@tds.net">lorstrom@tds.net</a>

Cost: \$35.00 plus \$5.00 Shipping

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

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT

By Bruce Carlson, Chair

The Ecology and Environment (E and E) Committee has had its usual busy year. Almost all of its 20+ members are actively involved in some type of project. It has been some time since the overall activities of the E & E Committee have been outlined in the Newsletter, so this article will list some of our major activities. Some of them are ongoing; others occur as the situation demands.

## **ONGOING ACTIVITIES**

 Well Water Testing. Each year, members of the committee set up shop on two sides of the lake and gather well water samples from Ten Mile residents who want to have their well water checked for contamination by coliform bacteria and for the presence of harmful nitrates/nitrites in the water. The samples are then tested by Instrumental Research, Inc., and the confidential results are sent to each cabin that submitted a sample.

Households that receive a negative report are advised how to recheck the well water and how to treat the well if a problem is found.

2. SEPTIC SYSTEM INSPECTIONS. Maintaining the quality of the water in Ten Mile is a main goal of the Committee, and one of the most effective means of doing this has been to monitor septic systems around the lake to be sure that contamination from them does not enter the lake. These inspections are one reason why we have been able to maintain the excellent water quality in the lake. At this point, we have set up a regular cycle of testing so that each year 1/3 of the systems around the lake are tested at no cost to the owners. Costs are borne by the TMLA, with some support from governmental agencies and foundations.

The inspections are considered valid for three years, so that homeowners with a passing inspection report should not have to reinspect if they need to sell their property or to request a building permit.

SECCHI DISK READINGS. An E & E subcommittee
has been conducting regular Secchi disk readings
in the main lake and all of the bays. This measure
of lake water clarity is one of the most convenient

- means of monitoring water quality. Data are reported to the MPCA for their records as part of their citizen monitoring program for lakes.
- 4. TEMPERATURE AND OXYGEN PROFILES. In connection with the Sentinel Lakes Program, weekly readings of water temperature and oxygen levels at one and two meter intervals down to 100 feet are taken and reported to the MPCA. Oxygen levels must remain high enough to support aquatic life in the lake.
- 5. LAKE WATER ANALYSIS. Three times per year Del Hogen from Instrumental Research Inc. (IRI) and committee volunteers collect water samples from various regions of the lake. These are then analyzed by IRI for nitrogen, phosphorus and chlorophyll a. These are used in calculating the trophic state index, which is a measure of the lake's health. At the same time as the collections are made, critical areas of the lake are monitored for exotic species of plants, such as Eurasian milfoil.
- INFORMING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE TMLA.
   This is done through Newsletter articles and posting data and articles on the TMLA Website.

#### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

Another activity in 2008 has been participation in the Sentinel Lakes Program, in which 22 lakes around the state have been selected for intensive study by the DNR, the MPCA and lake residents. The goal of the Sentinel Lakes Program is to understand the impact of factors, such as climate change, on our lakes. Twice this year members of the Committee have met with state and national legislators to discuss issues of importance to our north country lakes. Ten Mile is definitely on their radar screen.

We would like very much to have new members on our Committee. Even if you are only up at the lake for a short time and cannot come to every meeting, your participation would be welcome. Just contact me (**Bruce Carlson**; <a href="mailto:brearl@umich.edu">brearl@umich.edu</a>) and I'll be happy to tell you more about the Committee and put you on our roster. We meet once a month from May through August.

# FUELING YOUR MOTORED WATERCRAFT ON TEN MILE LAKE

by Marty McCleery, E & E Committee

Ten Mile Lakers have probably all learned by now that Happiness Resort is no longer selling fuel to boaters. That means that there are no more places on TML to purchase fuel! We will all have to buy our own fuel and do the refueling ourselves. The Environment and Ecology Committee is concerned that this refueling be done in a safe and pollution-free manner using best management practices. Here are some recommendations from the Committee:

- Avoid spilling fuel because it is toxic to aquatic life and the environment.
- When filling your tank, leave room for fuel expansion, especially in warm weather.
- Have an absorbent pad and/or fuel collar ready to catch any fuel before it escapes into the water.
- Use a fuel-catching device over your fuel tank vent to catch any drips.
- Be a good steward of your waters. Make sure fuel goes only into your tank — not into the water.
- Report large spills to Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Emergency Management Division and the U.S. Coast Guard — it's the law to report spills.

So what are Ten Milers doing to fuel their motored watercraft (MWC)? Is there a safe, efficient, easy process that meets all the current regulations by the MDNR, and Coast Guard, and reduces or prevents fuel from entering TML? — It appears that TMLers use several procedures, types of containers, spouts and methods to pour or pump fuel into their boats. Some seem to work well and others seem to end up spilling some fuel into TML even when used properly.

Here are some procedures to consider:

- Purchase the gas at a local gas station by filling various types of approved containers (I personally have containers dating back to the 1940's with historical value only) and safely transporting it to your MWC on TML. You can find many fascinating choices on the internet. Sizes can vary from 1-100 gallons or larger.
- Have gas delivered to your property by a local gas station to fill 100 gallon or larger above ground holding tanks. Then safely

- lug/transport it to your MWC on TML. There are several choices available on the internet.
- Trailer your MWC and drive to the nearest gas station, refuel and return to TML.

There are also various types of containers and of spouts/nozzles to be used in refueling. Your choices of approved container types, the lug distance to your dock/MWC, fuel weight, lugging devices used, who is doing the lugging, fuel cost, and summer fuel use will determine how your refueling is done. You can:

- Fill several gas container types & spouts, and lug it to the boat. The size will depend on your age, dexterity, where-with-all, and frustration tolerance. Containers may vary from plastic, metal types and 1 to 6 gallon or larger sizes.
- Fill a larger container 14-100 gallons or larger, usually wheeled, & usually with fueling type nozzles.

What do I do? After much research, I personally use an approved 14 gallon "Flon'go" portable wheeled fuel container made by DuraMAX. I purchased it at Costco. It has a fuel nozzle and flows by gravity into the fuel tank. I transport the Flon'go to the boat with a garden cart making it easy on the lugging to the boat. The garden cart is self-contained and helps control/prevent spills on & off the dock. I have a clean rag on standby to clean up any spills. (So far that has not happened.)

I drive to a local gas station and fill a Flon'go gas container with 10 gallons of gas along with 2 six gallon plastic gas cans. Ten gallons at a time is about all I want to lug. That gives me 22 gallons of gas for my boat's 20 gallon tank.

When I am ready to refuel, usually at ½ full by the boat's fuel gauge, I take the Flon'go out to the dock by cart and refuel the boat at about 1 gallon per minute with the Flon'go. Then on shore I add 12 gallons of gas to the Flon'go, for the next refueling.

In the box on the next page is a list of websites you may find useful as you try to address your refueling needs.

In addition, a flier is included with the Newsletter that we suggest you post in your cabin or near your gas tank(s) and refueling supplies.

# **WEBSITES ON REFUELING ISSUES**

- MDNR Boating Guide:
  - http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/rip/regulations/boatwater/boatingguide.pdf
- MDNR Course On Boaters Education:
  - http://www.boat-ed.com/mn/course/p2-2\_fuelyourboat.htm
- US Coast Guard Auxiliary
  - http://nws.cgaux.org/visitors/pe visitor/classes/boating skills and seamanship.html
- US Coast Guard Safety Requirements:
  - http://powerboat.about.com/od/safetyandeducation/tp/Boat
- Other Sources:
  - http://www.boatingbasicsonline.com/course/safety/

# FISHING CHATTER

by Bob Horn, Co-Chair, Fisheries Committee

THE WALLEYE FISHING ON TEN MILE has improved significantly since earlier this summer. I have heard many good reports, especially from the nocturnal fishermen who brave the cool nights and insect invasions. But the rewards of fishing after dark are many — including the myriad stars, the glowing full moon rises/sets, and the sensational dancing northern lights. Except for the spring run on walleyes in the bays, August seems to be the best walleye fishing on the cool, clear waters of Ten Mile Lake.

IN LATE JULY OF THIS YEAR, the DNR set gill and trap nets in 12 locations around Ten Mile Lake. This was done for the Sentinel Lakes program; TML has been selected to participate in this program. The gill net count went from over 10.17 walleyes per net in 2006 to the July 2008 count of 5.07 walleyes per net. Committee members met with Harlan Fierstine of the DNR in August to address our concern about the 50% drop in the walleye gill net count. The DNR will address our concern by:

- 1. Giving TML higher priority on the State priority list for stocking "true" walleye fingerlings in 2009.
- 2. Returning to TML in 2010 to reset the gill and trap nets to see if the walleye count has improved.

THE OVER-FISHING OF CRAPPIES during the spring spawning period was also discussed with Fierstine. We can't emphasize enough how important it is to RELEASE ALL FEMALE CRAPPIES DURING THIS CRITICAL TIME.

According to DNR research Scientist Peter Jacobson, — "sizes of sunfish and crappies have been declining statewide". He goes on to say that "anglers tend to keep larger panfish and let smaller ones go, so over time the average size decreases. Anglers could help REVERSE this trend by releasing some larger ones and keeping smaller ones instead."

**NOTE: DNR IS EXPERIMENTING** with special regulations for panfish on some lakes in Minnesota (slot limits and/or reduced limits). Early results suggest the regulations help improve the size of panfish, especially sunfish. This might be a good idea for Ten Mile Lake!

## WHAT DO YOU THINK?

THE TEN MILE FISHERIES COMMITTEE would welcome any comments, or suggestions. Let us know what you are thinking, and if you have any fishing stories, we would love to hear from you. Committee member names are in the newsletter and our email addresses are in the handbook

# TMLA: 2007-2009 LAKE MANAGEMENT PLAN

By Marty McCleery, Chair, Healthy Lakes Committee

For your information and use, the Healthy Lakes Committee (HLC) has posted the Ten Mile Lake Association's (TMLA) 2007 to 2009 Lake Management Plan (LMP) on the Association's web site (tenmilelake.org). Have a look! It is full of information about your association, its Officers, Directors, Committees and their goals, objectives, strategies, and needs. Did I mention — it's also free to the membership and anyone interested in our TMLA.

SINCE 2002 THE NEWLY FORMED HLC has undertaken training provided by the Initiative Foundation (IF) and developed and improved TMLA's comprehensive LMP for Ten Mile Lake. IF's Healthy Lakes Program aims to build a sense of personal responsibility for preserving the quality of Central Minnesota lakes and rivers by adopting a citizen-driven approach to water management plans. IF has encouraged local nonprofits to become more effective by

- assessing the current state of their organizations,
- developing strategic plans with capacitybuilding goals,
- further defining their missions,
- determining essential services,
- prioritizing activities,
- engaging boards of directors and key volunteers,
- securing and managing critical financial resources, and
- funding capacity-building projects with grants.

The current TMLA plan:

 Gives each officer, staff and committee a specific charge (or charges) and clearly defines officer, staff, and committee responsibilities.

- Emphasizes officer's, staff's and committee chairs' responsibility for committee activity and regular reports.
- Authorizes the reexamination of the management plan's structure annually to determine what is missing, what is unnecessary and where and how it should be revised.
- Authorizes the comparison of data at three-year intervals to compare data with historical norms, determine trends, if any, and modify the management plan as needed.

IN 2006, HLC REQUESTED each TMLA Committee chair to update their write-up describing the committee's purpose; history; goals, objectives and strategies; and giving an account of progress and success to date; and a budget for 2007-2009. Through this process, each committee has assessed its own status and reported on its achievements over time. The information has introduced Officers, Directors, and Committees and their respective chairs to the relevance of management by objective, the importance of developing strategies for the achievement of goals and objectives, and the value of regular evaluation and reporting of committee work and achievement. The process has also highlighted and enhanced the role of volunteers and volunteer leaders, and heightened the membership's appreciation both of the opportunities available to volunteers in support of TMLA goals and the critical importance of volunteers to the achievement of those goals

WHENEVER YOU HAVE QUESTIONS about the lake or the Association, we recommend that you consult this new resource now available on the web. You will be amazed at how much you can learn!

# THE CLEAN WATER, WILDLIFE, CULTURAL HERITAGE, AND NATURAL AREAS AMENDMENT

IF YOU VOTE IN MINNESOTA, you will encounter a constitutional amendment on your ballot in November, called The Clean Water, Wildlife, Cultural Heritage, and Natural Areas Amendment. If passed, this amendment would increase the sales tax in Minnesota by three-eighths of one percent, to provide dedicated funding for the protection of Minnesota's waters, wildlife, cultural heritage, and natural areas.

ITS BACKERS ESTIMATE that this additional tax will cost the average Minnesota family less than 15 cents a day, or about one dollar a week or \$56 a year. They further estimate that the tax would bring in about \$300 million a year to spend on the target programs. The allocations of this funding specifically authorized by the amendment are

Water Quality	33.00 percent
Wildlife Habitat	33.00 percent
Arts and Cultural Resources	19.75 percent
Parks and Trails	14.25 percent

THE IMPETUS FOR THIS AMENDMENT rises from a growing perception that many of Minnesota's beloved lakes and rivers are threatened by various forms of pollution. While only a limited number of the lakes and rivers have been adequately tested (18 percent and 14 percent, respectively) over 40 percent of those tested (more than 1900 bodies of water) violate standards for at least one contaminant. What is needed is more testing of more lakes and rivers, development and implementation of plans for cleaning up lakes and rivers that reveal contamination, and on-going actions to protect all of Minnesota's waters. The estimated cost of all these efforts is \$100 million a year. At present, no longterm funding source is provided to support the addressing of this problem.

ANOTHER THIRD OF THE PROVIDED FUNDING would be used to safeguard natural areas and parklands, restore crucial wetlands, and protect other natural amenities. It is expected that these efforts would provide further benefits for Minnesota's waters as well.

OTHER STATES THAT HAVE ADOPTED similar measures include Colorado, Nebraska, Missouri, Wisconsin, Florida, New Jersey, Michigan, and others. However, if adopted, Minnesota's effort will be the most ambitious and will guarantee funding for the next quarter century.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TEN MILE LAKE ASSOCIATION has taken no position for or against this Amendment, but they agreed that if was important to inform Minnesota voters about the amendment. It is also critical that voters understand that if they cast a ballot without voting on this amendment, that will be counted as a vote of NO on the amendment.

**HERE IS HOW THE AMENDMENT** will read on the November 4 ballot:

"Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to dedicate funding to protect our drinking water sources; to protect, enhance, and restore our wetlands, prairies, forests, and fish, game and wildlife habitat; to preserve our arts and cultural heritage; to support our parks and trails; and to protect, enhance, and restore our lakes, rivers, streams, and groundwater by increasing the sales and use tax rate beginning July 1, 2009, by three-eighths of one percent on taxable sales until the year 2034."

# PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE DATES FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THE 2009 NEWSLETTER

In a change from previous years, I am requesting items for the Spring Newsletter by April 1, 2009. This would space the issues a little more evenly, but means articles are due before the first Board of Directors meeting. Committee Chairs — please plan accordingly. Thank you.

# TEN MILE LAKE NAMES IN THE NEWS

# RANDY VOSBECK RECEIVES U OF M ALUMNI AWARD

R. Randall "Randy" Vosbeck, a long-time member of the Ten Mile Lake community and former director on the TMLA Board, has received one of the highest alumni honors bestowed by the University of Minnesota — the Outstanding Achievement Award. The award was presented on Monday, September 22, at MacNamara Alumni Center in Minneapolis. The University confers this award on graduates or former students who have "attained unusual distinction in their chosen fields or professions and who have demonstrated outstanding achievement and leadership on a community, state, national or international level. In Randy's case, the award recognizes 40 years of service to the profession of architecture and early leadership as a proponent of design for energy conservation.

Randy is an internationally recognized architect and former president of the American Institute of Architects (AIA). He is the son of a shoe store owner in Mankato. He and his brother William co-founded an architectural practice in Alexandria, VA known as WKR. By the mid-1980s it had grown to become one of the largest architecture, engineering, and planning firms in the Washington, D. C. area. Randy then went on to serve as vice-president of the Washington, D.C. office for Daniel, Mann, Johnson, and Mendenhall (DMJM), one of the largest firms in the nation. Randy was an active member of AIA for over 40 years, served on its board beginning in 1976, and was elected president in 1981. During his tenure, he focused the Institute's efforts on the role architects play in reducing energy consumption in the built environment, by implementing a professional development program called "Energy in Architecture" and by hosting a national convention in the Twin Cities on the topic of design and energy. He also represented this perspective to various government and international groups including the International

Union of Architects, where he represented North and South America from 1981 to 1987. He also demonstrated how energy conservation could be accomplished in his own architectural work, exploring the most advanced thinking and design practices of his era about saving energy and reducing waste.

Today, sustainable design is considered integral to the practice of architecture, and consumers are increasingly requesting green design for new construction or renovations. Ongoing professional education in this area is now a requirement for all AIA members.

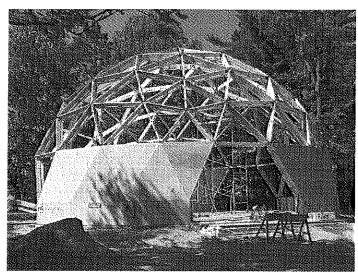
In addition to leadership with AIA, Randy has also served on the National Capital Planning Commission, the National Park System Advisory Board, and as chair of the International **Engineering and Construction Industries** Council, and was appointed by the U.S. General Services Administration as the only architect in private practice to serve on a US/USSR joint working group, "Building Design and Construction Management," through which members exchanged information and toured sites in both countries. In 1996, Randy served on the architectural selection committee that selected Antoine Predock to design what is now known as the McNamara Alumni Center at the University of Minnesota. Randy retired from active practice in 1994. He now winters in Highlands Ranch, Colorado, where he recently completed writing a book titled "A Legacy of Leadership —The Presidents of the American Institute of Architects 1857-2007," a comprehensive history of the Institute's 83 presidents.

(Information taken from a News Release from the U of M University News Service titled, "Sustainable Building Design Forerunner to be Honored with U of M Alumni Award."

#### A DOME FOR TEN MILE

By Tom Cox

Summer, 2008 saw an historic architectural "first" on Ten Mile. After some years of contemplation, **Jim Kohl** began construction of his new "cabin," a geodesic dome on the lake's east shore.



Jim's dome under construction by Kevin Larson Construction, Inc., on August 24. Photo by John Hartzell.

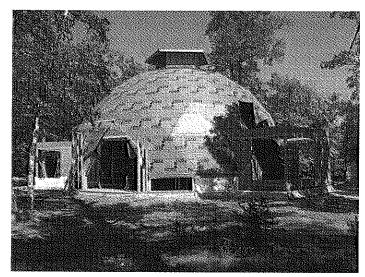
Jim's choice of architectural style was no mere idiosyncrasy.

A Google search led me to the site of *Timberline Geodesics* (<a href="http://www.domehome.com">http://www.domehome.com</a>) There I read that "Buckminster Fuller, a philosopher, mathematician, engineer, historian and poet, invented the geodesic dome. One of Fuller's lifetime quests was to build designs to do more with fewer resources.... He observed problems inherent in conventional construction techniques, as opposed to the ease of construction and indigenous strength of natural structures. Interested in creating a structure analogous to nature's own designs, he started to experiment with spherical geometry in the late 1940's. He patented the geodesic dome in 1951. Today geodesic domes are recognized to be the most efficient building systems known.

"Geodesic domes offer unmatched energy efficiency. They use 30% less surface area to enclose the same amount of volume as a typical box type home. Thus there is less area through which heat can escape and cold outside air can penetrate. The aerodynamics of the dome allow cold air to blow

around the home instead of hitting a flat wall and penetrating to the inside. In addition, the spherical shape of a dome provides for natural and efficient interior air circulation.

"Interior advantages of the dome include greater freedom of floor plan design, cathedral ceilings, and evenness of light, heat, and sound distribution. Domes display superior light characteristics as spherical shapes tend to amplify light while rectangular shapes tend to absorb light; in many cases it is actually brighter inside a dome without any interior lights turned on than it is outside. Acoustical advantages include more even sound distribution and approximately 30% less outside noise infiltration."



Sheathing and wrap complete on August 30<sup>th</sup>.

Photo by Tom Cox

Has Jim started a Ten Mile trend? Only time will tell. Meanwhile Jim has a long history on the lake. The son of Doug and Marian Kohl, Jim is the grandson of Wes and Amy Kohl who came to Ten Mile in 1940 when they bought their cabin in the Shady Shores neighborhood on the South Shore. You will find the story of the Kohl family on Ten Mile beginning on page 154 of *Ten Mile History: 200 Years*.

# TMLA MATCHES MEMBERS' GIFTS TO HACKENSACK FIRE AND RESCUE AND DONATES TO NEW HACKENSACK MEDICAL CLINIC

by Tom Cox

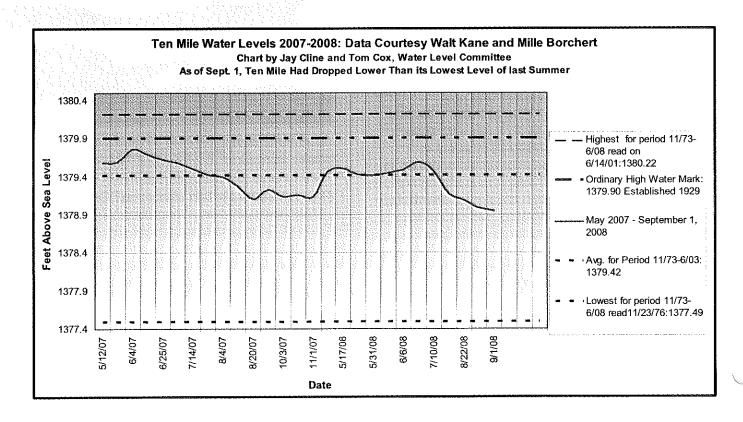
Did you know that TMLA will match gifts you make to the Hackensack Fire and Rescue Department (which now includes the former First Response organization) when you make them *through* the Association? YES, the TMLA will match member's gifts up to a total of \$500 when gifts are made to the TMLA and marked "Hackensack Fire and Rescue."

This \$500 limit is represents a reduction from the \$1,000 which has been the Association's limit for several years. The new limit is the result of a Board of Directors' vote on July 19<sup>th</sup> to use half the normal \$1,000 of First Response matching funds to enable the Association to make a \$500 gift to the new medical clinic being established in Hackensack's *Senior Class*, the retirement living complex which recently opened on the site of the former Hackensack School across Lake Avenue from the Community Center.

In recent years, Hackensack First Response has merged with the Hackensack Fire Department. The Hackensack Fire and Rescue Department is an organization of trained and certified volunteers who respond to emergencies on Ten Mile and elsewhere. These volunteers are required to undergo rigorous training, and to retrain annually to maintain certification. They are equipped with up-to-date technology, such as defibrillators. To maintain this level of readiness they depend on community support.

If you would like to support what is now the Hackensack Fire and Rescue Department through the TMLA matching gifts program, please make your check payable to the Ten Mile Lake Association, indicate on it that it is designated for Hackensack Fire and Rescue, and send it to the Association (P.O. Box 412, Hackensack, MN 56452). The treasurer will send a check to Hackensack Fire and Rescue for double the amount of your contribution.

Sponsored by the Pines Area Medical Development Association (PAMDA), the new clinic also needs community support. Gifts may be sent to PAMDA, PO Box 460, Hackensack, MN 56452. (TMLA does not have a matching gifts program for the PAMDA clinic.)



# THE HISTORY PAGE

#### **TEN MILE LAKE NECROLOGY, 2007-2008**

by Tom Cox

At Annual Meetings for many years, our Membership Secretary, **Phoebe Alden**, has read these words before and after reading the names of those Ten Milers who have died in the past year:

"Once again I have the solemn duty to read to you the names of Association members and/or long time visitors, as well as friends of Ten Mile Lake who have passed away since our last membership meeting.

"At the conclusion of the list I would ask that you contribute any additional names if I have omitted anyone."

... (The names are read.)...

"Let us now take a few moments to reflect on those good souls who are deceased, but in their lifetimes experienced the clear and sparkling waters of Ten Mile Lake.

"Thank you."

In this edition, the *Newsletter* publishes the names read by Phoebe at our last two Annual Meetings. These are our Ten Mile friends, relatives and neighbors who have died since the publication of Ten Mile Necrology in *Ten Mile Lake History* in the summer of 2007:

#### 2007

Alan Heckenbach Gary Marchwick Richard (Dick) Grant Shirley Siqveland Bill Dailey Sven Moxness Jon Unger Leone Carey Raymond Benson Ivis (Ivy) Abraham Freda Haukon Willard (Dutch) Pauly Ken Jones

#### 2008

Jean St. Mane
Doris Myers
Catherine Manlove
Jane Benbrook
Bob Nelson
Alyce Purvis
Esther Carlson
Harold Jensen
Paul Osborn
Robert Pasley
John Strawn Jr.

Milton Zobel
Margaret Elizabeth Gits
Ned Goodwin
Effie Anderson
George Arnold
Chris Kayser
Stan Adams
Dorothy Beasley
Jim Kupske
Peggy Anderson
Colin Hyde

#### TEN MILE LAKE MEMORIALS, 2006-2008

by Tom Cox

Over the years a strong tradition has developed on Ten Mile of making gifts to the Association in memory of loved ones. Unless designated for some other specific purpose approved by the Board of Directors, memorial gifts are added to the James W. Schwartz Environmental Protection Fund whose purpose is to endow preservation activities impacting Ten Mile including research, education, lake management, emergency response to environmental threats, and protection of environmentally fragile areas.

These are the friends, relatives and neighbors in whose names memorial gifts to the Association have been made from the time of the publication of *Ten Mile Lake History* in the summer of 2007 through the 2008 Annual Meeting on August 2nd.

## 2006-2007

Douglas Campbell Jon Unger Sheila Losby Stannard Raymond Benson Jean St. Mane John Hall Helen Hall Bill Macklin Becky Macklin Ed Robinson Han Sandvig Barbara Black Shirley Sigveland Byron Godbersen Warren Goss Ivis Abraham Katherine Lane Martin Terry Shuck Starla Tonning Leo Nelson Bill Dailey **David Pierson** Moxness, Sven **Doris Myers** 2007-2008

Richard Fryer
Mary Lou Willis
Barbara Black
Bill Dailey
John Strawn
Bill Hall
Helen Hall
Catherine Manlove
Lester Munneke
Katherine Munneke
Jane Benbrook
Ken McKay

Bob Nelson

Alyce Purvis
Milt Zobel
Spencer Kubo
Marian E. Deer
David Brandt
Glenn Aagaard
Bruce Adams
Molly Spinar
Samuel Fahr
Peggy Anderson
Chris Kayser
Dave Hahn

# REMEMBERING OUR TEN MILE LAKE FRIENDS

#### Stan Adams

Stan Adams, 46, a lifelong Ames resident, died Friday, August 1, 2008, at Ten Mile Lake, of a heart attack. Stan was born May 18, 1962, in Tacoma, Washington, the son of Bruce and Nancy (Getz) Adams. He graduated from Ames High School in 1980, and from lowa State University with a bachelor's degree in marketing in 1987. He married Loretta Lutjen June 23, 1984. He was employed at CMA IDEACOM as a salesman.

He and his family enjoyed vacationing at Ten Mile Lake, where he enjoyed water skiing and other water sports. He loved his children, and enjoyed ISU athletics, the Green Bay Packers, and the Boston Red Sox. His love of all types of music inspired him to listen to music and to converse about it often.

Stan is survived by his wife, Loretta Adams; one daughter, Lindsey Jo Adams, and one son, Dylan Marshall Adams, all of Ames; by his mother Nancy Adams, of Ames; brother Jay (Linda) Adams, of Huxley; sisters Marna (Gary) Lenz, of Bloomington, MN and Sarah Adams (Kevin Koshmeder) of St. Croix Falls, WI; brothers Denny Marshall, of Lincoln, NB and Frank Marshall, of Yelm, Washington; sister Eva (Kevin) Grauer of Lincoln, NB; and aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents; his dad, Bruce Adams; his in-laws, Delbert and Izetta Lutjen, and one brother, Vince Marshall. A funeral service was held Friday, August 8, 2008 at the United Church of Christ-Congregational in Ames, with the Reverend Paul Johnson officiating.

(Information provided by Jack Adams, uncle.)

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#### Effie Wilson Anderson

Effie Wilson Anderson, 93, of Ames, Iowa, died Sunday, June 22, at Bethany Manor in Story City. She was born October 12, 1914, in Boone, Iowa, the daughter of Walter R. and Bessie (Norick) Wilson. She graduated from Boone High School in 1931, attended Boone Junior College, and graduated from Drake University with a degree in education. She taught in rural schools in Boone and Story counties and in elementary schools in Cambridge and Ballard Community District in Story County. She enjoyed

reading, public radio, bridge, and cross-stitching her own designs, but her passion was teaching kids to read. She and Glenn enjoyed 33 years at their summer home on Ten Mile Lake.

Effie married Glenn E. Anderson August 15, 1937. She was a member of the United Church of Christ (Congregational) in both Ames and Hackensack, MN. She was a charter member of the Beta Gamma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Honorary Society for Women Teachers.

She is survived by three daughters, Charlene (Watson) Mason, Glennis Anderson, and Verdene Anderson; one son, Glenn (Catherine) Anderson; nine grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Glenn, and three sisters: Irene, Genevieve, and Zoe.

A private family burial service was held at Linwood Cemetery in Boone.

(Information from the Ames Tribune, June 25, 2008.)

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# **Margaret Elizabeth Gits**

Margaret "Marty" Elizabeth Gits, age 77, a longtime resident of Bemidji, MN died Wednesday, May 7, 2008 at Neilson Place in Bemidji. Marty was born September 9, 1930, in Marshall, MN to Dr. Burton Ford and Mary Lauretta "Laura" (Graney) Ford. Marty graduated from Marshall High School in 1948 and from St. Catherine's College in 1951. She received a Master's Degree in Art History from the University of Arizona in Tucson, AZ. She married Gregory E. Gits on August 13, 1955 in Marshall.

Marty was employed in the St. James, MN school district and at St. Ann's School in Minneapolis, MN, before retiring to raise a family. She was a St. Philip's trustee and was involved in St. Jude's Circle. She was a master knitter and crocheter, enjoyed crossword puzzles, water color and oil painting, and wood carving. She was an avid reader.

Marty was a loving mother, a thoughtful person, a creative cook, an avid bridge and cribbage player, and especially loved spending time with her children and grandchildren at 10 Mile Lake in Minnesota.

Marty is survived by her loving husband, Gregory Gits, of Bemidji, MN; her children, Judy M. Klaers

(Pat) of Fargo, ND, Charles J gits (Kim) of Edina, MN, Elizabeth A. Nelson (Gayle) of Brainerd, MN; Helen P. Yarmoska (Wayne) of Edina, MN, and John G. Gits (Lisa) of Madison, WI; nine grandchildren; sister, Patricia Murphy of Marshall, MN; numerous nieces, nephews, grand nieces and grandnephews; dear friends of the Book Club, and numerous neighbors and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Dr. and Mrs. B. C. Ford, her brother, Dr. Jack Ford, and her sister, Eileen Hahn. After services at St. Philip's Catholic Church in Bemidji, Fr. Vincent Miller officiating, she was interred at the Holy Redeemer Catholic Cemetery in Marshall, MN.

(Information provided by Judy Klaers, daughter.)

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#### Bernice Brown Stahler

Bernice Brown Stahler died peacefully in her sleep on August 12, 2008, in San Diego, CA, at age 96. She was born in Anoka in 1912. She was a graduate of the University of Minnesota. Along with Pearl Johnson, Gert Kuehl, and their three husbands from Lamberton, MN, she brought her family to Ten

Mile Lake in 1947. (The wonderful Ten Mile Lake History of 2007 has many entries from these three families.)

Although Bernice and her husband, "Chuck" Stahler, moved their family west (eventually to California) in 1952, Bernice's daughter Mary and son John continued to visit Ten Mile Lake. John owned the old green Hansel place, near Helen Anderson, from 1990 to 2005. Bernice's last visit was in 1998, at age 86, but she always loved Ten Mile Lake.

Bernice was a wonderful, remarkable woman. She will be sorely missed by her family. She leaves children Mary, John, and Ann, and grandchildren somewhere north of ten (John himself has five great grandchildren.)

Bernice Stahler's life touched many; it is hard to imagine that anyone was left wanting, since she had a positive message for everyone. Her death is a great loss for all who knew her.

(Information provided by John Stahler, son.)

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# MY FAVORITE PLACE

by Emma Olsen-Dufour

My favorite place is Ten Mile Lake, Minnesota. Minnows, small fish, are numerous. If you stand still for a while, minnows will come kiss you, which feels like someone is tickling you. Minnows are also fun to catch, as they move around a lot.

The view is beautiful at the Lake. Across the big lake you can see many trees and cabins. When the sun sets you don't want to look away, it's so beautiful.

My family, my cousins, grandparents, uncles, aunts, great uncles, and great aunts have many cabins on the Lake. First there is our "house," the boathouse, with one cozy blue room. Then there is the Lodge, Go-Between, and Uncle Tom's Cabin.

Ten Mile Lake is my favorite place in the world.

(Note: Emma is the daughter of Erik and Lise Olsen-Dufour, granddaughter of Homer and Dianne Olson, and — full disclosure— grand niece of the Editor. She wrote this essay for her fourth grade class at the Cherry Creek Academy, a Charter School of the public school system in Centennial, CO.)

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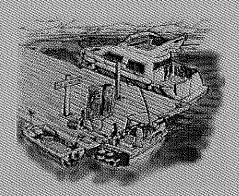
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# FUELING YOUR MOTORED WATERCRAFT ON TEN MILE LAKE

# FUELING PRECAUTIONS:



- Secure boat to the dock.
- Switch off engine(s).
- 3. Extinguish all open flames. Make sure that your fire extinguisher is within reach
- Do not use electrical switches. Turn off anything that might cause a spark engines, fans or electrical equipment
- No smoking.
- 6. Ports, hatches, and doors closed.
- Portable tanks should be refueled ashore.
- 8. Make certain all passengers are ashore.
- 9. Determine quantity of fuel required.
- Hold hose nozzle firmly against fill pipe opening.
- Do not overfill. Prevent fuel from falling into the water during fueling. Use an absorbent pad or rag to catch drips and spills.
- 12. Wipe up all spillage & properly dispose of the used paper towels or rags on shore.
- 13. Open ports, hatches, and doors to ventilate.
- Turn blower on for four minutes minimum.
- 15. Do the sniff test. (Check for gasoline odors.)
- Start engines(s).
- 17. Re-board Passengers.
- Untile from dock and cast off.

## WEBSITES FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

MDNR Boating Guide: http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/rlp/regulations/boatwater/boatingguide.pdf

MDNR Course On Boaters Education: http://www.boat-ed.com/mn/course/p2-fuelyourboat.htm

US Coast Guard Auxiliary

http://nws.cgaux.org/visitors/pe\_visitor/classes/boating\_skills\_and\_seamanship.html

US Coast Guard Safety Requirements

http://powerboat.about.com/od/safetyandeducation/tp/Boat

Other Sources: http://www.boatingbasicsonline.com/course/safety/