

STORMY LAKE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING
July 7, 2012

The annual meeting of the Stormy Lake Association was held at the Conover Community Center. Refreshments were served starting at 8:30 and at 9:00 AM President Don Olson called the meeting to order and welcomed all who were in attendance.

Thank you to Berleen Carlton for providing juice and coffee; to Shirley Russell and Georgene Van Swol who served the refreshments; to John Gantz for picking up the sweet rolls; and to Dwight Samuelson and John Gantz for being our 'parking lot attendants'.

said the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the USA
We pledged allegiance to our flag and then joined in singing 'God Bless America' to the accompaniment of Don Hennessey on the accordion. *Roger Johnson and*

Don Olson introduced the members of the board:

President: Don Olson

Secretary: Margery Gantz

Treasurer: Berleen Carlton

Directors: Roger Johnson, Shirley Russell, and Georgene Van Swol

Don Olson announced the winners of the annual boat parade and Jen Hennessey encouraged members to participate in future parades and thanked all who cheered the parade from the lake shore. The Hennessey boat won first place this year and ~~were~~ *place* awarded the first prize by Berleen Carlton.

Member Introductions

Don Olson asked the members to introduce themselves and state who lived in the homes on either side of them. Also mentioned were those family members who had passed away this past year. They were:

Lucille Hallstead, Roland Lood, and Ken Miller

Lake Report

Ron Van Swol gave the 'status of the lake' report:

- The lake level is "OK".
- H2O clarity is 25 - 26 feet
- The lake was stocked with 13,050 'catchable' trout
- Carol Warden of the UW Trout Lake Station has visited Stormy 15 times this year and taken samples in 3 different areas of the lake on every visit. Ron gave us the numbers of Spiny Water Fleas found each time and the highest count was taken 7/4/12. The counts this year are in line with the counts of last year. It seems that the concentration is higher in the summer months when the water is warmer. Ron stated that the zooplankton are abundant this year, which is good for the lake and protects the minnows from the SWFlea.

Don Olson then shared with the association a study being done to try to deal with the problem of the SWFs to protect our lakes in the future by the combined efforts of the UP DNR and the WI DNR and the Whitewater Association. We have been invited to join this study, which would cost us \$2,000 over a 2 year period and would require that we monitor the boat landing 200 hours per season. It is recommended that we talk to Carol Warden and others before making this decision. Don Muchlinski made a motion to table the discussion for this year and for the board to get more information.

Don Olson announced that any dogs going off owner's property must be leashed.

Gordy Miller brought a picture of the rock by Wayne Anderson's property taken in the 40's, showing the lake level at about the same as it is now, but he stated that about 10 years later you had to swim out to the same rock from the shore.

Ballots for New Board Members

Ballots were passed with four names suggested for becoming board members, for three positions to be filled: New members are: Joy Muchlinski, Sharon Douthit, and Dennis Laabs.

Stormy Lake Directory

Don Hennessey strongly urged all members to update the directory and provide email addresses if at all possible. The suggestion was made that he update the directory and email it to everyone to save expenses. Berleen Carlton shared how costly it is to mail information to members now. George Kelling suggested using a service for group emails called "list-serve". He is to get more information and share it with the board.

Colorama Dinner - date to be announced, and members will be notified in the next news-letter.

Boat Launch - there was a brief discussion, the end result being that nothing has changed and the town won't touch it.

The Spahn's daughter sent a message to the association recommending using mouse poison that will immediately kill them.. Decon does not kill instantly and if an owl or coyote eats the mouse they, too, will die.

It was suggested getting "loons nesting" sign to be posted when we know there are nesting loons. The question was asked if we could post a 'no-wake-speed' sign by the entrance to Wurmle Bay to protect the young loons when we have them. There were no further discussions on either of these matters.

Don Muchlinski made a motion that the meeting be adjourned, which was seconded. Don Olson then closed the meeting thanking everyone for coming.

Respectfully Submitted

Margery Gantz, Recording Secretary