

Homeowners' Spring Meeting Saturday May 29th 9 am at Clearwater Forest

Please plan to attend the homeowners' association meeting on May 29th at Clearwater Forest. Once again, DJ has offered to host our meeting in the Dining Hall from 9-11 am.

Meeting Agenda

- Introductions and welcome
- Treasurer's Report
- 2nd Annual Homeowners' Association Dinner
- Water Quality & Habitat Report
- Clearwater Forest Capital Campaign
- Thank you and dismissal

If you have a full house for the Memorial Day weekend, bring along a family member or two to allow them to get to know what's happening on our lake.

Lake Association Co-Chair - Heading West

As many of you may already know Kevin (one of our co-chairs) and Jennifer McKenzie and their family are moving to Bozeman, Montana where Kevin has recently accepted a position with Frontier Precision, Inc. Kevin's family has owned property on Clearwater Lake since 1946. Kevin, his wife and children have been year round residents on Clearwater Lake for 14 years. We will miss this family's great stewardship of our lake

2nd Annual Homeowners' Association "Dinner" Saturday July 10th

Join us on Saturday July 10th for our 2nd annual Homeowners' Association "Dinner" as a lunch during Clearwater Forest's Friends and Neighbors Day. We

talked this over with DJ and we all agreed just joining the Camp's already planned lunch would work well. This will be a perfect opportunity to gather causally with our fellow neighbors and take advantage of all the great activities the Camp has planned for the day.

Details:

- Date – Saturday, July 10th
- Location – Clearwater Forest "Big Green"
- Time – Lunch starts at 12:30 pm, with many Camp activities starting right away in the morning.
- Cost - \$5 per person
- RSVP – Let us know if you can attend by Friday, July 2nd to Jeff (jeff@visionsystemsunlimited.com or 218-764-2394).

Please pass the word to all your lake neighbors.

Water Quality & Clarity



We continue our prioritization of protecting and improving our lake's water quality. In March 2010 we engaged A.W Research to complete ground-truth sampling on 15 locations around the perimeter of Clearwater. These locations were selected based on the winter 2009 aerial lakeshore analysis where images identified sites with groundwater springs or possible septic intrusions. The sites were sampled for chloride and phosphorous concentrations. A.W

Research's report was just recently completed. A link to the report is at:

http://www.awlab.com/index_files/Page1513.htm

At our May 28 meeting we will discuss the findings and how homeowners can use this information. Printed copies of the report will also be available at the meeting.

Water Planning - At the Spring Homeowners meeting we will be looking for volunteers to work with Jeff Zernov to identify and prioritize our water planning agenda and coordinate those activities with the States new program. Item we will be exploring include a) removal of beaver dams between Clearwater and Nokay to help alleviate the high water issues, b) continued education of homeowners based on the finding of our water quality study, and c) explore new fish management practices to reduce the impact of over harvesting of crappies during the winter.

Lastly, contributions above our annual \$50 association dues would be greatly appreciated to help support our continued water quality efforts.

Clearwater Forest Capital Campaign

Clearwater Forest is launching a capital campaign to fund major septic system upgrades. The Camp's board of directors has personally put a matching gift challenge to lake residents to help with this campaign.

The following is a note from DJ Jeremiason to explain -

"All Clearwater lakeshore owners have in common their love for time spent at Clearwater Lake. We each have our sights, sounds or smells that enliven memories of time spent here. We may differ in just which one thing we most value. However, we could all agree that the quality of water in Clearwater Lake is very important in many ways.

Presbyterian Clearwater Forest (PCF) plays a major role in the health of Clearwater Lake as it cares for over 18,000 ft. of the shoreline. The conservation easement secured by PCF in 2004 provided significant protection for the quality of our most treasured resource. All of us benefit greatly from the presence of the camp on Clearwater Lake. Can you imagine how different the lake would be without the camp?

Recently, PCF has examined all seven of the septic systems on their property in order to be proactive in protecting the health of Clearwater Lake. Four systems are in need of repair and the camp is moving forward and will begin completing these updates this spring. This will be very costly and beyond the annual revenues that the camp generates. The board of directors of PCF is committed to raise the funds necessary to complete these important projects. All of the board members have made a personal commitment to this campaign and will match any contributions from lake residents toward these projects up to \$15,000. The camp will be sending a mailing this spring to invite each of us to partner in preserving the resource that we share on Clearwater Lake.” – DJ Jeremiason

Loon Nesting Platforms

Crow Wing County was second in the state for nesting loons and loon chicks. Clearwater was again the top producer in the entire county.

The loons are territorial and we want them to have a calm nesting season. Please remind visitors this spring to stay 100 feet away from loon nesting platforms.. These loons are a wonderful, but fragile, part of our lake environment. Let's all be committed to their safety!

Again, a huge thank you to Jeff & Paulette Zernov for their annual work of placing loon platforms out for nesting.

Association \$50 Dues Reminder

Thanks to the 54 of you who sent checks in 2009! This is a nice increase from last year. If we all contribute our \$50 each year, we will be able to build a fund gradually to take care of the eventual bigger issues that may arise. We have included a reminder and an envelope this year in the annual meeting mailing.

Please make your check payable to Clearwater Lake Homeowners' Assn and send to our treasurer:

Louise Seliski
19254 Dancing Dragon Lane
Ironton, MN 56455

Again, any additional contributions to help fund our continued water quality initiatives would be greatly appreciated.

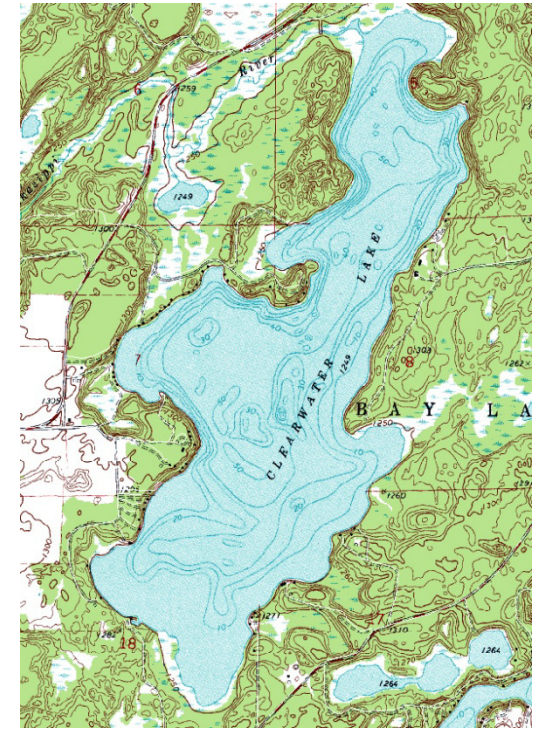
Lake Properties for Sale

In addition to the McKenzie's house there are three other properties known to be for sale on the lake. Also, it appears some of the townhomes are close to being sold.

Roster

Please review the enclosed Roster to ensure accuracy of names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses. This includes helping us get new lake neighbors and adult children. Please email or send new (or corrected) information to Gary Perkins at giperkins2@comcast.net or 4600 Hibiscus Ave, Edina, MN 55435.

Clearwater Lake Homeowners' Assn Spring 2010



Annual Meeting Notification

Please join us for the annual meeting of the Lake Association on Saturday morning, May 29th, 2010 beginning at 9am in the Dining Center of Presbyterian Clearwater Forest Camp on Crooked Lake Road. See inside for complete agenda!

Co-Chairs – Kevin McKenzie, Gary Perkins, Jeff Zernov