

# Kimble Shorelines

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"Though in land far

We be, our souls

Have sight of that

Immortal sea."

William Wordsworth

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# Lake Access Signs Dedication Sept 3

At the May KLHA annual meeting the Board of Directors launched a project to come up with a "Burma Shave" type of signage that would be placed on the road to the Kimble Lake public landing. The purpose was to alert people to the need to clean boats, live boxes and trailers to combat the invasion of exotic weeds and zebra mussels into our lake. The contest is over, the slogans chosen and now we want to have a public celebration of placement of these signs.

That will happen on Saturday, September 3, 10 a.m. at the public landing. You are invited to attend this brief ceremony of commemoration. You will be joined by invited guests from other lake associations, area political leaders and the media.

The signs will be two-sided and will read as follows:

10,000 Lakes Been Out Boating
Each A Beauty on another lake?
Clean Your Boat
Do Your Duty for Kimble's sake

The final sign will read the same in both directions: Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers!!

So make your plans to be with us for this community event. Let's pack the public landing and celebrate this step in keeping the waters of Kimble invasion clean!

# Milfoil Report Is Hopeful

The second milfoil survey of the year was conducted on July 11. The report shows that there were no new plants discovered. In addition, after having made two herbicide treatments of plants identified in the June survey there were no remaining plants in those areas. Two more surveys are scheduled yet this year.

All areas that were found and treated in the surveys of 2010 were also revisited and were completely free of any milfoil plants.

It is right that we should celebrate these kinds of findings. It does not mean, however, that the battle against this invasive water plant are over. It becomes even more evident that our association made a wise choice in having the initial plants treated and that we are keeping a diligent watch on the water of our lake. Your participation in the Lake Improvement District (as an add-on to property tax bills) is making this program possible and successful, both at the same time.

# Pay Your Annual Dues for 2011 Now

Annual dues for members of KLHA remains at \$25 per property owner. **This amount is past due now.** Please see the form on the bottom of page 3 of this newsletter. Mail your check and completed form to: KLHA, P.O. Box 836, Pequot Lakes, MN 56472. As this is the last issue of our newsletter for the year, it becomes even more important for you to respond today. We need your participation and support to make our lake association a success. Thank you.

### Water Quality Report

As of Sunday, August 21, the depth of water clarity in our lake measured 17 feet. This depth has remained the same ever since the middle of June. Water clarity in May was 14 feet and it is normal for this number to increase over the summer. These measurements are a bit less than other years, due to the unusual amount of rain this season. Lake levels are about 6 inches higher than usual. You have probably noticed this as your dock has gotten closer and closer to the water's surface. Kimble Lake ranks with the most clear water lakes in Crow Wing County,

Arlen Johnson and Bob Maas measure clarity and chemical makeup of the lake each month and report their findings to the DNR. A complete reading of Kimble can be found thru the DNR link on our web site.

### Visit Kimble Web Site

One way to keep abreast with information about our lake as well as being in touch with lake associations and water conservation is to tune into our web site on a regular basis. Links are provided for you to check water regulations both in the state and the county. You can even read this newsletter there!

So tune in to www.kimblelake.org and see what's going on as well as being to get answers to a lot of questions you might have. Joe Federer serves as our volunteer webmaster and is doing a great job of organizing our site and keeping it current.

### A Lesson About Loons

Although the loon is a bird, it differs from songbirds and waterfowl in several ways.

The bones of most birds are hollow and light; however, loons have some solid bones that make diving easier but flying more difficult. This extra weight enables them to dive deep—in excess of 100 feetto search for food. Once under water loons can remain there for several minutes. Even though loons are capable of diving deep and for long periods, most dives are shallower and shorter. Because their bodies are heavy relative to their wing size, loons need a runway of 60 feet or more to take off from a lake. When airborne loons can fly more than 75 miles per hour. Another unique characteristic is its legs. These extremities are set far back on its body, which means a loon cannot walk or hop like other birds. If on dry land, a loon must push itself along on its chest.

### Meet New President



KLHA has a new president! His name is Jim Schultz and he will serve in this capacity for the next two years.

Jim and his wife, Jeanne, reside at 9636 Kimble Access (which is not a public access). Jim is retired from the business world and the Schultz's are full time Kimble residents. Jim enjoys golf, fishing, biking and gardening. His reminder to all of us: "The future belongs to those who show up."

# Social Calendar: One Way of Getting to Know Our Neighbors Better

Every summer Sharon Giebenhain and her committee plan a variety of events around the lake that enable ways for us to get to know each other better, share ideas and concerns about our lake and just have some plain old fun together. This year we had our annual July 4th boat parade, a volleyball tournament that included seven teams of younger people around the lake, a canoe trip through the upper lakes on our little chain, and a coffee hour on a Saturday morning.

On Saturday, Aug. 20, the second annual Fiesta Nite was hosted by Larry and Maxine Knutson and Ric and Barbara Rowe. The Mexican cuisine was excellent and over 60 people came on foot, by car and boat to join in the festivities. One of the flavor hits was the Corn and Frito Salad prepared by Kathy Emerton.



Fiesta Goers Arrive via Roger Weber's water taxi

### Kathy's Corn and Frito Salad

2 cans of whole kernel corn (drained)
Diced red or green pepper and/or green onion

2 cups shredded cheddar cheese 1.5–2 cups of mayo or Miracle Whip Before serving add one bag of slightly crushed Chili Cheese Fritos. SERVE AND ENJOY!!!



Chef Ric at the grill

Our Final Event of the Year will be the Farewell to Summer Cookout, Saturday, Sept. 24, 5 p.m. Location will be announced via email and our web site. Plan to bring a dish to pass.

# Coffee Table Book Update

I know you have been hearing about "The Coffee Table Project" for about four years now and you can't be blamed for wondering if it will ever become a reality. Well, here's the latest on this little escapade. It is going to happen!!!

One of the things that leads me to say this is that many of you have sent me pictures and there is now a significant enough number so we now have a wide variety to select from, many really excellent shots capturing life around our lake.

But secondly, and maybe most importantly, Sue Mathewson has joined me and promises to hold my feet to the fire as far as getting this project completed. Our target date now is to have something for you to look at at the KLHA annual meeting in May 2012!

For the past month Sue has been organizing all our photos into catagories to show different kinds of things, events and sights that have been seen around our lake. In the next weeks we will be exploring web sites that could produce our book, costs involved, size of the book, editorial writing and design.

Our goal is to have an affordable and professional product that you will want to have in your home and give as gifts to family and friends who have experienced the good life on Lake Kimble and would enjoy having this kind of a pictorial record of memories.

### What Does KLHA Do??

A good question that deserve a forthright answer. So here is a little check list for you to know at least partially what you are accomplishing through your membership in the Kimble Lake Homeowners Association.

- We send out three newsletters each year to inform and educate <u>all residents on the lake</u> (you don't have to be a member to get the newsletter) about issues of water quality, conservation and development.
- Place, remove, repair and store the lake's navigation and safety bouys.
- Donate and support lake association organizations like WAPOA, LARA and MN Waters.
- Test and monitor our water for clarity and purity.
- Build and place loon nesting platforms and monitor loon numbers.
- Host several social activities each summer for all members and guests promoting great ways to meet neighbors, share concerns and information.
- Maintain a web site: www.kimblelake.org.
- Participate with the DNR in fish stocking of our lake.

A Final Word: this marks the final edition of Kimble Shorelines with me as your editor. It has been a fun ride for me and I thank all for suggestions, articles, etc. but most of all to each one of you for reading this little epistle.

See you on the lake. Marsh

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# 2011 Social Events Calendar

EVENT	KIMBLE LAKE EVENTS CALENDAR 2011	DATE & TIME	LOCATION
Rummage Sale  Set up a table at Norway Ridge OR set out a sign for a sale at your home.	Please contact Sally Baumgartner @ 218-543-4509 or email sallyb@kendallcandles.com so signs can be put out to direct traffic to your sale. The sale will be advertised in the Brainerd Dispatch and Pequot Lakes Echo!	Saturday, June 18th  8:00 am - 1 pm (Norway Ridge)  8:00 am - 2pm (individual garages)	Norway Ridge Parking Lot & Individual Garages
Beach Volleyball Tournament (come single or bring a team)  Spectators welcome!	Kent and Jean Larson  Bring a cooler with your favorite beverages!	TBD	The Larson's Cabin 34405 Cty Rd 39
4 <sup>th</sup> of July Boat Parade	Kent & Jean Larson (Last year's winner)  Winner brings home the traveling trophy.	Sunday, July 3rd  Boats Meet 2:30 pm  Parade Begins 3:00 pm	Boat Landing
Good Morning Kimble Coffee	Brian & Ellen Miller	Saturday, July 16 @ 9:00 am	Miller's Home 34338 Kimble Bluffs
"1960's/70's" Cocktail Party	<u>Tom &amp; Joyce Hansen</u>	Saturday, July 23 <sup>rd</sup> @ 4pm	Hansen's Cabin 10001 Kimble Creek Rd
Voyage on the Kimble Chain	* Come in your canoe or kayak * Pack snacks and beverages	Saturday, August 6th @ 9:00 am	Meet @ Bass Lake Creek
"Mexican Fiesta" Happy Hour	Ric and Barb Rowe & Larry & Maxine Knutson	Saturday, August 20th @ 4pm	The Rowe's Cabin 9623 N Kimble Lane
Water Wedgie	Let's see how many water- craft we can wedge around the Kimble sandbar.	Saturday, August 27th @ 4pm	The Sandbar
Campfire Cookout	??? If you would like to host this year's cookout, please call Sharon @ 763-559- 1434	Saturday, September 24th @ 5pm Please bring a dish to share	???