

You won't want to miss what's happening on Kimble Lake!



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KLHA Annual Meeting

Don't miss the [Kimble Lake Homeowners Association](#) annual meeting on May 28. It's the perfect opportunity to find out what's happening this summer and learn what actions we're taking to help keep our lake clean and free of invasive species.

A highlight of the meeting will be our guest speaker, **Marv Koep**. Marv is a long-time local resident and fishing guide. No doubt he'll have numerous stories and insights about the lakes region, its history and changes.



KLHA Annual Meeting
Saturday, May 28
9 a.m.
Ideal Corners Town Hall

Farewell Party for the Ice

Dick and JoAnn Maas hosted an Ice Out Party at their home April 4. There was a great turnout, delicious appetizers and wonderful company. It was fun for all to see each other again after winter. In case you weren't watching, the ice was officially "out" on March 31. According to JoAnn, this may be the earliest ice-out dates since they've lived here!





Nick Kuss has served at our public access point, protecting our lake from invasive species and other maladies.

Kimble Lake Access Monitoring: We Need Your Help

Spring has finally come to Kimble Lake. The snow is gone and we are seeing walkers and bikers again on the roads. With the ice out on **March 31**, we can begin to enjoy another year on our beautiful lake.

Banding together to fight aquatic invasive species.

To help coordinate the efforts of the Kimble Lake Homeowner Association (KLHA) and Kimble Lake Improvement District (KLID), we will continue as a joint committee to help make decisions concerning the battle against aquatic invasive species (AIS) and their introduction into Kimble Lake. The committee is composed of **Tom Hansen, Bob Maas, Larry Knutson, and Jim Schultz**. New members are welcome!

It's not too late for you to join the fight.

As we attempt to keep other AIS out of our lake, it's necessary to ask for your help to monitor our lake access. Some of you may feel that getting other AIS is inevitable, and you may be right. Why not attempt to delay that invasion, though, until a cure for zebra mussels and other AIS can be found? There are some promising treatments under development.

Crow Wing County has agreed to provide us with 400 hours of access monitoring at no cost. Our goal is to supplement those no-cost hours with about 400 paid hours and 400 volunteer hours. Volunteers like you help keep costs under control and enjoy an opportunity to serve and socialize.

We encourage you to consider becoming a volunteer.

Last year we had 20 trained volunteers who put in almost 200 hours at our access. We are grateful for their service and hopeful they will continue to volunteer.

Our goal this year is to recruit 25 volunteers. To put your volunteer commitment into perspective with 25 volunteers, each volunteer would need to average about 3 hours per month from May to October to achieve our goal.

A training session will be held in Brainerd on [April 30](#). If you agree to volunteer, you will need to attend this session locally, or we can find other training opportunities that better suit your schedule. If you have previously received training, there will be online refresher training available. Please contact **Jim Schultz** at james.d.schultz@hotmail.com if you are willing to be trained and serve this year.

Donations are also welcome.

The KLHA has received a little more than \$2,100 in donations which helped us pay for additional County monitor hours. Our 2016 donation goal is \$5000. Please consider a donation to help us pay for the added County hours. The 2016 KLHA membership form offers the opportunity to financially support our AIS efforts.

If you have any questions or concerns about KLHA and KLID AIS efforts, please feel free to contact any of our AIS Committee members:

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We appreciate your consideration in volunteering and/or donating to enable us to take an active role in the effort to stop the introduction of AIS to Kimble Lake. The lake season is upon us! We look forward to your prompt response to this appeal.

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OUR MISSION:

The Kimble Lake Homeowners Association is organized to encourage wise use and preservation of Kimble Lake to maintain the ecological balance that must exist between the lake and adjacent shore land. The association will work to keep this lake and its surrounding watershed in good condition. Further, the association will consider, recommend and endeavor, through responsible means, to bring about appropriate action by agencies of government and private individuals to realize effective management and preservation of the valuable resources of Kimble Lake and its adjacent shore land.

The Kimble Lake Homeowners Association was formed in 2002. Membership costs \$25 per year, due at the time of the annual meeting. Join **today!** Simply download the [KLHA Membership form](#) and send payment to:

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