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# RIPPLES

Eagle Lake Property Owners Improvement Association

## New ELPOIA President

Brian Younger, The Terrace, has taken over as the new ELPOIA president. He brings a wealth of experience to this office, with great managerial skills and the ability to build consensus.



### THOUGHTS FROM THE NEW PRESIDENT

Since I recently assumed the duties of President of ELPOIA, I wanted to share a little of my history with Eagle Lake and share a few thoughts about my approach and philosophy as I move forward in this role.

My wife Nancy and I have owned our property in the Terrace since 1997. It was originally our weekend lake home when we lived in Chicago, but we decided to move up here full time in 2006. We love it here and feel blessed with our wonderful living situation.

So, what do I think about Eagle Lake, and how will I approach my role? –I believe Eagle Lake is a valuable resource. We all know it is sometimes a challenge to manage due to the aquatic plant/weed problems, phosphorus runoff and clarity issues. But, it is a very good lake – scenic, great for boating and fishing, rich with heritage, and is in a great location. To me, the bottom line is that as long as the Eagle Lake Community wisely cares for Eagle Lake, it can thrive.

–We are a “single” lake community. Eagle Lake is entirely contained within a single governmental entity – the Town of Dover, and all lakefront property owners are members of our sister organization, the Eagle Lake Management District (ELMD). ELMD has funding authority. As a result, the Eagle Lake Community has the potential to come together to plan, allocate resources for, and execute strategies that we agree upon. (Obviously, collaboration with the Wisconsin DNR and Racine County is required, but in my opinion they have been constructive and reasonable partners in managing the Lake.)

–I believe that a key to success going forward is to continually foster input from the Eagle Lake Community, dialogue together about priorities, problems, and plans, and to work together to implement them

–The ELPOIA Board is structured by lake neighborhoods (The Terrace, The Manor, Eagle Bay, The Island, The East Shore, The North Shore and Pan Yack Park.) – sort of a “house of representatives”. Know your representatives on the ELPOIA Board and communicate your ideas and thoughts to them.

–I believe in being accessible. Feel free to e-mail me with any questions or comments about Eagle Lake or ELPOIA. My email address is [brian@youngersolutions.com](mailto:brian@youngersolutions.com). The exception is weed harvesting issues; those should be directed to the Eagle Lake Management District.

*I look forward to interacting with each of you about Eagle Lake.* Brian

### THANK YOUS ARE NEEDED

Outgoing Executive Board Members, Clay Marquardt and Loraine Zinnen, need to be recognized and thanked for their work.

Clay Marquardt served as President for the past two years. We appreciate his leadership, planning skills and cordial personality. Clay needed to step down to focus on family responsibilities but will continue on the board.

Loraine Zinnen, who has been our ‘acting treasurer’ for 3 years, agreed to serve in that role for a ‘short’ period of time. © Loraine, and her late husband John, are long-time Eagle Lake Leaders. They started ELPOIA over 60 years ago and helped form the ELMD to take on harvesting activities. Loraine will also continue on the board, so we will be able to tap into all her wisdom and sense of history regarding the Eagle Lake Community.

*Thanks, both Clay and Loraine!*



## HOW TO TAKE YOUR BOAT OUT

Several Lake Residents have reported trouble taking their boats out for the winter at the Racine County Park Lanch. Don Hermes, Mr. Eagle Lake, was kind enough to draw a map re: which was the best way to enter the Lanch Site. Please note there is a large rock out in front of the marked channel, where you would least expect. To avoid this rock and to stay in the deeper part of the channel, boats should stay to the LEFT side of the channel entering the site. The water is shallower on the right side. When leaving the lanch area, do the reverse and stay to your RIGHT. Please note: On the deeper side, the water levels can reach 5 feet deep, so be careful not to walk your boat into the lanch site wearing waders. Water could go over the top of the waders, causing a REAL problem for the boater. The ELMD is continuing to meet with the County re: possibly dredging the channel again.

You may want to consider using the Zinnen Boat Site, which was dredged 2 years ago using ELPOIA funds. Sixty feet out from the shore, the water level is about 3 feet deep. Further out, it becomes shallow again. When you bring your boat in, have the motor trimmed 100 feet out (about to the end of the pier) and cruise the bow of the boat up to your trailer. Get close enough to get your winch line attached and then wind it onto the trailer with the winch. Do NOT try to power up to your trailer, as your prop will dig into the lake bottom and cause a hole to develop. This will cause other boaters with longer trailers to have problems.

In past years, some boaters had success taking their boats out at Michael's lanch site. Please inquire over there for current conditions.

## KANSASVILLE HOMETOWN PICNIC

The weather could have been 'a bit' nicer, but rain came late the night before and the fog held off until the end of the Venetian/Unity Boat Parade. The only disappointment was that the Fireworks had to be postponed until the next evening. (Did you know that pyrotechnician Jeff Young and his wife camped out on the loaded barges all Saturday night to keep the fireworks safe/dry!) But, despite the fog, a few brave souls sat on the shores of Eagle Lake and watched JAWS on the giant, inflatable movie screen.

Those that did attend the KHTP found a wide variety of activities for the young and young-at-heart. The large Petting Zoo with farm animals (Chair J. Burgan); the great display of Historical Items from the area (Chair Helen Lena); the Welcome Tent selling "Where the Heck is Kansasville?" T-shirts, the veggie contest, and general activities information (Chair Marie Frederick); the food vendors, live bands and raffle activities (Chair Heidi Mueller); and the Kids Zone featuring Knockerball, big wheels riding area, a special Speleo Cave (Chair Lynnell Carlton) were some of the activities held that day. The main grounds crew was chaired by Lou Maniez. Thanks to all in the community who worked so hard to provide this annual event for the Kansasville/Dover Community! (On right, Marie Frederick at KHTP)

## Odds & Ends

-We send out 275 copies of the RIPPLES via email, saving ELPOIA \$134 per mailing. Please notify us when you have a change in your email address by emailing the Editor, Judy, [jwamundsen@aol.com](mailto:jwamundsen@aol.com). We encourage you to print out a hard copy to share with your family and friends. THANKS!

-We send out another 250 RIPPLES to people without email or to those who simply prefer to receive a hard copy. We are indebted to East Shore resident, **MARIO DENOTO**, for printing these copies at no charge to ELPOIA. Please thank him for his generosity!





## FIRST ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST A BIG HIT!

ELPOIA, in conjunction with the Kansasville Hometown Picnic, sponsored a photo contest that featured the Town of Dover, Kansasville and Eagle Lake. There were 5 categories: Town of Dover, People of Dover, Dover Nature, Eagle Lake Water Activities and Eagle Lake Water Scenes. The contest was open to any child or adult living in the Town of Dover, including both year-round and summer/vacation home residents. A person could enter one photograph in each category for a total of 5 entries. All photographs had to be taken by the person entering them.

Thanks to all who participated, entering a total of 31 pictures. First and 2<sup>nd</sup> place ribbons were awarded for all categories. Judging was done by Wisconsin-based artist Frank Korb, who is head of the Waterford Union HS Art Department. He offered the following tips on areas he considered important when judging:

- Focus is essential
- Simplify a composition and remove the extras bits

and pieces that are not needed to make a strong photograph. However, make sure important parts are NOT cropped out.

--Mounting is important.

--"I look for balance and how the photographers set up the negative and positive space, where my eyes were drawn to and become activated and where my eyes were allowed to go to rest."

### CONTEST WINNERS:

**Town of Dover:** 1<sup>st</sup>- Marie Frederick (East Shore), 2<sup>nd</sup> - Krista Mozina (East Shore)

**People of Dover:** 1<sup>st</sup> -Juliet Lena-Roszkowski (East Shore), 2<sup>nd</sup> - Bert Richter (Manor)

**Dover Nature Scenes:** 1<sup>st</sup> - Bob McEnroe (Pan Yack) 2<sup>nd</sup> - Bert Richter (Manor)

**Eagle Lake Water Scenes:** 1<sup>st</sup> - Bob McEnroe (Pan Yack) 2<sup>nd</sup> - Sean Margiotta (The Island)

**Eagle Lake Water Scenes:** 1<sup>st</sup>-Dan Roszkowski (East Shore), 2<sup>nd</sup>-Bob McEnroe (Pan Yack)

2016 WINNER: This could be YOU!!!! ©



## Zinnen Shoreline Project

*The Native Plant Shoreland Demonstration Project, which has been in existence since 2004, showcases the benefits of using native plants: longer life spans, less need for fertilizer / insecticides, drought resistance, winter hardiness, disease resistance and increased desirability to birds, bees and butterflies.*

*In addition, native plants are natural water quality systems: they collect runoff, filter out pollutants and help protect our lakes and streams. They allow about 30% more water to soak into the ground, with root systems that can extend as deep as 15 feet.*

*We had a core group of lake resident volunteers this year and also had the services of Burlington HS Student, Blais Hurst, who completed his Community Service Hours on site. Left: Blais and Site Coordinator, Judy Amundsen*

## NEW INVASIVE COMING?

A new invasive has been found in Wisconsin, including Long Lake in Racine County, Big and Little Muskego Lakes in nearby Waukesha County and Silver Lake in Washington County. It is considered to be a large algae, with whorls of 4-8 long branchlets and blunt tips. It is anchored at the lake bottom by colorless rhizoids and contains up to several dozen 4-5 mm star-shaped bulbils. SSW can form dense lakebed mats that crowd out native plants and eliminate habitat for juvenile fish. It can also impede movement of fish and other animals and, when growing to the surface, can reduce water flow and prevent recreational activities.



Star-shaped Bulbils (shown at left) are at their worst in the Fall. If you find SSW, please call an ELPOIA or ELMD representative. It can be pulled, but that must be done very carefully. Abundant bulbils on the rhizoids can dislodge if disturbed, and will sprout new individuals. **How to recognize SSW:** It has almost perfect forks at the end of every branch; it is smooth to the touch, somewhat gelatinous; the Bulbils are fairly brilliant white in color, about 2 mm in size; if you pinch the stems and it holds its shape and retains its color, it is Native Chara. If it flattens out, and green 'stuff' in the stem gets pushed out, it is SSW. We are asking ALL lake residents to become familiar with SSW and to actively look for/be able to identify it in the areas around your piers.

## Water Patrol Report for 2015

Officer Chris Utecht (right) gave a report to lake residents at the Annual ELPOIA Meeting on August 15<sup>th</sup>. He stressed safety equipment needed on boats, correct lighting requirements, how to secure your battery and battery safety, how to prevent fume buildup on board, and stressed the need for Boater Education Certification.

Although Officer Utecht would much rather give out a warning than a ticket, some situations necessitate ticketing the boater. As of 8/31/15, the Water Patrol was on the lake for 375 hours, issued 27 Citations, 88 Warnings, did 46 Safety Inspections, assisted 16 vessels and assisted 32 persons. Thanks for keeping our lake safe!



## Clean Boats~~Clean Waters Program



ELPOIA and ELMD cooperated in running the CBCW Program again at the County Boat Launch. The program was staffed a total of 38 days, running on weekends and holidays from 5/23/15 to 8/7/15. Staff talked to 644 boaters either entering or leaving the lake in 337 total boats. CBCW emphasizes boater education regarding aquatic invasive species prevention, provides information re: state law and transporting weeds on their boats/trailers, encourages them to wash down their boats when leaving (using power washers purchased this year), and answering questions boaters may have about the laws. 95% of boaters were willing to answer questions and inspectors felt that 85% had a good knowledge of the program.

# 2015 EAGLE LAKE FIREWORKS

August 29, Approx. 8:30 p.m.

Due to the generous people who fill this page,\* we have met our goal for a spectacular show! Returning to a grassroots effort to maintain this memorable tradition, we first thank the major sponsors who gave this drive its successful start:

## PLATINUM LEVEL \$1,000

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# THANK YOU!

\*Last updated Friday, Aug. 28, 2015. We apologize for any mistakes or omissions. Please report corrections to Don Hernes for the next printing. Donations received after Aug. 28 will be added to the list and published in the next Apple.

# 2015 KHTP Pictures

We hope that you were able to attend the Hometown Picnic this year. The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Hometown Picnic was well attended, with 500 Root Beer Floats being handed out free to participants. More than 300 kids climbed through the Speleo Cave and almost all of the "Where The Heck is Kansasville" T-shirts were sold. People also enjoyed looking at the Photo Contest exhibit and selecting the "People's Choice" Photo. It was a moonlight shot of the lake, taken by Condo resident John Andersen.



**See you next year at the Picnic!**