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President's Message

Greetings lake residents and friends,

Thinking of our lake association, and what exactly to write to you, it causes me to reflect on a time thirty-six years ago when my family first moved to this lake. The joy of jumping off the pier and swimming every day possible was indisputable. My love of the lake was strictly personal and simplistic, without any thought to the responsibilities and effort it took to care for one of the most beautiful places on earth. Maybe you can relate.

Much has changed since then, and the fact we are all stewards of this lake has been seriously revealing over recent years. As we now search for solutions to invasive species in our waters, we must find ways to protect this place we all love. With continued help from our friends, family, neighbors, and people just like you, I believe we will be successful.

Much has been accomplished but challenges and opportunities remain. Your financial and volunteer support will help define our future. If you are a permanent or part time lake area resident, fisherman or boater that benefits from the lake, I encourage you to join the lake association and support our efforts for now and future generations alike.

Best Regards,

Toni Gilster 262-343-1004 tonigilster@gmail.com

Goose Control

On June 24th the USDA food & wildlife with the help of lake resident volunteers collected and removed 24 geese from the lake. Thank you Jim Bertram and all the volunteers for your assistance with this project.

Summer Picnic

Our annual summer gathering at the Katt house in July was attended by over 90 lake neighbors. A beautiful afternoon of basket raffles, 50/50 raffles, door prizes, boat parade, bounce house, food and fun raised over \$2,000.00 for KMLA. Carol and Mark Meske were the winners of the \$50. Gift card donated by Joani & Jim Bertram for the best decorated boat. Big thank you to the Barb Vallner family, Kamm's & Paeth's for your annual donation of door prizes. Beautiful baskets for the raffles were donated by board members & lake residents. Thank you to everyone for coming! We raised \$2025.00

Chili, Soup & Stew Cook Off

Our favorite event is back! September 24th was a perfect soup day with cooler temps. We had a record number of entries (35). First place \$200. Winner was Dawn Bertram, Second place \$150. Winner was Deb Schumacher, Third place \$100. Winner was Jennifer Gaar. Home made desserts were enjoyed also. Winner of the highest advance ticket sales was Joani Bertram with 45 tickets sold!

Special thank you to Kayla at the Tiki Beach Resort for hosting this event and donating \$500.00 in prize money for soup entries and advance ticket sales.

Thank you Karen Duffy for your generous donation. Chocolate Sommelier donated 15 boxes of chocolate truffles. We raised \$375.00 in raffles and direct sales at the chili cook off from your donation.

Thank you to everyone who took part in our fundraising events. Whether you were a donor, committee member, working volunteer or participant buying raffle tickets, your involvement is needed and appreciated.

Thanks to you our fundraising events were successful & fun!

Election Results General Meeting June 2022

KMLA OFFICERS

PRESIDENT Toni Gilster VICE PRES Rob Lemke
TREASURER Mary Groth SECRETARY Dan Rick

Board of Directors

Jim Bertram, Kayla Borland, Mike Grohall, Cindy Katt, David Katt, Joan Kornitz, Rob Lemke, Jeff May, Ryan Menzer, Mark Meske, Lori Wright, Peter Wilke, Steve Wilke

Responsibility List (contact these individuals with any questions on these issues)

- Dan & Cheryl Rick Clean Boats/Clean Waters Arrange 240 hours coverage
- Mark Meske Grant Requirement
 - Water & Oxygen Samples Spring & Summer
 - Secchi Disc (Water Clarity) Weekly in summer and enter data on DNR website
- Joan Kornitz Apply for Permit for Goose Egg Oiling
- Cindy Katt 2 Newsletters per year
 - final dues notice in December
- David Katt Oversee current grant through completion
- Jeff May Perform annual review & File Forms 990 & 1952
- Lori Wright Membership Signs Updated
- Mike Grohall Schedule Board & General Meeting
- Jim Bertram Goose Round Up (Forms and arrange volunteers)
- Ryan Menzer Lake Membership Recruit
- Steve & Peter Wilke
 - Goose Control in Spring (Oil Eggs)
 - Monitor Winter oxygen levels and get volunteers to install aerators if needed
 - Water Level Wake Restrictions for High Water

This responsibility list is fluid. As needs change and evolve, your officers and board members assume the roles necessary to conduct tasks at hand.

Thank you!

Donation List / Audit

Attached please find a donation report as of October 1st .
Jeff May is responsible for performing a yearly review of the income and expenses for KMLA.
Mary Groth is the treasurer for KMLA.

**** Please review the donation list carefully ****

Contact Jeff if any discrepancies

Membership signs

Lori Wright handles updating lake association signs. If you paid dues and need a sign please contact

Lori

262.894.2108

Ice Bike Race

The steel shoe ice bike race will NOT be held on Kettle Moraine Lake this year. It will be held on January 29 2023 at Sunset on the Water Bar & Grill on Lake Winnebago.

Kettle Moraine Lake - Deep Hole was sampled **9** different days during the 2022 season. Parameters sampled included:

- water clarity, temperature, dissolved oxygen, total phosphorus, chlorophyll

The average summer (July-Aug) secchi disk reading for Kettle Moraine Lake - Deep Hole (Fond du Lac County, WBIC: 43900) was 11.5 feet. The average for the Southeast Georegion was 6.2 feet. Typically, the summer (July-Aug) water was reported as **CLEAR** and **GREEN**.

Chemistry data was collected on Kettle Moraine Lake - Deep Hole. The average summer Chlorophyll was 2.4 µg/l (compared to a Southeast Georegion summer average of 24 µg/l). The summer Total Phosphorus average was 15.1 µg/l. Lakes that have more than 20 µg/l and impoundments that have more than 30 µg/l of total phosphorus may experience noticeable algae blooms.

The overall Trophic State Index (based on chlorophyll) for Kettle Moraine Lake - Deep Hole was 41. The TSI suggests that Kettle Moraine Lake - Deep Hole was **mesotrophic**. Mesotrophic lakes are characterized by moderately clear water, but have an increasing chance of low dissolved oxygen in deep water during the summer

Thank you Mark Meske for taking care of this task!

Kettle Moraine Lake Eurasian Watermilfoil (EWM) Update and Control Plan

Why control EWM?

- Its dense nature displaces water for beneficial wildlife.
- -It reduces the aesthetic quality of the lake.
- -It litters shorelines with plant fragmentation.
- -It creates difficult and dangerous swim areas.
- -It shunts fish life and habitat.
- -It creates tangling and damage to boat motors and clogging of systems.
- -It chokes out boat and watercraft navigational lanes.

What are we doing about it?

After reviewing our results from effectively treating a 10-acre plot in 2021 with ProcellaCOR, we worked closely with the DNR and our lake management team from Onterra to design a plan for 2022. This plan was formed using data collected from surveys performed by Onterra as well as water sample evaluations retrieved by volunteers and tested at a lab. We then acquired the necessary permit and on June 3rd, 2022, Clarke Aquatic Services conducted an herbicidal treatment of ProcellaCOR on a 13-acre plot on the west side of the lake as well as a 5-acre plot in the area surrounding the beach and boat launch. A map of the treatment areas can be found on our website by going to kettlemorainelake.org and selecting Lake Care. Select Invasive Species and you can view the permit application which contains the map. The areas outlined in black on the map are the areas we treated.

The goal of this year's herbicidal application was to have increased results outside of the specific treatment areas. We are pleased to report, the plots chosen, as well as some slight modifications made to the herbicidal concentration, successfully resulted in that outcome.

On September 27th, Onterra performed a whole lake survey. The results from that survey will be used to design a plan for 2023. That plan could include herbicidal treatment, mechanical harvesting, or possibly a combination. We will work closely with the DNR to determine our next steps.

EWM control requires substantial funds to manage. We were able to use funds remaining in our existing grant to cover a portion of monitoring and survey costs, however the remaining portion as well as the herbicidal application costs were the responsibility of the association. On September 15th, we sent in a pre-application to pursue an Aquatic Invasive Species Control Grant. A final draft of our application is due November 15th, 2022. If we are to acquire this grant, those funds would be for use in 2023. The specifics of the grant have yet to be determined as we will still need to get the DNR's approval for our 2023 plan.

I welcome your questions, comments, and concerns.

Toni Gilster 262-343-1004 tonigilster@gmail.com

CBCW-Clean Boats Clean Waters This year we logged **275.75** total hours!

As part of our DNR grant, Kettle Moraine Lake is required to monitor the boat launch for 240 hours and record the information on the DNR SWIMS website. Dan & Cheryl Rick arranged the volunteer calendar/tracking of hours, and the box containing all the paperwork was kept in the foyer at Katt's.

Thank you to all volunteers including Bob and Karla Gilster, Cheryl Rick, Dave and Cindy Katt, Don and Lori Wright, Janet Dyer and Deb Trost, Joe and Rita Perron, Karen Duffy, Katie Kuchta, Lori Meyer, Mike and Debbie Trost, Neil Fisk and Karen Ertl, Pat and Janet Dyer, Pat O'Meara, Rob and Shelly Lemke and Tom Merriam.

The top 4 inspectors were:

- Pat and Janet Dyer - 78 hours
- Neil Fisk and Karen Ertl - 48 hours
- Dave & Cindy Katt – 22 hours
- Lori Meyer - 21 hours

We'll be doing this again next year. Please consider spending a few hours of your summer helping with our commitment next year. Every hour helps and great job everyone!

Expenses 2022 (9/30/22)

Alliant Energy	\$ 222.85
WI DFI Report	\$ 35.00
Liability Ins. Premium	\$ 2,241.00
Goose Control	\$ 3,500.00
Bank Charge	\$ 5.40
BAS Lab	\$ 4,420.00
Lake Management	\$ 2,629.00
Lake Treatment	\$28,343.85
Postage	\$ <u>754.47</u>
Total Expenses	\$42,151.57

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Don't forget to like and follow us on Facebook

Kettle Moraine Lake Association

Newsletter Tips

Have suggestions for articles or ideas to share in the newsletter? Contact Cindy Katt I usually put together 2 newsletters per year. I'm always looking for ways to keep you informed and up to date on happenings on the lake!

Pier and Boat Lift Removal & Install

Last fall 5 members on the south side of the lake used a new person to put in our boat lifts and some even used them to put in their dock. I am going to be scheduling them to come out most likely the second week of October to remove them.

This spring he charged \$110 to put a boat lift in and that was based on 5 people getting theirs done. Docks he charged \$4 a foot to put them in. Since this is the first year we used him I am not yet sure if the price is the same or if it changes to take out.

Please respond only to me if you are interested in using this service this fall or even in the spring.

Thanks

Don Rettenmeier

dretten79@gmail.com 262-957-7794 (text or call)

2022 Income (9/30/22)

Donations	\$12,300.00
Summer Party	\$ 2,025.00
AIS Grant	\$19,705.31
Chili Cook Off	<u>\$ 3,725.00</u>
Total Income	\$37,755.31

Website Update

<https://kettlemorainelake.org>

We are pleased to announce that our website is up and running. Thank you to lake resident Alan Hageman for setting everything up and maintaining it.

Now you can read our newsletters, be informed of upcoming events, easily link to DNR websites and make your donation. Yes, you can click on the donate button and make your one time donation or set up for recurring payments. Our website is secure and easy to navigate.

In the future we hope to have a sign up for text alerts for instant updates such as high water no wake alerts, need for immediate help installing aerators, etc..

Thank you Alan!

KMLA Swag

Does your wardrobe need updating? It's been a few years since we had active wear with our logo available. Tony Scarlatto has generously offered his services if we have enough interest. We need someone to undertake this project. Please let me know if you can help. Options could include T-Shirts, Sweatshirts and maybe a hoodie or fleece with embroidered logo.

cindykatt@hotmail.com



KMLA NEEDS YOUR HELP

Send your check to: Mary Groth
W1292 County Road F
Campbellsport WI 53010

Or go to our website and pay online (click on the donate here button)

<https://kettlemorainelake.org>

Donation for 2022 (Minimum \$100.00) \$\$ _____

Your Name & Home Address _____

Circle if new address _____

Your Lake Address _____

Campbellsport, WI 53010

Home Phone _____ Cell Phones _____

Email Addresses

KMLA files as a cash basis nonprofit organization, deposits for the calendar year must match donations received for that year. Donations received in a calendar year (January 1 – December 31) are credited to the year received.

KMLA is a 501c3, so most donations are tax deductible (check with your accountant)

Thank you for your donation!