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## *Calendar of Meetings & Events*

### **Annual Meeting:**

Townsend Town Hall  
Date: June 25, 2016  
Time: Social 9:00AM  
Meeting Start 9:30AM

### **Golf Outing/End of Year Dinner**

Date: September 17, 2016  
Place: McCauslin Golf and  
Country Club

### **Volunteer Thank You Picnic**

Date: July 23, 2016  
Place: Nock's front yard

### **Annual Picnic**

Date: August 13, 2016  
Host: Vosters and Peters,  
Walleye Lane

## *Welcome to the Fall Issue of the Archi Times* by *Tim McGuire*

Hello Lake Association Members.

Thank you for taking the time to read the Fall issue of the Archi Times

We have had another great summer here on the lake, and our social and lake improvement efforts were well attended by many, many members. Thanks to all who gave time, effort, camaraderie, and money to make our events so successful. Without the efforts of so many of our members, our Association would not be what it is today.

On that note I would be remiss to not put in a plug for all of you to seek out opportunities to volunteer for events and initiatives that the Association conducts throughout the year. The betterment of our beautiful Archibald Lake depends on you.

I would like to thank the Board members for their dedication to the Association. Much time and effort has been contributed by each board member toward the improvement of our lake and the enjoyment of our membership.

Please read on to find out what the Association has done over the year and the plans that we have going forward. Please do not hesitate to call me if you have suggestions and or concerns related to Archibald Lake and its Association.

Sincerely;

*Tim McGuire*

## ***Annual Meeting: June 27, 2015*** by Kathy Wiggins

Please refer to the web site: [www.archibaldlake.com](http://www.archibaldlake.com) for the complete minutes and meeting handouts.

- Budget: Gary Miller is replacing treasurer Joyce Warnacut who moved away. The expected 2015 year-end balance was \$19,959.00. Over \$900.00 was donated by the membership for raffle prizes. The projected 2015-16 budget, including expenses for the lake ecology project, was approved.
- We have 157 members as of the meeting.
- Tim McGuire, Betsy Nock and Kathy Wiggins were re-elected for a three year term.
- Eurasian watermilfoil: The spring survey found EWM in only one spot. That does not mean that it is completely gone. It was just what the survey found. It will probably come back.
- A new invasive for the Lake, phragmites, is in one spot and the WDNR has a grant to treat it.
- Flowering rush: A new chemical treatment company, Clean Waters, was hired. There will only be one treatment this summer. A pre-treatment survey was conducted; a post survey will follow in the fall.
- Rock Reef Project: WDNR fish biologist, gave a detailed presentation about fish surveys, stocking and rock reefs (see the website for more detailed information).

### New Business:

- Matt Marty asked the Association to talk to the Town of Townsend with regards to repairing their section of Archibald Lake Road.
- Gary Miller reminded people about the family cottage history questionnaire that was sent out in the Spring Archi Times.

The meeting adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

## ***2015-16 Officers***

President: Tim McGuire

Secretary: Kathy Wiggins

Vice President: Kevin Springob

Treasurer: Gary Miller

## ***Walleye Spawning Reef Project*** by Tim McGuire

The Archibald Lake Ecology Improvement/Walleye Spawning Reef project was approved as submitted at the June 2015 General Membership Meeting at the Townsend Town Hall.

Here is a summary of the material that was presented at the Annual Membership Meeting.

This is a five year project with a budget value of approximately \$14,000.00 dollars. The project

consists of 3 project areas, One being 600' long and is an extension of the rock reef project that was built in the East Lobe of the lake in 2009. The other two project areas are in the West Lobe of the lake and are both approximately 300 feet long. These are both on the West shore of the long peninsula and are an enhancement of the existing rocks found on the shore and extending into the water.

These areas were chosen by the WDNR Fisheries Biologists, Chip Long, because of their location on a Southeast shoreline that receives our prevailing winds from the North and West. The wave action from these prevailing winds is critical to the fish spawning process. The waves keep silt from covering the eggs while they are located in the rocky crevices that are formed by the placement of the rocky rubble that is the Spawning Reef.

This project was permitted for 5 years because we do not know if we will have an adequate winter to build an ice road that is capable of supporting the dump trucks that will be used to haul the rocks from the shore out to the reef location. There is also time built into the 5 year project to do the 3 locations in different years because the project is too large to complete in one year.

It is our plan to attempt to build a road to one of the 3 areas in the late winter of 2015-16. If weather conditions are favorable, and we have adequate ice thickness in March of 2016, we will haul rocks out to the proposed reef area and then bring a skid steer out to level the rocks in their final destination. The 700 ton of rocks that we will be placing on shore and on the ice will range in size from 2" up to approximately 8". The risk we take is in paying to plow the road throughout the late winter in hopes that we have enough ice to drive the loaded dump truck out there without falling through. Hopefully we can get 2 or 3 years of good ice within the 5 year permitted time to do all three areas.

The Board of Directors has approved a separate account to be set up to fund the project and we are very hopeful that Association Members will donate monies to the project like the Hackbarth Family has already committed to.

Please direct all questions related to this project to Tim McGuire. If I do not have an answer to your question I will find someone who does. If you wish to volunteer time or money to this project, let me know at 715-850-0501.

<b>ARCHIBALD LAKE ASSOCIATION ECOLOGY IMPROVEMENT BUDGET</b>			
	Area 1-West Lobe	Area 2-West Lobe	Area 3-East Lobe
Length by Width	300' by 16'	300' by 16'	600' by 16'
Area (square feet)	4,800	4,800	9,600
Tons of stone (4"-6") at \$15.00 / ton	192 Cost: \$2,880.00	192 Cost: \$2,880.00	384 Cost: \$5,760.00
Tons of Stone (3/4" to 2") at \$15.00 / ton	10 Cost: \$150.00	10 Cost: \$150.00	20 Cost: \$300.00
Snow removal, Hauling & Spreading Stone: \$45.00 / hour	Total hours: 20 Cost \$900.00		Total hours: 20 Cost: \$900.00
<b>TOTAL COST FOR ALL PROJECT AREAS:</b>		<b>\$13,020.00</b>	

## ***Great Lakes Spotted Musky Stocking*** by Kathy Wiggins

Chip Long, WDNR Fisheries Biologist passed along the following information.

On July 28, 1,176 yearling muskies were stocked in Archibald Lake. They averaged 13.6 inches long, weighing about 7.6 ounces each. They were PIT tagged, which is a type of identification chip that was inserted in each fish.

Our lake is one of only three lakes in the state selected as a “broodstock lake”. The other two are Elkhart Lake and Anderson Lake. The fish were obtained from the Wolf Lake Fish Hatchery in Michigan.

WALLEYE STOCKING: Chip also mentioned they had a successful walleye survey on our lake this fall.

For more information on these projects, or any other Archibald Lake fish related questions, please contact Chip at: Phone: (715)-582-5017 or [Christopher.Long@Wisconsin.gov](mailto:Christopher.Long@Wisconsin.gov)

## ***Eurasian Watermilfoil and Phragmites Update*** by Kevin Springob

Four patches of Eurasian watermilfoil were discovered in 2015. The first two patches were discovered in early August and were manually removed. Our consulting company Onterra discovered the additional patches during the fall survey. The overall density of Eurasian watermilfoil in Archibald Lake has remained fairly low and as a result, we have saved money by not having to apply any herbicide to the lake for Eurasian watermilfoil control. Moving forward it is vital that we have volunteers in place to be ready for manual removal of small patches. Both of the patches that were discovered by Onterra are in six feet or less of water and are excellent candidates for manual removal. Please consider volunteering for manual removal in 2016. If you would like more information about training and would like to volunteer, please contact Richard Dvorak at [rnedvorak@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rnedvorak@sbcglobal.net).

A small area of the invasive variety of Phragmites was discovered in the west lobe of Archibald Lake in July of 2014. The DNR is actively working to slow the spread of Phragmites in Wisconsin by targeting new infestations and offering funding for treatments. The DNR contracted with an herbicide applicator and coordinated a treatment that occurred on September 3, 2015. The project cost was completely covered by the DNR. We will continue to monitor the Phragmites population and evaluate the effectiveness of the treatment next spring.

## ***Flowering Rush Research*** by Kathy Wiggins

A chemical treatment was applied to designated areas by Clean Waters, Inc. on July 31, 2015. Please contact Steve Wagner for the locations of the treatment and for the results: [birchavn@new.rr.com](mailto:birchavn@new.rr.com).



***Clean Boats / Clean Waters*** by Betsy Nock

We concluded the 10<sup>th</sup> years of Clean Boats, Clean Waters boat inspections with a record high 298 hours of coverage. The efforts of Norm Faulstitch helped us achieve that number with Norm’s 41 sessions at the boat landing during the season. Here is a chart of our work from 2006 through 2015.

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Boats Inspected</b>	53	82	110	73	206	229	175	183	200	334
<b>People Contacted</b>	110	152	224	149	341	422	354	341	380	671
<b>Hours Spent</b>	50	72	86	58	284	180	208	175	152	298

With the increase in hours we talked with a significantly larger group of people. The lakes that people reported using the most (after a repeat of Archibald) included Boot Lake, Bass Lake, the Townsend Flowage as well as Cauldron Falls, Lake Michigan and the Bay of Green Bay

We would especially like to thank Alice and Norm Faulstitch, Marsha and Roger Spaude and Cathy Lindeman for the work they did this summer to maintain our shed. Landscaping, new paint (inside and out) and new gutter work were all done by this group of volunteers.

The list of Clean Boats, Clean Waters volunteers will be up on the website soon. When you see them, be sure to thank them for their work. In the past, we have needed 150 hours to meet the demands of our grants. **Next year, we have an additional grant that includes the requirement for 200 hours of Clean Boats, Clean Waters volunteer time.**

Please think about volunteering and having someone in your family volunteer to help us meet that goal. We ask that someone volunteer for three – 90 minute sessions during the summer season.

***2015 Volunteer Hours*** by Kevin Springob

Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped out in 2015! A total of **443** hours were put into Clean Boats/Clean Waters and Adopt a Shoreline in 2015. The volunteer hours not only help to protect our lake from aquatic invasive species, they also provide a substantial portion of our financial responsibility for our DNR grants. The time spent on these two programs amounts to **\$5,316** towards our in-kind grant financial responsibilities.

## ***Water Quality Testing, 2015*** by *Richard Dvorak*

The lake water quality testing is complete for another year. Tim Counihan and I collect data on both lobes of Archibald Lake four times each season about a month apart. We take a secchi disk reading to measure water clarity. The best clarity is normally in the early spring and drops off in August. The east lake has better clarity than the west lake. The east lake best reading was 20.2 feet and the worst reading was 11.3 feet. The west lake was 15.3 feet and the worst was 11.5 feet.

We also collect water samples at different levels in the lake starting at 3 feet below the surface and ending at a depth of 30 feet on the west lake and 45 feet on the east lake. We also collect samples at 9 feet, 15 feet and then every 5 feet of depth. We measure the temperature and dissolved oxygen from each water sample. I am always amazed with the data. In July when the water felt so warm to swim in, it was downright cold at 45 feet. This year at 3 feet it was 73 degrees and at 45 feet it was 44 degrees. In July of 2013 at 45 feet it was 37 degrees.

Dissolved oxygen level is the other data we record from each water sample. We use a chemistry titration method to determine the dissolved oxygen in each sample. The early spring samples show that the dissolved oxygen level is generally good for our fish population all the way down to the bottom. However, by the time August and September rolls around you will not find any fish below the 25-foot mark. We measure and record the value of the dissolved oxygen in mg/L. This past September we did the testing on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Here are the numbers from that date:

3ft – 8.4 mg/L	9ft – 8.4	15ft – 8.0	20ft – 8.3	25ft – 8.2
30ft – 1.0	35ft – 0.6	40ft – 0.4	45ft – 0.6	

Generally, fish need a value of 4.0 mg/L to survive.

We collect a water sample that we send in to the state lab where they measure the phosphorus level. The level of phosphorus has been quite stable in our lake for many years. This year the average was 12.4 micrograms/liter. Levels of 30 micrograms/liter may experience noticeable algae blooms.

Another part of our testing is filtering 200 mL of lake from our 3-foot depth sample. This special filter is sent to the state lab to be tested for chlorophyll. The average summer chlorophyll this year was 2.9 micrograms/liter. The levels of chlorophyll have been very stable in our lake.

Tim and I normally do the lake water testing on Sunday mornings about 10:00 am. If you see us out give us a wave with your hand and not your boat.

## ***Membership*** by *Betsy Nock and Kathy Wiggins*

We have 158 memberships this year. We had 3 new memberships: Brian and Jodie Michels family, Brad Schmechel family and Karla DeWitt Doyle.

Welcome to the Association!

## ***Social Events*** by *Betsy Nock and Kathy Wiggins*

### **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Volunteer Picnic:**

The Annual Volunteer Picnic was again held in the front yard of Betsy Nock, with help from Joanne and Dick Boyer. We found that moving the date from later in August to mid-July increased our attendance. We did not have a Volunteer of the Year this year. Instead, there were several drawings for small prizes for our volunteers. Many people have commented that they enjoy the smaller event as it gives them a chance to meet and talk with different people around the lake.

### **Archibald Lake Annual Picnic:**



The Annual Picnic and Raffle had 130+ people present. Special thanks go to Brenda and Vic Houfek and Percy and Gerry Blount for hosting the picnic. It's always nice to see the lake view from a different perspective. Also, we want to thank Marsha and Roger Spaude for cooking the meat, Ken Schwebke for providing needed extra tables and to Larry Market, Dick Boyer and Chuck Ruck for once again doing chair and table duties both before and after the picnic. More information about the raffle will follow, but we would be remiss not to thank all of the members who included "something extra" with their dues to help us supplement and obtain more items for the raffle. We will be able to use some of that money for next year's Annual Raffle as well as the Golf Raffle.

Next year's Picnic will be held in the back yards of Betsy and Jim Vosters and Rich and Therese Peters on Walleye Lane

### **Fall Golf Outing and Dinner:**

Thanks to everyone who participated and donated to our annual Archibald Lake Golf Outing and Dinner on September 12<sup>th</sup>. The teams shared a beautiful day at McCauslin Brook Golf Course. They and others who joined the festivities enjoyed a buffet dinner and prizes in the evening. The treasured Archibald lake "collectors" coffee mug was again designed by Larry and Sue Market's daughter Shelly Hoffman. Thank you, Shelly.



Please look at information that will be coming in the summer and put this fun event on your calendars. It is not necessary to golf to attend the dinner and it is a wonderful way to end our social season.

Kathy Wiggins and Betsy Nock will once again head the Social Committee for 2016. Please let us know if you would be willing to assist us in any of these events, or have ideas for other social activities.

## ***Fund Raising Update 2015***

### **SUPERVALU Brat Fry Sales: *by Tim Counihan***

Another successful year as members of the Lake Association staffed the brat and burger stand at the Lakewood SUPERVALU. We raised a total of \$890.00.

A big thank you to our cooks and servers: Dick Boyer, Cathy Lindeman, Michelle Allard, Dominic Rocco, Paul Brusky, Kim Counihan, Tim McGuire, Tony and Lisa Antkowski  
Thanks to Dave at the SUPERVALU for his support of organizations in the area.

### **Boat Landing: *by Tim Counihan***

For the year 2015, the donation box at the boat landing gave us an additional \$291.00. Thank you, CBCW volunteers, for reminding everyone as they launched that the box is there.

### **Raffles: *by Kathy Wiggins***

Once again, the ANNUAL PICNIC RAFFLE was a success. The Association made \$2,165.00. Many great items were donated. Some raffle items were purchased using the money that Association members generously donated for this purpose when they sent in their membership dues.

Thank you, Brandon Harter, for putting this year's raffle together, and thank you, Betsy Nock, her sister Susy and friends for organizing and wrapping raffle items. The baskets were beautiful!

### **THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHO DONATED RAFFLE ITEMS:**

**Barbara and Tom Pickthall (2 + items), Susan Nock and Greg Dyer (6 + items!), Betsy Nock, Dick and Rosemary Rankin (2), Steve and Karen Fleming, Art and Peggy Sanders (3+), Dercks family, Dick and Joanne Boyer, Cindy Nelson, Brandon Harter, Karen and Royce Alsbach, Ray and Anna Mae Schiefen, Matt Marty and Kathy Wiggins, The Hackbarth family in memory of Viola Hackbarth, Larry and Chris Birr, Tim and Lynn McGuire, McCauslin Brook Country Club, Tim and Kim Counihan, Richard and Lisa Dvorak, Mark and Nancy Stumpf.**

The FALL GOLF OUTING AND DINNER RAFFLE was a great success as well. The association made about \$336.00 from this event. Thank you, Tim McGuire, Brandon Harter and Betsy Nock for organizing the outing and raffle.

### **THANK YOU GOLF OUTING/DINNER DONATORS:**

**Susy Nock and Greg Dyer (4), Matt Marty and Kathy Wiggins, Barbara Nock Pickthall, Steve and Karen Fleming, Ray and Anna Mae Schiefen, Lindsey Schmidt, Sue Market, Tim and Kim Counihan, Roger and Marsha Spaude, Larry and Chris Birr, Tim and Lynn McGuire,**

**McCauslin Brook Golf Course, Wisconsin Public Service. Also, many items were purchased from the raffle donations fund.**

**THANKS TO ALL OF THE PEOPLE AND BUSINESSES WHO GRACIOUSLY DONATED ITEMS AND MONEY FOR BOTH RAFFLES AND TO THOSE OF YOU WHO PURCHASED RAFFLE TICKETS.**

**A complete list of items donated, donators and winners of both raffles is posted on our Association website. Take a minute to check out all of the wonderful items that were donated.**

### ***Memories of Your Cottage at Archibald Lake*** by Cathy Lindeman

[The following is one of the responses we received from the questionnaire we included in the Spring 2015 issue of the Archi Times. We hope that this will spur you and your family on to fill out one of the questionnaires with your cottage memories. Please email or send them to either Kathy Wiggins or Gary Miller. A copy of the questionnaire can be found on our website or ask Kathy to send you one.]

YOUR NAME/FAMILY: Cathy Lindeman, daughter of Doug Rousseau

WHEN DID YOUR FAMILY BUY YOUR LAKE HOME?

My father and uncle, Ken Rousseau, purchased our property for \$200.00 from Grant Gordon. Grant was my Uncle Kenny's brother-in-law. Both of these families grew up in Oconto, Wisconsin. Grant was asked by Mr. Holt, either Don or Bill, to come do some work on their island cottage. For his pay, he was given two lots of his choice. After a few years, Grant decided to make a career in the Navy and that is when he sold the lots to my father and uncle.

WHEN WAS YOUR LAKE HOME BUILT?

Our cottage was built when my father just got home from WWII. He was around 22 years old. It was started approximately in 1946.

WHO BUILT IT?

It was built by Ken and Doug Rousseau with the help of family, friends and relatives. I actually have the receipt from the wood used to build our place from a Charles Sweeney at a total cost of \$680.00

WHAT IMPROVEMENTS HAVE YOU DONE SINCE YOU BOUGHT/BUILT IT?

At one point in time, they added an addition to the front of our cottage and moved two smaller windows that were in front and moved them, one on each side. Two bay windows were placed on the front. Then in 1987, they had the cottage jacked up and a full block basement put in to preserve the logs. We also updated our hand water pump on our kitchen counter to regular plumbing.

WHO HAVE BEEN YOUR NEIGHBORS?

Some of the names I remember are the Leroy Geiger family, Reverend Kiley, Allens, Hammons, Al and Ann Peil, Backhauses and Earl and Phyllis Counihan. Current neighbors are John and Betty Martinez, Phyllis Counihan, Tim and Kim Counihan, Dick and Rosemary Rankin, Dale and Wanda Schaufel, Glen Hoppe, Richard and Lisa Dvorak and Matt Marty and Kathy Wiggins. I am blessed with wonderful neighbors.

**WHAT CHANGES HAVE YOU NOTICED ON THE LAKE SINCE YOU ARRIVED?**

I have been on the lake since I was born in 1953. I have noticed a few of the islands are much smaller than they used to be. There were huge turtles that would swim under our dock. The water depth on the shoreline has gone down. Many new homes are being built.

**WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR FAVORITE MEMORIES OF YOUR TIME AT THE LAKE?**

My favorite memories would be when the YMCA camp kids would come from Illinois. I could hear them singing on the buses as they arrived. They would also come cottage to cottage asking for items for a scavenger hunt. Another fond memory was going to the deer farm by Chain Lake where "Gentle Ben" the bear was. At night we would all go to the dump in our PJ's and wait for the bears to come eat. Cars would be lined up around the dump; cheap thrills for a Saturday night out eating popcorn. One other fond memory I have is when I was about ten years old, Laurie Counihan and I would take a rowboat and picnic lunch that her mother would make us and proceeded to make our way through the marsh from one side to the other. At that time no one hardly went in there and I we struggled time after time, bound and determined to make a path through it. We finally did after many attempts and much determination.

**DO YOU REMEMBER ANY SPECIAL EVENTS WHICH DO NOT OCCUR ANYMORE?**

The pontoon parades on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

**IF YOU COULD BRING BACK ONE THING ON THE LAKE, WHAT WOULD IT BE?**

I would bring back our old wooden red rowboat with two sets of oar locks. You could stream across the water so gracefully and were so close to the water.

***Sympathy*** by Kathy Wiggins

**David Flitter** passed away September 30, 2014.

David and his wife, Janet, have been at Archibald Lake since 1964. David was an avid fisherman and naturalist. He enjoyed the miles of scenic shoreline that Archibald has to offer, the eagles and all of the wildlife found here. His favorite fishing was for walleyes and pan fishing. David, Janet and their son Jeff would be together on Friday nights catching and then frying their catch for dinner. In addition, he was an avid deer hunter.

Jeff has many wonderful memories of family times together at Archibald, has now taken over their cottage on Archibald Parkway and lives here full time.

***Money Talks*** by Gary Miller

The finances of the Archibald Lake Association continue to be strong. We entered 2015 with a cash balance of \$18,004 which included \$900 in the Marty-Wiggins Shoreline Restoration Fund leaving a balance of \$17,104 in the Association account. We have received a total of \$13,818 in funds during the year from membership dues, raffle income and other fund raising activities and funds from the Flowering rush research and treatment grant from the Wisconsin DNR. The expenses for the year have totaled \$15,816 and include costs of EWM survey work, Flowering rush treatments, and a variety

of administrative and social activity expenses. Our current cash balance is \$16,005.00 which includes the \$900.00 Marty-Wiggins fund balance\*, \$775 in accumulated funds for future raffles and \$14,330 in Lake Association funds.

We are anticipating additional reimbursements this year from the Wisconsin DNR under our grant programs which should then increase our cash balance above where we started the year.

\*{Editor's note: The Marty-Wiggins fund is a \$100.00 stipend for individual property owners who participate in the Oconto County Shoreland Restoration program. Contact Matt Marty or Kathy Wiggins for details.]

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