

Association members encouraged to take advantage of the septic inspection grant program

The Lake Shamineau Association has created a grant program to reimburse Association members who have their sewers inspected.

The LSA will reimburse up to \$200 to any member who applies for this grant. The LSA Board has set aside \$5000 to fund the sewer inspection grant program.

Any Association member who has a sewer inspection performed will be eligible for reimbursement. Upon presenting a paid invoice and filling out a short application, the applicant will be reimbursed for any amount up to \$200.

The grant program begins with any inspections done beginning spring 2019 and will continue until the allotted funds are used up. Application forms are available on the LSA website.

Septic compliance inspections can be performed by a state certified contractor who will

- Conduct a site visit to determine location and condition of all septic system components.
- Verify condition and water tightness of tanks and drain field compliance with code.
- Verify operating permit requirements are met.
- File a Certificate of Compliance with your local government unit.
- Provide you with a report.

Contact LSA treasurer Pat Held for further information about the grant or to receive an application. 218-575-2400 or

pcheld@brainerd.net.

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Lake Shamineau

Lake Improvement District (LSLID) Annual Meeting



Saturday, August 24, 2019

9:30 AM (Check-in begins 9:00)

Lincoln Evangelical Free Church

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Review of Code of Conduct
2. Approval of the Minutes of the 2018 Annual Meeting
3. Treasurers Report
4. Review of 2019 LID Activities
5. Review of Proposed 2020 LID Work Plan including High-Water Outlet Project Plan and Timeline
6. Review of 2020 Budget and Establishment of High-Water Project
7. Forum for Candidates Nominated for Director Positions
8. Audience Questions and Comments
9. Other Business
10. Annual Meeting Vote – *(All voting cards must be put into the ballot box by this point in the meeting)*
 - a) 2020 LID Budget and Establishment of a Project to Construct a High-Water Outlet
 - b) Election of two (2) Board Director positions
11. Adjourn

Each property owner of record has been mailed information regarding the meeting. If the mailing was not received, send an email to

LSLIDBD@gmail.com The mailing included:

- Letter to Property Owners
- Budget and Voting Information
- High Water Outlet Plan Cost and Timeline
- Board Candidate Information
- Voting ballots with secrecy and mailing envelopes

The content can also be viewed on the LSLID website.

<https://minnesotawaters.org/lakeshamineau/lid/>



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Mission Statement: The Lake Shamineau Association is an organization dedicated to lake conservation, to wildlife habitat, to building of community.

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Association Volunteer Committees

Communications: Newsletter & website-

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Al Doree Water Quality: Al Doree; Bob

Koll, Bob Ingle, Dave Graning, Dale

Williams

Lake Level: Dale Williams, Daryl Ramey,

Dave Graning

Loons & Wildlife: Diane Schroepfer

Membership

The membership year for the Lake Shamineau Association is June 1 to May 31. Annual dues are \$20.00. Three-year membership is \$55.00. Non-property owners can join for a \$10.00 associate membership.

Donations

The Lake Shamineau Association is a 501C3 non-profit institution. Donations and dues are tax deductible with your check as a receipt.

Meetings

Lake Association Annual Membership meeting is held the Saturday of Memorial weekend.

Newsletter

The newsletter is published two times a year. Deadlines are April 15 & July 15. Submissions can be sent to Jacquie Rognli, editor at LakeShamineau@gmail.com



Association President's message

By Tim Swanson, Lake Shamineau Association President

Our Beloved Burden

A patient dock sits oddly on the shore, dry summer weeds clinging defiantly to the struts and poles underneath.

The pontoon and runabout hold silent vigil until the water, once again, can grace their bows.

The lake, like glass, awaits its transformation from soft blue to hard silver as ducks and geese stop by for final feeding on their long journey south.

A frigid calm settles in over land and liquid, trees and sky, as they brace for the harsh realities of the coming winter, and the cabin stands firm to greet the long lonely count until spring.

Holding hands, we gaze upon some kind of heaven.

A landscape painted in dusty shades of brown and gray and gold. Our mortal paradise that fills the soul.

*With saddened hearts and a heavy sigh,
we drove away at sunset
on this eve of Halloween
with hope of future memories
as Keepers of the Dream.*

I wrote this many years ago, when I thought that I might never see the lake again. I believe that it shares some form of sentiment with everyone on Lake Shamineau. In the last few months we have all been bombarded with various forms of 'communique' instructing, urging, and outright telling us what to do, but down inside, we all know what needs to be done. So, my suggestion is to follow your heart. In unity with your neighbors, embrace every single special moment of life on our lake.

After all is said and done, winter is always coming to the lake - and our lives. Let's not let it come too soon by wasting it on being divided. Tim 🐾

Communication volunteers wanted

Member volunteers are needed to perform communications tasks. This job can be shared by several people taking on different aspects: • website • newsletter editor • newsletter distribution • advertising graphics and layout • email management; • setting up meeting audio/visual • board communications. Contact Jacquie Rognli. 🐾

Project info meeting held in July



About 100 people attended a LSLID information meeting on the high-water project on July 6. Brian Ross and Tim Byrell of Widseth Smith Nolting described some of the details of their progress after an overview from the LSLID Board. Project details and reports are available on the LID website. 🐾

AIS Ambassadors

The purpose of the DNR AIS Ambassador and Volunteer Programs is to educate the public about invasive species at the public access. Ambassadors interact with boaters launching and exiting Lake Shamineau to teach them about invasive species such as Eurasian watermilfoil, zebra mussels and other species that are invading our lakes. They talk to boaters about how to comply with Minnesota laws regarding invasive species and help them to understand the necessary steps to take and places to look on their boats and trailers for invasive species.

Lake Shamineau has three AIS Ambassadors, Katie Philipsek, Lisa Holien and McKenna Holien. They are

trained by the DNR. Our ambassadors average four to six hour per weekend plus more on holidays. They report that most boaters are familiar with the laws and are very friendly in their interactions. We appreciate our ambassadors and their service to our lake.

Funding for the Ambassador Program was made possible through a DNR grant of \$15,250 secured by the LSLID and all four of the Quad Lakes LIDs. Shamineau will use about \$4,000 of the grant this year including the hours of training. Lake Alexander has two or three ambassadors. Fish Trap and Crookneck did not use ambassadors this year. 🐟

2019 Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) control and AIS update

By Rick Rosar, LSLID board member and AIS volunteer specialist

The 2019 season started off by applying for two permits to control invasive Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) in Lake Shamineau which has been identified in the northwest bay and along the shoreline of the southwest bay.

One permit was for treating the bay with a new product called ProcettaCOR. This herbicide was recently approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). This herbicide attacks the EWM but does not cause as much effect to native vegetation and due to the treatment density recommended by the manufacturer and was less expensive. The LSLID published the anticipated treatment dates in the paper, notified and posted signs on the residential properties as well as Shamineau Acres Resort to let them know it was safe for swimmers and fish consumption. The treatment occurred on June 25, 2019 and covered 12.7 acres at an average depth of 6.7 ft for a cost of \$15,525.

The second permit was for hand pulling much of the same areas with scuba divers. This is referred to as mechanical pulling, although no machines are used. The divers arrived at Auger's Pine View Resort to pick up the pontoon to begin pulling on July 28, 2019. After loading up the boat, they sent two divers to survey the entire area around the Shamineau Acres docks. Two more divers took the boat to begin a GPS guided search path between points that had been marked previously as areas containing EWM. This overlapped to areas where the recent treatments occurred. All four divers rejoined and performed underwater SCUBA surveys throughout the northwest bay areas. The divers spent 37-man hours and had to take a few breaks to avoid lightning strikes during the stormy weather. Overall there was a dramatic drop in observed EWM from previous years, also the native vegetation seemed much less dense than previous years. The cost of the SCBA diver's effort was \$4205.

The next phase will be a Late-Summer EWM delineation survey in September. This survey will focus

on mapping areas of EWM growth in the far western portion of the lake, encompassing the entire area where EWM has been found in the past (~100 acres). For this survey, they will navigate a winding path through the search area while using a combination of surface observations, rake tosses, and sonar readings to locate areas of EWM. They will record the location of any EWM using a hand-held GPS unit, with final mapping and plot area calculation being completed using desktop GIS software. The delineation report will include a detailed map showing the location, size, mean depth, and growth density of any located beds of EWM. The cost for this will be \$1405. Depending on the results of the September survey, we will decide if anymore mechanical pulling is needed this year.

Morrison County has assisted in paying for a portion of the cost for AIS control by awarding the LSLID an Aquatic Invasive Species Partnership Grant of \$5145. Although Fish Trap and Crookneck lakes are listed as infested for Zebra Mussels by the MN-DNR and adults have been found in Lake Alexander, none have been identified in Lake Shamineau.

Next spring, we will likely do an entire lake aquatic vegetation survey to ensure AIS is not spreading beyond the areas it has already been identified in. Many lake residents have commented that they are amazed how well the control plan has worked in minimizing the spread of EWM and AIS in general. 🐟



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Lake Association Membership Report as of July 15th, 2019

By Kim Salisbury

I hope everyone has had a chance to enjoy the lake this summer. Today's temperature is expected to reach 90 degrees. I must remember on my last notation we were expecting a snowstorm.

With approximately half of our captains finishing their areas, we have 80 families renewing their memberships. So, we are off to a great start! Thank you for your renewals and a big thank you to our captains for reaching out to their neighbors.

If you have not renewed, I encourage you to consider doing so. The LSA Board works very hard to provide programs and education so we all can enjoy a better lake.

Membership forms are on the back page of this newsletter or you can print one from the website. One-year memberships are \$20, and three-years are \$55. We are non-profit so your dues are tax deductible. 🐾

Loon and Wildlife Report

By Diane Schroeffer



As I write this, nature is telling me the end of summer is approaching. The red-winged blackbirds have left for the cornfields and many birds have stopped singing. The

nights are becoming cooler, the days are shorter. A tree or two are starting to change. Spiders are maturing and laying their eggs. Nature wise, it has been a fun summer. A doe and her twin fawns were frequent visitors to our yard running around our cabin and chasing each other as mom watched from a distance. The fawns didn't mind us too much, but were somewhat frightened of the baby ducklings. Also, frequent visitors were a family of mallards and three broods of wood ducks. A bear also graced us with a couple of visits. It seemed as if we had a few more great-blue herons this summer, as well as an adult eagle perching

in a dead tree on our shore on a regular basis on the north side of the lake.

The loons also seemed to do well this summer. The count was seven pairs around the lake with three sets of twins, and three single babies. This is consistent with the previous years. It is good that the highwater level hasn't seemed to affect the loon population in general.

As you may have noticed, this fall's article has a different feel. I volunteered to be the loon and wildlife person at the encouragement of my loving partner, Robert Russell, an excellent birder and lifelong environmentalist. He agreed to write the articles for me as he enjoyed sharing his knowledge and love of nature with others. It is with great sadness to say that he passed away suddenly on June 30. His knowledge of nature, birds, wildlife, and stewardship of the earth will be greatly missed. 🐾

LSA makes donation to Scandia Valley First Responders

After two people drowned on Fish Trap Lake in December 2018, the efforts of the Scandia Valley First Responders and their needs were brought to the attention of the Lake Shamineau Association. Area lake associations were requested to try to donate to the first responders to cover some of their equipment needs.

LSA Board member Kim Salisbury took on a collection for donations starting with brownies offered at the spring membership meeting. As of July, Kim had collected \$1,057 in donations. The LSA Board made a motion to match the collected amount for a total donation of \$2,114 to the Scandia Valley First Responders.

Thank you to Kim and all the generous contributors for their support. 🐾

LSA donates to other organizations

Your membership dues make it possible for the LSA contribute to other non-profits that support our mission statement of being dedicated to lake conservation, to wildlife habitat, to building of community. In 2019, donations have been made to the following non-profits:

- University of Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center \$100
<<https://www.maisrc.umn.edu/>>
- Staples Motley Area Chamber of Commerce \$50
<<https://staplesmotleychamber.org/>>
- Minnesota Lakes and Rivers Advocates \$200
<<http://mnlakesandrivers.org/>>
- Conservation Minnesota (membership and website) \$320 <<https://www.conservationminnesota.org/>>
- Scandia Valley First Responders \$1056
<<https://scandiavalleytownship.com/>> 🐾

Lake Shamineau Water Level Data

Highest recorded: 1277.13 ft (07/01/2019)
Highest known: 1277.6 ft
Lowest recorded: 1270.55 ft (09/06/1962)
Last reading: 1276.99 ft (08/06/2019)

Ordinary High-Water Level (OHW) elevation: 1275.1 ft
Reading at publication (8/16/2019): 1276.85 (1.75' above OHW)
Note from Al Dore: The latest reading is just .01 inches above when the gauge was put out and we have had 14.84 inches of rain this year. 🐾

MINUTES

Lake Shamineau Association Summer Board Meeting

July 13, 2019 (approved 7/23/2019)

The Spot Café, Staples, MN 9:00 AM

Board members present: Tim Swanson, Sandy Williams, Pat Held, Bob Ingle, Jacquie Rognli, Kim Salisbury, Dale Williams, Dave Graning, Don Kirchner

Board members absent: Randy Kevern, Mark Frisk

The meeting was called to order by President Tim Swanson.

Board Elections: President – Tim Swanson, Vice-President – Dave Graning, Secretary – Sandy Williams, Treasurer – Pat Held. Each position incumbent was nominated, motions made to approve, all were seconded and approved.

Secretary Report: Board minutes of May2, 2019 was approved via email prior to meeting. Board minutes are published in the Association newsletter.

Communications: With only one membership meeting in the spring, discussion was to have the fall newsletter come out in September due to short time to publish in early August as in the past. The newsletter will have items of interest and minutes from spring membership and board meetings. Newsletter topics were recommended to Jacquie. Discussion took place of who will be taking over the newsletter and website – possible volunteers are willing to work with Jacquie for the transition.

Treasurer Report: Pat reviewed the finances to date:

Lake Shamineau Association Profit & Loss Statement January 1 through July 9, 2019		
INCOME		
Investment income		
Interest earned on short term CD	14.95	
Other income		
Advertising sales	800.00	
Program income		
Membership dues	3,040.00	
TOTAL INCOME		3,854.95
EXPENSE		
Contract Services		
Outside contract services	387.00	
LSA Grant expense		
Septic inspection grants	200.00	
Operations		
Newsletter, mailing expenses, supplies, website	672.10	
Other expenses		
Memberships, dues and other expenses	350.00	
Travel and Meetings		
Conference, convention and meetings	454.47	
TOTAL EXPENSE		2,063.57
NET INCOME		1,791.38

Balance Sheet As of July 9, 2019	
CURRENT ASSETS	
Randall State Bank - Checking	433.45
Randall State Bank - Savings	17,040.56
TOTAL ASSETS	17,474.01

Higher income is due to membership renewals for three-year periods. One grant of \$200 was paid out for septic inspection, and four grant applications are pending. Kim Salisbury's brownie fundraiser at the spring meeting raised \$1,057 for Scandia Valley First Responders to help fund equipment needs. Kim made a motion for the Association to match this amount. Jacquie seconded. Motion was approved. Motion was made and seconded to approve the financial report. Approved.

Membership: Eighty membership renewals this spring: 54 three-year memberships, 20 on-year memberships, 5 associate memberships. Membership captains making rounds will continue throughout the summer and more memberships are expected. Kim will provide totals for the fall newsletter.

Water Quality: Al Doree continues to send water samples to RMB Lab, measure the thermocline and read water clarity with the Secchi disk. Pat Held will check with the LSLID to receive the expense for the water testing process that the Association has agreed to pay for. A member asked the question as to where we can get records of rainfall since the data historically collected by a lake resident has not continued in recent years. Dave Graning will check into automated systems for rainfall recording and report back on cost. Dale suggested the Water Quality Committee should be reestablished to assist Al. Bob Ingle, Dale and Dave will meet with Al to help with data gathering. Sandy will contact MN Pollution Control Agency or other agencies regarding water testing for coliform bacteria due to possible leaking of septic holding tanks.

Other Business: Discussion was held regarding board support for the Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District (LSLID). Pat provided history regarding the cost of aquatic invasive species control when the Association bore the cost. The cost grew to exceed the amount of the Association finances forecast for the coming years and this was the impetus for the Lake Improvement District

formation. With the LSLID, the cost is born by all property owners at an amount assessed that could cover the cost. Pat made a motion to authorize President Tim to send a letter to the county in support of the LSLID and opposition to the petition to decertify the LSLID. Other board members will assist with the letter and the board will approve the letter prior to sending it. The motion was seconded by Bob and approved unanimously. Jacquie made a motion to send the letter to all property owners who receive the Association newsletter. Pat seconded the

motion and it was approved. The county has scheduled a public meeting regarding the LID decertification petition for August 9 at 7 pm at the county board room in Little Falls.

Motion was made to adjourn, was seconded and approved.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Williams, Secretary 🐾

MINUTES

(subject to approval at 2020 membership meeting)

Lake Shamineau Association Spring Membership Meeting May 25, 2019

9:00 am, Lincoln Evangelical Church

Board members present: Tim Swanson, Sandy Williams, Mark Frisk, Bob Ingle, Randy Kevern, Jacquie Rognli, Kim Salisbury, Don Kirchner

Board members absent: Dave Graning, Pat Held, Duane Hendricks

Welcome: Vice President Tim Swanson welcomed members and the board members introduced themselves. Tim introduced the Sheriff Department Water Patrol officers who reminded members of the NO Wake Zone of 300 feet from the shoreline that is in effect. Tim introduced a practical Code of Conduct our membership meetings – emphasizing respect and civility in our discussions. This includes, letting members speak without interruption, and no heckling, harassment or disruption.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the previous spring membership meeting is printed in the newsletter. A motion to approve the minutes as printed was made, seconded, and approved.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurers Report as of March 1, 2019 was printed in the spring 2019 Association newsletter. Bank balance in the checking account was \$1,015.02, and the savings account was \$14,680.61. We received the loan repayment with interest from the Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District (LSLID). A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made, seconded and approved. Thanks to our advertisers was expressed. Those fees help support the expense of printing and mailing the newsletter. We encourage email addresses for sending the newsletter and saving the cost of mailing.

Fishing Report: Rick Rosar reported on the good size of blue gills this spring and the winter crappies caught were ranging around 13 to 14 inches in size. Fish houses were stuck in the slush this spring and it was a later ice out than average. Rick indicated that the fish with black spots are okay to eat, it is a parasite from snails. The DNR walleye stocking has been changed from fingerlings to fry, a million at a time, which has improved survival rates. Many six- to eight-inch walleye are being caught.

Invasive Species: No zebra mussels have been detected yet. Eurasian milfoil treatment with chemicals last summer was effective in the area it was used. This summer will include scuba divers manual pulling and chemical treatment in the northwest bay. Next year there will be a survey of the entire lake again for invasive species. These mitigation efforts are funded by the LSLID,

Bob Koll described the DNR Aquatic Invasive Species Ambassador Program which is supported by a grant provided to the Quad Lakes LIDs. Three individuals are to be trained to educate boaters at boat accesses. Bob also reported on the veliger testing (microscopic zebra mussel stage). The testing is conducted at the boat accesses and near the underwater sand bar between June and July 4th and again after July 4th. Methods of transfer of invasive species include boats, trailers, docks, inboard motors, ski boats with water bladders and live wells. It is required to dry out these things for five days and when transferred by dock installers, they use hot water at 1,200 degrees to clean them.

Water Quality Report: Al Doree reported that the lake level was at 1276.96 which is 1.86 feet above the Ordinary High-Water Level (OHWL). From April 16 to May 25, there has been 6.32 inches of rain. Ice out was April 22. The Secchi disk reading for water clarity was 17.8 feet.

Ice Jacking Report: The question was raised if an aeration permit can be obtained for the entire lake. The DNR requires permitting authority of a governmental entity to manage that. The DNR provided training for aeration this past winter. In the next year or so it may be mandatory to attend. This past winter a number of aeration systems were included in one public notice in the Morrison Counter Record. This saved a little expense.

Membership Report: Kim thanked the co-captains who visit properties and help to get new or renewal memberships. It has been a good year for membership renewals, and it is good to see support for the Association and the work of the volunteers in the interest of our lake.

Loons and Wildlife Report: Diana Schroepfer noted the trumpeter swans and hooded mergansers were seen on the lake this spring. She noted that birds have been late in coming through on their migrations. Loons were seen on the lake right at ice out. Facebook photos of the lake and its wildlife are appreciated!

Communication Report: Jacquie expressed thanks to advertisers in support of newsletter costs. Bob Kohl recruits advertisers each year. The newsletter is on the web site going back a number of years and the email sent to members has the link to the web site. Jacquie also indicated that she is retiring from this volunteer position in 2021 and we will need volunteers for the following: maintaining and updating the web site, creation and distribution of the newsletter with advertising layout, member email management, audio visual work for the meeting, board communication, and monitoring the Association email.

Jacquie demonstrated the use of the county Beacon web site regarding property ownership. It is important to update ownership with the county for accurate addresses. Instructions for use of Beacon is on its home page.

Recognition: Al Doree was recognized for his years of lake monitoring. He was presented with a \$50 Morey's Fine Fish and Seafood gift certificate and an appreciation certificate. Al has measured lake level, rainfall, lake clarity and taken samples for RMB labs regarding the chemistry of the lake, for many years. Because of his work as A Citizen Lake Monitoring volunteer, we have good data and trend information. The Water Quality monitoring program for Lake Shamineau was named for Al going forward.

LSA Grants for Septic System Inspection: It had been noted that some low-lying holding tanks were filling up with lake water from the high-water table. Some property owners have had those tanks resealed by local pumping businesses.

Scandia Valley First Responders: Kim Salisbury baked brownies to sell for \$5 per plate as a fund raiser to assist the First Responders need for life saving equipment. She also said that she would ask the Association board to consider matching the funds raised.

Board Elections: Terms were expiring for Mark Frisk, Duane Hendricks, Bob Ingle and Tim Swanson. Duane

expressed interest in retiring from the board, and the others were willing to continue to serve. Dale Williams volunteered and was nominated to fill the open position. A motion was made to elect the slate of volunteers. The motion was seconded and approved.

Options for High Water Report: Maureen Anderson spoke on behalf of the Options for High Water group. She reported that pumping through a six-inch pipe in the northeast corner of the lake was moving 60 gallons per minute to a swale west of Bugle Road. They have a private DNR grant limiting the amount of water allowed to pump to fifty million gallons which could lower the lake one inch. She said that this was a test, not a long-term solution. Maureen also mentioned that a warm windy day could evaporate up to one-half inch of water off the lake. The OHW has shared an elevation survey with the LSLID.

Lake Shamineau Lake Improvement District Report: Cindy Kevern reported on the High-Water Project budgeted for \$165,000 for 2019, of which \$65,000 can be covered by a DNR grant. The LSLID has chosen WSN as the engineering firm to continue planning for high water mitigation options. The northeast pumping option is being studied with a plan completed by August 1st. Permitting by November 1 is a target. Pumping to a gravel pit that has characteristics to infiltrate the water and filter any invasive species. Future grant monies to support the project are expected. A July 6th informational meeting is scheduled including questions and answers. The LSLID sends out a newsletter and if property owners provide their email it will save on expenses. A notice for nominations for election of officers at the annual LID meeting in August will be sent out in June. A fact sheet is available for more information. Cindy indicated that 470 million gallons equals one foot of water in the lake.

Other: An Association member was wondering whether some areas of the lake would be designated a flood plain. One property owner indicated that they pay \$755 per year for \$75,000 of flood insurance currently.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandy Williams, Secretary 🐾

MPRnews broadcasts story of Shamineau property owners' high-water woes

On June 13, 2019 Minnesota Public Radio aired a report by Kristi Marohn titled "*On record-high lakes, cabin owners' dreams underwater.*" Lake Shamineau was prominently featured in the report. Several property owners' interviews were in the story, including the sound of waves and sandbags being filled on Dave Graning's shore.

To view a transcript of the broadcast and listen to the four-minute report, go to the MPR website:

<https://www.mprnews.org/story/2019/06/13/record-high-lakes-swamp-cabin-owners-plans> 🐾

Al Doree recognized for years of service to Lake Shamineau



Al and Shirley Doree moved permanently to the east side of Lake Shamineau in 1994 from St. Paul when Al retired from 3M as an electrical plant engineer. They had been visiting the lake seasonally for ten years before that. Both take part in ham radio, snowmobiling, fishing and hunting.

Al also enjoys collecting data, including weather and lake data. He began collecting water clarity readings by purchasing a secchi disc and reporting to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). His curiosity inspired him to begin taking water samples and having them analyzed by Aquatech through the Minnesota Fishing Museum in Little Falls. When the DNR started the Citizen Lake Monitoring Program, Al was one of the first volunteers in the state. He convinced the LSA Board to begin supporting the water analysis by RMB Labs.

When the Dorees bought their place on Shamineau, the property came with an elevation bolt planted in the root of a tree used for setting the mark for lake level readings for the DNR. Each spring, the DNR uses it to set the current elevation of the lake and install the gauge on their dock. This is used by Al to record lake level readings. Al continues to report data to the MPCA, DNR, RMB Labs, and Kent State University for the annual Secchi Dip In.

In appreciation for his many years of volunteer service, the Lake Shamineau Association has declared the water quality committee to be renamed the Al Doree Water Quality Committee. 🐾

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9:30 AM (Checkin begins 9:00)
Lincoln Evangelical Free Church



LSA 2020 Annual Member Meeting Saturday, May 23, 2020

9:00 AM
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