

Tulaby Lake Association Newsletter

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Tulaby Lake Report

The Tulaby Lake Association supports continued water testing and monitoring.

Graduate students from the University of Minnesota visited and worked three Saturdays during the summer of 2013 collecting information about



Tulaby Lake. They collected water, stream and various marshland/bog data. Dr. Joe Magner, along with Bruce Paakh, assisted the students as they worked with a variety of testing equipment and research techniques. This hands-on, field experience is great for students. A

grant for experiential learning from the College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences (CFANS) provided the transportation costs from the Twin Cities to Tulaby Lake.

Bruce Paakh, graciously provided lodging, evening meals and entertainment for the group of students. (some pictured above) Association members provided day meals and entertainment. We appreciate the hospitality of Sue and Danny Pinske and Sue and Ken Baumann.

Several lake residents assisted during the three visits. Ed and Kay Stevens provided the pontoon needed for lake testing. Danny Pinske helped the land team find streams and springs. Many lake

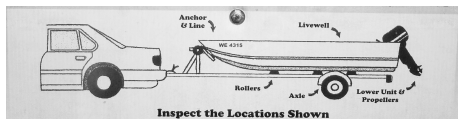
property owners allowed easy access to some real important test sites and assisted in locating lake springs.

Results from the summer study will be available in the Spring 2014. The Lake Association Board hopes to have a presentation at the May 2nd Member Meeting. The results should provide direction for lake management planning.

“ We, I know I speak for the whole team, greatly appreciate your generosity! Thank you so much!

*-Jennifer Soltys
 University of MN Graduate Student*

HELP
 STOP
 AQUATIC
 HITCHHIKERS



**NOW IS THE TIME TO
 RENEW YOUR LAKE ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP
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Tulaby Lake Association Letter from the President

"As a board we represent you as an association please share with us your thoughts and ideas."

Dear Association members,

This winter seems to have been the coldest that I can remember in a very long time. It has been tough to get outside and enjoy the beauty of the outdoors. With that being said this winter has allowed for quality indoor family time which has its own beauty.

This past year on the lake has been one with much activity. There have been students from the University of MN doing lake and watershed testing throughout the summer. Our hope as a board is that we have done sufficient lake testing for a summary of the results. We are planning to have a representative present the results to the association at our spring meeting.

As you may have noticed there have been beautiful lake homes built around the lake and properties improved. Just a reminder to check building codes related to the county your property is in. Our lake is unique in the fact that it is split between Mahnommen and Becker counties. As an association we do not enforce the codes but we do support the decisions of the zoning and planning committees. Please check with your respective county before doing property improvement.

With that being said Marsha Watland at the Becker Soil and

Water Conservation district has grant money available to assist in shore land restoration projects on your property. She has made this available to all property owners on the lake regardless of which county you are in. This is a great opportunity to improve your shoreline. Marsha is willing to meet with anyone on the lake to evaluate and help with the design of the restoration of their shoreline. Please take advantage of this and help reduce runoff into our lake while improving the beauty of your shoreline.



This past summer the boat landing project was completed. The Minnesota DNR gave approval and obtained grant funding to improve the length and depth of the ramp at the boat landing. This should allow for boats to be launched even if the lake level is lower in the spring. This should also prevent the need for power loading when putting your watercraft on the trailer again.

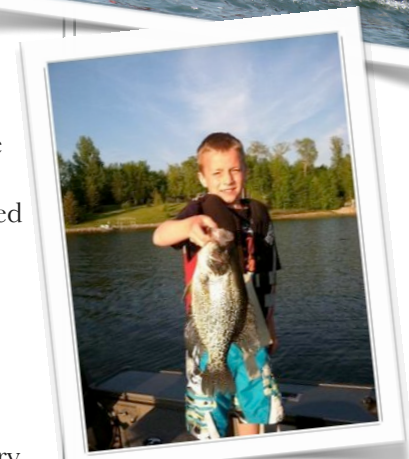
Our winter board meeting was graciously hosted by Irv and Arloine Kalin. At the meeting Irv informed us that this will be his

last year on the Tulaby Lake Association board. Irv has been a big asset to the board and we appreciate his input and all the assistance he has given to the association. I would ask anyone who would be willing to be a board member to contact Pat Adams or myself. The position requires very little effort and your voice would be greatly appreciated.

As a board we represent you as an association please share with us your thoughts and ideas. I look forward to the events of summer and see you on the water!

Sincerely,
Dr. Scott Van Dam

Tulaby Lake Boat Parade 2013



Tulaby Lake Giant Crappie
Jordan Peterson

Calendar of Events

May 3: Ditch Clean Up

10:00AM Fire Hall

May 3: Association Meeting

6:00PM Fire Hall

Potluck

Tulaby Lake Report

Membership Meeting

May 10: Season Opener

Walleye and Northern

May 24: Season Opener

Large & Small Mouth Bass

May 26: Memorial Day

July 4: Boat Parade

10:00PM Outlet Area

July 4: Tie-Up Party

2:00PM Middle of the lake

August 2: Association Meeting

10:00AM Ditch Clean Up

Fire Hall

12:30PM Fire Hall

Pot-luck & Hotdogs

Presentation

Membership Meeting

Election of Directors

September 1: Labor Day

Calendar of Events

Elbow Lake Fire

Department

Pancake Breakfast

Memorial Day Weekend

Sunday, May 25, 2014

8:00AM - 12:00PM

Fire Hall

Annual Pig Roast

Saturday, August 9, 2014

11:00AM - 2:00PM

Fire Hall

Pancake Breakfast

Labor Day Weekend

Sunday, August 31, 2013

8:00AM - 12:00PM

Fire Hall

Visit the North Country Trail



We are very fortunate to have the North Country Trail pass right through our neck of the woods. The well-marked trail is maintained by volunteers and offers a quiet wilderness experience. One access point with a parking area is right along Hwy 113 about seven miles east of Tulaby Lake.

Visit the website

<http://northcountrytrail.org/>

About the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Because lakes are central to Minnesota's economy and our way of life, it is imperative that we maintain or improve their water quality. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) monitors and assesses lakes

throughout the state to make sure they meet water quality standards. The MPCA and its partners (soil and water conservation districts, watershed districts, tribal entities, and non-profit groups, and citizens) all play a role in keeping our lakes healthy.

The MPCA uses three strategies to monitor the water quality of Minnesota's lakes:

- monitoring by MPCA staff
- monitoring by local partners, many of whom are awarded



[Surface Water Assessment Grants](#)

(SWAG) to conduct water monitoring and have samples analyzed

- coordinating the [Citizen Lake](#)

[Monitoring Program](#), through which volunteers measure water clarity

In addition to its routine lake monitoring activities, the MPCA also participates in special studies.

We **appreciate** the support Tulaby Lake has received from the MPCA and **Bruce Paakh**.

JOIN OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

TO THE TULABY LAKE ASSOCIATION

Your membership dues are needed more than ever to continue lake water testing and monitoring, support and promote lake quality and lake stewardship, maintain partnerships with local and state organizations, and provide information to our membership and lake residents!

Please send your annual 2014 membership **dues of \$25** to:

Tulaby Lake Association, Danny Pinske Treasurer

38150 Tulaby Lake Drive, Waubun, MN 56589

A registration form is available at www.tulabylakeassociation.org if you need to update your current information for the directory.

Please notify Pat Adams of any address changes or neighbor changes so the directory and mailing information remains correct. You can email her at tulabylakeassociation@gmail.com or by sending information to Pat Adams, 25572 Gramford Avenue N, Wyoming, MN 55092

Tulaby Lake Resident Story
 Jordan Peterson's Double Lung Transplant
 From Tulaby Lake to Texas...**and BACK!!!**

"There is no doubt you will see Jordan on the lake this year!"

Since his birth in 2002, Jordan Peterson has loved coming to Tulaby Lake, to fish, explore, snowmobile, 4-wheel, tube, jet-ski... everything that is wonderful about Tulaby. We have so many fond memories of times at the lake. Special neighbors, special friends, special times!

Jordan, 4 years old

After an initial visit with the Texas Children's Lung Transplant Program team, the largest pediatric lung transplant program in the world, the Peterson's relocated to Houston and Jordan was placed on the wait list on Oct. 23, 2012. At that time, experts at the hospital estimated that due to Jordan's declining lung function he had approximately one year to live. Our time at Tulaby was now a goal in the future, as all of us did everything we could to help Jordan stay alive and wait for that gift of lungs!

Our family spent nearly eight months on a roller-coaster of emotions as Jordan was brought in three separate times for potential lung offers. Each time we shared emotional goodbyes as Jordan was wheeled back to the operating room, only to learn that the donor lungs weren't the ones for him at the last minute. For Jordan, having to wake up without new lungs was incredibly challenging, but he never lost hope.

We continued waiting, hoping that the next time the pager went off it would be because Jordan's new lungs were available. We got that call on June 17, 2013. The team at Texas Children's worked closely with the donor hospital site to manage the care of the new potential lungs, one of the many aspects that sets Texas Children's program apart from others, ensuring the lungs would be in the best possible condition for Jordan. We rushed to the hospital where Jordan underwent a nearly 10

hour life-saving surgery before he woke to the gift of new lungs.

Jordan is now home in Fargo and we have resumed our trips to the lake! Snowmobiling up to Pinehurst and over to Elbow Lake Store to see Roger and Alyse were highlights this winter after over a year and a half away for Jordan. He can't wait to be back on the lake this spring fishing, and is looking forward to being the Grand Marshal in this year's Tulaby Lake 4th of July Boat Parade. Jordan will turn 12 on July 4th and the following day our family will leave for Anchorage, Alaska for a Salmon and Halibut fishing trip courtesy of Make-A-Wish.

Jordan continues to do so well and has been cleared by his physician and surgeons to play hockey and football again. He just completed a full season of ice hockey and did remarkably well. There is no doubt you will see Jordan on the lake this year! For the first time in a long while, Jordan is able to breathe easier and just be a kid.

Jordan, Winter 2013



By 10 years-old, Jordan Peterson's daily routine was unlike any of his classmates and friends. In addition to the multitude of medications he was on, he also spent more than two hours every day treating the symptoms of his Cystic Fibrosis. By the fall of 2012, Jordan's lungs were failing, functioning at only 23 percent. After calling multiple centers across the country, our family traveled from Fargo, N.D. to Texas Children's Hospital in Houston, the only hospital they contacted who would even consider Jordan as a patient due to an infection that remained present in his body.

We will be watching for you Jordan! It's great to have you back at Tulaby!!

Board of Directors

Association Board Member Roster
The following is a list of Tulaby Lake Association Board members and their contact information.

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Board member Terms Ending in 2014:

Ken Baumann
Pat Adams
Irv Kallin (resigning 2014)

Board member Terms Ending in 2015:

Dan Peterson
Dan Pinske
John Oncken

Board Member Terms Ending in 2016:

Ron Wasfaret
Ray Thorkildson
Scott Van Dam

Treasurer's Report - April 2014

Treasurer's Report - Danny Pinske

The Tulaby Lake Association had 102 regular members and zero associate member in 2012. This is an increase of 5 members from 2013. Starting in 2013 annual membership dues are \$25.

Tulaby Lake Association dues are used for expenses aimed at improving our lake community. In 2013, that included:

Walleye rearing ponds \$300.00
Lake & Stream Water Quality Testing \$1,638.00
COLA Membership (1 year) \$200.00
Fire Department Donation (2 years) \$200.00
Annual Picnic Expenses \$130.00
Association Mailings, printed literature, Membership Directory (published every 3 - 4 years) and website \$1,659.59
Association Treasurer Fees \$75.00
Association Secretary Fees \$75.00
Security light at the landing \$93.00

Total Expenses: \$4,370.59

Total Income: \$2,634.26

Balance as of December 31, 2012 \$787.59

We encourage everyone on the lake to join the Tulaby Lake Association, including new property owners and former members.



STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!

Prevent the transport of nuisance species.
Clean all recreational equipment.
www.ProtectYourWaters.net

Invasive species have the potential to cause serious problems in Minnesota.

To address the problems caused by invasive species, the 1991 Minnesota Legislature directed the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to establish the Invasive Species Program. The program is designed to implement actions to prevent the spread of invasive species and manage invasive aquatic plants and wild animals.

Most of the invasive species prevention and management activities are conducted or directed by staff from DNR's Division of Ecological and Water Resources – Invasive Species Program.

Local entities, including local government units (LGUs), tribal

governments, lake associations, and recreationalists, among others, play a key role in managing invasive plants, and providing prevention activities, including authorized inspections and enforcement, public awareness, and educational activities.

No new aquatic invasive species (AIS) were discovered in the waters of the state in 2013. In cooperation with the White Earth Reservation, the DNR checked approximately 45 leeching ponds in Becker County and found no new infestations of faucet snails. New infestations of aquatic invasive species already known to occur in Minnesota – such as zebra mussels, spiny waterfleas, and Eurasian watermilfoil – were discovered in new lakes in 2013.

Remember to **always inspect** your boat at the landing and **remove all** water, plants and animals before transporting equipment.