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# 2 Letter from the Chair

by JOHN WEBER

Hello everyone,

Once again our summer is pretty much done, now we can enjoy “fall” colors along with (all of the end of season) projects, like docks out, clean up leaves, etc. I trust all had a good season, we surely did, for us it finally included “a many times previously canceled” Alaska trip.

For those of you who were not able to attend our annual meeting, all seems to have gone well. There are a number of reports in the Loon Lines. We did have a good attendance with plenty of food, including leftovers. A special thanks to Randy and Sherri Walker for providing the A&W root beer. IT WAS A HIT! And that did run out. Add attending, next year, to your to do list.

Every year there are a few mailings returned, this year seemed more than usual, so I spent a lot of time reconciling the county mailing list with our publishers’ mailing list and our own lake shore map. One of the things going on, is that there are quite a few new owners in the past several years. The county updates their records only once per year, depending on when we request a mailing list it might be a year behind. Also some properties are residences, some are seasonal, some have multiple owners, some are owned by trusts, some are managed by another entity. Keeping this current is challenging and time consuming. We try very hard, but also need every one to keep their information current. If corrections or updates are needed, please contact a board member. (Contact info in Loon Lines) Thanks for your help and understanding.

At this time I would like to extend a special welcome to all of our new neighbors, and as time goes by, getting to know all of you. It’s good to see all of the sprucing up and improvements, we are all committed to (broken record here) our special place.

Sincerely  
John N Weber



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## TRUDI'S TIPS

by Trudi Gores

## Helpful Hints

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### SOUR CREAM RHUBARB CRUMB CAKE

Cinnamon aroma fills the kitchen while this rhubarb cake bakes!

CAKE  
1-1/2 cups granulated sugar  
3/4 cup butter, softened  
3 eggs  
1-1/2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract  
2-3/4 cups all-purpose flour  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
1 teaspons baking soda  
3/4 teaspoon salt  
1 cup dairy sour cream  
3 cups diced fresh rhubarb tossed with  
1/4 cup all purpose flower in a bowl

TOPPING  
1/2 cup brown sugar, packed  
1/4 cup all-purpose flour  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/4 cup cold butter, cut up

DIRECTIONS: Preheat oven to 350°  
CAKE: Beat sugar and butter in a large bowl on medium speed until blended. Add eggs and vanilla; beat until creamy. Mix flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt in a bowl. Add to creamed mixture alternately with sour cream mixing well. Stir in rhubarb. Spread into a greased 13x9-inch baking pan.

TOPPING: Mix brown sugar, flour and cinnamon in a bowl; cut in butter until crumbly. Sprinkle over batter. Bake 45-55 minutes or until a wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Serve warm or at room temperature. Refrigerate leftovers.

MAKES 15 SERVINGS

1. To clean a stained dishwasher- add a package of lemonade kool-aid only to main wash dispenser. Run empty with hot water. Repeat until clean.
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For additional information: please refer to the International Dark-Sky Association at [www.darksky.org](http://www.darksky.org). This group began in 1988 to protect the nighttime environment. Their accomplishments include Florida Sea Turtle habitat restoration project, International Dark Sky Places Program (IDSP), Fixture Seal of Approval (FSA) program, education and outreach regarding light pollution and how to reduce this with thoughtful lighting techniques, media and communication to raise the public awareness of light pollution. Their publication, Nightscape, is loaded with interesting articles, including the new “IDA Smart Urban Lighting Initiative (SUL)”, which consults with communities who desire to “light only what is needed, when needed, and only at illumination levels necessary to get the job done”, Nightscape, Issue #92, p. 2.

# Township Report

by Harlen Hegdal, Chairman, Milltown Township

Milltown Township

Our maintenance crew has put the plows on the trucks so another season draws to a close. This summer, we had the most “lost animal” calls and firework complaints that I can remember. But all else was pretty quiet. Hope everyone has a great winter and we will see you next spring.

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## Editor's Column

by Pat McMahon and Diane Erickson  
Newsletter Editors

We know that the saying goes “the older you get, the faster time goes” - and it sure seems true for summertime! It’s hard to believe that another wonderful summer at Half Moon Lake has wrapped up, with much fun had by so many - boating, fishing, kayaking, paddle boarding, wake surfing, tubing - and just relaxing in a hammock, listening to the sounds of summer and enjoying a beautiful view of our lake!

The fall season is upon us, with the leaves already turning, and many acorns and pine cones fallen from the trees. Many boats, docks and lifts are already out of the lake as many have closed up their cabins for winter. Yes, it’s sad to see the summer season ended, but always gives us much anticipation for next summer!

This fall season is also seeing a transition for the newsletter. Our terms for editing the Loon Lines is ending, and we will be turning over that responsibility to Kim Butler - please see the article on her in this issue. We have had a great time preparing the Loon Lines for all of you, and know Kim will continue to get us great information in future issues!

We hope to see everyone around the lake next season! We also hope everyone enjoys the holidays and has a great winter!Pat and Diane

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# Loon Report

LOON REPORT Per Pat and Terry Mechelke,  
Half Moon Lake:

The loons on the south end of the lake used the loon platform near Breezy Bay Rd and have successfully hatched two loon babies, who are happily swimming around the south end of the lake and learning to dive, just like the parents. The loons on the north end of the lake were still on their nest as of June 13 and the nest was abandoned and the 2 loons were swimming alone on the lake on June 17. We're wondering if the eggs were taken by a predator or if the eggs hatched and the babies were taken.

Martha McMahon, our loon lady for many years, neve remembers babies on the south end of the lake.

## Half Moon Lake Conservancy Report:

by David Butler

"Take a walk on the Harder Creek Trail" David Butler

If you are looking for a fall walk in the woods to take in the changing colors, or want to see the work of the beavers who have created valuable wetlands with their dams along Harder creek, I suggest you take a walk on the Harder Creek Trail. To get there, exit County Road 8 at Dau Drive and it will take you to a sign designating the trail. The trail is on property owned by the Half Moon Lake Conservancy and is maintained by volunteers like John Weber who has mowed the trail three times this summer. In a couple years the recently planted native wild flower garden will add to the attraction of the trail. Dave Balestri told the Lake District board recently that he and his family have enjoyed the Harder Creek trail many times this summer. Take time to sit on the bench installed by Hunter Johnson and other eagle scouts from his boy scout troop and take in a view of the wetlands.



Loon nesting on platform at South end of the lake



As another summer draws to a close we all look back and wonder how the summer could possibly be over already!

From what I have gathered, the fishing has been fairly brisk this year. Reports of decent catches of panfish and even some walleye have come down to me. As many of you know, I don't seem to find the time or don't make time to fish, but I applaud those of you who love it. It's a great way to enjoy the peace and tranquillity of our beautiful lake.

Our lake was stocked with approximately 5000 walleye fingerlings last fall (2015), and will be stocked again in the fall of 2017. Hopefully this process will ultimately be successful in bringing our walleye population back up to where it should be again.

Good luck to all on the water this fall and winter. See you next spring!

John Briegel



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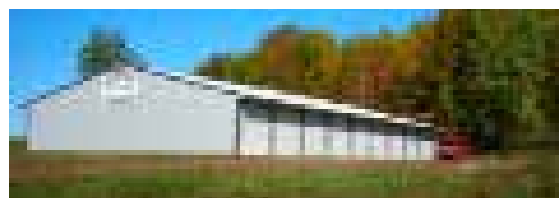


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STACIA AND CHRIS BANKS

## The History Corner

by David Butler



Few people around Half Moon Lake get memorialized, but we do have Oscar Lane, Baldwin Bay, Nelson Bay and now we will have a memorial to honor Ida Hines, better known as the lady with the purple phlox on the hill. Ida died a few years ago and Sandra and Patrick Tokach purchased the house with the phlox. They tore the house down and built the beautiful log cabin. Sandra and Patrick read about Ida in the Half Moon Lake History book and to do something nice to remember her, they decided to restore the phlox on the hillside and add to the purple phlox a plaque to honor Ida. Also, out of respect for Ida, they have implanted into the first floor of the new house, the 3' by 3' gravity furnace grate from Ida's house in a way that the light from the skylight above, shines into the house, down through the grate, and into the basement. I asked Sandra why they are doing this for Ida and she answered, "We like history and we want to be a part of the community spirit." In our best spirit, we welcome the Tokach family to the lake community. Sandra's brother Clayton George and his wife Peggy are building the house next door.

(See the email message from Sandra Tokach for photos)

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## Select the Right PFD for your Child!

When choosing a PFD for your child, understand that different types of PFDs have various strengths and limitations, including:

TYPE	FIT	USE CONDITIONS
Type I PFDs	Unless a hybrid*, more bulky and less comfortable than either Type II or Type III PFDs.	Type I PFDs have the <u>greatest ability</u> to turn a child "face-up".
Type II PFDs	Typically comfortable, but more bulky than Type III PFDs.	Type II PFDs will turn only <u>some</u> children to a "face-up" position.
Type III PFDs	Least bulky and most comfortable for continuous wear.	Type III PFDs are NOT designed to turn a child "face-up" in the water. They provide good support to children with some swimming skills.
Type V PFDs	May be a substitute for a Type I, II or III (as marked on PFD label).	Examples are Type V swimwear PFDs with Type III performance that provide enhanced wearability.

*\*Hybrid devices may combine improved comfort with enhanced in-water performance*

A "face-up" position is one where the child is floating calmly on his/her back with arms and legs in the water and head back, with face out of the water (see the other side of this tag for more information about teaching your child to float safely in water). The ability of a PFD to turn a child "face-up" is affected by:

- your child's height and weight distribution,
- the type of PFD you select,
- the ability of your child to remain calm in the water, and
- the ability of your conscious child to turn himself/herself face-up.

## Make sure your child's PFD fits properly!

Select a PFD that fits your child based on his/her weight, and any other sizing on the PFD, such as chest size. Make sure your child's weight is with in the range marked on the PFD. The PFD should fit snugly, but not too tightly. Do not buy a PFD that your child will "grow into."

Have your child try on the PFD and test its fit by lifting the child up by the shoulders of the PFD—the PFD is too large if it slips up over the child's chin or ears. Always use leg straps, if provided, to keep the PFD securely in place.

PFD SIZE	WEIGHT RANGE	APPROXIMATE CHEST SIZE
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## HELLO LAKE NEIGHBORS

I am excited to take over this wonderful newsletter from Pat and Diane, who have done a great job with it for multiple years. I appreciate all their work to keep us informed and entertained by the activities and beauty of our lake. I first came to Half Moon Lake in 1995, and married into the Butler/McMahon clan. My husband David has come to the lake since he was born, and my mother in law, Mary Martha McMahon Butler, has been coming here since the 1930s.

David and I moved up here full time from Minneapolis in 2001 where I had been a tv and video producer. My husband owns the Milltown based specialty flooring company, Greatmats.com (profiled later in this issue.) I write content for him and do a variety of volunteer work, as well as raise our two kids who went through Unity school, and now both attend high school in St. Croix Falls. Our cabin is on Breezy Bay Road, and a comfy chair on my screen porch qualifies as my "Happy Place," where I watch the water sparkle, listen to the loons, and spy on our resident Great Blue Heron. We have a shorter "commute" to our cabin than most of you, but its' proximity makes it no less special. I look forward to meeting more of you, hearing your story ideas, and seeing your great photos. Till Spring - Kim



## REMEMBERING MY FRIEND & NEIGHBOR, DONNA STELMASZEWSKI

by Sue Schneider

Donna loved Half Moon Lake. She and her mother, Alice, together built the small cabin over 50 years ago. Donna was a life-long resident of NE Minneapolis, and worked at Honeywell for 42 years.

Donna was one of the most charitable person I've known. One of her favorites, St. Jukes Children's Hospital, invited her on a special tour several years ago. She

also was a volunteer with her church in Minneapolis, and at Our Lady of the Lakes, in Balsam Lake. For years, Donna would gather jewelry from around the area, repair and clean it, then sell the jewelry and donate the money to the church.

Donna spent a lot of her days on Half Moon. Although, in her 80's, she tackled anything and did all the mowing and cabin maintenance.

Donna and I decided years ago to have a street party at the lake for neighbors to get to know each other... it became an annual event.

Never married, Donna is survived by her faithful friend and companion, Jim. Together they loved to entertain friends at her cabin... and her brandy slushes were legendary. She was a very generous person with her time and love. Everyone on 200th Ave. will miss her so much!

## In Loving Memory

### LOUIS R. TINUCCI JR

Mr. Tinucci died on May 25th at the age of 87. Born in St. Paul, Louis was the son of immigrant parents. He was in the restaurant business and it was said that "hospitality was more than his work, it was his way of life." Louis loved staying on Half Moon Lake and he and his wife traveled all over the world. Survived by Pat, his wife of nearly 66 years, seven children, 15 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren. Mr. Tinucci was a man of faith, active in the Church and a lifetime member of the Knights of Columbus.

### DONNA JEAN STELMASZEWSKI

Donna died on February 16, 2016, after a long battle with Leukemia. She was preceded in death by her parents, Donny and Alice, and is survived by faithful friend, Jim, and Godchild, Mary.

### WENDY LEI SLANINA

Wendy Slanina died Sept. 28, 2015 in Minneapolis at the age of 43. She is survived by parents Tom & Ginny Suerth, sons Justin and Dylan, daughter-in-law Britney Ostaba, grandsons Jayden, Liam and Cameron Slanina, brother Robert Slanina, and niece Heather Wilson.





# ★ 4TH OF JULY ★

## EVENTS & TIMES

- Saturday, July 2nd 10:00 a.m. Tie dye tee shirts- Public Beach please bring your own light colored t-shirt to tie dye.
- Saturday, July 2nd 1:00 p.m. Decorated Boat Parade
- Saturday, July 2nd Dusk Family Movie and Popcorn at the beach
- Saturday, July 2nd Dusk Half Moon Lake Fireworks Display
- Sunday, July 3rd 1:00 p.m. Annual Half Moon Lake Sailboat Race begin at Rosie's Point- sail to ski course, then to south sand bar flag, then back to Rosie's Point- contact Rick Miller for information. Rpm2002@juno.com

The Milltown librarian, Bea Volgren, is showing "OPEN SEASON: SCARED SILLY" as the movie on July 2nd. It begins at dusk, stops during the fireworks, then finishes after the fireworks.

Popcorn and lemonade are for sale during the movie. The money is donated to the Milltown library and helps to pay for the movie copyrights, which costs \$292.00.



## Calendar of Events

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or call 715-268-7486

### JULY

**GIANT ICE CREAM SUNDAE**  
Noon in Soo Line Park

**WAPO/BEAR TRAP 5K FUN RUN**  
Stower Trail - 9 am start

**HOT AUG. WHEELS & DEALS**  
Farmers market, sidewalk sales, car show & swap meet

### NOVEMBER

**LIGHT UP THE TOWN**  
6 pm Lighted Parade  
6:30 Lighting/Soo Line Park

**FREEDOM SALES**  
Amery business' sales

**MUSIC ON THE RIVER**  
Third Saturday at Michael Park

### SEPTEMBER

**AMERY FALL FESTIVAL**  
Parade, music, art fair, rides, beer tent & more!

**ANNUAL CHILI FEED**  
5 pm - Goodwill Offering  
Amery Fire Department

**4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS**  
Soldier's Field at dusk

### AUGUST

**MUSIC ON THE RIVER**  
Third Saturday at Michael Park

### OCTOBER

**CHANGING COLORS RIDE**  
Ride begins at 1 pm  
Stower Trail

### DECEMBER

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To the best of anyone's knowledge, this is the latest anyone has water skied on Half Moon Lake - Dec. 6, 2015! Way to go Dan Hale!  
(Alex Trapp and Rick Miller were in the boat.)



The 2016 Clean Boats/Clean Waters season is off to a great start. The Ilds camera has been installed and we have good news regarding reporting to the Polk County Sheriff. Deer Lake was successful in getting a boater ticketed through the use of the Ilds camera. This year we will be taking the job on of inspecting each photograph from the day before and reporting any vegetation attached directly to the Sheriff's office. The following are the current fines for entering a lake with any vegetation attached to your trailer.

30.07(2)(a): Launching or placing a vehicle, boat, boat trailer, equipment or gear of any type into navigable waters of the state, which navigable has an aquatic plant or aquatic animal attached. 1st Offense Citation Penalty Amount \$295.00 Maximum \$767.50 (W-30) 30.07(2)(a): Launching or placing a vehicle, boat, boat trailer, equipment or gear of any type into navigable waters of the state, which navigable has an aquatic plant or aquatic animal attached. 2nd Offense within 3 yrs Citation Penalty Amount \$547.00 Maximum \$2,657.50

(W-30) 30.07(2)(b): Transporting a vehicle, boat, boat trailer, equipment or gear of any type on a public highway which has an aquatic plant or aquatic animal attached. 1st Offense Citation Penalty Amount \$232.00 Maximum \$767.50

(W-30) 30.07(2)(b): Transporting a vehicle, boat, boat trailer, equipment or gear of any type on a public highway which has an aquatic plant or aquatic animal attached. 2nd Offense within 3 yrs Citation Penalty Amount \$358.00 Maximum \$2,657.50 (W-29)

The weekend of July 2nd-4th we will again pass out towels to the fishing public. The towels will have the following printed reminder of the basics to avoid Aquatic Invasive species:

INSPECT your boat, trailer, and equipment and REMOVE visible aquatic plants, animals, and mud before leaving the water access.  
DRAIN water from your boat, motor, bilge, live wells, and bait containers before leaving the water access.  
REPORT new sightings.  
DISPOSE of unwanted bait and other animals or aquatic plants in the trash.  
SPRAY, RINSE, or DRY boats and recreational equipment to remove or kill species that were not visible when leaving a waterbody.

To learn more information check out the University of Wisconsin-Extension website: [www.uwsp.edu/cnr/uwexlakes/](http://www.uwsp.edu/cnr/uwexlakes/)  
You can also help this year by educating your family, guests and neighbors on the importance of stopping Aquatic Hitchhikers.

Dan Leh CBCW, Weed Ranger Volunteer  
612-490-1002 halfmoonlake@hotmail.com



Sailboat Race 2015





**Notice  
2016 Annual Meeting  
Half Moon Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District**

Pursuant to Section 33.30(2) Wisconsin Statutes and the Bylaws of the Half Moon Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District, the annual meeting and budget hearing will be held at:

Place: Half Moon Lake public beach, (200<sup>th</sup> Ave) East of highway 46.

Time: Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 10:00am  
(Sign in table begins at 9:00am)

**Agenda**

1. Call meeting to order
2. Approve minutes of last year's annual meeting
3. Chairperson and committee reports
4. Treasurer's report
5. Presentation and submission of the annual audit
6. Report on consideration of projects or other actions
7. Review and approval of proposed budget

The 3 year terms of John Weber, and John Briegal are expiring this year. They are both renominated for and additional 3 year term

January 1, 2017-December 31, 2017

**Revenues**

Tax Levy	29,090
Lottery Credit	299
Interest	22

Total Revenues 29,411

**Cost of Operations**

Administration-	600
Info & Education- newsletter, annual meeting and lunch	6,000
Lake Management- CBCW beach monitoring	12,800
Capital Fund-	10,000

Total Expenditures 29,400

**Non-Lapsable Capital Fund**

Balance on June 25, 2016  
87,999.03

**Proposed 2017 Tax Levy**

Operating Budget Tax Levy      29,400

8. Approval of corresponding tax levy
9. Election of commissioner
10. Old business
11. New business
12. Adjourn meeting

# BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR ON THE WATER

A few basic guidelines for everyone to consider as you enjoy Half Moon Lake.

By Jim Smith

Wisconsin Law is 'Slow-No-Wake' within 100' from shore, from docks & other vessels. This is really a close distance & we'd ask the boaters on Half Moon Lake to consider at least 200'. It would be safer & your neighbors would appreciate the extra distance.

Link to Handbook of Wisconsin Boating Laws & Responsibilities.....<http://dnr.wi.gov/files/PDF/pubs/LE/LE0301.pdf>

If you are water skiing early please wait till 8 am. The water skiers have agreed not to ski before 8 am even though the state law is sunrise to sunset. Current WI Boating Law is at least two people in the boat for skiing. I have heard it my change like MN (driver & mirror). It's a skier safety issue. Until there is a WI Law change a competent observer is required to ski..... (Two in the boat) If you are a Pontoon or Jet Ski stay out of the slalom course. Jet Skies: Do not jump wakes on any boat pulling a skier or wake boarder. It's dangerous. Please stay at least 200' away. This also applies of 2 Jet Skies are playing on the lake together – at least 200'. Only 3 person PWC's are allowed to pull a skier & they must have a rear facing observer.

Be conscious of sailboats, kayak's, canoe's, slow moving water craft, anyone floating in tubes or rafts & give them extra room. Always error on the safe side with more distance.

If you have a wakeboard boat: please operate in the middle of the lake so your waves dissipate.

If you have a bass boat PLEASE keep the speed & noise down until after 8 am so those that want to sleep in can.

If your boat is at any speed above 'slow-no wake' please stay at least 200' from other boats & at least 200' from shore. – Be conscious of the fisherman & give them extra room because the wakes on ski boats are larger than other boats.

If you are pulling a skier please proceed straight out into the lake rather than parallel to shore.

Stay away from the rocks & shallow areas or you risk damage to your prop & motor – new markers are in place.

Insure that your guests bringing a boat on HML understand a few basic common sense guidelines about our lake & tell them the rules.

Most of the complaints we hear about are from guests visiting that don't understand HML. You are responsible for your guests – please keep them informed.

Life Jackets – kids should wear them especially if in a ski or bass boat.

Be conscious of sailboats, anyone floating in tubes or rafts & give them extra room.

Swim rafts should have a solar light so they can be seen at night. If someone runs into your raft at night & it's not lit you are wide open for liability.

If anyone is misbehaving let's take care of it ourselves & keep the Sherriff off the lake. We all know what happens when he shows up – tickets for fishing, no boat registration & more. The boaters on HML have always done a great job policing each other. If you see something just have a discussion with them – often they may not know.

Be courteous & a good neighbor. We have always been able to visit with others on the lake, keep the piece & let's keep operating that way.

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## Alphabetic Listing

LOT #	FIRE #	LAST	FIRST										
134A	1898	Absey	David & Mary	37	1271	Hans	& Jamie	29	1291	Proell,Judith	Kilbofske, Pat		
58	2001	Aker	Ruth	186	1297	Hanson	Alan	151	1361	Public Boat Landing	Jensen, Darlene		
48	1243	Ameter	Steve & Diane	133	1895	Hilleshiem	Steve & Kim	35	1276	Puncochar	Glenn, Curt,		
120	1223	Anderson	Brian, Brenda & Landy, A.	197	1355	Hoium	Bev & Ruschoff, Gwen	154	1255	Quirk	& Scott		
194	1313	Anderson	Paul & Mary	50	1236	Holton	Pat & Carol	104	1917	Radke	Bob Mary		
182	1289	Anderson	Reynold & Betty	195	1315	Horeck	Bob & Cheryl	41	1259	Rakness, Ron	Terry & Ruth		
95	1933	Anderson	Sarah & Scott	20	1319	Huberty	Todd & Lana	42	1961	Rakness, Ron	Half Moon Resort		
63	1991	Armbrust	Julie	57	2003	Hunwardsen	Roger & Kim	43	1263	Rakness,Ron	Half Moon Resort		
130	1887	Armstrong	Dennis & Pam	139	1908	Igoe	William & Anne	116A	1216A	Reach	David & Lucia		
78	1971	Armuist	Julian & Jewel	87	1949	lhfe	Fred & LaJene	145	1918	Rehder	Alvin & Patricia		
14	1336B	Axt	Paul & Anita	25	1299	Ille	Wayne & Lyla	162	1936	Reinke	Jo Anne		
177	1978	Baldwin	Herb & Fern	29	1291	Jensen,Darlene	Proell,Judith	165	1954	Roedler	George Jr.		
45	1251	Balestri	Brian & Lori	113	1215	Johnson	Bill & Millie	166	1956	Roedler	Mary Jane		
59	1999	Balestri	Sarah & David	86	1953	Johnson	Jim				& Gregory		
64	1987	Bank	Sue	88	1947	Johnson	Eric & Mary Beth	6	2036	Rose	Thomas & Lisa		
150	1250	Bardy	Rick & Diana (Rickard)	22	1315	Kaiser	Lucy	146	1918A	Rue	Larry & Mary		
74	1979A	Barski	Nancy & Wasvick, Pauline	27	1295	Kastner	Dale & Suzie	38	1269	Rupp	Peter & Pat		
198		Beach and Public	Landing	163	1938	Kieger	Tom & Lynn	197B	1359	Ruschoff	Craig		
5	2036A	Beck	George & Marion	115		Kinneman	Bryan	197	1355	Ruschoff	Gwen & Hoium, Bev		
39	1267	Belair	Jeff & Pam	56	2007	Kispert,Jan	Smith, Kelly				Charles		
92	1939	Belanger	Joan	96	1931	Knapp	Charles	103	1917A	Russell	Tammy		
157	1928	Benike	Aaron & Allison	158	1930	Koecher	Keith	135	1900	Saad	Mark & Chris		
174	1972	Bernies Lapidary	Supply	67	1979	Kolbjornsen	E. Arne & Kathie	159	1932	Sadowski	Haumschild, Jerry & Eileen		
140	1910	Biederwoff & Moen		152	1251	Korf	Greg				Melody		
11	1338A	Blake	Nathan J & Damon	79	1969	Kotch	Jerry, James B Swanson	197A	1357	Sanford	Steve & Terry		
31	1285	Bohl	Eric & Karen, Wolf, Mike & Debbie	81	1963	Krebsbach	C. Fred & Marcia	65	1981	Schatz	Steve & Terry		
137	1904	Bollmann	Paul & Karen	82	1961	Krebsbach	C. Fred & Marcia	66	1981	Schatz	Raymond & Elaine		
75	1979	Bonewell	Wes & Ann	47	1245	Krumrie	Mary Kay	138	1906	Schlemmer	Samuel & Annie		
34	1275D	Bowen	Rick & Gloria	107	1911	Lauer	Florian	127	1243	Schmidt	Ed & Janet		
184	1293	Brackins	Reese & Helen	17	1326	Leh	Dan & Laurie				Chris & Sue		
30	1289	Breault	Greg & Barb	147	1920	Lemay	Wayne & Judy	190	1305	Schneider	Gary Sandy		
149	1922	Briegel	John & Linda	142	1914	Lennartson	Tom & Sue	32	1275	Schommer	Ed & Janet		
44A	1253	Bryan	David & Annemarie	117	1218	Lessard	- Fanger, Ken	84	1957	Schreiner	Jeanette		
148	1020A	Bryntesen	Jim & Sandy	51	1234	Lindgren	Scott	192	1309	Schwartz	Theodore		
173	1970	Butler	David & Kim	30A	1287	Lindstrom	Stephen & Cynthia	61	1995	Shogren	Jeff & Tammy		
105	1915	Butler	David & Mary	126	1241	Long	Larry & Gail	183	1291	Shovelson	Phil & Kathy		
106	1913	Butler	Martha	167	1958	Lonsky	Mike & Heather	83	1959	Siegle	Karen		
129A	Lot	Butler	Ellen	178		Lot	Joseph & Melissa	141	1912	Smallidge	Joe & Patty		
91	1941	Capan	David & Kim	171	1966	Mahoney	Terry & Barb	90	1943	Smith	Bryan & April		
160	1934	Chapman	Frank & Margie	185	1295	McBride	Ken	24	1301	Smith	Jim & Sandy		
71	1971	Chinander	Robert & Jerry	40	1265	McCabe	Tim	99	1925	Smith	Karla		
164A	1946	Christoffersen	Jim & Judy	179	1279	McElfresh	Nancy	164	1946	Sovereign	Richard & Carole		
69	1975	Christopherson	Carl & Doris	169	1962	McKee	Charles	53	2013	Stafford	Donna		
199	1973	Crescent Moon Farm	Myrvin & Ann	172	1968	McKee	Chuck & Jan	193	1311	Stelmaszewski	Chad & Heidi		
181	1987	Cutshell	Bryan & Steve	121	1227	McMahon	Mike & Pat	125	1234	Stenberg	Philip & Linda		
180	1985	Cutshell	Bob & Jean	72	1969	McNamara	John & Carol	134	1897	Stenberg	Sandra		
136	1902	Dey	Bob & Jean	54	2011	Meade	Steve & Trish	189	1303	Stenzel	Virginia		
101	1919	Diederich	Bob & Jean	31B	1273	Mechelke	Terry & Pat	93	1937	Suerth			
102	1921	Diederich	James & Toni	170	1964	Melena	Steve & Karen	12	1338	Swanson/McCauley	Doug & Kathy		
123	1229	Diederich	Tom & Colleen	97	1929	Miller	Richard & Pam	79	1967	Swanson	Jane		
114		Dyg	Tom & Colleen	188	1301	Minn	Steve & Lucy	2	2034	Taylor	Barb		
114A		Dyg	Tom & Colleen	196	1317	Misner	John & Angela	176	1976	Theisen	Al & Koreen		
156	1926	Elbeling	Tom & Colleen	196A		Misner	John & Angela	68	1977	Thompson	Susan & Warren		
43A	1257A	Ellgaard	Otto & Kathy	1	2035	Mitchell	Myrtis			Pladsen	Sharon		
55	2009	Ericksen	Otto & Kathy	140	1910	Moen	Arnold	85	1955	Tinuick	Louie & Pat		
122	1231	Erickson	Douglas & Pamela	16	1330	Mommssen	Gordon & Eleanor	76	1975	Townsend	Herb & Sheila		
30B	Lot	Erickson	Eric G.	26	1297	Muller	Bruce & Karen	116	1216	Trapp Alex	Dunning,		
144	1917	Eschbach	Bud & Sharon	15	1336	Murzyn	Gerard, Jim				Eric & Beth		
23	1307	Field	Chuck & Diane	8	2036D	Murzyn	& Audrey	49	1239	Tokach	Sandra & Pat		
187	1299	Flanigan	Chuck & Diane	52	2015	Needham	Stan & Amy	80	1965	Turnquist	Dick		
129	1249	Frenette	Dick & Jan	13	1336A	Nelson	David & Nancy	168	1960	Turnwood	Eric & Melissa		
4	2036	Gage	Steven & Deborah	7	2036	Nelson	Doug & Marian				& Alison		
3	2036	Gage	Steve	143	1916	North	Warren D.	70	1973	Vevle	Mark & Erik		
18	1324	Gage	Don & Carol	111	1211	Northard	& Marilyn B.	128	1245	Vierow	Paul & Mary		
60	1997	Gardner	Clayton (cottage)	94	1935	Northrup	Scott & Robin	196B	1326	Voss	Bruce		
49A		George	Norman & Chris	19	1325	O'Leary	Scott & Jacqueline	200	1326	Voss/Wilson	Barbara, Strilzuk, Brenda-Voss		
23A	1305	Getschel	Sherm & Nancy	21	1317	Olson	Robert						
131	1891	Gilbert	Clayton & Peggy	36	1274	Palewicz	David & Kitty	200A	1388	Voss-Wilson	Barbara		
9	1338C	Glassman	Rich	132	1893	Pastrana	Jim & Sheila	175	1974	Waaen	Norry & Holly		
10	1338B	Glassman	Mike & Wendy	44	1255	Paulsen	Jesus & Kimm	110	1209	Wahiquist	Virginia		
118	1220	Gores	Ron & Jan	62	1995	Pearson	Ken & Ellen	89	1945	Waldoch	Don & Sheila		
73	1977	Greenberg	Ron & Jan	161	1934A	Perry	Diane & Steve	46	1249	Walker	Management		
191	1307	Gromek	Joe & Trudi	28	1293	Peterson	Oliver	74	1979A	Wasvick	Pauline & Barski, Nancy		
31A	1278	Grothe	Jack	33	1275A	Peterson	Kris & Karen				John & Jane		
119	1222	Grupe	Chester	68	1977	Pladsen	Mark & Tammy	100	1923	Weber	Eric & Megan		
			Susan			Thompson	Sharon	153	1253	Johnson	Joan		
			Charlie, Mary	98	1927	Pliska	Susan & Warren	114B	1884	White	Dan		

# Half Moon Lake District: VOTER ELIGIBILITY

by John Weber

Trying to be as simple as possible, I will work backwards. According to the Wisconsin Lakes Assn, any property that is held in a trust, corporation, foundation, or association is entitled to one, and only one vote by a designated representative. It does not matter if the "trust" lists two or more names, i.e.; The Jim and Jean Trust. The only qualifier, or exception for that; is if you are a qualified voter in the "Half moon Lake District", in other words this property is your legal residence. For example; the Weber Family Trust, is not limited to one vote, because we are qualified "electors", or legal residents of the District. There are other trusts in the district that also have qualified electors. It is also my understanding, in this situation, that the "trust" with qualified 'electors' would not be allowed to use both electors and a designated representative.

If it were to make any one feel better, I was told that it was not the intent of the rules to essentially limit the eligibility of families trying to do estate or tax planning, but since these rules apply statewide, the intent was to have some limit or controls on “large” corporations, and to the possible unbalanced effects that could be caused. We are something of collateral damage. I was told that because of questions, (including mine) the committee is and has been reviewing these rules with the intent of recommending updates. Unfortunately, in the grand scheme of important things for our State Legislators to do, finding a willing sponsor for this revision will not be likely to happen soon.

As mentioned earlier, a qualified elector who resides in the district (Half Moon Lake District) has a vote. I understand that to mean, for example, that if we had an adult child (18 or over), or a parent who legally lived in our home and was a “qualified” voter (within the district) they would be allowed to vote as well.

Obviously an owner of a property (those whose names appear on the tax roll) within the district are each entitled to a vote. Additional owners of the property, such as a “spouse”, per Wisconsin law, are also entitled to a vote. Others such as siblings, could be qualified to vote even if not listed, but do need to provide documentation (at the meeting) verifying ownership. Wisconsin law does not define what suitable documentation is, but could be a copy of the deed. At this time, I suggest that anyone who is an owner, but with name not on tax rolls, and wishes to vote, to contact the board ahead of the meeting to arrange documentation.

At this time, I do not see this as a serious problem, as our “business” and issues are fairly ordinary and mundane, but in the future if there was a contentious issue (like a proposed sewer system) or an expensive issue like (an explosive infestation of invasive specie’s), then every one’s voice needs to be, and should be heard. The board will discuss at future meetings what can be considered suitable documentation, at some point get it published.

There are a few other requirements in chapter 33 of the rules, but seem to be mostly irrelevant. Each board member has a copy of "the guide for Wisconsin Lake Organizations" which has the full set of rules, if any one would like to study these further for themselves.

Hopefully this summary or explanation makes some sense, and helps to clarify what is at best, fairly confusing.

**Saturday, July 16th at 10:00 a.m.**  
**Half Moon Lake Annual District Meeting**  
**Public Beach**





**HALF MOON LAKE**

Area: 579.0 acres  
Total Shoreline: 7.1 miles  
Max. Depth: 60 feet

Legend:  
T Submergent vegetation  
I Emergent vegetation  
F Floating vegetation

Map features include:  
- Depth contours (3', 5', 10', 20', 25', 30', 34', 40', 45', 55')  
- Surrounding streets: 135th St, 200th Ave, 190th Ave, 121st St, 195th Ave, 120th St, 124th St, 123rd St, 122nd St, 121st St, 120th St, 119th St, 118th St, 117th St, 116th St, 115th St, 114th St, 113th St, 112th St, 111th St, 110th St, 109th St, 108th St, 107th St, 106th St, 105th St, 104th St, 103rd St, 102nd St, 101st St, 100th St, 99th St, 98th St, 97th St, 96th St, 95th St, 94th St, 93rd St, 92nd St, 91st St, 90th St, 89th St, 88th St, 87th St, 86th St, 85th St, 84th St, 83rd St, 82nd St, 81st St, 80th St, 79th St, 78th St, 77th St, 76th St, 75th St, 74th St, 73rd St, 72nd St, 71st St, 70th St, 69th St, 68th St, 67th St, 66th St, 65th St, 64th St, 63rd St, 62nd St, 61st St, 60th St, 59th St, 58th St, 57th St, 56th St, 55th St, 54th St, 53rd St, 52nd St, 51st St, 50th St, 49th St, 48th St, 47th St, 46th St, 45th St, 44th St, 43rd St, 42nd St, 41st St, 40th St, 39th St, 38th St, 37th St, 36th St, 35th St, 34th St, 33rd St, 32nd St, 31st St, 30th St, 29th St, 28th St, 27th St, 26th St, 25th St, 24th St, 23rd St, 22nd St, 21st St, 20th St, 19th St, 18th St, 17th St, 16th St, 15th St, 14th St, 13th St, 12th St, 11th St, 10th St, 9th St, 8th St, 7th St, 6th St, 5th St, 4th St, 3rd St, 2nd St, 1st St.  
- Tamarack Bay  
- Breezy Bay  
- Harder Cr.  
- Breezy Bay Rd.  
- 200th Ave.  
- 135th St.  
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