



75th ANNUAL MEETING

Historic Detroit Lakes Pavilion

1361 Washington Avenue, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501

Saturday, June 22, 2019

8:00-9:15 Pancake Breakfast & Social

9:15 Annual Meeting



June 23, 2019

75th Anniversary Celebration

Lake Detroiters Association

8:00 AM Pavilion

Member Registration
Breakfast by Knights of Columbus

9:15 AM Pavilion

Annual Meeting

10:15 AM Pavilion

"What a Beautiful Detroit" - Video Screening
Panel Discussion

12:00 Beach restaurants

"Food Fest" Specials at Beach Front Businesses

1:00-5:00 PM Off the Public Beach

Rock Out With Your Dock Out Band
Burgers/Bar

7:00-11:00 PM – Pavilion

"Music Through the Ages"
by Party 2 Go with DJ Kelly Reller
Refreshments during the Evening by Hub 41

"Love, Honor, Own the Lake"



Greetings from our President

Greetings from your Lake Detroiters Association. We have had a very busy lake year getting ready for our 75th Anniversary, along with all of our normal lake activities that seem to show up every year.

We all feel blessed to be able to enjoy all that Detroit Lake has to offer. Our board has been actively attending area meetings to continually learn about what we can be doing to keep our lakes clean and user friendly. Becker County, the University of Minnesota and other area agencies continue to provide education in these areas.

Kudos to lake resident Carl Oberholtzer who is heading up our 75th Anniversary committee and even leading the effort for a Video presentation on the history of Lake Detroit. This will be premiered, along with a panel discussion at our Annual meeting on the morning of June 22nd. You won't want to miss this historical presentation on the many facets of Detroit Lake. You may even be in it?

Your beach captains will be visiting you for our annual membership drive soon and we hope you will not only join Lake Detroiters, but plan to join us on a committee, be a beach captain, or volunteer in an activity you are passionate about.

We also hope you will support not only our local restaurants, pubs and shops, but try our NEW pickleball courts in Peoples park, take someone fishing or even go water skiing this summer. We are an active lake with so many ways you can "jump in"!

We will see you at the Annual meeting or on the Lake! Be safe and enjoy your summer at "Detroit Lake",

Brad Wimmer,

Lake Detroiters President



2019 Lake Detroiters Annual Meeting
Saturday, June 19, Detroit Lakes Pavilion
75 Years of Service

8:00-9:15 – Breakfast and Member Social

Breakfast is served by Knights of Columbus

9:15 -10:10 – Annual Meeting

- 1. Call to Order and Welcome –President Brad Wimmer*
- 2. Secretary Report – Secretary Laurie Olson*
- 3. Treasurer’s Report – Treasurer Linda Wiedmann*
- 4. Election of Board Members – President Brad Wimmer*
- 5. 2019 Friend of Lake Award - Judie Cherry, LDA Board*

"Love, Honor, Own the Lake"

2018-2019 Lake Detroiters' Events and Accomplishments

- Several of the board and other Lake Detroiters attended a 1/2 day seminar presented by U of M staff at the Minnesota Cultural and Technical College dealing with AIS and other topics germane to our lake.
- 59 Beach captains led by board member Linda Wiedemann , canvassed the lake for membership in May/June; we still strive for an expanded membership.
- We had a successful Annual meeting in June 2018, City Administrator Kelcey Klemm updated us on Detroit Lake activities. We presented our annual "Friend of the Lake" award to Pelican River Watershed.
- Investigated rules governing mooring boats, including houseboats
- There were 353 LDA members going into 2019
- New IRS status (501c-4) was established
- Board member Brian Korbel led a committee to update our web-site and social media. This is a continual effort and we are striving to keep this up to date. It's a BIG effort, with many involved. The Board investigated the data base developed by 10-Mile Lake Association.
- A "Twitter" page was established: see @LakeDetroiters
- Carl Oberholtzer led our ad hoc 75th Anniversary Committee in planning a festive day for the lake on June 22nd; among various celebratory activities is inaugural showing of a documentary video on the history of Lake Detroit; this video was mostly funded by a grant from the Minnesota Historical Society.
- A beach captain social at Hub 41 in May of 2018 was aimed at recruiting new beach captains, and answering from current beach captains. It was held at Hub 41.
- Worked with City to improve channel and sandbar markings
- We send representatives to Becker COLA meetings to learn and help with concerns of area lakes. This is a vital organization to bring us together as lake associations.
- Our board members continue to actively support all Lake activities, promote local businesses and in general support and be ambassadors for Detroit Lake.
- Board members attended meetings of Shoreland Ordinance Advisory Committee; the new ordinance is now in effect.
- Represented at City/County Planning Meeting for 150th Anniversary



Mission: "To promote the protection and enhancement of Detroit Lake."

Lake Detroiters Association

74st Annual Meeting Notes

9:30 AM June 23, 2018

Pavilion on Detroit Lake

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM by Interim LDA president, Brad Wimmer, with approximately 175 members in attendance. Family Pancake Breakfast was served by the Knights of Columbus prior to the meeting.

2018 Theme: "It's All Here All Year!"

Thank you

- Barb Halbakken Fischburg – Past President for many years! Job well done!
- Knights of Columbus – Family Pancake Breakfast \$5.00
- LDA Beach Captains
- LDA Board of Directors
- Guest Speaker – Kelcey Klemm

Agenda – Approved.

Secretary Report – 2017 Annual Meeting Minutes – Published in 2018 Newsletter. Approved - Laurie Olson, Secretary

Treasure Report - YTD Financial Report Approved. - Linda Wiedmann, Treasurer

Balances as of December 31, 2017	
Bremer Checking Acct Balance	\$17,040.59
Bremer PayPal Acct	\$3,582.80
PayPal.com – available funds	\$0.00
CD Balance (matures 7/2018)	<u>\$4,104.17</u>
TOTAL	\$24,727.56

Friend of the Lakes Award 2018

Dennis Kral accepted the "Friends of the Lake Award" on behalf of the Pelican River Watershed District.

Dick Hecock presented the award explaining that ... In 1974 the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Lake Detroiters Association, began to select individuals who were deemed to have contributed significantly their service to the organization or to the protection of the lake.... He went on to say, 'Perhaps it is not an accident that the PRWD's mission "to enhance the quality of water in the lakes within its jurisdiction" looks a bit like LDA's. In any case the similarities bespeak a common goal and so it is natural that an effective PRWD is one of LDA's best friends'

Kelcey Klemm , DL City Administrator, updated the membership on the Detroit Lakes Comprehensive Plan, including the Detroit Lakes waterfront area. He provided updates on:

- West Lake Drive to Co 6
- County 6 to the Pelican River
- Water run off – Curb and Gutter
- The Heartland Trail – Plus Grant possibilities
- Shoreland Ordinance Planning
- City Park – 5 acres - South of DL
- Becker County Fairground
- Opportunities for the DL Pavilion
- New Police Department
- **Detroit Lakes Comprehensive Plan**

Beach Captain Update – Linda Wiedmann

- 2 more Beach Captains are needed – contact Linda if interested
- Beach Captains collected pack

Election of Board Members - Brad Wimmer

Board Terms Expiring

- Barb Halbakken Fischburg ((Renewing)
- Sue Disse (Will complete Lois Solheim' s last year)
- DuWayne Streyle (Retiring)
- Paul Bursik Retiring)
- Leif Rogstad (Retiring with one year left)
- Lois Solheim (Retiring with one year left)

Board Nominations - 3-year Terms – Motion Passed - Approved.

- Aaron Tait (New – 3-year term)
- Brian Korbel (New – 3-year term)
- John Cox (New 3-year term)

There were no other nominations from the floor.

Door Prizes

*There were several door prize drawings throughout the meeting. Thanks to many of our local businesses for donating prizes.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:45 AM

LDA Board of Directors meeting followed immediately.

Next Annual Meeting: June 23, 2018, Pavilion on Detroit Lake

Respectfully submitted,



Laurie Olson, Secretary



LDA Board Members

June 2018 to June 2019

Brad Wimmer 1225 West Lake Drive Cell: 701-730-0524 brad@wimmersdiamonds.com	President	June 2017-June 2020
Dick Hecock 633 North Shore Drive Cell: 218-849-2965 rdhecock@gmail.com	Vice President	June 2016-June 2019
Laurie Olson 280 Shorewood Drive Cell: 218-234-9346 lauriejolson@gmail.com	Secretary	June 2016-June 2019
Linda Wiedmann 1932 Long Bridge Road Cell: 701-371-6639 lwiedmann1950@gmail.com	Treasurer/Beach Captain Chair	June 2017-June 2020
Aaron Tate 1724 East Shore Drive Cell: 701-840-8906 Email: aaron.j.tait@icloud.com		June 2018-June 2021
Judie Cherry Long Bridge Road 218-847-4632 jcherry@arvig.net		June 2016-June 2019
Sue Disse 1040 West Lake Drive Cell: 218-841-8483 sdisse1@arvig.net	(Completing Lois Solheim's term)	June 2018-June 2019
John Cox 650 Shorewood Drive 701-371-1200 jgcox@me.com		June 2018-June 2021
Open		June 2018-June 2019
Sandy Sprafka 1024 South Shore Drive Cell: 218-234-8620 ssprafka@gmail.com		June 2017-June 2020
Brian Korbel 944 South Shore Drive 701-306-2725 bkorbel@microsoft.com		June 2015-June 2021
Barb Halbakken Fischburg 1940 Long Bridge Road Cell: 612-669-2346 bhalbakken@aol.com		June 2018-June 2021

2018 Treasurer's Report

Lake Detroiters Association - January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018 Annual Financial Report
 Compiled by Treasurer, Linda Wiedmann

Revenue and Expense: Budget and Actual 2018 YTD Total			
		2018 Annual Budget	2018 YTD Totals
Revenue			
Memberships		\$8,750.00	
	Checks/Cash (326)		\$8,150.00
	Paypal (27) (\$25-\$1.03 fee)		\$647.19
	Donations		\$645.00
Logowear	(checks/cash/square)	\$2,475.00	\$2,061.82
Other (interest)		\$0.00	\$2.16
TOTAL INCOME		\$11,225.00	\$11,506.17
Expense			
Operational		\$86.00	\$96.00
Legal (IRS)		\$0.00	\$650.00
Beach Captain Program		\$1,060.00	\$2,135.19
Annual Meeting		\$1,475.00	\$1,074.38
Logowear		\$2,255.00	\$1,351.50
Website		\$3,985.00	\$712.79
Marketing/Promotion		\$1,513.99	\$1,785.43
Membership Fees-Professional Organizations		\$819.00	\$823.00
Meetings/Travel		\$200.00	\$338.00
Donations		\$0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSE		\$11,393.99	\$8,966.29
SURPLUS/DEFICIT		(\$168.99)	\$2,539.88

Balances as of December 31, 2018

Bremer Checking Acct Balance	\$27,388.09
PayPal.com – available funds	\$0.00

Meet your Board Members

Linda Wiedmann has been a Board member since 2014. She presently serves as Treasurer and Beach Captain Program Chair. Linda moved from Moorhead to DL in 2002 and commuted to NDSU until retiring in 2014. She has three children all living in MN and lives on Long Bridge Road.

Dick Hecock has been a Board member since 2005. He is retired from academia, and from administrator of the PRWD. He served five years as President of Becker County Coalition of Lake Associations. He is proud to be recipient of the *Friend of the Lake Award* in 2015. Georgia and Dick Hecock live on North Shore Drive on property that has been in their family since 1917.

Laurie Olson has been an LDA Board Member since 2005, serving as Secretary since 2009. She and her husband Sid live on Shorewood Drive. Their children and grandchildren also live in DL, and all are enjoying "lake life"! She works at Essentia Health St. Mary's. Laurie is also your LDA logowear person!

Sue Disse has served on the Lake Association Board since 2012. Born and raised and in Detroit Lakes, she has lived here for her whole life. Married to Tom for 52 years, the Disses have 3 children and 7 grandchildren. They enjoy calling West Lake Drive their home since 2006. Before that, they lived on Highway 34 for 36 years. Sue worked at Sears Catalog store, was secretary at Sears District office, a loan processor at Bremer Bank and a secretary at Detroit Lakes Community Education. During that time, the Disses built and ran Pad-Lock Stor-All storage units, 3 rental homes; they currently own and run *Event 34, llc Gathering Center* venue.

Aaron Tait. originally from Valley City, ND, grew up coming to the Detroit Lakes area to his grandparents cabin on Cotton Lake. Even as a kid he wanted to have a place in Detroit Lakes in the future. He attended NDSU and graduated with a degree in economics, then took a job with Edward Jones Investments in Tempe, AZ. On April 15th 2013 he moved to my office in Detroit Lakes has been here since.

His wife, Jamie Tait works for CoSchedule, a technology start-up that develops marketing software in Fargo. She graduated from NDSU with a degree in marketing and in May of this year received a masters in business administration, also from NDSU. The Tait's currently have no children but do have a dog treated like their child.

Aaron is very much an outdoors enthusiast and his interest in Lake Detroiters Association Board comes from a passion for the outdoors and protecting the resources. He believes protecting and making the lake even better is something that is in the best interest of all lake property owners, the Detroit Lakes community, and the entire area.

Brad Wimmer and family grew up on the West side of Little Detroit Lake. His Grandparents settled here in the early 50's and the family never left. They enjoy all aspects of Lake life: boating, swimming, fishing, biking, tennis, golf, pickle-ball, walks, eating-out, and especially just relaxing out front while viewing this wonderful lake on the patio!

Judie Cherry lived on East Shore Drive for 57 years and now is a resident of Long Bridge Villas. She has been on the Lake Detroiters Board of Directors for six years and a Beach Captain since the program started. Judie was awarded the "Friend of the Lakes" award in 2017. Her term on the board will expire in 2019, the 75th Anniversary Year of Lake Detroiters.

Barb Halbakken Fischburg is a DL native and has served as LDA President since June 2012. She resigned February 2018 and remains on the Board. Barb continues working on statewide legislative issues pertaining to protecting Minnesota's public waters as a Board member of MN Lakes & Rivers Advocates (MLR). MN DNR Commissioner appointed Barb to serve on the Statewide Aquatic Invasive Species Advisory Committee and she currently is completing her third 3-year Director term.

Sandy Sprafka has been a board member since 2017. She is retired, but worked for over 30 years at NDSU in Information Technology Services. She has a home in Detroit Lakes, and a summer cabin on South Shore Drive of Big Detroit. She is concerned about lake protection (from AIS, overuse, and inappropriate use). "Our lakes are a precious resource that needs to be cared for and protected by everyone."

John Cox is retired, and lives in Fargo with his wife Candice. They spend summers at their lake home on Shorewood Drive where they brought their five children and now grandchildren. Grandfather Arthur Cox, purchased the property, which has become to be known as Cox's Point, in 1911. It was passed to John by his father, Tom. Tom was a founding member of Lake Detroiters and a LDA member for more than 30 years; it is also believed that he had the first pontoon boat on the lake. John too is a long-standing LDA member and have served as beach captain since 2012. He is very grateful for the work undertaken by the Lake Detroiters organization, by representing lake property owners, by pursuing the treatment of Flowering Rush, preventing other AIS infestations, and many other contributions. He would enjoy being a board member and contributing to further progress.

Brian Korbel is originally from Barnesville, MN and from an early age enjoyed "lake life" at his parent's place on Lake Lida. However, while growing up he made sure to take frequent trips to Detroit Lakes to enjoy all its summer offerings.

After graduating from MSUM with a degree in Accounting, he took residence in Fargo and has been employed by Microsoft/Great Plains for most of his career. He and his wife Sandy have 3 children and have had a place on Detroit Lakes since 1996. They enjoy the summer trips to the lake and all the memories made over the years, and look forward to creating many more in the years to come!



The Mission of Lake Detroiters –

“to Promote the Protection and Enhancement of Detroit Lake”

To serve this mission, LDA has

1. *provided members and others with up-to-date information including... :*
 - *Local and state government reports on lake topics*
 - *Local planning actions*
 - *Water quality conditions and trends*
 - *AIS status and threats*
 - *Changes in regulations affecting lakeshore, lake use*
 - *Local events*
 - *Notices of importance to shoreline owners*
2. *promoted the adoption and consistent enforcement of zoning laws, regulations and policies*
3. *ensured that lake-friendly representatives are appointed to boards and committees which have influence on the lakes*
4. *advocated to preserve water quality and lake values with state and local governments*
5. *reduced the threat from AIS through strong advocacy of prevention and treatment at local and state levels, support of inspections, and encouraging vigilance among LDA members*
6. *allied with local and statewide organizations such as Minnesota Lakes and Rivers to obtain greater influence on lake-protection decision-making*
7. *cooperated with COLA and other groups to achieve common goals of lake protection*
8. *provided timely news releases to local media about local issues*
9. *provided a forum for exchange of lake-related news and ideas among members and others*

Members can remain informed about the many activities of the organization by attending meetings, receiving news updates, referring to the LDA website, and its Facebook page.

See: www.lakedetroiters.com and “friend” Lake-Detroiters on Facebook.

LDA Committees and Committee Charges

Lake Detroiters is looking for help – here are the LDA’s standing committees, let us know if you are interested and are willing to become involved in protecting your lake. You do not have to be a Board member to be on a committee.

Lake Protection and Use Committee will investigate and make recommendations concerning planning, programs, and regulations impacting lake and lake use.

Examples of committee interest to include water quality and watercraft monitoring, recreation safety and rules, fish-stocking and regulation, lake management options and plans, harvesting and lake vegetation plans, channel maintenance, water levels,

Shoreland Protection Committee will investigate and make recommendations about conditions, regulations, public use areas, development proposals in the Shoreland Zone.

Examples of committee interest include activities, plans and regulations impacting protection, restoration and development of Shoreland, the creation and management of public uses areas, private accesses, amenity

Aquatic Invasive Species Committee will investigate and make recommendations about preventing and managing AIS infestations

Examples of committee interest to include education and management strategies for current infestations (FR, CLPW, MS, ZM), prevention strategies for possible new infestations; ,

Government and Community Affairs Committee will investigate and make recommendations about how LDA can expand its involvement and influence in governmental and community organizations.

Examples of committee interest to include assessments of the efficacy and promotion of different types of involvement types (observers, committee-work, memberships, petitions, partnerships, funding, etc.) in local, state government agencies and other organizations (C of C, COLA, MLR, etc.)

Operations Committee will investigate and make recommendations concerning the functioning and proper conduct of LDA

Examples of committee interest to include bylaw revisions, officer and director recruitment, corporation compliance and tax status, association history, strategic planning, communications (website, facebook), awards (FOL), and financial audits.

Marketing and Member Outreach Committee will assume responsibility for organizing and advising the Directors on membership, events, fund-raising, and youth programming

Examples of committee interest/action to include planning annual meeting and related events, beach-captain program, the member directory and newsletter, logowear and other fundraising, youth program development

LAKE DETROITERS ASSOCIATION LOGOWEAR 2019

75th Anniversary



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The tote will display this emblem

\$20

**75 Years of Service
for
Lake Residents
and the
Detroit Lakes Community**



The Lake Detroiter

*(This is the front page of a 60 page History of Lake Detroiters Association
to be distributed to members on June 22)*

Let's Celebrate !!

**KOC
Pancakes
8:00 am**



**Annual Meeting
9:15 am**

“What a Beautiful Detroit”

75th Anniversary Video & Panel Discussion – 10:15

FOOD FEST

12 Noon

LogoWear

TOTE/Hat

PARTY 2 GO

7-11 pm

Rock Your Dock Out

1 – 5 PM