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President's Report

I hope those of you that wet a line during the opener had some success and enjoyed the wonderful weather. Based on the cars at the public accesses and the boats running up and down the lake, Sauk Lake was a popular place to be. It's no question that Sauk has become one of the premier walleye lakes in the area. According to Eric Altena at the DNR, another 2.1 million walleye fry were stocked shortly before the opening weekend. Sauk Lake is fortunate to receive a healthy allotment of fry from the DNR on an annual basis. I wish you the best of luck if you plan to get on the water and participate in one of Minnesota's favorite past times.



Each year the BSLA Board and the City of Sauk Centre take-on their obligation to try to control the amount of Curly Leaf Pondweed (CLP), an invasive aquatic plant, that is present in the lake. It starts with hiring a consulting firm to conduct a vegetation survey of the entire lake. This survey is typically done in June when CLP is at its maturity. Based on the recommendation of the consulting firm, BSLA and the City will present, to the Sauk River Watershed District (SRWD) Board, a proposed budget for treatment. If approved, the SRWD will fund the treatment to be used to control of the CLP.

One step involved in the invasive weed control program is to apply for a permit with the MN DNR. Each year in early Spring this permit is submitted. The DNR takes the information provided by the Consultant's survey and makes a trip out to the lake to verify the need for control.

In 2017 for the first time, the DNR's review determined that the two areas where the City and BSLA proposed to control CLP did not meet their criteria for herbicide application. In one of the areas the DNR indicated that the density of CLP did not warrant control. In the second area, near the inlet of the Sauk River, the DNR determined that the "native" weed population was too prevalent. Both of these finds are plusses. The goal of the program is to reduce the invasive species to the point where the native plants can thrive. It appears the lake is "currently" at that stage. We will continue to survey and act accordingly as we move forward.

Remember this! Your Lake Association's Annual Meeting is Saturday, May 27th at 8:00 (a great breakfast provided). Our guest speaker is Lynn Nelson from the SRWD. Lynn has years of experience and knowledge in river & lake water quality management. I always look forward to learning something new from Lynn. Your Board hopes to see you there. If you want to be a part of this organization, we would love to have you join as a Board member. See the notices about the meeting elsewhere in this newsletter.

Speaking of new members. At last year's Annual meeting Mike Disher joined the Board. Mike's is retired from Morrison County's IT group. Thanks to Mike's knowledge we have been looking at making our

web site more interactive and up to date for the membership. Watch for changes in the near future.

For years we have had the privilege of having a web site that was founded and hosted by Lynn Woodward. Lynn has sold his lake cabin so the timing is right to transition the site from Lynn to the Board. A huge thanks goes to Lynn for over a decade of service to BSLA. This is a public thank-you and acknowledgement that is well overdue - Thanks Lynn!

Have a great summer, enjoy your lake and be safe!

Tim Weir
President, BSLA



2017 Membership—Big Sauk Lake Association

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us in
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2016 LAKE WATCH REPORTS

North Basin - Monitored by Jeff Mayer							South Basin			
Site ID: 202 (Greystone)				Site ID: 207 (Rainbow)			Monitored by Vern Beckermann			
DATE	SECCHI DEPTH (ft)	COLOR	WEATHER NOTES	SECCHI DEPTH (ft)	COLOR	WEATHER NOTES	DATE	SECCHI DEPTH (ft)	COLOR	WATER TEMP
May-8	9.83	Green	Calm, 60 degrees	9.75	Green	Calm, 60 degrees	Apr-29	5.0	Clear	47
May-15	8.16	Green	N 10 MPH 42 degrees	8.91	Green	N 10 MPH 42 degrees	May-5	6.0	Clear	54
May-24	8.75	Green	Calm 73 degrees	9.16	Green	Calm 73 degrees	May-11	5.5	Clear	54
May-29	9.00	Green	N 10 MPH 61 degrees	9.16	Green	N 10 MPH 61 degrees	May-18	7.0	Clear	56
Jun-7	9.16	Green/Brown	N 15 MPH 67 degrees	10.00	Green/Brown	N 15 MPH 67 degrees	May-24	6.5	Clear	66
Jun-16	5.66	Brown	S 10 MPH 75 degrees	4.25	Brown	S 10 MPH 75 degrees	Jun-3	6.0	Brown	65
Jun-23	5.91	Green	Calm 76 degrees	5.00	Green	Calm 76 degrees	Jun-9	6.0	Brown	65
Jun-27	4.50	Brown	NW10 MPH 70 degrees	5.16	Brown	NW10 MPH 70 degrees	Jun-18	5.0	Brown	68
Jul-9	9.00	Green	SE 10 MPH 64 degrees	8.50	Green	SE 10 MPH 64 degrees	Jun-22	5.0	Brown	72
Jul-20	10.12	Clear	S 15 MPH 89 degrees	10.50	Clear	S 15 MPH 89 degrees	Jun-29	3.0	Brown	72
Jul-27	6.00	Green	N 15 MPH 76 degrees	5.83	Green	N 15 MPH 76 degrees	Jul-9	3.0	Brown	72
Jul-31	5.50	Green	S 15 MPH 69 degrees	5.16	Green	S 15 MPH 69 degrees	Jul-15	3.0	Brown	71
Aug-12	4.50	Green	N 10 MPH 77 degrees	4.25	Green	N 10 MPH 77 degrees	Jul-20	2.5	Brown	74
Aug-21	4.16	Green/Brown	N 10 MPH 71 degrees	3.50	Green/Brown	N 10 MPH 71 degrees	Jul-29	3.5	Brown	76
Aug-28	4.00	Green/Brown	SW 15 MPH 81 degrees	4.00	Green/Brown	SW 15 MPH 81 degrees	Aug-5	3.0	Brown	72
Sep-6	3.00	Green/Brown	Calm 73 degrees	3.91	Green/Brown	Calm 73 degrees	Aug-11	2.5	Brown	76
							Aug-17	2.5	Brown	78
							Aug-24	2.0	Brown	73
							Aug-31	2.0	Brown	70
							Sep-8	2.0	Brown	66
							Sep-14	1.5	Brown	62
							Sep-29	2.5	Brown	56

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Below is a listing of BSLA Residential and Business members who have paid dues for calendar year 2017 as of May 12, 2017. **THANK YOU** for your support of Big Sauk Lake and the Sauk Centre community!

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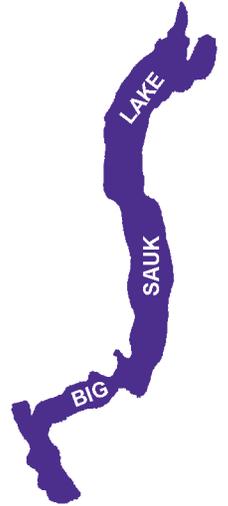
WHEN: Saturday, May 27, 2017

8 am—Breakfast Served By Youth Group
(Free Will Offering Appreciated)

8:30 am—Business Meeting

WHERE: First Lutheran Church, 304 Elm St. S. & Sinclair Lewis Ave.
Please enter via southwest entrance to basement.

GUEST SPEAKER: Lynn Nelson, Environmental Project Coordinator, will be talking about the Total Maximum Daily Load reports for Big Sauk Lake, shoreline restoration, and who and what is the Sauk River Watershed District.



Hope To See You There!



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