

# Lake News

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Child, Girl, and Woman Lakes Area Association



## CGWLAA Treatment of Invasive Eurasian Watermilfoil

On August 3, the Child, Girl, Woman Lakes Area Association was notified that Eurasian watermilfoil was found in the channel at the Girl Lake launch ramp in Longville. The DNR AIS Specialist, Cass County Coordinator, and Walker Fisheries knew of this. The Association applied for and was granted a permit to have the area treated.

In nutrient-rich lakes, it can form thick underwater stands of tangled stems and vast mats of vegetation at the surface of the water. In shallow areas, the plant can interfere with water recreation sports such as boating, fishing, and swimming. The plant's floating canopy can also crowd out important native water plants.

A key factor in the plant's success is its ability to reproduce through stem fragmentation and runners. A single segment of stem and leaves can take root and form a new colony. Fragments clinging to boats and trailers can spread the plant from lake to lake.



The mechanical clearing of aquatic plants for beaches, docks, and landings creates thousands of new stem fragments. Removing native vegetation creates perfect habitat for invading Eurasian watermilfoil.

CGWLAA contacted PLM, a commercial herbicide application company from Brainerd, who surveyed the area and out into Girl Lake. They determined that the milfoil was only in the channel. The Eurasian watermilfoil at the city ramp was treated on Wednesday, August 30, by PLM. A subsequent

inspection of the channel two weeks later indicated that treatment was very effective. The ramp area is now posted with bright orange signs to let people know that the treatment has been completed. The only restriction is that the water near the ramp cannot be used to water plants or lawns.

The City of Longville and the Longville Chamber of Commerce decided to reimburse the CGWLAA for the cost of treatment.

Each summer the area will be inspected to make sure that this very aggressive exotic species does not invade our lakes. An important reminder for all - each boater needs to make sure there is no vegetation or zebra mussels on their watercraft or trailers when transporting from lake to lake. Clean, Drain, Dry, and Dispose.

**Rich Hess, Aquatic Invasive Species**

## Fishing with Bill: Try Something New

Some of the best fishing of the season is quickly approaching! Generally, in the fall, most walleye anglers are content to fish jigs and minnows with some of the best results of the year. However, I challenge you to try different tactics this fall such as replacing that minnow with some soft plastics. There are numerous brands that produce bait that mimic live bait presentations. Give these a try when you are having success to see if they can entice bigger fish to strike.

The other bait that is having a huge impact on walleye fishing today is glide bait. In the past, this type of bait was only con-

sidered for ice fishing but using them in open water is growing in popularity and angler success. Casting, trolling, and fishing them vertically are all great ways to put more fish in the boat. Hope you can get out on the water and enjoy some of the best fishing action of the season. Fish On!

*Editor's Note: Bill Hornung, a year-round resident of Child Lake and fishing enthusiast, is a full-time school teacher who works as a fishing guide in his spare time.*



## Krusin' with Don



Our newsletter editor, John Gundale, of 11 years, has retired and deserves a huge thank you from all of us. Over the years, he has kept us informed of what was going on

with our lakes and provided many special interest stories. Our newsletter will continue as Linda Kane has stepped forward to take on the duties of newsletter editor.

We have not had a Water Quality chairperson for the past year. I am happy to announce that Ann Stevenson has volunteered to take over this committee. Welcome, Ann, and thank you!

Another thank you goes out to Scott Fjellman, Child Lake representative. Scott resigned his position on the Board, and I am pleased to announce that Bill Hornung will be taking his place. Welcome, Bill!

Myles Wagner, chairperson for the Shoreline Naturalization Committee, has decided to step down from the Board. Thank you, Myles, for starting this program and distributing over 2,000 trees and shrubs over the years.

Our 43 road standards around the lakes have been updated. During this past summer, over 180 names were removed, and the remaining names were repositioned for ease of readability. The standards are for members of our association. Many of the names removed were people who had moved, passed away, or chosen not to join the association. Now the names you see represent the members of your association. Jon Stevenson has done a terrific job updating the standards. To have your name remain on the standard, please renew your membership each year. Renewal notices will be sent out early in the spring.

We were notified on August 3 that Eurasian watermilfoil was located at

the ramp and dock area in Longville. Please refer to the article earlier in the newsletter on this topic provided by Rich Hess.

The CGWLAA 41st annual meeting was held on August 5 at Woodrow Town Hall. There was a great turnout with a total of 83 in attendance, including Board and association mem-



bers. Thanks to all for participating.

With falling water temperatures, make sure you are safe and wear a life jacket. Have an enjoyable fall and winter.

**Don Kruse, President**

## Order Trees, Shrubs, or Plants for Spring Planting

Our lake association is once again offering five **FREE** trees, shrubs, or flowering plants to encourage shoreline naturalization as a buffer between lawns and the lakes. Prairie Blazing Star will be offered again this year; it is a favorite of Monarch butterflies, humming birds, and bees. Because of the cost difference and how the Blazing Star is shipped, if you order this blooming plant (a pack of three), it will be your entire order. Or, as in the past, you can order any combination of five trees or shrubs from the list. Like previous years, additional trees or shrubs can be ordered for \$1 each. Payment for any additional items must be made at the time your order is sent or placed on line with a check

to follow shortly. All orders must be placed by the first week of January.

Please e-mail your order to Don Kruse at [krusedj@arvig.net](mailto:krusedj@arvig.net) (no order form necessary), or mail the order form provided below to Don Kruse, 1015 West Sam Houston #49, Pharr, Texas, 78577. Pick up of the trees, shrubs, or flowers will be in the spring at Woodrow Township Hall off of County Road #11. Orders can be picked up the first Saturday in May or the second Saturday in May from 9 AM to noon. You will receive a reminder when your order is available. Orders sent by e-mail are easier to process and provide ongoing communication. If you do not have e-mail,

please be sure to include your name and phone number on the order form.

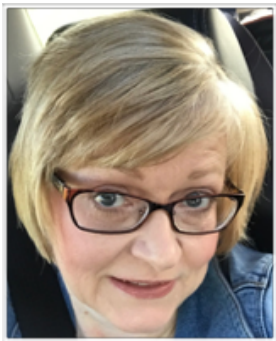
If you prefer to order additional plants that are not on the order form, visit the Crow Wing Soil and Water Conservation District website to see what else is available. The CWSWCD offers a broader selection, but you need to order an entire bundle or kit.

You can also send this order with payment to us, and we will include it in our order, which may then qualify for a discount. Most of the trees and shrubs are bare root and 8 to 24 inches in size. Please call Don Kruse (515-351-0547) with any questions. We look forward to another successful year of spring planting.

<b>Print Name:</b>	<b>Phone #:</b>	<b>E-mail:</b>	
<b>Species</b>	<b>Height</b>	<b>Soil Type</b>	<b>Number</b>
Red Pine (Norway)	50-80'	Sand/well drained	
White Pine	80-100'	Sand/loam/clay	
White Cedar	40-50'	Sand/loam/clay	
Sugar Maple	50-65'	Moist/wet	
Red Splendor Crabapple	20-30'	Dry/wet	
False Indigo	6-9'	Any well-drained	
High Bush Cranberry	8-12'	Dry/wet	
Serviceberry/Juneberry	6-9'	Dry/wet	
Prairie Blazing Star (3 pack)	2-3'	Moist/wet	
			<b>Total</b>

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## From the Editor



editor.

I was born and raised in southern Minnesota and became acquainted with the lakes up north when I met my husband, David, in 2003 whom I mar-

ried in 2007. We spent as much time as possible at our cabin on Big Deep Lake and enjoyed it immensely. In 2014, we had "growing pains" and bought our house on Woman Lake.

It has been a spectacular move for our family. We are still settling in, getting to know our neighbors, meeting members of the association, and exploring the lakes.

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suggestions about what you would like to see published going forward.

**Linda Kane, Editor**



**Help!** Prevent the spread of invasive species in our lakes. Please remember to wash and sanitize your boat, trailers, and equipment when you leave our lakes and any lake, especially one contaminated with invasive species such as zebra mussels. Remind your guests to do likewise. To learn more visit: [www.CleanDrainDry.org](http://www.CleanDrainDry.org). Thank you!

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