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Mission Statement

The Squash Lake Association's mission is to preserve and protect Squash Lake and its surrounding ecosystems, and also to enhance the water quality, the fishery, the wild natural habitats, boating safety, and the aesthetic values of Squash Lake, as a public recreational facility for today and for future generations.

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Next newsletter deadline is May 24, 2019



The Squash Lake Association proudly participates in the Wisconsin DNR and the UWEX Lakes, Clean Boats Clean Waters Program.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Kathy Tournour

What an interesting winter it's been! My family and I enjoy skiing and snowmobiling during the winter months, so we spend a lot of time browsing weather sites and discussing the long-range forecast. Mother Nature sure kept us on our toes this year. But alas, as winter draws to a close, we're beginning to think about storing our skis and snowmobiles and putting the pier in. The Squash Lake Association has been busy this winter and is looking forward to summer as well. In January, the SLA was awarded a \$4000 donation from the Sokaogan Chippewa Community. This generous grant will be allocated for the 2019 Clean Boats Clean Waters program. We are excited to partner with the Sokaogon Chippewa Community in our continued commitment to the Squash Lake environment. What's in store for summer 2019? The SLA will meet in March and May to finalize plans for the summer. We are excited about new and continued opportunities, such as the Clean Boats Clean Waters program, which utilizes the boat landing to monitor boats throughout the summer. Through this program, we will continue working hand in hand with the Squash Lake District to support the fight against invasive species. Further details will follow in late spring. Do you have an idea or suggestion? I would love to hear it! Feel free to call or email me. Enjoy the last few weeks of winter. It will be summer before you know it!

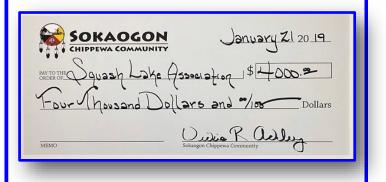
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SQUASH LAKE ASSOCIATION RECEIVES AWARD

Sokaogon Chippewa Community has awarded the Squash Lake Association \$4000 for their efforts in fighting the spread of aquatic invasive species through the operation of our Clean Boats/Clean Waters program.



Michael Preul, Director of Mole Lake Fisheries presented the award on Monday, January 21, 2019 at the Mole Lake Conference Center in Crandon, Wisconsin.





Still looking for the owner of a paddle boat which drifted ashore last summer.

If you are the owner or know who might be, it is located next to the Squash Lake Association

Shed at the boat launch.

If you have something to sell or give away, or are looking for something, this is the place to post it.

Just send me an email: russ.linda.tennessen@gmail.com

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<u>If Case you Haven't Been</u> The<u>re Yet</u>



Minocqua's Snowmy Kromer

Residents first began building a giant snowman in the 60's. Groups of locals would gather and build a huge snowman.

That tradition has been revived with Snowmy Kromer, now built by volunteers with the help of a local company - Schrom Excavating. Using snow fencing, the base is 24' across, then 16', and finally, the head is 8' across. He stands 30' tall! When his body is finished the Fire Department douses him with 25,000 gallons of water to keep all the snow in place. Finally Snowmy is decorated. His eyes, mouth, and buttons are made with scrap wood, his nose is an orange traffic cone, and his crowning glory is the size 96 Stormy Kromer cap. It was custom made in Ironwood, Michigan by Stormy Kromer Mercantile CEO, Bob Jacquart. There are only 2 such caps in existence. The other resides in Alaska.

<u>Wanted:</u> Old Photos and Articles Featuring Squash Lake Landmarks

In an attempt to create a short history of Squash Lake landmarks that preceded 1960, we are requesting that those who have knowledge and/or photographs of Squash Lake landmarks submit them to: Linda Tennessen: russ.linda.tennessen@gmail.com

Landmarks that come to mind are: Paddock's Resort, Peninsula View Resort, Woodboro Bay Resort, Sawmill Cove, Blindman Herman's Cove, Old Man Montag's Farm, Harkin's Horse Farm, and Gudis Landing.

Schedule of Events SLA Board Meetings

(the meetings are held in the Crescent Town Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. They are open meetings.)

March 16, 2019	8:30 am
May 18, 2019	8:30 am
July 20. 2019	(annual meeting)
August 17, 2019	8:30 am

Squash Lake Theme

"SQUASH LAKE, A PLACE TO COME HOME TO"

Squash Lake



Eagles Soar



Bald eagles continue their comeback in Wisconsin, with a record 1,695 occupied nests in 2018, according to the Wisconsin Bald Eagle Nest Survey released by the Department of Natural Resources on Jan. 8. That's the highest number of nests since surveys began in 1973! The 2018 totals are a 6.6% increase from 2017, when the DNR documented a then-record 1,590 occupied nests. When surveys began in 1973, just 108 nests were recorded, and the bald eagle was a federally and state endangered species.

The raptor was taken off the state list in 1997 and the federal list in 2007, but remains a federally protected species under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. Vilas and Oneida counties continue to lead the state in recorded nests, with 172 and 154, respectively. The two counties have large concentrations of lakes and tall white pine trees — prime habitat for eagles.



6 EAGLES CIRCLE THE ICE ON A SUNNY DECEMBER DAY ON SQUASH!



Squash Lake Association News & Events



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http://www.squashlakeassociation.com

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