

The Voice of Squash Lake



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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, of Squash Lake, as a public recreational facility for today and for future generations.

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**Next newsletter deadline is
December 16, 2020**



Karen Isebrands Brown

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

Greetings Squash Lake Neighbors,

-2020 continues to be an unprecedented year. As Covid turned our world upside down, causing the cancellation of celebrations and summer events, I found my time at Squash Lake to be the bright spot in my summer. Spending time on the water is certainly good for the soul.

Even though the Squash Lake Association has not been able to meet in person, we have been busy. Our Annual Meeting was held via Zoom and, although we all agree we miss socializing per persons, it was a success. We also held a SUP (Stand-Up Paddleboard) class and organized our first boat flotilla. Both were great fun and we plan to continue to organize summer events for Squash Lake residents.

High water was a topic of discussion at the Annual Meeting. The water level is the highest I have ever seen, and I have noticed many sandbags as residents try to prevent shore erosion. The SLA sent an email to members and a postcard to all lake residents asking them to be aware of the waves their boats are creating and to take some simple steps to mitigate the effects of those waves. WE believe that by working together we can protect the lake that we all love.

Lastly, the SLA board has changed this summer. Craig Zarley, a founding board member, decided not to run for re-election. The board is going to miss Craig, especially his fish expertise. The number of board members was expanded to 11 and Ann Kipper and Craig Reineking were elected to fill the two open positions. They introduced themselves at our last Zoom meeting on August 15 and their expertise make them valuable additions to the board. I regret to announce that, several days after the meeting, we learned that Craig Reineking passed away. We are all saddened that Craig will not be able to serve alongside us on the SLA board, and our hearts go out to his family and loved ones.

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Schedule of Events

October 10, 2020	9:00 AM
February 6, 2021	9:00 AM
May 15, 2021	9:00 AM
June 26, 2021	ANNUAL MEMBER'S MEETING (time and place to be determined)
August 21, 2021	9:00 AM

Unless otherwise noted, the meetings are held in the Crescent Town Hall. Because of COVID, meetings may be conducted remotely via ZOOM.

Everyone is welcome to attend



**THANK YOU FOR THE GRAND
4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS!**

**2020 WILL BE HARD TO
BEAT!**



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

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Squash Lake Association Membership Form

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Name(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Lake Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone# _____

We will email you a receipt.

I would like to help with (circle your choice): boat inspections, EWM monitoring, mailings, or ?

Instead, I would like to contribute towards hiring an inspector (\$12/hr. increments, please use "Landing Inspector" below)

\$ _____ Yearly Membership (limit 2 per property) \$25.00 Dues are for January 1– December 31

\$ _____ CBCW & Landing Inspector

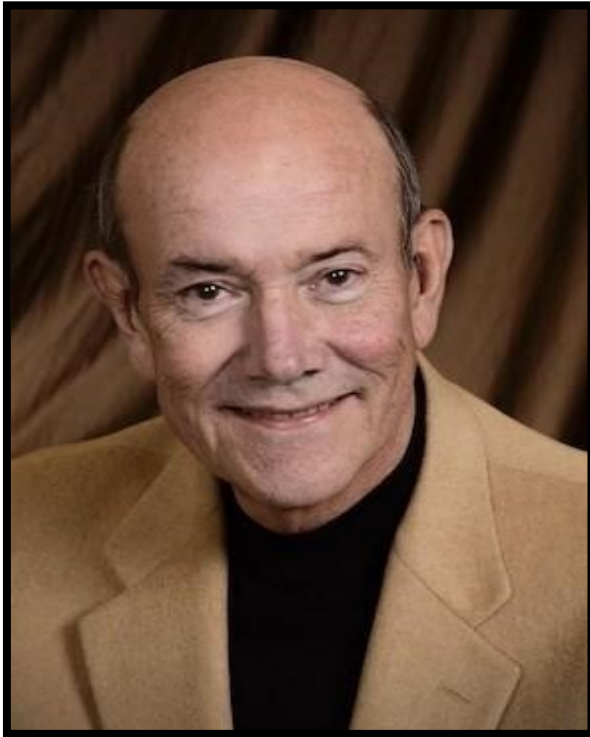
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IN MEMORIAM



Craig R. Reineking

1948 – 2020

Craig R. Reineking, 72, of Rhineland, passed away August 18, 2020 at home after a long battle with COPD.

Craig was born in Wausau on May 4, 1948 to Robert and Margaret (Mohr) Reineking. He attended Wausau High School and the University of Wisconsin. He married his wife Barbara in 1970, and together had two sons; Bradley and Mark. Craig served in the Army National Guard from 1969 until 1973. He began his business career with Graebel Moving and Storage in December of 1969 as a Management Trainee in Wausau and held numerous management and executive positions with the Graebel Companies, living in various cities across

America until retiring in 2017, ultimately moving to their summer home in northern Wisconsin.

Craig served on the Board of Directors and was a one-term President of the Marathon County Humane Society. One of his greatest passions was downhill skiing and he served on the National Ski Patrol for 30 years and was honored with their Outstanding Service award. He was co-founder of the Ski For Youth and he and his wife Barb were co-commissioners of the Badger State Winter Games. He was also a member of the Rib Mountain Ski Club and was their 2-term President. Craig was a member of the Wausau Water Ski Team, where he served as President for one term. He was also on the Board of the Wausau Area Chamber of Commerce and the Board of the University of Wisconsin Marathon Campus Foundation until his death, serving 3 terms as President of the Foundation. Craig was honored by the UW Foundation with the Spirit of Excellence Award in 2017. In the summer, Craig could usually be found on his John Deere riding mower, making sure his lawn was perfectly manicured. His other passions were fishing and hunting with his sons and lifelong friends. In particular, the annual duck hunting trip to North Dakota with family and friends was greatly anticipated. Deer hunting in northern Wisconsin also created many fun memories for family and friends that will be cherished forever. In his later years, Craig enjoyed hunting and fishing with grandchildren and pulling them waterskiing. He will be greatly missed.

Craig is survived by his wife Barbara, their sons Brad (Nancy) of Fox River Grove, IL and Mark (Kathryn) of Cary, IL; and grandchildren Pierce, Gracie, Nicholas, Phoebe, Carter and Brooke. He is preceded in death by his parents and brothers Scott and Jeffrey.

Craig who just recently joined the Squash Lake Association Board will be missed.

Squash Boat Flotilla, July 25, 2020



*Plan your dock decorations and/or boat decorations for next year.
It was a beautiful day and we are hoping to make it an annual event.*

STAND UP PADDLE BOARD CLASS

by Linda Tennesen

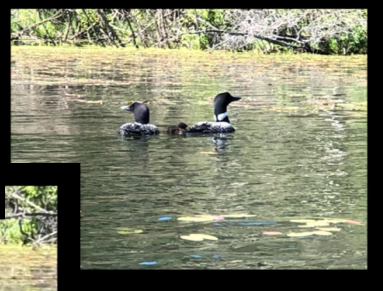
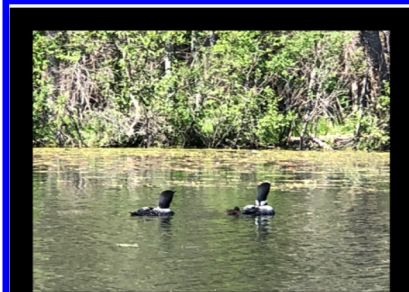
On June 27th, the Squash Lake Association sponsored an introductory standup paddle board class. Dale & Jeannine Smith offered the use of their beachfront for the class. Nicolet College provided an instructor who patiently instructed us on the types of paddle boards, how to get on, the proper stance for balance, paddling strokes and turning techniques, and lastly...how to get back on if you fall off.

Jackie Whitney let me borrow her board for which I am grateful. I learned a new skill and have since bought my own board. I purchased an inflatable which is only 25 pounds, so a good choice if you want to be able to move it yourself. It is a great way to see the lake, but pick a calm day if you are new to your SUP.

It's the law



All vessels (including canoes, kayaks, and paddleboards) must have at least one USCG-approved wearable life jacket for each person on board.



**The Loon Bay loon family
in early July.
He'll be on his own
by fall.**



**The divers heading
out for a
day on the lake
harvesting milfoil.**



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Ann Kipper Joins the Squash Lake Association Board



Ann has over 25 years of experience in the environmental and natural resources fields. She attended UW Stevens Point and has a bachelor's degree in Geography/Geology. She spent nine years in the private sector working on remediation, wetland, water, waste and mining projects for private industry and business. Ann worked for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for six years as an environmental coordinator doing wetland, water crossing, environmental analysis, and agency liaison work for highway and bridge projects. Ann worked in the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources' Waste and Materials Management program for ten years as a field supervisor and program director, working extensively with DNR programs, state agencies, federal agencies, tribes, local governments, the legislature and industry. Ann currently serves as a Deputy Division Administrator for the External Services Division, which has five programs: Watershed Management, Wetlands and Waterways, Community Financial Assistance, Environmental Analysis & Sustainability, and Customer & Outreach Services.

Ann's career was inspired by the Oneida County Forest park her family lived on while she was growing up — the Buck Lake shoreline, unique wetlands and 40 acres of forest donated to the county by naturalist Dr. Lois Almon. Ann and her husband, Buck, live in the Northwoods with their three children. They enjoy the outdoors, their faith and their family. Ann has a special affinity for Lake Superior and she has a keen interest in mentoring youth in her community and emerging leaders in the DNR.

"I look forward to meeting and getting to know each of you individually. Let me know if you'd like to grab coffee or come over for a visit. We can socially distance on the deck or pontoon boat. If you're game to meet in person or over the phone (or FaceTime), feel free to text or call to set a date."

Ann Kipper 715-490-0589





Tim Hoyman, CLM
Lead Aquatic Ecologist
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[Paleocological Study of Squash Lake](#)

On Tuesday, July 28th, Tim was at Squash Lake to collect a paleocore sample from the deepest part of the lake. The results of the paleocological study will be included in the report completed over the winter.

A description of what the study will reveal is below:

1b. Activiaty (786/1000)

“Paleocore collection and analysis allows for a clear understanding of how a lake’s nutrient content, specifically phosphorus, has changed since European settlement in the lake’s watershed. If nutrient levels have changed significantly, that change is likely anthropogenic, so there may be an opportunity to reverse the effect or at least minimize it. Further, and maybe more importantly, if there is strong evidence that current nutrient conditions are similar to those found before European settlement, then the lake group would know that the current conditions are natural and the opportunities to lower nutrient levels are very limited.

(,,Continued in next column)



1b. Method and Data Collected (836/1000)

A sediment core would be collected in the deep area of the lake and would be long enough to cover a time period of the last 130 years. The top 1 cm of sediment represents present day conditions. A sample near the bottom of the core represents pre-European settlement conditions. To assure that the bottom sample represents pre-settlement conditions, a portion of it is analyzed at the WSLH for the isotope, lead 210. This isotope remains at detectable levels for about 130 years, so if concentrations are negligible we know that the sediment was deposited over 130 years ago. The diatom community is examined in the top and bottom samples. Diatom species can be differentiated based upon their silica shells. Different species of diatoms grow under different environmental conditions, shedding light on how a lake has changed over time.

1b. Deliverable/Outcomes (564/1000)

The analysis is useful in determining specific environmental changes in the lake; especially changes in phosphorus concentrations over time. The diatom analysis can also shed light on changes in general macrophyte coverage, pH, phosphorus, and nitrogen at the present time compared to pre-settlement times. Understanding how phosphorus concentrations and other conditions have changed, or not changed, since pre-settlement aids in the development of realistic goals for controlling nutrients and plants within the lake as a part of the management planning process.”



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Squash Lake Protection & Rehabilitation District
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Lake District Highlights – Survey and More
by Dan Butkus, Treasurer SLPRD

District Meeting Notice

Date: October 11, 2020

Time: 1:00

Meeting Format: Zoom

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The Squash Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District held its annual owners/electors meeting on August 8th. The 2021 Budget for the District passed unanimously and the District will be re-applying for another Eurasian Water Milfoil Control grant this fall. The pre-application is due September 2 and the application is due November 1. The motion to seek further information and put numbers to possible options regarding the preservation of the Loon Bay Wetlands failed to pass. It is possible to bring this up again in the future through another petition to place it on the annual meeting agenda.

The divers will be winding down the EWM Control season in mid September. While there are no final numbers yet, the trend this year appears that EWM is contained and managed at or below the levels specified in the grant. The Timed Meander to catalog plants and habitat in the Loon Bay Wetlands has been postponed to 2021 due to Covid-19. Consequently, the DNR has extended the grants beyond the scheduled end-date of 12/31/20 due to Covid-19.

The Aquatic Plant Management Plan grant to update the Lake Management Plan is underway. Sediment core samples of the lake bed at the deep hole were taken in mid-summer. Results are expected in mid-fall. Analysis should give us an indication of the lake's water quality to pre-settlement, in order to know how the lake's water quality has changed since the mid 1800's.

Also as part of the Aquatic Plant Management Plan grant is an owner survey. This survey will be sent to all households within the district to gauge how the lake is used and what peoples' largest concerns are. This will help guide the District and its consultant on appropriate lake management, including management of invasive species moving forward. The survey is being reviewed in committee, and should be ready for mailing by late fall. The district encourages everyone who receives the postcard to follow the instructions, and complete the anonymous online survey. There will be instructions on how to obtain a paper copy of the survey if you cannot access the online survey. Completion of the APM Plan is necessary to qualify for future EWM Control grants, and your participation in the survey is critical.



Onterra crew out visually inspecting lake for EWM on August 24th.

THE PADDOCK FAMILY: 100 YEARS SINCE THE PURCHASE OF LAND ON SQUASH LAKE

Rhineland, WI. – It was August 25, 1920. According to the original land contract, Arthur A. Paddock and Margaret Paddock from Chicago purchased 140 acres of land from Liberty Land and Investment Company of Delaware for a mere \$35 per acre. There was 12 additional acres of swamp land which was included for free. The land was located just west of Rhineland near the crystal-clear shores of Squash Lake in Woodboro. This is the place where our family would spend the next 100 years celebrating life filled with “friends, family, and fun”. In 1924, 33 additional acres were purchased which included approximately 1000 feet of frontage on Squash Lake.

While we do not know a lot about those early years, there are some things we do know. Arthur and Margaret lived in an old farm house tucked in the woods with their four children: Kathleen, Arthur Jr. (Artie), Daniel, and Virginia. As a family of six they spent their days farming and raising oxen to help plow the fields. It was also during this time that Arthur and Margaret’s last name changed on contracts from Paddock to Paddock. The spelling remains that today.

As the children grew into adults, the girls headed back to Chicago. The boys were headed for World War II. Daniel had the idea for a resort, but it would have to wait. Before leaving he did find the love of his life, Genevieve and their first child, Jackie was born. Artie headed to the Air Force and Dan to the Army. Dan became a decorated war hero with many medals including the Purple Heart, the Silver Star and others. Upon their return, Arthur and Margaret sold Artie and Daniel the lake front property for \$1. Artie and Dan started building the first of 4 cabins for the resort. The year was 1946 and they were excited. They built a saw mill and produced all their own lumber. In 1948, Artie decided that maybe this wasn’t what he wanted and decided to move back to Chicago. Artie along with his wife, Josephine, sold their portion of the lake frontage to Dan and Gen for \$1.

Dan and Gen were still living with his parents at this time, and there was now a second child, Dianne. It was time for Dan and Gen to have a house of their own. Dan built a house on the hill overlooking Squash Lake. The last two of their 4 children were born in these years, Jeannine and Daniel Jr. As the final touches were put on the cabins, Paddock’s Resort became a reality. It wasn’t long before people came from near and far to spend their summer vacations in the Northwoods. The bar was completed in the early 50’s and it immediately became not only the hub for resort guests, but for people around the lake as well. The bar did not stay open for too many years as Dan started working at the Ripco Paper Mill, and Gen did not like tending bar much. As the children got older they all helped with the laundry, making beds, cleaning the cabins, and the many other tasks that are needed to make a resort run smoothly. Guests enjoyed a beautiful sand beach for swimming. Several boats were available for fishing and exploring. And of course, there were the nightly bonfires where all the guests would gather.



Dan Paddock picking up garbage from one of the resort cabins.

In the 1970’s, Daniel and Genevieve grew tired of tending to the resort and decided to close it. As the children left home and got married, they were offered the opportunity to purchase a cabin and/or water front property for \$1. In 1974, Jackie, and her husband Duane, were the first to take up the offer. Danny and his wife Sue were next. In 1975, they purchased a piece of property and immediately built a house on the lake. Incidentally, Susan was one of the “regulars” from Chicago who fell in love and made Squash Lake her permanent home. In 1976, Jeannine and her husband, Dale, purchased another one of the cabins. Dianne and her husband, Tom, bought the large cabin (formerly the bar) in 1994. Up to this time, the large cabin was rented out to the Paul Cummins Family from Chicago. Paul Cummins and Dan became good friends and Dan and Gen sold Paul, and his wife, Jackie, a piece of land (not on the water). They built a house and moved from Chicago. To this day, Cummins are the only non-relatives to have lived on the original Paddock land.



Arthur & Margaret Paddock with their children.

Arthur Paddock passed away in 1961. A short time later, the original farmhouse burned down. Only a few remnants of the farmhouse and sawmill remain today. In 1973, Margaret gave the remaining 152 acres to Artie, Dan, and Virginia. They later divided the land and has since been purchased by or passed on to the next generation of Paddocks. Margaret passed away in 1974. All of the children: Kathleen, Artie, Dan, and Virginia and their spouses have all passed away. Presently, there are 10 relatives that live permanently or have second homes on the lake or on original Paddock land. And many more relatives continue to visit and enjoy Squash Lake. The bonfire still burns, and people gather around it most nights in the summer. Squash Lake is truly a special place.



2020 -The Paddock Family celebrate their 100th year anniversary.

The Paddock Family History:

100 years since the purchase of land on Squash Lake

August 25, 1920 (recorded in 1923)

- 152 acres sold by Liberty Land and Investment Company of Delaware to Arthur A Paidoch (original spelling) and Blanche M. Paidoch from Chicago
- \$35/acre (12 acres free because of swamp), \$4900 total.
- Agreement included the ability to live in any vacant house in Woodboro for one year.

1924 - An additional 33 acres of land, including approximately 1000 feet of frontage on Squash Lake, was purchased by the Paddocks (notice the spelling change). This brought the total acreage owned by Arthur and Margaret (Blanche always went by her middle name) Paddock to approximately 185 acres.

1929 - Mortgage was paid off in full.

1933 - Arthur and Margaret sold land to Sophie Rudy (Arthur's sister) and Mike Rudy for \$10.

1936 - Sophie Rudy and Mike Rudy sold Arthur and Margaret all land for \$10.

1946 - Paddocks Resort begins with the first of 4 cabins built.

1948 - Arthur and Margaret sell the last 33 acres bought, including the lake frontage, to their sons Arthur and Daniel for \$1 and value.

1950's - A larger cabin was built which became a bar for the resort and people on the lake. It only remained open for a few years and then became a rental unit for larger families. It is the only remaining building from the original resort.

-Arthur and Margaret move back to Chicago.

1952 - Arthur (Jr.) and Josephine Paddock sell their share of the 33 acres and lake frontage to Daniel and Genevieve Paddock for \$1 and value.

1961 - Arthur Paddock Sr. passes away.

1973 - Margaret Paddock sold 152 acres of land to Arthur, Daniel, and Virginia for \$1. This land was divided by the 3 siblings later in the 70's.

1974 - Dan and Genevieve paid off the mortgage
Sold Jackie and Duane Scott a cabin and lot for \$1.
Margaret paddock passes away.

1975 - Dan and Genevieve sell Dan Jr. and Sue Paddock land for \$1.
They immediately build a house.

1976 - Dan and Genevieve sell Jeannie and Dale Smith a cabin and lot for \$1.

1992 - Tom and Dianne, Danny and Sue, and Terri and Phil buy 80 acres of land owned by Daniel, Arthur, and Virginia.
-When Danny and Sue divorced, Jay Scott bought Sue's share.

1993 - Dale and Jeannie Smith tear down cabin and build a new house.

1994 - Joyce Beato (Sue's mother) purchases house and cabin on the lake next to Danny and Sue, and moves from Chicago. She later sells the house, but keeps the cabin.

-Dan and Genevieve sell Diane and Tom the large cabin (former bar) for \$1. This cabin was still being rented out up to this time.

1995 - Virginia buys 5 acres of land on the lake from Daniel, builds a house, and moves from Chicago.

2001 - Jay Scott builds house on Squash Lake Road.

2002 - Joyce Beato (Sue's mother) builds a new house on Squash Lake Road

-Daniel Paddock passes away.

2004 - Duane Scott passes away.

2008 - Virginia passes away. Her children Wendy Peters and Danny Amerena inherit the property.

-The first cottage built burns down.

2010 - Daniel Paddock Jr. passes away.

2015 - Denny Scott (brother of Duane) buys Joyce Beato's house and moves from Minneapolis.

2018 - Annette Scott (niece of Jackie Scott) buys Daniel and Genevieve's house and 5 acres of land on Oak Lane Drive from Jackie, Diane, and Jeannine. The house is torn down and a new house is built.

2019 - Danny Amerena buys out his sister Wendy's share of the property inherited from Virginia

2020 - The Paddock Family celebrate their 100th year anniversary.

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