# WINDEMERE LAKE AND LANDOWNERS ASSOCIATION





"if you want information, just open a window"

Spring 2010

Today, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, as we meet to write our spring newsletter to you, the thermometer reads over 40 degrees and spring is in the air. We're getting anxious to see blue water replace white ice and see how our precious lakes have fared over the winter. As I complete the newsletter for mailing, the ice is almost off the lakes and blue water is appearing. It appears, spring has sprung!

Did you know your lake association is a member of MN Waters, whose mission is to promote responsible stewardship of our precious water resources? Therefore, by partnering with them, we are ensuring their continued good work in managing our water resources.

#### Minnesota Waters:

- Publishes a newsletter
- Provides workshops for education and training
- Provides advocacy in the legislative process
- Engages local, state and other partners in the protection and restoration of Minnesota lakes and rivers

Be an informed citizen and lake homeowner, visit Minnesota Waters at www.minnesotawaters.org

#### Membership Update

It's time to renew your lake association membership. Enclosed with this newsletter is a 2010 membership form. We are thankful for your financial support and participation in the association meetings. You are important for our work in protecting the quality of our lakes and watershed area.

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### 2010 Seneral Meeting Dates and Agendas

√ June 12

Rich Rezanka-DNR-EWM Specialist

√ July 10

DNR Fisheries

✓ August 21

Elections & guest speaker-Water Quality

## News of the Lakes

#### Island Lake

At our August 2009 general meeting, you voted to allow us to buy the maps and charts of a fly-over done on Island Lake in 2008. Island Lake is plagued with unsightly and unhealthy algae blooms due to questionable runoff from roads, lawns and septic leaks from shoreline properties, as the data and maps proved. At our May board meeting, we will be discussing what our action plan should be for Island Lake.

Sturgeon Lake

Last summer, a 5 acre patch of EWM or Eurasian Water Milfoil was chemically treated by Lake Management. Our own, Rich Rezanka, DNR, helped us get a new grant called EDRR... Early Detection Rapid Response to pay for this treatment. Rich will be checking the lakes as soon as possible and will report to us at our first general meeting, June 12, at Camp Miller. Be sure you are there to "get the scoop."

#### Sand Lake

We lucked out last summer with little or no milfoil, Why? We don't know and neither does the DNR! Could it be due to the presence of Euhrychiopsis lecontei? This is the scientific name of a native weevil that eats milfoil. At Middlebury College in Vermont, a study of this beetle has been going on for more than ten years and is called the Middfoil Process. Look up this website and read all about it. Do a search on Middfoil Process, then click on Enviroscience's Middfoil Process.

### Thank you ALL volunteers! You DO make a difference!

#### Windemere Lake and Landowners Association

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