# Eagle Lake Property Owners Inc.

# Annual Report from the Board of Directors For the Year Ended June 30, 2009

As we close out the 102<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of our Lake association, we pause for a moment of silence in remembrance of long time lake residents lost during the year:

Joseph Muehleck

Mary Belkevich

# Milfoil Project

In this past year we have finally seen lake activity in ridding Eagle Lake of the foreign invasive plant, Eurasian Water Milfoil. This is a major advancement after seeking State assistance in this effort over more than 25 years. Under the auspices of our Towns, a dive team, lead by Rolf Tiedemann working for Lycott Environmental, Inc., hand harvested 84bags of Milfoil and placed 24,000 square feet of mats over beds of Milfoil, mostly near the south shore. This was accomplished with your past contributions and a \$25,000 grant from the State. Another \$10,000 grant arranged by our Senator, Betty Little, allowed for the start of applications for use of the herbicide Renovate (triclopyr) to combat the weed in areas that are too thick for matting or hand harvesting. Our thanks to Hyde's RV & Boats for use all summer of their pontoon rental boat. The rental value of this boat is part of the matching funds for this project.

Crown Point has a balance of \$8,647 before counting the \$3,000 we have mailed in recently, to start 2009's hand harvesting and matting effort. Rolf will tell you more of what he has accomplished since lake operations stopped in September during his report later this morning. Thank you, Rolf and family for continuing to lead this effort.

#### **Water Testing and Lake Level**

Paul and Mary-Lloyd Burroughs will report on their bi-weekly test results of lake chemistry and clarity. Paul also makes almost daily trips down to the spillway to assure the beaver have not taken control of lake levels. However, he has yet not been able to control the ample rain fall we had in June. We owe both of them a big round of applause. Thank you, Paul and Lloyd.

We also want to thank Rolf, Leland Loose and Andy Belkevich for taking out the beavers' winter construction without, I might add, the help of the Israeli air force.

#### Adopt-a Highway and Neighborhood Watch

Todd and Tonya Condon co-chair our Adopt-a Highway and Neighborhood Watch. They have continued to do their best to keep a large section of Route 74 clear of debris. This is generally a thankless task for which we not only need to recognize them, but also to assist them as we travel the highway. Thank you, Tonya and Todd.

We also need to thank International Paper for their continued financial support and for copy service for throughout the year. Todd somehow gets it done for us.

## Fish Stocking

Our thanks to Andy for working with the hatchery to assure Eagle Lake receives at least its share of trout. We understand his motivation for this effort, but appreciate it any way!

## **ELPOI's Web Site**

We would be remiss if the Board did not acknowledge the effort put into operating our web site. It has a full listing of all that is going on the lake and all approved minutes of board and annual meetings, not to mention scientific data about Renovate. You are encouraged to check it out at <a href="www.eaglelake1.org">www.eaglelake1.org</a>. We owe thanks to Carlos Alden for funding this site and to Michael Tiedemann for the input. Of course Dad Rolf sorta directs the activity! Thank you all.

Two final items are 1. Membership: We ended the 2008/9 year with 56 members or 65% of those eligible. Not bad, but we need to do better. As we go into a new year, the Board requests that you approach your neighbors to get them to sign up and support your efforts to deal with Milfoil and other items of interest to all.

2. We ask those of you that have not contributed toward the Milfoil Project, to do so this year. There are \$3,000 plus in outstanding pledges, but all are asked to give. All of our support is needed if this effort is to be successful.

For the Board,

Rin Fraize, President