

MOEN LAKE CHAIN ASSOCIATION



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WALT GAGER, EDITOR

**As you jump out of bed
and slip on your shoes
It's January oneth
and here's the news**

You've forgotten to send in your ANNUAL DUES

You didn't.....did you? Aw, that's ok, just send to El Felton soon.

Exciting things continue to happen to your Association. Dan Kuzlik was succesful in obtaining a 2009 State grant for our Aquatic Inivasive Species (AIS) program. You may recall that the state did not give grants to "small" programs like ours in 2008. Kathy Winkler is the AIS coordinate, please respond positively when she calls looking for volunteer monitors for the Moen Lake boat landing.

The Adopt-a-Shoreline (AAS) program is just as important, if not more so now, than the AIS mitigation program. I guess we're not getting the idea of the progam across to you all. It's really simple. You do what you always do when you visit your property's shoreline and near shore waters. I know that you look for unwelcome debris, paper cups, tin cans, etc. Now take a few moments and look for unwelcome plants and/or aquatic organisms. Note the date and the amout of time involved. Include a short description of the propery inspected and record your findings on a simple sheet of paper (a formal report is available). If nothing was noted to be out of order, record that as well. At the end of the season give the paper to Kathy. When the Association applies for a State grant the hours accumulated help confirm, for the State, our committment and count as volunteer time toward offsetting the cost. ALL TIME SPENT IN ANY ACTIVITES OF THE ASSOCIATION IN SAVING OUR WATERS COUNTS. Please, we need your help as well as your neighbors - even if non-members.

Put the date **JULY 14, 2010** on your calender for the "maybe" annual summer picnic, to be graciously held at the Dan Kuzlik and Sally Latimer's river side home just below the the highway C bridge. Last summer, 30 people attended, had a great time and convinced Dan and Sally to do it again. Details and directions will follow in the Spring Newsletter. Suggestions for a 2011 location appreciated.



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**On January 1, 2010
Annual Dues: \$20.00
Mail to:**

**El Felton
4182 Shady Lane
Rhineland, WI
54501**

ANNUAL MEETING:

**JULY 10, 2010, 10:00AM
PINE VALLEY LODGE
3980 LAKE SHORE DR**

You know, you never learn to swear until you learn to drive.

AND HERE'S THE NEWS.....
.....NR115 IS NOW in force

GROUND WATER

(Part one)

The natural hydrologic cycle of water from clouds (rain or snow) impacts the earth on either pervious or impervious surfaces. Pervious water seeps into the ground. As the name implies, Ground Water is mostly underground. It makes it's way through soil, fissures in rocks, is taken up by plant roots and returned to the air or accumulates in pockets that can be tapped for wells. An earth layer that is capable of storing water is called an aquifer. A "water table" is the surface or top of the water underground that cannot absorb any more water. The earth above the water table is unsaturated. Ground water migrates from upland areas to lowland areas eventually reaching a point where the surface of the land meet the surface of the water table. This may result in a spring or a stream flowing into a swamp, pond, lake or river.

The water that falls on the impervious surface also flows downhill to often settle in a puddle, pond, river or a lake. Both the water in the ground and the water flowing on impervious surfaces carry pollutants. The ground may or may not act as a filtration system depending on the make up of the earth (stone, rock, clay, sand, etc. the Water that falls on an impervious surface results in "polluted runoff".

What is "polluted runoff"?

Rain water is the largest source of polluted ground water with snowmelt running a close second. Each collects contaminants from the land/air and deposits them on the earth or in water bodies. This is called "nonpoint source runoff", ie: it comes from all over. In the case of pervious water, the degree of pollution present in this "ground water" is dependent on the efficiency of the filtration process and how much pollution comes from the earth itself as the water travels it's merry course.

More in this spring

The new minimal standards for shoreland regulation was approved and put in force as of February 1, 2010. Each county will have two years in which to bring their codes into compliance. Some counties may need more adjustments in their regulations than others. Vilas county has very little to change. Oneida County has a great deal to do to comply.

In short (and incomplete):

-Existing properties are grandfathered in.

-On lots of 10,000 sq ft or less with 100 ft. of shoreline:

1. New structures, additions, out buildings (boat houses, etc.) or changes to old structures must conform to the new regs.

2. These changes apply to the 75ft setback from the high water mark and the whole Lot.

3. The biggest change in the regulations is the emphasis on impervious surfaces (surfaces that do not absorb water). The square foot area of rooflines, driveways, out buildings, boat houses, etc. fall within the defintion of "impervious".

4. Lots greater than 10,000 ft. and/or with more shoreline may increase impervious surfaces up to 30%.

5. For "deep" lots (ie: 500 ft. deep) that allow better absorption of surface water and little or no runoff, the limits are different.

6. Any changes to existing or new construction that would excede the percentage limit may be approved with mitigation. This includes such things as relocating downspouts, creating water gardens, planting shoreline vegetation, etc.

Piers, decks and other structures bordering on water are regulated by a different set of rules and regulations.

More details later.

The Spring Newsletter will be sent to all Moen Chain property owners in hopes that they will see fit to join with us in protecting their waters and thereby their investment.
NOTE: Annual meeting is July 10, 2010, @ Pine Valley Lodge at 10AM. Y'all come, hear?

Walt Gager

MOEN LAKE CHAIN ASSOCIATION, Inc.

Order Blank and Membership Application page

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