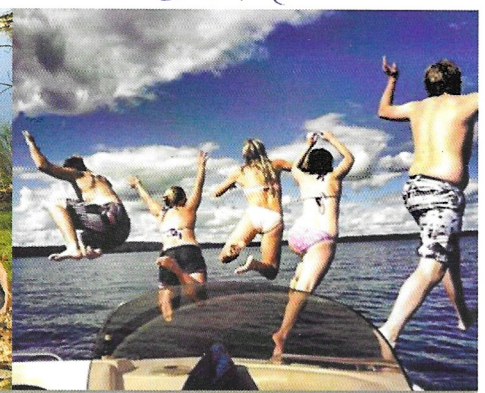
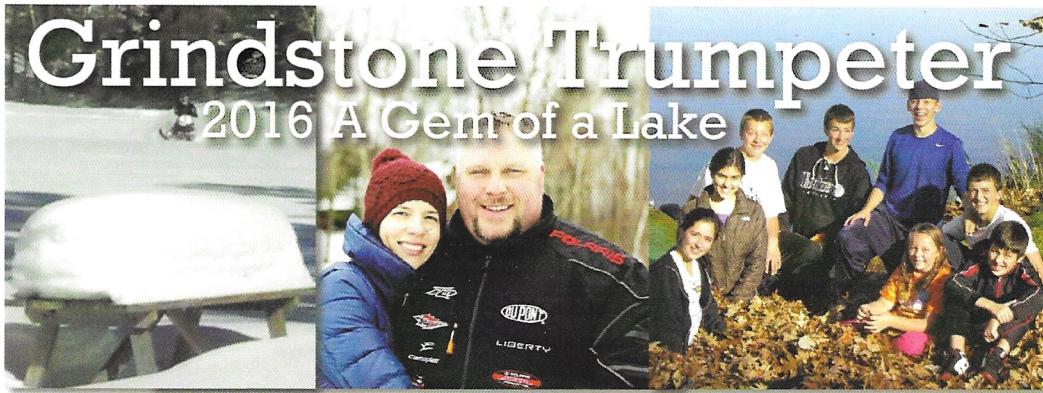


Grindstone Trumpeter

2016 A Gem of a Lake



Mark Your Calendar for these UPCOMING EVENTS!

Saturday, July 2 10 AM-12 Noon

Grindstone Lake Association
Annual Picnic, Bass Lake Township picnic
pavilion, County Road K.

Thursday, July 7 9 AM-12 Noon

Invasive Species Training with Pat Brown,
Sawyer County Zoning and
Conservation. Meet at Grindstone Lake
boat ramp at 9AM.
(Rain date July 15th)

Friday, July 8 9 AM-12 Noon

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Saturday, July 30 4-6PM

Grindstone Lake Association Social at
Trail's End Bar and
Restaurant. Appetizers provided and
drink specials.

Saturday, August 20 4-6PM

Grindstone Lake Association and
Court Orielles Lake Association social
and mixer. Trails's End Bar and
Restaurant. Appetizers provided and
drink specials.

HELP MONITOR AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES (AIS)



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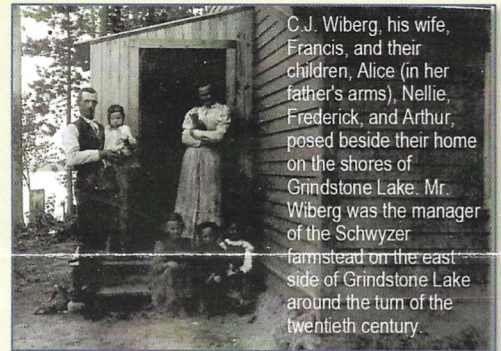
MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

2016 PRIORITIES FOR THE GRINDSTONE LAKE ASSOCIATION

Dear Grindstone Lake Association Members,

At our 2015 Grindstone Lake Association annual meeting, we asked our members what they valued most about Grindstone Lake. Over and over again, they indicated how much they treasured the clear, clean waters of Grindstone. It's the wonderful waters that draw us to the lake and to the good times we share with our friends and families. Now it is up to us to ensure its future and all who call the lake home.

To that end, the Grindstone Lake Association board members identified the management and protection of the waters of Grindstone as our top priority. We will continue to support and participate in lake water quality and aquatic invasive species monitoring, shoreland protection initiatives, facilitate lake management outreach, and collaborate with local officials, the WI DNR, and other lake associations to protect and enhance Grindstone Lake and the waters of northern Wisconsin.



C.J. Wiberg, his wife, Francis, and their children, Alice (in her father's arms), Nellie, Frederick, and Arthur, posed beside their home on the shores of Grindstone Lake. Mr. Wiberg was the manager of the Schwyzer farmstead on the east side of Grindstone Lake around the turn of the twentieth century.

Our second priority involves you! We will be working to enhance the membership of all who live on and enjoy Grindstone Lake. To support current and new members, we are hosting our annual meeting and picnic on July 2nd from 10AM-12 noon at the Bass Lake picnic pavilion. Two guest speakers from LCO and WI DNR will speak on habitat restoration and water quality. Please join us for a delicious lunch and meeting friends.

We will host two socials at Trails End on Lac Court Orielles from 4-6PM on Saturday July 30th and Saturday August 20th. Appetizers and beverage specials will be provided. Join us for food and an opportunity to meet other lake neighbors and friends.

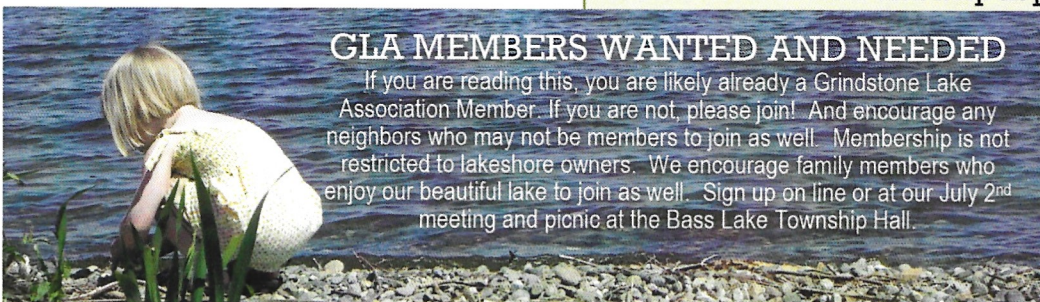
Our third priority is to engage our GLA board and members in lake protection. We will be recruiting and training lake residents to monitor Grindstone for aquatic invasive species. We will also be providing information on shoreland protection. This is a great way to meet new friends and help in protecting Grindstone Lake.

GLA MEMBERS WANTED AND NEEDED

If you are reading this, you are likely already a Grindstone Lake Association Member. If you are not, please join! And encourage any neighbors who may not be members to join as well. Membership is not restricted to lakeshore owners. We encourage family members who enjoy our beautiful lake to join as well. Sign up on line or at our July 2nd meeting and picnic at the Bass Lake Township Hall.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP GRINDSTONE LAKE? VOLUNTEER!

In addition to becoming a board member, there are many opportunities to become more involved in the association. Please reach out to a board member, or complete the volunteer form at www.grindstonelake.org and then click on VOLUNTEER.



Shoreland Protection Changes and Challenges

Property owners and local officials will face tremendous difficulty protecting the clear waters of Grindstone Lake and other northern Wisconsin Lakes due to NR 115.

A rule placed in the 2015-16 state budget invalidates local zoning practices enacted to protect the shoreland and waters of lakes such as Grindstone. As stated by Wisconsin Lakes Association Shoreland and Waterways section:

The Wisconsin Legislature and Governor Walker rolled back decades of shoreland zoning by making wholesale changes to shoreland zoning law in the state budget in the summer of 2015. A package of changes... stripped counties of the ability to enact or enforce shoreland zoning provisions stricter than the state minimums, weakened regulation of the repair or reconstruction of non-conforming structures, and more. (<http://www.wisconsinlakes.org/index.php/shoreland-and-waterways>)

Stricter county-level shoreland protection standards were put in place to maintain the pristine and clear waters of lakes like Grindstone. Dr. Lynn Markham at the University of Wisconsin Extension and the Center for Landuse Education at UW-Stevens Point, stated that northern counties in the state developed more protective standards than the state's minimum standards. This is because of the strong relationship between the growth of driveways, decks, and roofs and the degradation of water quality. She stated in a recent Milwaukee Sentinel article, "All Lakes are not the same...and I don't think that one set of standards is sufficient to protect them all."

Steps we can all take to protect Grindstone Lake

Contact your state representative and let them know that you are disappointed with the new rules. They need to know that Grindstone Lake and other northern Wisconsin lakes are treasures that require stronger shoreland protection rules

Engage in shoreland protection efforts. Now more than ever it is crucial that Grindstone Lake property owners protect their shoreland. Overdeveloped shoreland can't support fish, wildlife, and clean water. Creating buffers of native plants and shrubs along shorelines reduces erosion, helps maintain water quality, and provides habitat for wildlife. Such strategies are an investment in maintaining the beauty and quality of Grindstone Lake for you, for your family and for many generations to come.

Engage in conversations with your neighbors. Neighbor-to-neighbor conversations can go a long way in finding shoreland protection steps that work best on your properties.

THANK YOU DIANNE KRAMER AND FAMILY!



In 1993, Rick and Dianne Kramer opened the Waterfront Bar and Grill on Grindstone Lake. For 23 years, Grindstone Lake residents and friends enjoyed lakeside fellowship and great food at the Waterfront. This year, the Kramer family will be closing the Waterfront. While we hate to say goodbye to such a great institution, we are not saying goodbye to the Kramers. The family is now in the process of renovating the Waterfront into a family home.



Many great memories from the Waterfront include great sunsets on the deck, enjoying Darlene's "hat-of-the-day," savoring Dianne's Friday fish fry with twice baked potatoes, and getting to know members of the Kramer family. We extend our very best wishes to Dianne and her family.

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FISH STICKS FOR FISH

The majestic trees lining the shores of Grindstone Lake contribute to the lake's natural beauty. They also provide critical material to lake ecosystems. When shoreline trees fall into the water, they provide habitat and feeding areas for a diversity of fish species, including the juvenile stages of fish, as well as for aquatic insects, birds, turtles, and other animals. Removal of fallen trees from nearshore areas eliminates critical habitat for fish and other animals. The Wisconsin DNR has been working with lake homeowners to restore nearshore woody habitat through "Fish Sticks" projects. Trees (fish sticks) are anchored singly or in groups to the shore. These then extend from the shoreline into the lake and are either partially or fully submerged. These projects enhance fish and wildlife habitat, expand nearshore angling opportunities, and protect the shoreline.



To learn more about fish sticks, attend the July 2nd Grindstone Lake Association annual meeting to hear WI DNR fisheries

biologist Max Wolter discuss fish stick projects. Consider working with him to install nearshore Fish Sticks along your shore.



View of the
Boys' Camp on
Grindstone Lake.

Circa 1926

Notenda: The font used in this newsletter is appropriately titled for Grindstone: It's called Rockwell!

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An ounce of prevention protects natives and saves money

A recent study by researchers at the University of Wisconsin Madison suggests that the true environmental and economic costs associated with aquatic invasive species (AIS) found in the Great Lakes may be in the trillions of dollars! Produced by scholars at the UW Center for Limnology and published in the prestigious Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, researchers calculated the costs of aquatic invasives when they impact the 5 Great Lakes AND when they spread from the Great Lakes to inland lakes. According to the authors, few studies have actually included the costs of aquatic invasive species as they move from the Great Lakes into inland lakes—think zebra mussels and the spiny water flea.

Prevention is the most effective strategy for Grindstone!

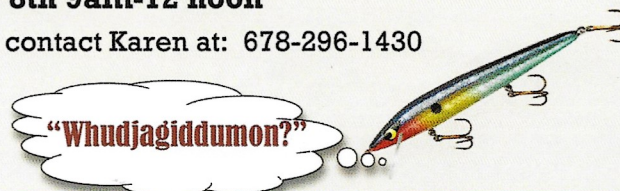
Preventing AIS from invading lakes like Grindstone is a cost effective way to maintain a healthy and productive ecosystem. Thanks to a WI DNR grant pursued and received by the Grindstone Lake Association, Rich Patrick will once again to be hired to work several days each week at the Grindstone boat ramp. Rich will help boaters inspect for and remove potential AIS from their boats and props before launching them into the lake. Thanks Rich!

Help Grindstone by becoming an AIS Monitor

Another key strategy is keeping "eyes on the lake." The Grindstone Lake Association is looking for volunteers who will monitor one area of the lake for AIS. Sawyer County's Pat Brown is offering two half day hands-on free training sessions (you only need to attend one). Participants will meet at the Grindstone Lake boat ramp near the islands at 9AM. No equipment needed—Pat will provide everything. The dates are:

- Thursday July 7th 9am-12 noon
- Friday July 8th 9am-12 noon

If interested, please contact Karen at: 678-296-1430



"Sometimes it's so weird to be the grown-ups. My little brother (the handsome boat captain) agrees. A beautiful, memory-making weekend in the home our parents created, on the lake of their dreams."

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Grindstone Lake Association! MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2016 - 17 YEAR **\$40.00**

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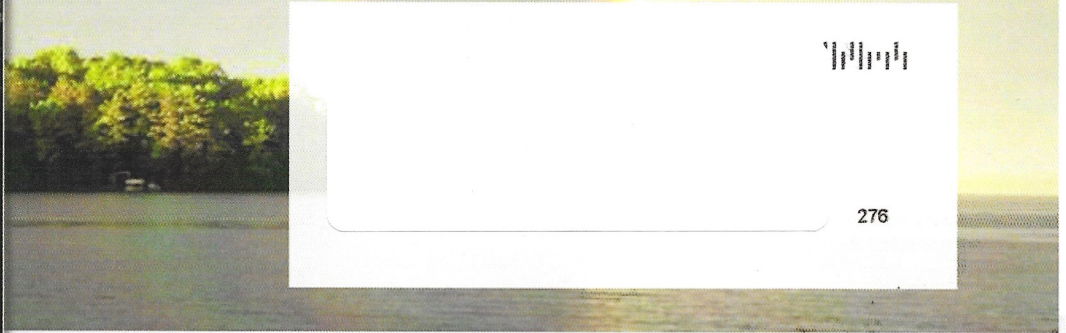
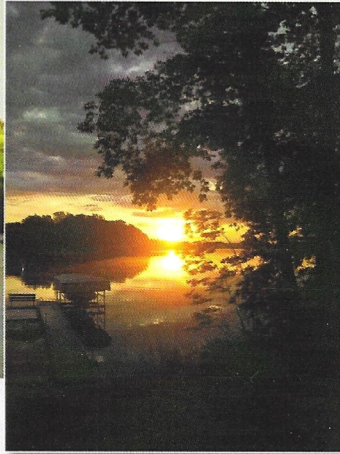
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Please make checks payable to the Grindstone Lake Association or visit grindstonelake.org to renew your membership. Please mail your check and this form to: Grindstone Lake Association Box 292, Hayward, WI 54843

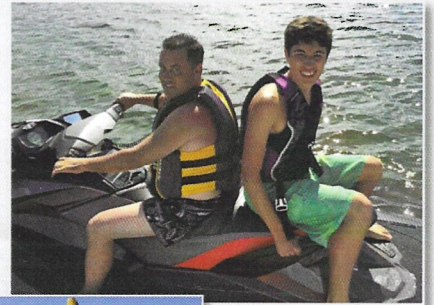
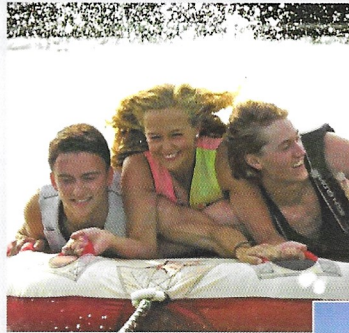
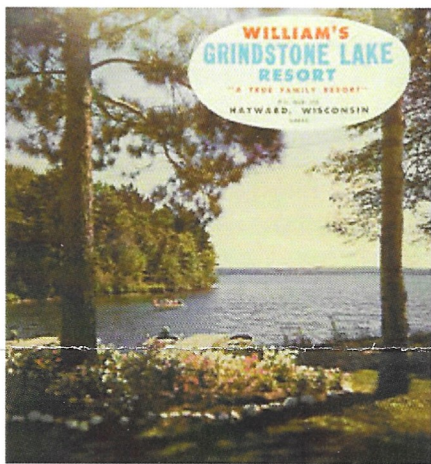
You can also Join or Renew at the July 2nd Grindstone Lake Association Picnic!

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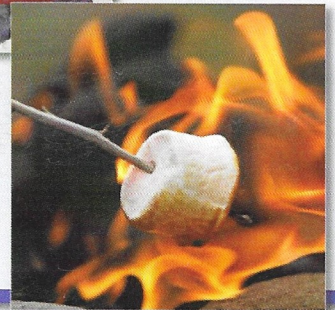
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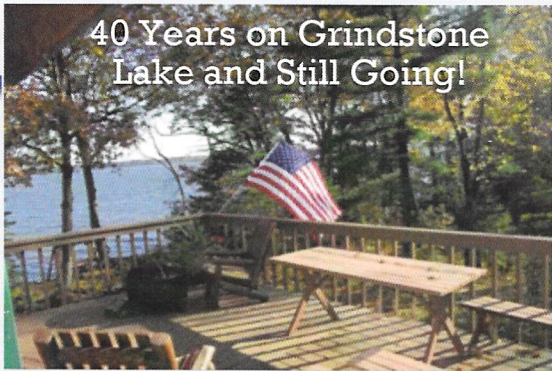
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Your \$40 membership is a small price to maintain our
Gem of a Lake

Here's to a great season ... and many s'mores!



40 Years on Grindstone Lake and Still Going!



View of Grindstone Lake from Boger Family Cabin, Cha-Ro-Ke

A few years later, some property just across the bay became available and we built our present family retreat-Cha-Ro-Ke II. **And this September we will celebrate our 40th year on Grindstone!**

We feel very blessed to have had 40 years, with family and friends, on one of the most beautiful and clear lakes in all of Wisconsin! Steve and Joan Boger and Family drsteve@bogerdental.com 612.187.1755

Addendum: I am on the board of the Grindstone Lake Association and would encourage anyone living on the lake to join our association if you haven't already. And we certainly would love to hear from anyone having an interest in being on the board as this is our best bet to keep Grindstone as pristine as it is for generations to come.