

End Of The Dock

By Steve Grotbo, President

I have to say that the potluck event in August had the best food I have ever had at a potluck. I am used to at least someone showing up with a bag of chips. Nobody left hungry and we all got to try some wonderful dishes. Thanks to Sandy and Mike Wosmek for doing the lion's share for this event and EZ DOCK for paying for the meat.

The Twine Ball parade had perfect weather with Lake Washington being represented for the big event. Thanks to Corrine and Dave Gertsema for getting magnetic signs made up. Their convertible with wiener dog float (bottom of page) was a big hit. Lots of people asked where they could get one, which is on Amazon.



The lower water level seems to be the top topic this year again. Two years in drought does not help, but it does seem to help with less mosquitos if you want to find a bright spot. Ethan Jenzen (DNR hydrologist) was kind enough to attend the September board meeting in person to give an update. He followed this with an article for this newsletter (see page 8).

The Ellsworth boat landing parking lot is looking much better. We originally requested for having a sealcoat followed by painting, but they did a great cleanup job of the loose gravel instead. The new painted lines make the place shine.

Watershed activities were one of the larger focuses this season. Any actual changes require a lot of oversight, so nothing happens too quickly. I really do feel that this area has the largest impact to our lake quality and with 20+ inlets and one outlet we have a lot of areas to look at.

The DNR does walleye stocking on the odd years which allows for tracking natural breeding. What amazes me is the sheer number of walleye counts that come in the net trappings. With such high counts, people should have much better fishing opportunities. Scott Mackenthun (DNR) has provided additional details about stocking. (See page 10).

Lake Restoration has reached out for signing up for residential weed control for next year for those that had the treatment done this season. Be on the lookout for more details if you want to sign up for this service.

