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Independence Day
July 4th

The annual boat parade, led this year by Pelican’s classic speedboats, will kick off at the Yacht Club dock on Pelican Lake at 10AM on Friday, July 4th, moving clockwise around the lake.

The theme for this year’s parade is My Favorite TV Show. Prizes will be awarded for best decorated pontoon. All boats competing must pre-register and have a number affixed to their craft. (Call Skip Duemeland, 532-5601 or Lance Johnson, 532-2339 for further information.)

Parade participants will be treated to a picnic lunch at the Yacht Club at the conclusion of the parade.

And don’t forget:
• 10:30 PM Fireworks near Fair Hills Resort. Come by boat or car.
• Turn your radios to 104.1 FM for music that coordinates with the fireworks.
• No littering and no fireworks of your own on the water or in the parking area.

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Midsummer 2008 • Calendar of Events

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by Rocky Swanson
PLPOA President

Happy 75th birthday to the PLPOA! Our original articles of incorporation are dated March 24, 1933. Just think of the changes that have taken place to the four lakes in the past 75 years. In just the last 10 years the lakes scene has changed dramatically. I wonder what the lakes will look like 75 years from now?

Hopefully, mosquito swatting and avoiding them has not been too much of a problem so far this spring. With the wet, cold weather and lack of sunshine May and early June, the little pests have been under control so far. Thank you to the PGOLID for funding mosquito spraying. As a result, none of your PLPOA dues need to be spent for this purpose.

The current issue of the Pelican Lake directory should be in your hands by now. If you haven’t received your copy and your dues are paid for the current year, please contact your beach captain. Thank you to Aldie Kelsey (Cha Rosa Beach) who has worked tirelessly to make this year’s directory a reality—looks great and contains a lot of useful information! Thank you also to the beach majors and captains who contact all the property owners to get the correct listings each year. Enjoy the July 4th festivities with your family and friends.

Lost & Found

If you lose something on the lake this summer or if an item floats up to your dock that you think the owner would like returned, please go to the Pelican Lake website to post the item. www.pelicanlakemn.org

Together we can help each other enjoy a memorable summer.

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President Ostbye called the meeting to order at 8:05 am. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Stueness moved, Pelletier seconded the approval of the agenda. Motion carried.

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Pelletier moved, Stueness seconded the approval of the minutes of the December 8, 2007 meeting. Motion carried.

Manuel presented the most recent financial information. The 2007 financial report was reviewed. Duemeland moved, Stueness seconded the approval of the report. Motion carried unanimously. Manuel also reported the submission of the 2006 report to the state auditor. The 2008 budget as approved by the membership at the annual meeting was also reviewed briefly.

McGovern-Rufer reported on the following:
* There are no major changes with respect to the Lake Management Plan and it is posted on our website.
* 2008 water quality monitoring plan reviewed
* Explained a shoreline restoration program available with financial assistance from the DNR
* Summer educational opportunities include programs on septic systems and shoreline management
* Advised of the receipt of DNR monies to increase the funding inspection funding and provide educational opportunities regarding invasive species. Uglem moved, Stueness seconded to approve the receipt of the DNR grant.
* Requested the approval of the Board to send a letter to the DNR regarding our concern with the proliferation of flowering rush. Approval granted.

Pelletier moved, Stueness seconded the acceptance of the lake coordinators report. Motion carried.

Board members whose terms expire include Brent Jenkins, Fred Manuel and Jeff Pelletier. Pelletier expressed his intent to run for re-election. Manuel has served for the maximum number of terms. Jenkins, being absent, was contacted by Duemeland to determine his intentions. Duemeland informed the board of the possibility of his early resignation from the board. He will keep the board informed.

Duemeland moved, Stueness seconded the approval of the contract for the treatment of curly leaf pondweed. Motion carried.

Pelletier reported working on the Fish Lake Dam issues with the DNR.

Tollefson’s busy report was accepted.

Ostbye reported contact from another Lake Improvement District and expressed a desire to increase communications with other LID’s from across the state. He also will follow-up with Cormorant and Lake Ida regarding a possible agreement as to water levels.

The PGOLID meeting was recessed. The Mosquito Abatement meeting was convened. Stueness reported the receipt of the three year contract proposal limiting any cost increase to 5% during the 2009, 2010, and