

Emily Lakes and River Association Annual Meeting and Picnic August 14, 2010

PICNIC Ken Scribner, president of ELRA , welcomed everyone to our annual meeting and picnic. We had a total of 37 registered guests. Tom Hintz's turkey and potluck items were enjoyed by all.

SPEAKER Our speaker for the picnic was Jackie Froemming from the MN Extension Service. Her topic was weekend gardening. Her informative speech concentrated on lawn and flower low maintenance gardening. She also provided us with a hand out that included tips for easy vegetable gardening.

ANNUAL MEETING Ken Scribner started the annual meeting by talking about the two major projects of the last year. These were the web site and the literature drop. He also thanked Tom and Doris and Julie Selberg for chairing the July 4th boat parade. Ken then called for a motion to accept the Annual 2009 meeting minutes. Doug Rhode made a motion to accept and Bob Haarman seconded the motion.

TREASURER'S REPORT John Bergstrom presented his financial summary report for the period of Jan.2010 to July 2010. The ELRA combined checking and saving balance is \$7,447.33. The current membership is 116. John also talked about the upcoming walleye stocking and Paul Fairchild asked for feedback about walleye fishing on Lake Mary. The walleye size seems to be very small or very large. John also talked about the water testing that has been done. In July the water clarity was 7.5 feet. The Emily public access area has been inspected for milfoil. No milfoil has been found in Mary or Emily lakes. This inspection was \$200.00 -which includes another inspection next month. Lastly, John presented the proposed budget for 2011. He stated that we have extra funds to be spent. Bonnie Fairchild suggested dues be lowered to \$20.00. Paul Fairchild suggested offering shoreline help. Ken Scribner is to be contacted if there are any other ideas for the surplus funds. Ellen Benson made a motion to accept the reports and Nancy Gapsiewicz seconded it.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION Tom Hintz, Ken Schultz, and Wayne Gapsiewicz offered to serve on the ELRA board . Bob Haarman made a motion to accept these 3 nominations and Kris Bergstrom seconded it. All present were in favor.

DOOR PRIZES Duke's cafe \$20.00 gift certificate was won by Lovell and Jane Baker. The \$30.00 gift certificate from Rustic River was won by Bob Haarman; Kathy and Rob Schocow won a 12" pizza from Diners. Two \$10.00 gift certificates from Lake Country foods were won by Ken Schultz and Tom Nelson. Roger and Sue Junglin won the Sweets and such travel mug. Two sets of note cards were each won by Dave and Carolyn Jensen and Wayne and Nancy Gapsiewicz. Sharon and Tom Meyer won the Ace Hardware picnic blanket, Paul and Bonnie Fairchild won the Starbucks gift ,Doug Rhode won a Cross Lake Fire dept. deck of cards ,two ELRA memberships for 2011 were won by Larry Flear and Dave and Deb Remando. The matted, framed photo grand prize was won by Russel and Sherry Beddow.

OTHER BUSINESS Bob Haarman discussed water levels. They have been 8" higher for 10 years. The city of Emily owns the dam. Bonnie Fairchild stated that the erosion damage has already been done as a result of these high water levels as well as increased erosion due to more boat traffic. The best we now can do, according to Bonnie is to keep up the shoreline plantings. Bonnie Fairchild made a motion to adjourn and John Benson seconded it.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen Benson

