

TOWN LAKES COMMITTEE REP NEEDED

The Little St. Germain Lake District needs to fill a vacancy on the Town Lakes Committee. Other demands on Lee Holthaus's time has necessitated his resignation from the committee, effective immediately. Lou Mirek (also Lake District Secretary) fills the second position.

The St. Germain Town Lakes Committee, an advisory committee to the town board, consists of representatives from Little Saint Lake District, Big Saint Lake District (including Lake Content & Fawn Lake), Lost Lake, Found Lake and the Alma/Moon Lake District. The primary focus of this committee has been public awareness and prevention of aquatic invasive species. The committee also arranged for aquatic plant surveys on the town's lakes during 2004 with subsequent development of aquatic plant management plans. That project is scheduled to be updated in 2009. The committee has been successful in obtaining over \$40,000 in State grant funds for its work to date.

Although similar committees have become common throughout Vilas County and are beginning to catch on elsewhere in the state, the St. Germain committee was the first to be established. Its innovative methods of advancing public awareness of invasive species prevention are recognized throughout Wisconsin.

The committee meets approximately once monthly, perhaps less frequently during the winter. Anyone considering filling Lee's seat can contact me for additional information. The Little Saint District Board of Commissioners is eager to fill this vacancy in order to maintain its good standing with the Town Lakes Committee.

Many thanks to Lee (he has been an intermittent committee member since 2004) and to Lou for their dedicated service in the interest of maintaining healthy lakes throughout our community.

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