

# Waseca Lakes Association

# NEWSLETTER

Web Site: [wasecalakes.org](http://wasecalakes.org)



## Spring 2010 Edition

**Next Event Notice: *Saturday June 12, 2010. 11am to 1pm***

### **Take a Kid Fishing (Maplewood Park)**

This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual event for kids 12 and under to be introduced to and enjoy fishing. Bait supplied by Waseca Community Ed Rec and lunch provided by the Waseca Lakes Assn. WLA volunteers are needed for fishing assistance and food.

### **Upcoming Events**

Saturday, June 12 at 11am: Take a Kid Fishing program at Maplewood Park.

Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at 8am: 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Lakefest Freedom Run at Clear Lake Park.

July 14-18, WLA booth at county fair.

Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup>: Second annual Waseca Triathlon at Clear Lake Park.

### **Waseca Lakes Assn Membership/Renewal Due**

Please note the enclosed renewal for the 2010-2011 season. Your \$25 membership helps to fund membership projects such as the cleanup day, kids fishing events, County fair booth, Lakefest activities, lakeshore restoration, and other projects to promote water stewardship. Thanks for your support.

### **7<sup>th</sup> Annual Lakefest Freedom Run**

Waseca Community Ed Recreation has teamed up with the WLA for this years event by offering reduced rate pre-registration via the Community Education website. Pre-registration saves you money and assures a T-shirt on July 4<sup>th</sup>. The link to electronic pre-registration or to download a mail in form is at [wasecalakes.org](http://wasecalakes.org) Please pass this link along to your family and friends. Walk up registration on July 4<sup>th</sup> will be \$15 with shirts available at the county fair.

We do need volunteers to help with registration, timing, and safety. Those who help with registration can also participate in the run. Please leave a note at

[contact@wasecalakes.org](mailto:contact@wasecalakes.org) or call Duane at 835-2373 if you can help.



# Stewardship of Our Waters

## 2010 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Lakeshore and Parks Cleanup

Thanks to all who helped at the cleanup on April 24<sup>th</sup>. We were able to again cover all the areas designated for cleanup that day.



## Loon Lake Fish and Aerator

Our April meeting with Hugh Valiant and Scott Mackenthun of the Waterville Area Fisheries office was on the status of the fish population in Loon Lake and the aerator system. Scott discussed a recent netting survey that showed very few fish other than black bullheads remaining in Loon Lake after a tough winter. His recommendation was to consider reclaiming the lake this fall, but only if a replacement plan for a new aerator could be in place. It was agreed that the WLA would seed funding for a new aerator and to review progress in August.

## Pondweed Removal in Clear Lake

Work is on-going to begin a curlyleaf pondweed removal program in Clear lake for 2011. In order to begin a program, a lake assessment will be done by Cory Culbert of Culbert Nursery this summer. We will hold our August meeting with invasive plant specialists from the DNR office in New Ulm to discuss the assessment, permitting, and funding.

## Waseca Triathlon Information

The 2nd Annual Waseca Triathlon is scheduled for Sunday, August 1st at Clear Lake Park. We are seeking help for volunteers for all events. If interested in volunteering, please contact the Waseca Community Ed Recreation website (community events section) and register to help or call Dale Schons at 835-7317. Any proceeds of the triathlon given to the WLA will help fund some of the projects described in this newsletter. This is great community event with that brings people into town and highlight our lakes.

