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JULY 11, 2015

9:00AM

AQUATIC SPECIES  
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ANNUAL MEETING

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## HAPPY 2014 AUTUMN !!

Fall this year arived early. By the end of September the color was 60 to 70% gone and the remaining color was fading fast. I hope that you all had an opportunity to view our beautiful chain of lakes in color this year.

### FALL BOARD MEETING

Under the mallet of our new President Sally Latimer, the MLCA Board met on September 29.

Those attending: Nancy Sattler, Sue Ohman, Dave Hanson, Keith Kelling, Scott Patulski, Dan Carlson, George Schroepfer, Walt Gager, Gary Berweger, Dan Kuzlik and Bill Disbrow.

Vice President Tony Sattler submitted a letter of resignation citing time away from home on business. Nancy Sattler

was appointed to fill his position until 2015. Other changes: Dan Kuzlik was appointed to replace Sue Ohman's position on the board when Sue was appointed secretary to replace Sally Latimer. Newly elected Scott Patulski was welcomed to the board

Committee Reports: Minutes of the Spring Board meeting were approved. The Treasurers report showed fiscal stability

1. CBCW reported that 285 boats were inspected, 646 people contacted re: CBCW activities and 239 hours were spent (all down from Previous years). Leading the unpaid hours contributed were Keith and Andrea Kelling with 16 each.
2. Channel markers: Dan Carlson reported a new grant application was in the works. Markers were to remain in place as long as possible.
3. Fish and Habitat: G. Berweger reported on the proposed new regulations to limit the number of catches allowed for Pan fish on 110 lakes (Our chain is one)



I'm so lonely, (snif!)

in an attempt to improve their size. On the chain: 25 panfish total or 10 crappies, perch and/or sunfish per day. A recent Oneida County Conservation Committee recommended that property owners maintain or contribute "fish sticks" in their raparian zones. A "fish stick" is a fallen or placed tree along the shoreline to provide a fish habitat.

4. Paid membership continues to bounce up and down. 2013 was 138 members and 2014 was 120. Methods to increase membership wa discussed.

5. Newsletter: Walt Gager asked for any & all suggestion from anyone. I still wear my yellow cap on the pontoon boat and wave it at everyone. Stop me and gossip.

6. Program and Event: Walt Gager is sole member now that Sally is President. The annual beach picnic at Birchwood will continue. The date is TBA. A Tour of Camp Deer horn is planned. The date also TBA. Other porposals welcomed.

7. Bill Disbrow announced changes on our website. It's beautiful! Visit it - [moenlakechain.org](http://moenlakechain.org)

8. Chain Gear can still be received from Sally Latimer. Need a hat? T shirt? Have you got your pennent?



"Koogee", that is the name of the rustic log cabins that house the eight or so boys at Camp Deerhorn on North Pelican's Fourth Lake. Originally they stayed in ten cabins with wooden

floors. The camp has over a thousand feet of shoreline and just short of 100 acres of forested land. According to the Camp's advertising brochure, boys come from 39 states and Europe (Austria, France, England and Germany) as well as Bermuda, Costa Rica, Morocco, Nambia, Spain and Singapore). Sessions from mid June to lake August run from one nine weeks and include twofather/son sessions.

I had the privilege of touring the neat, well-organized camp after the 2014 summer session had closed for the year, with Don and Sue Broadbridge in preparation for this *Moenbeams* article. Most all residents of our chain of lakes knows about the existence of the camp but has no real knowledge of what happens there so.....

The Camp has a creed formulated in the mind of the Camp's creator, Donald C. Broadbridge, D.D.S in 1930 when the camp was first proposed. It's too long to fit in the pages of *MoenBeams* but the following is a sketch of it: *"Enjoy the great outdoors, wake up with a smile, have daily good cheer, win modestly – lose gracefully, speak and think the truth, cooperate and help, strive for harmony, be kind – it's manliness, be strong, careful and generous, aim for self improvement be a regular fellow, an optimist and a gentlemen"*



Dr. Broadbridge practiced dentistry in Grosse Point, Michigan and had some difficulty getting the camp up and functioning during the depression of the 1930s but in 1932, with some financial help from a relative, he managed it. Thereafter every year he opened the camp with a small number of campers and in the fall he returned to Grosse Point to rebuild and resume his dental practice. The camp grew to it's approximate 150 campers today. There is one highly screened counselor for every four campers. The counselors are, students, teachers, coaches and former campers.

Camp activities include: water sports (swimming, water skiing, sailing), individual sports (golf, bicycle trail riding, tennis). Bow and arrow and rifle target practice, team sports (touch football, "sandlot" hockey) horseback riding, and the Voyager Leadership program for 15 & 16 year olds. The latter is a backpacking trip to the Porcupine Mountain State park and kayaking the Apostle Island National Lakeshore on Lake superior.

Camp Deerhorn has been a shoreline fixture on North Pelican

### WORMY THOUGHTS TO FISH BY

When you are dissatisfied and wish to return to your youth, think of Algebra.

One of the many things no one tells you about aging is that it is such a nice change form being young.

### THE BOAT LANDING

Recently, a land owner near the landing requested to purchase an easement on the roadside land that the Town of Pine Lake holds. The easement was intended to allow parked cars and trailers but has never been developed. The Town board was to visit the site and determine if it should be sold in part, all or not at all. No action is known at this time. There was some mention of grants to improve the landing itself. We'll keep you informed.

### The OHWM

A recent conversion was overheard about just exactly what is the ORDINARY HIGH WATER MARK? Very simply is the shoreline division identifying the public and private ownership on natural lakes held in trust for the citizens of the State of Wisconsin. On lakes, landowners own the land above the OHWM and on streams they own to the center of the stream (the public still have the right too use the water for boating and fishing, etc.

You probably don't know that the DNR and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers have the authority to require permits or approve activities in all public waterways and for some acivites above the OHWM.

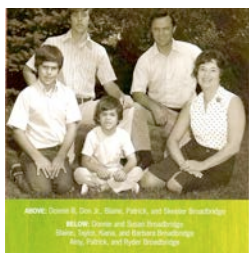
To determine the OHWM look for a distinct mark left by the water wave action on the shoreline. The mark would be erosion, a change in vegetation (ie: a change from water to land based plants) or other easily reccogizable signs.

Governmental zoning may require identification of the OHWM in some instances (construction, etc.)



Lake for 82 plus years. The interesting thing about it is: it has functioned and grown under the loving administration of one family.

Dr. Don was born in Marine City, Michigan in 1891 and married Kathryn, born that same year in London, Ontario. Together they remained active there until the 1970s. Their descendants have managed it ever since.



Don Jr. was born in 1929, raised in Michigan and spent his summers at Deerhorn. He is a graduate of Colgate University, became a pilot while in the service and flew for TWA for three years. Don Jr. was Assistant Director of Admissions at Depauw University for sixteen years. In 1958 he became Associate Director of Deerhorn. He married Cynthia Hutcheson, "Skeeter", of Lynchburg, Virginia. They met when Skeeter arrived at Camp Bryn Afon, Deerhorn's sister camp for girls, as a counselor. The marriage produced three sons: Donnie III, Blaine and Patrick. After 24 years of marriage and Camp Deerhorn management Skeeter was killed in an auto accident.

Don Jr. retired in 1994 and Don III assumed command along with wife Susan. As noted earlier, Don III has turned the reins over to Blaine and Patrick.



In this photo, Blaine, Taylor, Kiana and wife Barbara and next Amy Patrick and Ryder.

It would seem that Camp Deerhorn is in good hands for the next millennium.

W. Gager

## TROLLING FOR HISTORY - PAST

(From the *MOENBEAMS* Archives)

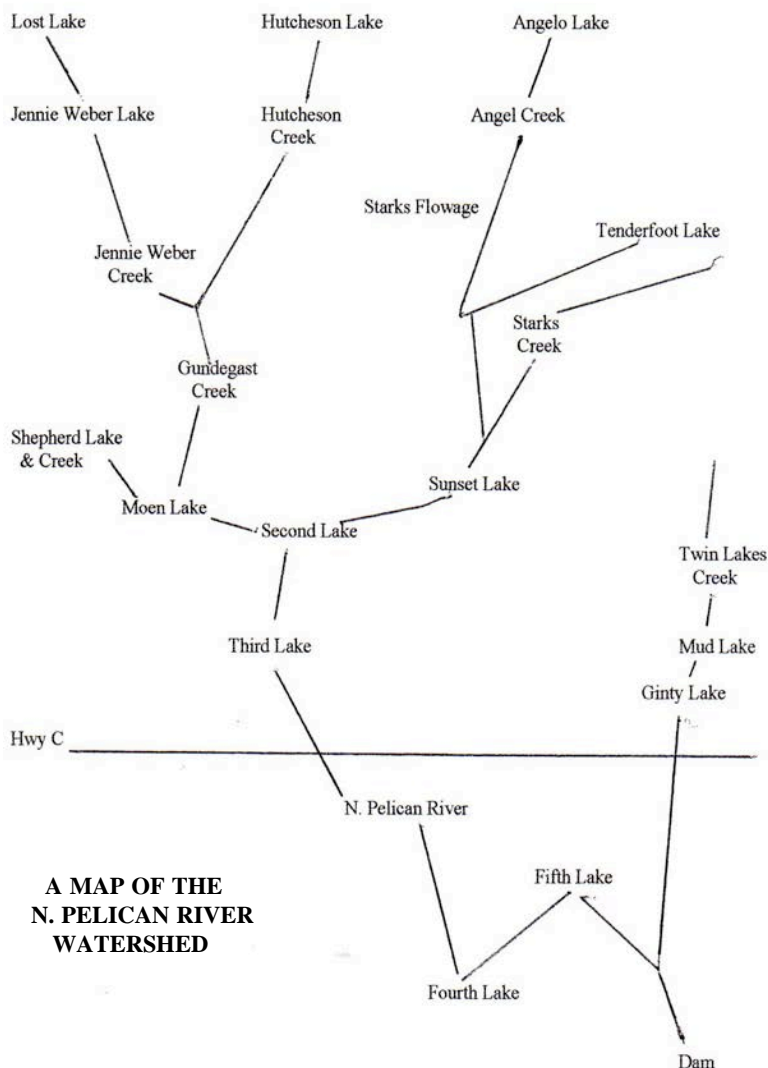
John O. Moen ( the "O" was thought to be Oscar) was born September 8, 1847 in Norway. He was the son of O.T. and Gure Moen. He emigrated to the United States in 1866 and shortly after arrived at a farm in Portage County. During his employment there he was introduced to logging. He moved to Nelsonville, Wisconsin and stayed 18 years. It was in Nelsonville that he became professionally involved in the business of logging. During this time he traveled extensively including to the states of Oregon and Washington for short periods, studying the logging practices of the northwest.

In 1887 John moved to Rhinelander where he bought shares in the Wisconsin Veneer Co. of Rhinelander ultimately becoming Vice President there. Eventually he became President of the First National Bank, now the Associated Bank, and was instrumental in the continued development of Rhinelander. One of his many credits was a directorship in the Rhinelander Refrigerator Co.

He met and married Mattie Iverson, a Wisconsin native. The marriage resulted in three children; Hannah, Gunda and Oscar.

Within one of his large land-holding partnerships a lake was named in his honor - Moen Lake. Thanks John.

The watershed that feeds the Moen Lake Chain of lakes Covers approximately 100miles. The rough east/west boundaries are between State highway 17 and U.S. highway 45. The north/south boundaries are county highway A & U.S. highway 8.





Whoa! No more stories like that. I was in church this morning



Where is she?



You already took my picture



We know your smile. Your name?

And then I said.....

Whadaya mean, I just want a little bite.



Who's under the cap?



Yeah, I am cold!

**PICS & PUNS (You saw the pics, here are the puns)**

In a Democracy, it's your vote that counts. In feudalism, it's your count that votes

Atheism is a nonprophet organization

She was only a whiskey maker but he loved her still

Two eskimos sitting in kayak were chilly so they started a little fire in the craft. It sank. Proving once again that you can't have your kayak and heat it too.

# Moen Lake Chain Association

## What We Are

By Scott A. Patulski – member MCLA Board of Directors '14-'17

The annual meeting of the Moen Lake Chain Association (MLCA) occurred on Saturday July 5, 2014. Several new officers were elected at this meeting. A meeting of the new Board occurred on September 29, 2014 to refine the Board's membership and to better get to know one another.

To encourage continued membership and to expand our membership base we felt it may be useful to explain what the MLCA is and what it is not. These perspectives vary slightly with leadership changes in the organization.

The Purpose of the Association is described in the Association's By – Laws Section 1 adopted in July 2006 and states:

“Purpose: the purpose of the Moen Lake Chain Association, Inc. (The Association) shall be to protect, maintain and enhance environmental and recreational values on the Moen lake Chain and its surroundings; to obtain, and provide to its members, information of concern, to represent its members with other organizations and public officials and to conduct such other activities as are appropriate to the purpose and consistent with the nonprofit status of the Association.”

In Section 2 The Association's By-Laws go on to state:

“The Association shall be organized and shall function as a nonprofit, non-stock corporation under Chapter 181, Wisconsin statutes. “

According to the by-laws the MLCA compliments functions of recognized units of local and state government through actions of committees such as “Clean Boats / Clean Waters”, “Fish and Habitat Committee”, “Water Quality Committee”, and the “Channel Markers Committee” to name a few. These groups provide services that governmental units – like the Wisconsin DNR – regulate but are not fully staffed to support.

Examples of these activities include staffing the public landing to help control invasive species of plants, aquatics, and diseases that would affect our lakes. The Association also provides property protection

and personal safety benefits by placing channel markers as appropriate.

The MLCA also attempts to inform members of changes in regulations that will impact members' use of the lakes. For example, the "Fish and Habitat Committee" members are monitoring the proposed 2016 Pan fish limit.

Members of the MLCA Board of Directors are also watching actions being taken to move forward with improvements to the Moen Lake public landing with great interest. These improvements, should they occur, will impact access to the Chain and the safety of the current boat launch site.

The activity of the MLCA in these and similar areas provides benefit to Association Members and non-members who use the waters in the Chain. At the same time, interference in daily activities is limited.

The properties owned by members of the MLCA reside in three separate townships: Pine Lake, Pelican Lake and Stella Townships.

To assist MLCA members in following the activities of the local townships we will be posting links to the township web sites, where these sites exist, on the MLCA web site. It can be found at [www.moenlakechain.org](http://www.moenlakechain.org).