



# District of Powers Lake **NEWSLETTER**

Published for all those who use and love Powers Lake

**2001 Annual Meeting**

Summer is flying by and life at the lake couldn't be better. Commissioner Gil Kroll's weekly water testing has been coming through exceptionally fine. Five areas are tested weekly, one area always is the Knolls Beach. Other areas are selected at random so that the lake is quite well screened for pollution.

At the Annual meeting August 2000 it was almost unanimously voted to purchase the wetlands through which the inlet flows, in order to make sure the water coming into the lake remains as pure as possible. This comprises a 73.41-acre tract of land, which had several buildable sites on it. The purchase price was \$118,000. An offer to purchase was made and accepted. The official survey was complete and title insurance acquired. This purchase is moving right along. Two grants were applied for by Gil Kroll and both have been received. The first one was the Stewardship Grant for \$30,000. In February we received the Lake Protection Grant under the Land Acquisition Project. This entitles us to \$51,150 towards the purchase of the Wetlands. We can only accept one of these grants so of course the larger was taken. The purchase will be paid for over a period of time, not to exceed three years. This land will be posted for No Hunting, in agreement with the covenants of restrictions in the contract. There should be no trespassing, as much of this land is swampy.

The Annual Meeting is when the public elects commissioners or board members. This year only one term of office is up for election. Chairman Jim Michels has completed his

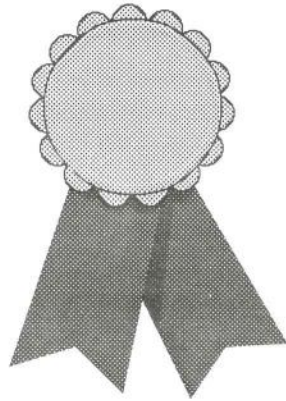
three-year term and has agreed to run for election again. Our by-laws require that the board nominates two people for a vacancy. Paul DeMichele's name was presented and he agreed to run. Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the Annual Meeting, but the candidate must agree to have their name presented. Only persons whose name appears on the assessment role for real estate taxation are eligible to vote, and must be present to vote. No proxies are allowed. Multiple property owners are allowed to vote only once.

The invited guest speaker is Doug Welch, the DNR expert who is doing the research on the Fish Survey.

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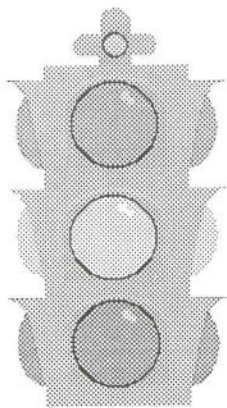
## A JOB WELL DONE!



Our compliments to the Powers Lake Yacht Club Sailing School under the leadership of Mary Pat Follett this summer. Over 50 students from the age of 7 to 15 participated in sailing lessons in both Butterflies and Optimist sailboats, during the two weeks before and after the 4th of July. Two Lake Geneva Yacht Club instructors taught the classes. These sailors will be racing for the rest of the summer. Their starting line will be ten minutes after the MC sailboat start every Saturday and Sunday at 11.10. Remember these are relatively inexperienced sailors and kids, so give them plenty of room.

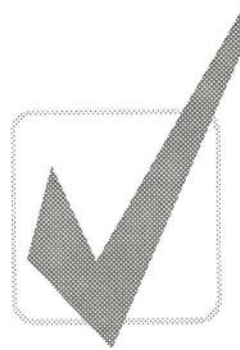
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## IMPORTANT REMINDERS



A reminder that power boats are required to give the right of way to sailboats, and it is much appreciated if their course is not run through by power boats, making wake waves that knock the wind out of their sails.

## NEW LAWS IN EFFECT



There are new laws for personal watercraft this year. Wave-runners or jet skis are required to stay 100 feet from other boats, skiers, anchored-occupied boats and bouys, and are required to be slow-no-wake within 100 feet of other boats, tow ropes, or personal watercraft and shore. Originally it was a game to spray other boats and skiers and many people didn't think it was so much fun.

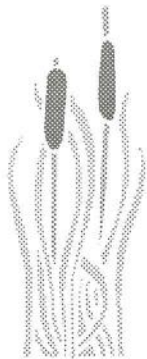
Many families have two jet skis. The law is that even though they may be out together, they can be no closer than 100 feet from each other or else going at a slow-no-wake speed. Powerboats are required to stay 100 feet from other boats, piers, rafts, occupied-anchored boats, personal watercraft slow-no-wake bouys and natural swimming areas.



## ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES TAKE NOTE



Randall Township also has a new ordinance governing all-terrain vehicles. This includes go-carts, motor bicycles, and motorcycles, motorized scooters, and motorized skateboards, snowmobiles and trail bikes. If operated on a public thoroughfare the operator must have a valid Wisconsin driver's license, operate it at a reasonable and safe speed. It must have functional headlights and a functional muffler. They may be operated on private property with the property owners written permission. Operation in public parks, public playgrounds, public athletic fields, public parking lots the Town landfill and other Town roads and lands is prohibited except in specifically designated areas. Subject to fines.



## DISPOSE OF HAZARDOUS WASTE

Randall Township will have a special hazardous waste disposal August 25th at the Town Hall in Bassett from 8 to 1. This is an opportunity to get rid of old motor oil and gasoline, batteries, anti-freeze, paint, rat poison, pool chemicals, flammables and other impossible to get rid of items.



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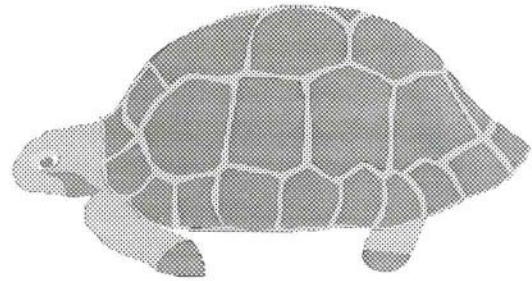
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## NEW TURTLE FOUND

In touching base again with the fish survey specialists with the DNR, Rick Dauffenbach who was actively involved checking our lake tells me that they have found another turtle never before seen in Kenosha County. This time it is the Spinney soft-shell Turtle and was quite large, perhaps 14". They consider these as well as the Map Turtle, never seen before in these parts as good friends to have. They are scavengers and eat dead fish and help with nature balance. He assured me that we do have Zebra Mussels. They are prevalent

near the outlet around Harbor Lights attached to stones. What look like black gravel are actually zebra mussels if you scoop them up.



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