

# District of Powers Lake **NEWSLETTER**

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### 2008 Annual Meeting

In accordance with our Bylaws, the Annual Meeting of the District of Powers Lake (DPL) was held "on the first Friday in August". The meeting was held at the Randall Consolidated School, Bassett, WI on Friday 8/01/08. The Agenda contained in the 2008 Annual Meeting Notice was followed with one exception. That exception was that the election judges requested permission to report the results of the election before the presentation by our quest speaker. With the concurrence of the electors that were present, the results were announced. The newly elected commissioners were Nancy Michael and Neal Kuhn who will succeed commissioners Pat Miller, Secretary, and Gil Kroll, Grant Administrator, and water quality specialist whose terms had expired. Both Pat and Gil had served for the past nine years and provided significant service to the district.



### Proposed Slow No Wake Ordinance Rescinded

After a well attended October public hearing where hundreds of letters were also presented by those who could not attend, the Randall Town Board considered this response to their proposed trial three days of slow no wake during the summer. Supervisor Ken Mangold said "I make a motion to rescind this proposed ordinance and throw it in the trash can". The following vote was 4-1 with Chairman Ostrander voting against the motion.



### **On The Lake**



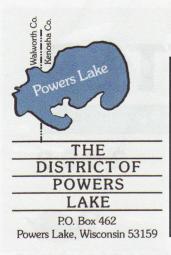
Sunday, November 16th, four tundra/whistling swan were seen in the Oakland Bay. According to Peterson's Guide, after nesting in the high Arctic, long skeins travel overland by way of the Great Lakes to their wintering grounds on the bays of the Atlantic coast. Word has it that these are a pair and two surviving cygnets of six. The pair have spent their summers on Lake Benedict and Tombeau. Apparently when those lakes froze this group spent some time on our lake. Friday, November 21st, saw the first ice forming along the shorelines in the Oakland and Honey Bear bays. On Monday, the 24th, we saw our first accumulated snowfall. By December 13th it appears ice has formed across the whole lake. Since the thickness varies be careful as you venture out.



### 53rd Annual Ice Fishing Derby -February 8th

This yearly event to raise funds for various conservation projects will be held on the north side launch of Powers Lake. Hourly and then grand prizes are awarded for fish in seven categories from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. The day will end with a Grand Slam Raffle and prizes handed out for the biggest fish. Don't be surprised if some youngsters show up the adults with some prize catches. For food, fun and prizes be sure to stop by.





Elected Commissioners: Jim Michels, Chair Nancy Michael, Sec. Brooke Jensen, Treas. Neal Kuhn Paul DeMichele Appointed Commissioners: Judy Jooss, Kenosha Co. Ken Mangold, Randall Twp.

### Seasons

October means the buoys out and geese have taken flight.

November brings a killing frost on the first of many a night.

December brings a slick of ice and maybe a snowflake.

Soon winter sports can take the stage on lovely Powers Lake.

So you may prefer the ice and snow and a snowmobile to speed

Or sitting by the fire with your favorite book to read.

One thing we never tire of is this special lovely view.

You can experience winter any way you may want to.

## **Quarterly Meeting**

Our next meeting has been moved to Friday, January 2nd, at 5:00 p.m. at the Randall Town Hall, 34530 Bassett Road, Bassett, WI. This is a change from the original January 9th date due to availability of our guest speaker, Jeff Thornton, from SEWRPC.

