



# Gilbert Lake Association Newsletter

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## **Next Meeting**

The next Gilbert Lake Association meeting is **April 24, 2013, 7 PM at the Northland Arboretum.**

### AGENDA:

- Election of a new president (John Linn has agreed to run for the position)
- Financial report
- Water testing data
- Discussion of 501(c)(3) and Initiative Foundation Lake Association Funds
- AIS (Aquatic Invasive Species) Inspectors
- Any other new or old business

## **Action at 2012 Meeting**

- Dan Swanson from the DNR spoke about invasive species.
- Karen Koltes Engen reported the balance in the GLA account to be \$1082. The previous year it was \$525.
- Morey Borash reported on ongoing water testing.
- The Crow Wing County Lake Assessment report was discussed.
- After discussion about Lake Improvement District (LID), a motion was passed to establish a committee to explore, report back on, and make a recommendation as to potential 501(c)(3) status.
- A motion was passed to increase annual GLA dues from \$25 to \$35, effective in 2013.
- Paul Jacobsen solicited volunteers for guardrail painting.
- Discussion of CW County Land Ordinance, amendments and notice

## **Riverside Drive Guardrail**

To reduce the guardrail's visibility and glare, Paul Jacobsen organized volunteers to paint the backside of the guardrail, with paint and brushes provided by Crow Wing County Highway Department. Last summer, a considerable amount of progress was made with about 3/4 of the guardrail being painted. Volunteers are need to finish the south end. Interested persons can contact Paul, who still has plenty of paint left! Volunteers will sign a liability form for the county and the Gilbert Lake Association.

## **Water level**

High water levels were an issue last summer, resulting in a discussion of establishing a no-wake zone or purchasing buoys to make a designated traffic lane in the narrowest portion of the southern part of the lake. Signage at the landing was discussed. No resolution was reached. Water levels may not present such significant erosion hazards this summer. However, residents of that area continue to request that operators of boats producing a large wake be respectful of others and reduce usage of the southern portion of the lake for high wake activities.

## **Administrative Note**

This newsletter was prepared by Gilbert Lake Association Treasurer Karen Koltes Engen because President Craig Nathan resigned after moving away from the lake.

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## JOIN THE GILBERT LAKE ASSOCIATION!

Please attend the annual meeting and/or return this membership form to Karen Koltes Engen  
10225 Gilbert Trail Brainerd MN 56401. 218-838-2709.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Sign my family up as a member - \$35 \_\_\_\_\_

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