

# STAR Lights

Highlights from Star Lake for Members of the SLPOA Fall 2025

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

By JoLene Kerr, President

For many of us, Star Lake represents freedom and adventure. I say this because when my grandchildren come for a few weeks, I watch how they embrace being able to run down to the lake on a whim - free to come and go as they please - jumping, swimming, singing, running and napping on the pontoon if they wish. The joy I feel watching them raises my awareness of just how lucky I am to live here year-round.

The end of the season brings a noticeable change in the atmosphere around the lake. Seeing all the docks and boats being removed at Eberts Resort and less traffic on Beaver Dam Road reminds me that Fall is just around the corner. I do notice the absence of my friends, neighbors and SLPOA members. I truly believe our beautiful lake mourns all of you that leave for the winter.

That being said, I hope your SLPOA Board made a splash with all of you by hosting three great events this year. Our annual meeting is always one of my favorite events. On June 7th, we provided a hearty breakfast at Camp Joy (supervised by Mike Hagen - THANKS MIKE) to 147 members! It's always great to see you all after a long winter. Our annual meeting was also full to the brim (in the Camp Joy Chapel) and we thank all who attended and won the amazing door prizes gathered by our own Dick Fultz. Special thanks to all of the local businesses that generously donate our door prizes.

Our Family Frenzy Fishing Tourney was held on a perfect day - Saturday June 28th - hosted by Bell's Resort. Twenty-five boats registered, t-shirts were exhibited by participants, lunch was served by Bell's, an awards ceremony was held and cash monies awarded to the top 10 winners. Ice cream certificates from duCharmes Family Corner Store were provided to all kids who participated. We are looking for a new name for next year for our fishing tournament, so if you have a suggestion send a note to our board members and we will consider your suggestions.

I do have to mention the 4th of July because we are lucky to have residents on the lake that provide spectacular fireworks displays and this year was amazing! THANK YOU!

The finale of the year is the annual picnic. This year it was co-hosted by Linda and Bruce Christianson along with Mark and I at our adjoining properties on Beaver Dam Trail on Saturday, August 16th. Our feast of broasted and baked chicken, ribs, 3 kinds of salads and dinner rolls was catered by Central Market of Perham. Lots of old friends and members and some new friends and members enjoyed Linda's flower gardens. We served 162 plates and sent leftovers with people who attended and donated to some families in our area who are in need. If you couldn't make it, there is always next year. AND... we are always looking for members to host. THINK ABOUT HOSTING - IT'S FUN!

The end of summer is a reminder that our supply of seasons is not infinite, making each one more precious. Until next summer, make all memories of this summer precious. AND...wave when you see me!

JoLene

## Star Lake History Book Available

Kim Pederson recently wrote and published **Wish Upon A Star**, a historical account of the original fourteen resorts on Star Lake in Otter Tail County, Minnesota. "I wanted to capture some of the magic of the old resorts and taverns on a lake that has escaped overdevelopment," said Kim. "As it often does, something else happened along the way. The People. They got to me. The families behind the resorts that pioneered and developed the area had strong backs and dogged wills. I couldn't let time erase their memories." The four remaining resorts open today are ones handed down by families who led the way—people who forged despite, or maybe because of, decades of ups and downs that challenged their resolve.

Kim Pederson is a freelance journalist primarily working for the Pelican Rapids Press. Her "Baby Boomer" columns appear regularly, along with articles on local and regional events. Kim has authored numerous short stories and essays and is currently working on a children's book.

The price of the book is \$17, which includes tax.

Contact [khpederson@outlook.com](mailto:khpederson@outlook.com) to order your copy, just in time for Christmas.



### BOD Spotlight

## Jake Daniels, Vice-President

My first trip to Star Lake was in 1997, when my (then) girlfriend brought me up with her parents Randy and Mary Kay Nielsen, for a quick weekend visit. Three years later, I had the wisdom to not only propose marriage to Kristin, but to pop the question on a sunrise (and moonset) walk to Peterson Point. Little did I know then that her "favorite place in the world" would grow to become my favorite place as well. When her friends from the Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) committee asked if I would join the Board after Tom Deegan moved away (thanks for your service, Tom!), I knew my turn had come to give back and get involved.

Our cabin is on the peninsula (just past Camp Joy) and we are so fortunate to have both a north side 'swimming side' as well as a beautiful south-side dock overlooking the wild rice, ever expanding this year. Our daughters are off on their great adventures - Tehya in Minneapolis and Annelise in Bozeman, MT - and so we get to spend 2 or 3 weeks out of every month at Star Lake from April thru October. Kristin and I are finding more and more ways to make the family cabin (since the 1940s) into our dream property away from the hustle of our home in White Bear Lake.

I am discovering a love for trees, whether it's watering new seedlings, enjoying their shade in our woods, or watching them burn in the wood stove over a good game of cribbage. Kristin, Mary Kay and I take turns feeding the birds that visit us every morning, especially busy during the spring and fall migration seasons. I enjoy tinkering with small engines and tools left in my Grandfather-in-law's garage. Gardening is the next big project. I look forward to learning from all the great members of SLPOA about your ideas for how we can work together to keep the lake healthy, beautiful and fun for generations to come.

See you on the lake!

Jake





# “What happened to the fish?”

By Gail Hagen, Secretary

*Growing up and spending summers on Star Lake, I was able to spend many days out on the lake in our small boat with a 5 hp motor tooling around and dropping a line to fish. My friends and I caught Sunfish, Crappies, Walleye, Northerns, Perch and even a Bullhead or two. I didn't like getting a Bullhead on my line – in fact I would cut the line rather than taking the fish off the hook! Those stingers were nasty! But I don't remember a time when we didn't catch anything. Many of you have similar memories. There have been many generations of great fishing stories on Star Lake.*

In the last few years, the conversations about fishing have changed from from fishing successes, to “what happened to the fish?” The families that are on the lake year around have expressed concerns about the number of fish houses out on the lake in the winter, and the lack of enforcement of the limits. Fishing Guides have been bringing in large groups during the winter taking out a significant population of the fish on Star Lake. We are also experiencing the effects of having the Invasive Species Infestation of Zebra Mussels for 6 years, (many of which are not known) on the overall health of the fishery.

Last years' test netting conducted by the Minnesota DNR confirmed what many of us had suspected and have been experiencing: the Walleye population was down significantly. A quote from the DNR 2024 Lake Survey Report: “Walleye abundance in the 2024 survey was the lowest recorded for Star Lake.” The Crappie and Sunfish population are also noticeably down.

A couple changes were implemented by the Minesota DNR to improve our fishery on Star Lake:

1. The daily bag limit for Crappies and Sunfish was reduced from 10 to 5 effective March 1, 2025 with the goal to maintain or improve the size structure of the Bluegill and Black Crappie populations in Star Lake (hopefully this will also steer the guides to other lakes and away from Star Lake); and
2. The DNR stocking plan for Walleye Fry has changed from 2.8 million every 2 years, to 1.4 million every year, with the goal of improving consistency of survival.

The DNR also asks that anglers help maintain the quality of the fishery by practicing selective harvest. Selective harvest encourages the release of medium to large size fish while allowing the harvest of more abundant smaller fish for table fare. Releasing the medium to large fish will ensure that the lake has enough spawning age fish on an annual basis and will provide anglers with more opportunities to catch large fish in the future.



Walleye Fry



Walleye Fingerlings

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# “What happened to the fish?”

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Mike Anderson

SLPOA members Mike Anderson and John Bialazynski are longtime residents on Star Lake and have taken on another strategy to help build back the Walleye population. They have had several meetings with the DNR Fisheries Supervisor discussing the Walleye Stocking options for Star Lake. The DNR stocks Walleye Fry (mosquito-sized walleyes) in the Spring as it is more cost-effective. The survival rate of fry can be very inconsistent – some years are booms and some are a bust. Fingerlings (6-8 inch Walleyes) can be stocked in the Fall and the results can be much more consistent. But the cost of Fingerlings is much higher than Fry, and typically not funded by the DNR.

After many meetings, research and conversations with neighbors, Mike & John took on the challenge of raising monies to fund the cost of stocking Walleye Fingerlings in Star Lake. Many of you have spoken to either or both of them. The overwhelming support of Star Lake residents has resulted in raising over \$18,000 dollars for this project.

So, thanks to Mike Anderson and John Bialazynski, we now have a 3rd strategy to improve the fishery on Star Lake – Stocking Walleye Fingerlings.

Working with 10,000 Lakes Aquaculture, a permit has been approved by the Minnesota DNR and Star Lake will be stocked with up to 430 pounds (about 7,300) of Red River strain Walleye Fingerlings. The stocking will take place in four locations – in front of Franks Lodge in the West Arm; at both Public Accesses (North and East); and in front of Bell’s Resort. By the time you read this newsletter, the stocking will be completed. It will take several years for the fingerlings to reach 1 pound or about 14 inches.

Mike and John are already working on plans for ongoing fund-raising efforts so that they can continue this stocking strategy for a minimum of three years. Stay tuned for more information!

A big Thank You to Mike and John for your dedication and all of the work you have done to help our grandkids enjoy the same excitement and fishing experiences that we were fortunate to have in our youth.



John Bialazynski





# COMMITTEE UPDATES

## Adopt-A-Highway

By JoLene Kerr, Treasurer

The Star Lake Property Owners Association participates in the Otter Tail County's Adopt-A-Highway Program. Twice a year volunteers gather and pick up litter along County Highway 41 from South of 380th going North to the intersection of Highway 108 and 41.

This fall ditch clean-up was held Saturday, September 13th. THANK YOU to Steve and Nora Roth who donated their time and energies wearing NEON GREEN working both sides of the highway to help keep our surroundings litter free. And a special "NOD" to Yvette Lewis at DuCharmes Corner Store for supplying piping hot coffee, breakfast burritos and rolls to boost our energy levels so early on a Saturday morning!

Watch for dates in 2026!

## Fisheries Improvement

By JoLene Kerr, President

### Walleye Fundraising Initiative

As many of you already know two of our SLPOA members have put into motion a fundraising effort for stocking fingerlings in Star Lake. These two men have single-handedly raised over \$18,000.00 for this Project. This initiative aims to enhance the walleye population in Star Lake, and they are working with the DNR and a private stocking firm to make sure these efforts are successful.

The SLPOA board supports these efforts and admires the vision these two property owners have not just for those of us who live and enjoy Star Lake now but for the future of our gem of a lake and for our children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. May our families enjoy their long-term dream, direction and goal to replenish our fishing resources!

If you have not contributed to this vision, there is still time. The plan is for a 3-year stocking and fundraising will continue during these 3 years. \*More information is included in the SPOTLight article within this Newsletter.

To donate please contact: Mike Anderson: 612-328-4778 or John Bialozynski: 651-900-2624

You can also mail your donation to: SLPOA  
PO BOX 155  
Dent, MN 56528-0155

NOTE: Be sure to put: Walleye Fund in the check memo!

## Treasurer's Report

by Steve Roth, Treasurer

The account balances for SLPOA (as of October 12, 2025):

General Fund:	\$ 1,646.35
Lake Protection Fund:	\$ 18,799.82
Total	\$ 20,446.17

\*Totals in the Lake Protection Fund amount includes the funds received from the Star Lake Concerned Citizens Group (SLCCG) in the amount of \$16,053.95 which was donated to the SLPOA in May of 2020.

## Membership

By Jake Daniels, Vice-President

As we near the end of the 2025 summer season, we have 192 paid members, including 6 associate members. There is a lot of excitement and energy around the board's work with the DNR to improve the fishery here at Star Lake. The AIS (Aquatic Invasive Species) committee is working hard to make sure we have early detection of any new invaders, as well as keeping up on the latest in the fight against the zebra mussels (still no magic bullet!). We had great weather and a fun turnout at JoLene and Mark Kerr's house for last month's annual picnic. Let's grow the membership so that we can continue and build upon the good work, and most importantly, find even more ways to serve the SLPOA and everyone who spends time at Star Lake. We need your help to recruit new members, remind others to renew their memberships and to submit those ideas.

As a new board member myself, I am impressed by the sense of community building and commitment to lake stewardship from the board and members of SLPOA. There are many different perspectives about the best way to solve problems, and which problems are most important, but the visions are all pointed in the same direction. We all have pride in "our" Lake: its perfect size for cruising and water sports; fishing; the habitat Star Lake provides; and, of course, its golf-cart-ability - what better way to go visit neighbors? I get it when I hear people say that we don't want too many people to know how perfect Star Lake is, for fear of it getting too crowded. If you know, you know.

The SLPOA is a small organization, but we have a strong foundation, finances in good order, an active board and members, so we can do some really cool things. Getting involved can be as easy as sending an email to a board member, posting on our active Facebook page, or contacting us via: <https://starlakeassociation.com>. It is easy to renew or join on the website so help spread the word around. Keep telling us what is important to you.

Best wishes and thanks always for your generous support of SLPOA.

## Water Safety



- ◆ Ice thickness varies; check as you go.
- ◆ Double thickness guidelines for white ice.
- ◆ Wear buoyant gear (except when in an enclosed vehicle)
- ◆ Have a pair of ice picks immediately accessible.
- ◆ Use caution driving on ice, roll down a window and unlock doors.
- ◆ Avoid pressure ridges and areas with currents.
- ◆ Ask local experts about known hazards.

mndnr.gov/icesafety  
888-646-6367 or 651-296-6157

# AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES

By Sue Nyhus, Secretary

In May, Star Lake was represented at the Lake Stewardship Symposium, where members had the opportunity to learn from experts, connect with other members of area lake associations, and bring back valuable insights to apply at Star Lake.

At our annual meeting in June, we set up an interactive AIS display where folks could get information about AIS, get a closer look at what these species look like, and ask questions.

The Star Lake Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) team has also been on duty this season, keeping a watch for invasive species. Fannie Snowberg, AIS member, kicked off the season with a kayak tour of the south arm. Other monitoring efforts were conducted throughout the summer months. The May “throw-a-rake” was held at the Highway 108 access. In July and August, Ebert’s Resort and Spruce Lodge hosted a rake throw. Each event confirmed the presence of Zebra Mussels and Chinese Mystery Snails - two invasive species that remain active in our waters. Fortunately, we did not detect any new invasive threats. We were happy to work with AIS team members from Dead Lake this year and we plan to continue that collaboration.

Our team is especially vigilant for the presence of **Curly-leaf Pondweed** and **Starry Stonewort**, both of which can spread rapidly and cause serious harm to lake ecosystems. Early detection is critical. It is important for everyone to be aware and report it if it is detected.

## How You Can Help:

- ♦ **Clean, Drain, Dry** your boat and gear every time you leave the water;
- ♦ **Don’t release** unused bait, plants, or aquarium pets into the lake;
- ♦ **Keep your eyes open** - if you spot something unusual, let us know;
- ♦ **Know the features of Starry Stonewort and Curly-Leaf Pondweed** so you can report them if you detect them.

## How to Spot These Species<sup>1</sup>:

### Starry Stonewort:

- ♦ Long, smooth branchlets are attached in whorls of 5-8 and branch asymmetrically at tips
- ♦ Stems are smooth
- ♦ Small, star-shaped bulbils form on clear threads at base of the plant and may be found above or below the sediment surface
- ♦ Small, orange spheres may be visible, these are male reproductive structures
- ♦ Branches typically several inches long
- ♦ Can form surface mats



### Curly-Leaf Pondweed:

- ♦ Thin submerged leaves have distinct “teeth” and wavy edges (They have been compared to lasagna noodles.)
- ♦ Leaves do not clasp around the stem where they connect
- ♦ Produce Turions that look like small greenish brown pinecones
- ♦ *Generally the first pondweed to come up in the spring and can form dense mats on the water surface. It dies back in midsummer.*



Our AIS work is a team effort. Thanks to all who volunteer their time, stay informed, and do their part to keep Star Lake healthy and thriving.

Source: <sup>1</sup> Aquatic Invasive Species Identification Guide for Minnesota

## AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES AND ME

By Sue Nyhus, Secretary

Since retiring in 2019, I had spent my time focused on family and myself. In the fall of 2023, I attended an event that hooked my attention. The keynote speaker spoke on the “Power of Saying Yes.” After wallowing a bit in the realization, I wasn’t saying yes to much of anything unless our kids, grandkids (and sometimes Butch, my spouse) asked, I set the intention to say yes.

I believe in synchronicity. Merriam Webster Online Dictionary defines it as the coincidental occurrence of events and especially psychic events that seem related but are not explained by conventional mechanisms of causality) So when a friend, Linda Dimitrivich (former SLPOA member on the AIS team) told me she was moving and asked if I’d serve as the AIS representative on the Star Lake Board I said yes.

When I began serving on the AIS team of SLPOA I didn’t even know what AIS stood for! I took the U of M AIS Detector Class in the spring of 2024 and I know a lot more about it now! I still have a lot more to learn. A few things I know for sure: there are changes in our ecosystem that we have no control over; there are changes in our climate we have no control over; and we DO have 100% control over our attitude, concern, and behavior. That makes a vitally important difference to the environment in and around the lake we love, Star Lake. Each and every one of us makes a difference.

I also know the difference between native *Northern Watermilfoil* and invasive *Eurasian watermilfoil*. Although they look similar, native Northern watermilfoil has 4 leaves per “whorl” and 4-11 leaflet pairs. *Invasive Eurasian Watermilfoil* is feathery looking with four leaves per “whorl”. It has a central axis with 12-20 leaflet pairs. Invasive Eurasian watermilfoil has not been detected in Star Lake. If you see it, report it.



*Northern Watermilfoil*



*Invasive Eurasian Watermilfoil*

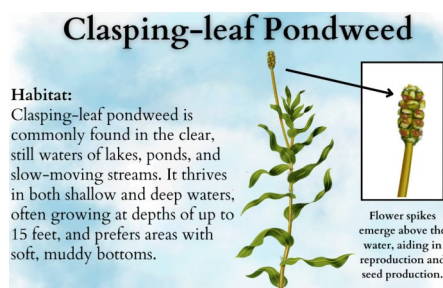
*Native Claspingleaf Pondweed* (widely detected in Star Lake) has leaves that alternate along the stem. The leaves look like they wrap around the stem. Hence the name, Claspingleaf Pondweed. The leaves are wide and wavy but don’t have teeth like invasive Curly-Leaf Pondweed. *Invasive Curly-Leaf Pondweed* has thin leaves with distinct wavy edges

(described as “kind of like thin lasagna pasta”). Generally it is the first pondweed to come up in the spring and it dies back in midsummer. If you see it, report it.

The University of Minnesota AIS Identification Guide provides valuable information on many aquatic plants, invertebrates, and fish. For more information, go to <https://maisrc.umn.edu/guidebook>.

If you’d like to learn more about AIS, join the AIS team on one of the rake-throws. It takes about an hour and the process is simple. One of us tosses the rake in the lake and pulls out, well, whatever is on the rake. We separate the different species pulled off the rake and compare them to species in the AIS Identification Guide, then log it. If we come upon an invasive species, we take a picture of it, bag it, and report it on the EDDMaps website, where they are tracked. Thankfully, the only invasive species we’ve detected in Star Lake are Zebra Mussels and Chinese Mystery Snails.

The Star Lake AIS team consists of myself, Lee Mindemann, Kristin Daniels, Fannie Snowberg and Bonnie Graham. Talk to one of us if you have questions or concerns. We’d love to have you join us on a rake throw or as a team member!



### Habitat:

Claspingleaf pondweed is commonly found in the clear, still waters of lakes, ponds, and slow-moving streams. It thrives in both shallow and deep waters, often growing at depths of up to 15 feet, and prefers areas with soft, muddy bottoms.

Flower spikes emerge above the water, aiding in reproduction and seed production.



### INVASIVE Curly-leaf pondweed *Potamogeton crispus*

#### KEYS TO ID

- Thin, submerged leaves have distinct “teeth” and wavy edges
- Produces turions that look like small, greenish-brown pinecones
- Generally the first pondweed to come up in the spring; dies back in midsummer
- Leaves do not clasp around stem where they connect

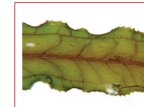
#### LOOKS SIMILAR TO

- Claspingleaf pondweed (native)

#### WHERE TO LOOK

- Lakes, rivers, and streams in waters up to 15 feet deep

#### CURRENTLY FOUND



Teeth on edges



Turions



# Memories of Star Lake

By Dick Fultz

Anyone who has been on Star Lake for a time has great memories, especially of my favorite subject - the restaurants that were on the lake. My memories go back to my first year on the lake.

In 1972 my parents were here visiting some close friends who lived in Vergas and they spent a week. When they came home, I visited them and asked how their vacation went. My mother said "Ask your Father". Uh oh, that was not good! It turned out that Dad had bought a cabin on a lake in Otter Tail county - on Star Lake! Mom was not thrilled. He already had developed the pictures he took of the cabin, the place where he wanted to retire to. For a guy who liked to fish but never could afford a boat, here was a Cabin on a Lake! Quite a shock.

The year 1972 was also the beginning for a new adventure for two young guys from the Barnesville area, Steve and Mike. Their lives on the lake matched my years when they purchased a long time feature on the lake, Rocky's Resort. There was a restaurant, a small grocery store, a bar, bait, licenses - everything that lake visitors could want. A six pack, a newspaper, a quick burger for lunch, a license and a dozen minnows - they had it. As it worked out, Mike was there all day, and Steve came in late and stayed until closing. You could run a tab so all your purchases were put on your tab and you could settle up with a check when you left. As life went on, Steve's kids were always there. I have pictures of his daughter Stephanie running around in diapers. It was a family business.

They were two very different fellas. Mike was quiet, a collector and some thought his main attitude was 'grumpy' or 'mean'. Kids were leery of him - in fact my daughter was scared of him much preferring to talk to Steve who was much more outgoing of the two. In my visits to Rocky's, I mainly met up with Steve. Later on when I visited the lake, I would gravitate to Rocky's at night for a quiet Schmidt's and a talk at the bar with Steve. A Seabee Vietnam veteran, we would chat. Those who went there will remember the sign over the bar that expressed a liking for those who liked to Bull S\$\$t. We would sit their nursing our Schmidt's and telling stories, likely joined by then owner of District 166, Dale, after he closed the restaurant and was headed home.

I remember the great food they served - the great malts, the hash browns cooked in the serving plates (none better anywhere) and the great views of the lake from the dining room. They served lettuce salads with French and Thousand Island dressing, a mixture I like to this day. But, for the kids, the malts were the best. You got a glass of malt and the metal mixing container with the rest of the malt. I can't tell you how many malts were on my tab once my daughter found out she could go down to get me a dozen minnows and charge them to my tab. Minnows on the side, a malt was foremost.

Steve was a handyman as well. I know he used his skills to do lots of small jobs for my parents. He installed windows and put on our new roof. My dad was a truck driver, not a carpenter, so Steve's skills were utilized.

But, as the years went by changes occurred. Mike reached retirement and sold out to Steve, and Steve must have worked every hour the resort was open. Once open till 1 am, now he closed at 11. Later the restaurant, always open year round, was closed in the winter. But that spawned Friday night fish fries with Gene (Steve's father-in-law), for many years a staple. My dad suffered dementia and for several years it was Steve who took my mother to the grocery store, or delivered supper when the restaurant was open. When my mother became ill it was Steve who made sure she made her doctor visits. When she went to a nursing home it was Steve who watched over the cabin.

Time also caught up with Steve: he retired and wanted his children to run the restaurant and resort but it was not meant to be. So, Steve closed one of the landmarks on Star Lake - Rocky's resort. I asked him if he was going to sell and he said no. He had offers but he wanted the people who rented from him to be able to stay on the lake. And then came the fire that destroyed the building. Gone forever except in our memories.

Time marches on. Now there is just one full service restaurant on the lake - Bell's - along with The Corner Store, now run by Pierre's daughter (Yvette) with pizzas (Tuesday is pizza night - Yay!) and a small menu. The youngsters who worked summers are gone, I guess they don't have to work as my generation did, which is both good and bad. But what remains are the memories.

I hope you have a great winter and I look forward to seeing you in the spring, maybe at pizza night, making memories on Star Lake.

Dick

*"We didn't realize we were making memories, we just thought we were having fun!"*

*- Unknown -*

# Family Frenzy Fishing Tourney

The Star Lake Property Owners Association held the Family Frenzy Fishing Tourney on Saturday, June 28th. We had twenty-five teams register for the event with lots of youth participating in the tourney. The weather was beautiful and everyone had a great time.

The twenty-five teams caught a total of 155 Northernns! The teams enjoyed lunch at Bell's Resort and the prizes were presented to the top ten teams and the smallest Northern caught by a youth. It was a lot of fun for all! Hope to see you next year!



Slime Sisters



Reel Troubles



Gator Haters



Tracy With The Honda



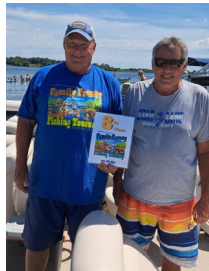
Forness Frenzy



The Pikers



Pickled Pike Pounders



Northern Slayers



Northern Star Drifters



Northern Warriors

**First Place Prize of \$150** went to **Slime Sisters** – with Delainey and Quincy Peters (Eric Peters Team) finishing on top once again! Their team caught 20 Northernns.

**Second Place Prize of \$100** went to **Reel Troubles** – with Asher, Austin, Brody & Jeff (Ryan Salberg team) catching 20 Northernns.

**Third Place Prize of \$75** went to **Gator Haters** – with Tim, Aniyah, and Ellie Nelson (Steve & Lisa Sheets team), also catching 20 Northernns.

**Fourth Place Prize of \$50** went to **Tracy With the Honda** – with Jackson, Hudson and Owen (Derek Lee team) catching 17 Northernns.

Fifth Place through Tenth Place Prizes of \$20 went to the Following Teams:

**Fifth Place:** Forness Frenzy - Joel Forness Team

**Sixth Place:** The Pikers - Chad Jones Team

**Seventh Place:** Pickled Pike Pounders - Tom Tang Team

**Eighth Place:** Northern Slayers - Dean Dirk & Jim Griess

**Ninth Place:** Northern Star Drifters - Arnie Schenck & Brad Booth

**Tenth Place:** Northern Warriors - Peter Klovstad Team

**Smallest Northern:** Pike Jones - 12" Walleye



Pike Jones



# Family Frenzy Fishing Tourney







## Family Favorite Recipes from Star Lake

Who doesn't love having a family favorite dish to enjoy on one of those beautiful days of sun, swimming, games and laughter while enjoying family and friends at Star Lake?! For me, it's my mother-in-law's delicious Shrimp Salad, or her amazing Potato Salad! And my daughter's Corn Salad – especially in late summer when the local sweet corn is ready! The ones with the sweet tooth in our family love it when we have Caramel Rice Krispy Bars or Zucchini Bread. All of the grandkids in our family request Grandpa's world famous homemade caramel corn for movie night!

We've all got those dishes and favorite recipes that remind us of a fun time with family and friends at the lake. And we want to put those to print so that everyone can share in the Star Lake family favorite recipes! But – we need your help!

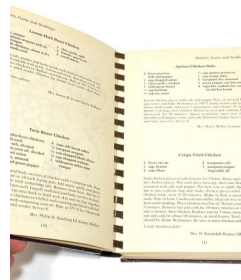
Send us your recipes (and a little background of it) so that we can compile them and make them available to all of our members. Our goal is to have them printed and available for a nominal price (just need to cover the cost of print). We would like to have them available at the 2026 Annual Meeting.

Here's how to submit your favorite recipes: Complete the Family Favorite Recipe Form available at [www.starlakeassociation.com](http://www.starlakeassociation.com), copy your recipes or write them out (be sure to include your name and phone number) and mail, email or text it to:

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## Star Lake and Surrounding Area Events

- Starting Nov. 28th:** Lights in the Pines, Perham
- November 28th:** Old Fashion Hometown Christmas, Pelican Rapids
- November 28th:** Free Minnesota State Parks Day
- November 28th:** Holiday Parade of Lights, Perham
- November 28th:** Small Town Christmas, Vergas
- November 29th:** Christmas Market, Dent
- Nov. 29th-Dec. 6th:** Christmas Tree Festival, New York Mills
- December 6th:** Christmas at the Barn, Dunvilla
- December 13th:** Over the River Holiday Festiva, Fergus Falls
- December 13th:** Dent Santa Day, Dent
- December 15th:** CP Holiday Train, Detroit Lakes
- February 21st:** Polar Fest Plunge, Detroit Lakes