

# The Chatty Loon

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## President's Message



Greetings to the USLL Community and I hope that everyone has had a fun summer!  
We have continued to aggressively treat for curly leaf pondweed, stepped up our AIS inspection program and continued our water testing programs. In 2015 we

also introduced a new Zebra Mussel detection program.

The threat of various forms of Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) is pervasive in our state so with your support we continue to have programs in place to manage our ecosystem. The USLLIA and USLL LID board members continue to provide the leadership to manage these threats.

I would like to recognize and thank two Board members:

Don Crust along with his wife Carol have tirelessly supported the lake and Nokasippi watershed for many decades. Don recently informed me that our association has reached an all time high in membership! We are the envy of other lake associations and have a very strong and supportive lake community due to these efforts.

Bruce Dybvig with the support of his wife Joanie has served as President of the Lake Improvement District (LID) from its inception has stepped down this summer.

Forming the LID, receiving approval from the county and the USLL community, recruiting board members, defining policies and by-laws and executing programs has been a monumental challenge and Bruce has led us through it all.

Thanks for your ongoing support and lake stewardship!

*Ron Trosvig*, BOD President

## Water Report - Summer 2015



1. We continued testing water samples with RMB Environmental Laboratories, Inc.

2. Secchi readings for 2015:

|      |      |        |     |
|------|------|--------|-----|
| May  | 7.0' | August | N/A |
| June | 8.5' | Sept   | N/A |
| July | 7.0' |        |     |

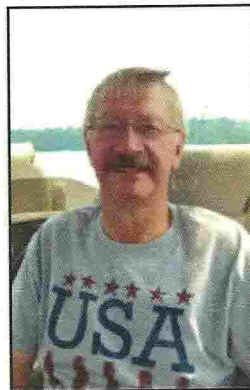
3. Previous results can be viewed in detail by going online to [www.rmbel.info](http://www.rmbel.info)

4. We contracted with Professional Lake Management, Inc. (PLM) to treat curly leaf pondweed. They treat with Aquathol K, and depending on the size and location of the weed bed, the rate of application ranges from .5 to 1.5 ppm. This is within the guidelines as set forth by the DNR.

5. The acreage treated in 2015 was 30.25.

Respectfully submitted,

*Daniel J. Martonik*, Committee Chair



**The USLLIA Board welcomes new board member Blaine Hakomaki.**

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