

# Granite Lake



## Granite Lake Watershed Association

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## June 2016 Newsletter

Hi Neighbors!

Summer is finally here and it is time to enjoy beautiful Granite Lake with our friends and family! As always, there are many exciting things coming up for you to enjoy. In early June, we had a relaxing morning of coffee and doughnuts at the Meet and Greet. It was nice to see everyone again and catch up what is happening around Granite Lake. A special thank you to Dick and Diane Tracy for hosting again this year. We look forward to seeing everyone again next weekend for the annual boat party!

### Dates to Remember:

Saturday, June 25	Granite Lake Boat Party	6:00 p.m. in calm waters
July 4	4 <sup>th</sup> of July Boat Parade	Granite Lake



### Granite Lake Annual Boat Party

Saturday evening, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m., we will once again be having our annual boat party. All are welcome – especially new neighbors! If you have not attended in the past, this is a fun event that is not to be missed! If you have a pontoon, we will tie together somewhere on the lake depending on wind conditions. For those who need a ride, please send me an email [andy.wilde@comcast.net](mailto:andy.wilde@comcast.net) and we will have someone pick you up at your dock (or a neighbor's dock).

Please bring your own beverages and a dish to share.

## The Park at Schwebel's

At the Meet and Greet, Tim gave a brief update on the park located on the Schwebel's property. The lease has been finalized and was signed in a mini-ceremony by the president. ☺ Plans are underway for items that will be included in the park and materials needed to begin the project. Additional information will be provided as the project moves forward.

## Company Match donations

Does your company provide "matching funds" for donations you make to Non-Profit charitable organizations such as Granite Lake Watershed Association? Please consider checking with your company to see if they will match your donation to the lake association. This is an easy way to increase funding for our lake projects. Thank you to all who are currently participating in these programs!



## Eurasian Water Milfoil

We made great progress treating the milfoil in 2015. *THANK YOU* to all who have contributed and continue to contribute! We are expecting results of our survey any day and will use that information to determine treatment areas. The cost of treatment this year is expected to be \$10,000 - \$15,000. We are hopeful that we will again receive a grant from Wright County Soil & Water to possibly cover \$5,000 of our cost. However, that still leaves a big sum for us so, once again, we ask for your donations to our Aquatic Invasive Species fund.



## Zebra Mussel Monitoring

As you know, zebra mussels have been found nearby in Lake John and Clearwater Lake. On Granite Lake, many of you have seen the Zebra Mussel monitoring kits that were installed on some of your docks. Many thanks to Scott and Gretchen Quiggle for installing the kits and checking them every 2-3 weeks all summer. As a result of their on-going efforts and those of Pete Pescheck and Tim Waldschmidt who both monitored last year, Granite Lake has been recognized for our exceptional zebra mussel monitoring program! **No zebra mussels were found on any of the monitor kits on Granite Lake.** As you know, early detection of zebra mussels is extremely important if we are to have a chance to address an issue in our lake. Therefore, it is critical that we stay vigilant on this and we plan to monitor again this summer. Please let us know if we can again mount the monitor kits on your dock. The kits are nothing more than a small PVC tube. You won't even know it's there!

It is important to follow these steps to prevent the spread of zebra mussels and other invasive species to Granite Lake.

- If you buy a used dock, lift, or boat you must check it for zebra mussels and Eurasian Water Milfoil before putting it in Granite Lake. The DNR also specifies:
  - Spraying the used equipment with high-pressure water;
  - Rinsing with hot water (120 degrees for two minutes, or 140 degrees for 10 seconds); or
  - Drying the equipment for at least five days (note that "best current science" suggests 21-29 days dry).

## Email Addresses

Do you have a new email address? Or are you aware of a neighbor with a new email address? We are still mailing copies of this newsletter to some members that do not have an email address on file with us; however, this is expensive and time-consuming. Please send us your current email addresses. Thank you!

*Make a Difference!*  
**DONATE**

**Please Donate to Fight the Milfoil!**

We are continuing to collect donations specifically to treat the Eurasian Milfoil problem. As stated above, we are likely to incur a cost of \$10,000 in 2016, with 2017 treatments still unknown. It is very possible that our total cost will be approximately \$25-\$30,000 over a 3 year period. Please consider sending in a donation now. It will go a long way towards fighting this problem. Thank you to the donors listed below from last year and the early donations already for this year. We are off to a good start!

**List of 2016 Aquatic Invasive Species Fund Donations:**

Andersohn	\$ 25	Foss	\$ 100	Mackie	\$ 200	Stevens	\$ 40
Anderson	\$ 100	Gohl	\$ 100	Nanoff	\$ 50	Sturgeon	\$ 50
Bailey	\$ 300	Gunderson	\$ 60	Oppegaard	\$ 60	Waldschmidt	\$ 300
Bell	\$ 150	Hacksel	\$ 100	Pesheck	\$ 300	Wengatz	\$ 500
Bellows	\$ 100	Hedman	\$ 200	Peterson	\$ 100	Anomyous	\$ 2,000
Fitzhenry	\$ 100	Knutson	\$ 400	Poe	\$ 100		
Fleming	\$ 40	Koltes	\$ 500	Quiggle	\$ 250		

**Annual Dues: \$40.00**

It is time to send in 2016 annual dues. Of course, you can send in your annual dues at the same time you make a donation to the AIS (Aquatic Invasive Species) fund. Just specify on your check if your donation is for AIS, annual dues or both. And remember, it's never too late to pay for previous years. Not sure, please contact Lucinda at 320-963-5594.

**List of 2016 Dues Paid:**

Andersohn	\$40	Hackenmueller	\$40	Mackie	\$50	Quiggle	\$50
Anderson	\$40	Hacksel	\$40	Mattson	\$100	Reeves	\$40
Bailey	\$100	Hagstrom	\$40	McPherson	\$100	Schwebel	\$200
Bell	\$50	Hedman	\$40	Mehr	\$100	Stevens	\$40
Bellows	\$50	Henry	\$40	Nanoff	\$40	Sturgeon	\$40
Fitzhenry	\$40	Holmgren	\$50	Nolan	\$200	Thul	\$60
Fleming	\$40	Johnson	\$50	Ogden	\$50	Tracy	\$50
Foss	\$100	Jones	\$50	Oppegaard	\$40	Waldschmidt	\$50
Gerlach	\$40	Kaufhold	\$40	Parady	\$40	Welter	\$100
Gohl	\$40	Knutson	\$50	Pesheck	\$100	Wengatz	\$40
Grindle	\$80	Koltes	\$100	Peterson	\$50	Wilde	\$50
Gunderson	\$40	Looft	\$40	Poe	\$40		

**Additional Donations:**

*In Memory of* Chuck Kaufhold \$260  
 Jim and Mary Schwebel - park improvements \$25,000

Please send donations and dues to:

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