



SMITH MOUNTAIN LAKE ASSOCIATION

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Protecting the Investment of SML Residents

Lake Matters: November 2016

Presidents Letter

With 2016 winding to an end, our thanks are extended to those individuals who made up the steering committees and/or served as volunteers at the various Smith Mountain Lake 50th Anniversary events. Those events that I was able to attend were a great deal of fun. Our cardboard boat, although it did not win, did survive, and can be used in another race.

While on the subject of the year ending, a suggested present would be a "Safety Sam" sign listing house rules. If someone (of a young age) objects to wearing a life jacket, for example, you are not the bad guy--just point to "Safety Sam." The signs are available at the SMLA office for \$10.

As of this writing, we are down to the final six 50th Anniversary inflatable life jackets. Please, if interested, contact the SMLA office and order yours before they are gone.

During the past year we have increased our public communications in an effort to acquaint more of the Smith Mountain Lake Community with what SMLA does. We are the "only organization that is dedicated to the broad range of environmental, property, safety, recreation and legislative issues of concern to us all." Our website is new and being maintained. More articles are going to the local press. We are looking for a volunteer to help us with social media: this could be done at your own time and pace and would be of immense help to our organization.

On a personal note, after over ten years, I will be retiring from the SMLA Board of Directors at the end of December. I have had a great time working with a group of outstanding individuals, and will continue to be available if needed.

The ballot for candidates running for election to the Board, effective January 1, 2017, is included with this newsletter. Please take a moment to vote. Also, notify us, in writing, if you are interested in becoming a potential member of the Board. Drop in on a monthly meeting if you just want to learn more about it, or if you are interested in a volunteer position helping us to use Social Media.

With best wishes to all of our members for a happy and healthy 2017.

Pete Lewis

Pete Lewis

SMLA President

Timely News Regarding the Mountain Valley Pipeline

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has released their draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Mountain Valley Pipeline. A copy of this EIS, together with Appendices A through W, and FERC guidance on submitting public comments before Dec. 22, 2016, is available on the MVP website at <https://www.mountainvalleypipeline.info/current-news>. The SMLA is currently reviewing this EIS and preparing comments for FERC on major deficiencies in the EIS that did not address possible negative effects of the MVP pipeline on Smith Mountain Lake.

Buffer Landscape Team Provides Advice to Local Couple

Local couple Joe and Lee Wolf are getting ready to build a new home in the beautiful Boardwalk community. Before the construction starts, they wanted some landscaping advice with the goal of having a beautiful setting with a good view of the lake while avoiding erosion and protecting the lake from harmful waste or chemical intrusion.

Well, who you gonna call? Ghost bust... no, no, no! Call B.L.A.S.T. or the Buffer Landscape Advisory Service Team. The BLAST folks are members of the Buffer Landscape Committee, sponsored by SMLA. The Buffer Landscape Committee is comprised of about 15 volunteers dedicated to educating the lake community about buffer landscaping techniques. Many are Virginia Master Gardeners or Virginia Master Naturalists. The mission statement of the Buffer Landscape Committee is:

To preserve the lake shoreline & water quality while providing wildlife habitat and protecting your property investment and enhancing the beauty of the lake

With that in mind, we met the Wolfs request by dispatching a team of 5 members to their building lot. After meeting them and discussing their basic concerns and desires, we examined their property. We found a gently sloping undeveloped lot with mostly turf grass on the upper (street) portion leading down to a shoreline that had many mature varieties of pine and a few hardwoods, along with rip rap and a small sandy beach area with a long berm running above it. They actually have a lovely framed view in the middle of the property with the majority of the trees on both property lines. Slight erosion was observed above the berm, but with new construction beginning that could easily change.

We discussed the necessity of a permit to remove any trees below the 800' contour line. There may be a need for some tree removal for the digging of the septic system and we discussed not making any decisions on removal of other trees until everything absolutely necessary to remove for that process and the building process was decided.

We discussed how "limbing up" trees can leave a healthy tree and remove dead branches which are low hanging and improve a view. We also talked about the possibility of planting into the existing berm, or above it, to both slow rainwater flow and beautify that area above the beach. This planting above the berm could take the form of a rain garden since that area already shows signs of erosion. We recommended having a landscape plan drawn up by a landscape designer so they have a goal to work towards.

We also talked about any paths which will be installed from the house down to the dock area; again tree removal will be necessary but keeping it to a minimum and removing selectively will clean up the brushy undergrowth in the pine tree area, and provide a beautiful shady walk to the lake. Curving paths/driveways and water permeable surfaces will also minimize erosion. We informed Lee and Joe that we would be happy to return later in the building process if more advice is needed. The Wolfs were very appreciative of our visit.



If you would like to request a home visit please contact us. We will to come to your HOA/POA meeting or other group to give a presentation about Buffer Landscaping; and if you are into protecting our lake environment, or just like gardening, we are always looking for enthusiastic folks to become members of the Buffer Landscape Committee. You may contact us by calling 540-719-0690 and leaving a message or emailing us at TheOffice@SMLAssociation.org and requesting a home visit, a guest speaker, or information about joining our team.

Russ Brager

Water Quality Management (WQM)

The 2016 summary of preliminary SMLA water quality monitoring program results for SML were issued by Ferrum College. The overall measurement Trophic State Index combined (TSIc) was 49.1 versus 47.7 for the average over the last 10 years and is 3% higher, meaning slightly worse. Total Phosphorus was 30.0 ppb which is 20 % worse than the 10 year average. Chlorophyll-a level for SML was 8.7 ppb and 48% worse than the 10 year average. Secchi disc depth was 2.1 meters and 5.8% worse compared to the 10 yr. average. For E. coli bacteria the population average was 71.7 MPN which is 181% higher than the 10 yr. average of 25.2.

Larry Iceman, Chair of WQM Committee

Save our Streams Sign Project Nears Completion

The Smith Mountain Lake Area Save our Streams program (SOS) is part of a national effort to monitor the water quality of waters flowing in the form of creeks, streams and rivers. Rather than making use of chemical analysis of the water, SOS reaches its conclusions from a count of macro-invertebrates and crustaceans. Since some of the species are pollution tolerant and others not, the tally will help determine whether or not the body of water is healthy.

The SML area SOS is sponsored nationally by the Izaak Walton League and closely linked locally with the BRFAL Chapter of Virginia Master Naturalists and the Smith Mountain Lake Association (SMLA). Stream monitors must complete a certification program, which covers both monitoring methodology and a knowledge of related aquatic species.

With more than 20 monitored streams in the area, each requiring a three-person team, the program needs to recruit monitors on an ongoing basis. With that in mind, SMLA awarded the organization a grant to increase visibility. The funding, which is being used to erect signs at the various monitoring points, has a two-fold purpose: to recognize the host landowners and government property administrators who approve our sites; and to create interest in our program and alert the public to the need for volunteers.



Left: Host Cy Dillon, III, with his sister, SOS Monitor Charlotte Dillon Hubbard, at the placement of their sign at Dillon's Mill on the Blackwater River. Right: The Holley Insurance team in Boones Mill at Maggodee Creek.



Since January of this year, SOS has obtained permission to erect 10 signs along roadways or hiking paths near the actual monitoring sites. Hosts include the Franklin County Department of Parks and Recreation (the Pigg River in Waid Park); two local farms, Brooks Farm in Glade Hill (Poplar Camp Creek) and Truman Hill Farm in Hardy (North Fork of Gills Creek); the Westlake Country Club (Indian Creek); the Hickory Hill Winery (Hickory Creek); Holley Insurance (Maggodee Creek at Boones Mill); and private landowners Cy Dillon (the Blackwater River at Dillons Mill near Callaway), Jeffery Tester (Jumping Run off Goodview Road), Sally Newbill (Indian Run off Hardy Road), and Tim Sims and Robin Abshire in Callaway (the Webster Tributary of Blackwater River). Permission for several additional signs is pending.

Geoff Orth

Royal Flush 2016 Season Summary – Best Season Ever!

The Vessel Pump-Out Program (Royal Flush) completed its 15th season in 2016. Highlights this year included three additional weekends of pump outs — two prior to Memorial Day weekend and one after Labor Day weekend. Due to this extended season, the program pumped out 6292 gallons of effluent — 27% more than the record season of 2015. A total of 351 boats were pumped. Additionally, the pump out technicians distributed educational literature to boaters about the benefits of keeping effluent out of the water. Staff for the weekend operations remained the same as in previous years; one supervisor, two teams of two technicians each, operating two pump-out trucks.

The Tri-County Lakes Administrative Commission (TLAC) staff and SMLA directors partnered to manage administration and logistics of the program. We are now preparing for 2017. The SMLA Board has approved a draft budget for 2017 which will be submitted to TLAC and subsequently the Virginia Department of Health. The proposed budget includes funding for a projected start date of May 13, 2017 and end date of October 1, 2017, an additional five weekends. We expect several pump out technicians return for the 2017 season, but there is more work to do before we start interviewing and hiring for pump out technician vacancies.

I'd like to thank the Virginia Department of Health, TLAC and SMLA members for making it possible to continue this program so that everyone can enjoy clean and healthy water on Smith Mountain Lake.

Rob Whitener



Smith Mountain Lake Water Quality Advocates Celebrate

On Friday evening of October 14, 2016 SML water quality advocates, 106 of them, descended on the bucolic Ferrum College campus to have a "50-30" celebration. We celebrated the 50th anniversary of Smith Mountain Lake and the 30th anniversary of the Water Quality Monitoring Program (WQMP). This program has been supported by Ferrum College and Appalachian Power Company. The theme of the evening was to recognize and to express SMLA's gratitude to all of the SMLA Volunteers. Special custom awards and Certificates of Appreciation were presented to Carolyn Thomas, David Johnson and Daphne Jamison to honor their 30 years of involvement with the WQMP. Carolyn and David are the original scientists and founders of the WQMP at Ferrum College and Daphne is the only remaining original volunteer monitor.



But this evening was especially to honor the many volunteers who have spent countless hours taking the water samples and data which is the backbone of the program. Over 70,000 samples have been taken since the program's inception. Many volunteers have literally been involved for decades. Talk about commitment!



After a delicious buffet dinner served by Ferrum College staff, we were honored to have a number of dedicated and knowledgeable guest speakers:

- Dr. Carolyn Thomas – Professor of Biology & Environmental Science
- Dr. Delia Heck – Associate Professor, Environmental Science
- Dr. Joseph Spooner – President, Ferrum College
- Dr. David Johnson – Professor of Chemistry & Environmental Science, Retired
- Mr. Larry Iceman – Chair SMLA Water Quality Monitoring Program
- Mr. Charles Patton – President, Appalachian Power Company

The guest speakers reviewed the history of the water quality monitoring program, the importance of the program and the incredible support the program has been given by the sponsors and the volunteers, including the importance of this program for Smith Mountain Lake environmentally and in maintaining the lake as a "go to" destination for years to come. We are very lucky indeed to have this level of commitment at the lake.





High Water/Severe Storm Preparation

As a dammed body of water, Smith Mountain Lake is susceptible to occasional severe flooding. Be it from a stalled tropical system or spring thaw, abnormally high water does occur. Recent history suggests that AEP has a good grasp on managing the flow of the river and thus the water levels. While there was some flooding upstream during recent major rain events, SML and our neighbors downstream were not severely impacted.

As the manager on one of the larger marinas on Smith Mountain Lake, how the lake's water level is managed is extremely important to me, just as it is to waterfront property owners and visitors.

What does Crazy Horse Marina do to prepare for a possible "high water" event? Well, we start by walking all of our docks and raising boats stored in lifts as high as possible. As an added measure, we assure they are secured to the dock with at least one line. We make sure bimini tops and boat covers are securely fastened since there are usually significant winds associated with these events. Items openly stored in the boats--tubes, noodles, beach towels, life jackets, etc.—need to be stowed or secured.

To provide adequate clearance for rising water, it may be necessary to lower bimini tops so they won't be crushed against ceilings or roof joists as the water level rises. Lines at fixed docks should be checked and adjusted as water rises; the longer the lines, the less likely they are to get taught between adjustments. Use spring lines and lines crossed to rear deck cleats. rather than short lines. from pilings directly to the nearest cleat. Sufficient "slack" must also be left in shore power cables.

For boats moored to floating docks, we check lines and fenders and make sure they are securely tied. Boat covers should be secured tightly to prevent rain water from pooling in the cover, potentially sinking the boat. Also to prevent sinking, owners should make sure batteries are in good condition and bilge pumps are set for automatic operation. Any deck scuppers should also be checked, making sure they are free of debris which could keep water from flowing overboard.

Docks should be clear of patio furniture, water toys and anything else which may float or blow away. Your dock and areas of your shoreline which are normally high and dry could become submerged. Anything you wish to keep should be moved to high ground or tied down. Gas or oil stored in a dock box or dock house, though out of the weather, could present a hazard should that storage area become submerged.

The safest place for your trailerable boat may well be on the trailer. Remove the boat's drain plug since covers often breach in stormy weather. Put the plug somewhere safe and attach a waterproof reminder to trailer tongue, winch handle or steering wheel...somewhere you can't miss it as you prepare to relaunch the boat.

Consider the environment. Trash on waterfront properties—and even along roadways--gets washed into the water when we get heavy rains. Police your waterfront property to make sure you won't contribute to this pollution source when the storm hits.

Once a high water event subsides and you return to boating, keep a sharp look out for partially submerged debris such as tree branches. Avoid operating in debris fields since small debris can plug cooling water intakes and cause engine damage from overheating.

Chris Bechtler, Manager, Crazy Horse Marina

BALLOT

The following individuals are recommended to the SMLA membership by the Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors, for election to the Board, effective January 1, 2017. Your vote, completed on this form and mailed or delivered to the Association Office by December 9th is appreciated. Brief biographies of each candidate follow this ballot.

PLEASE VOTE FOR A MAXIMUM OF TWELVE (12) CANDIDATES, INCLUDING ANY WRITE-IN CANDIDATES.

Note: Only current SMLA members are allowed to vote for the Board.

Rich Brager	Incumbent	2 year term	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Bob Camicia	Incumbent	2 year term	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Casey Kroll	New	2 year term	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Tom Hofelich	Incumbent	2 year term	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Larry Iceman	Incumbent	2 year term	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
John Rupnik	Incumbent	2 year term	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Bill Timmins	New	2 year term	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Randy Stow	Incumbent	2 year term	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO
Rob Whitener	Incumbent	2 year term	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO

CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WITH ONE YEAR REMAINING ON THEIR TERM ARE:

James Colby, Gale Easter, Neil Holthouser, Russ Johnson, Pat Massa, Michael McEvoy, Terry Naylor, Diana Shoudel, Charles H. Sinex, Lorie Smith, Rick Watson

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NOTE: Election of the above candidates will leave the board with three (3) openings to fill its full complement of 23 members.

 Your Name (optional)

Please use the space below to print the names of additional candidates that you recommend we consider for future elections.

Names of people for future consideration: _____

***Your vote, submitted by December 9th is appreciated.
Please take a moment to read these brief biographies of each candidate.***

Rich Brager: Rich retired to lake life in May 2010 after working as a mechanical engineer for 42 years. Rich has a BSME from Rutgers University in New Brunswick, NJ. Lake life has been fulfilling and fun. Rich and his wife Meg are blessed with 6 grandchildren and one great-grandchild who definitely enjoy lake life when they are here to visit.

Shortly after moving to the lake, Rich was lucky enough to be a volunteer for the filming of the movie, Lake Effects, both as set photographer and truck driver. Since filming took place at many locations about the lake, he got to learn more about the lake community.

Rich has been an active member of the Blue Ridge, Foothills and Lakes Chapter of the Virginia Master Naturalists. The Master Naturalists are active in projects that help insure lake water quality such as the Buffer Landscape Committee (currently chairman), Save Our Streams and lake water quality monitoring. He and Meg also engage in citizen science and nature education projects. Rich has been active on the SMLA Board for four years and hopes to continue service to the Board and to the lake community.

Bob Camicia: My wife, Margaret, and I vacationed at Smith Mountain Lake throughout the 1980's, and started building a home here in 2000. I retired and moved here in early 2001, completed the construction of our home, and moved into the house in 2002. I quickly became aware that such a beautiful and natural area cannot survive without a great deal of help from the local residents. I was recruited by Stan Smith to become part of the SMLA Lake Committee working on Debris, and the following year joined the Board of Directors of SMLA. I have been very focused on preserving the environment and character of what we have in this area, as it continues to grow. I am a Past President of SMLA and currently serve as Co-chairman of the Lake Council. I also am a member of the Board of Directors and Chairman of Tri County Lake Administrative Commission, TLAC, and am the Chairman of their Environmental Committee, in addition to being the Franklin County Supervisor for the Gills Creek District. I would like to continue my service to the lake and surrounding watershed community as a Director of SMLA. I appreciate your consideration of me to continue to be an SMLA Director.

Casimer 'Casey' Kroll has 33 years of experience spanning technical training, technical services, marketing and manufacturing disciplines, culminating in 15 years at the President / CEO level of mid-size manufacturing and technical services companies. For the past 12 years, as founder and Principle Consultant in Etra, Inc., he provided consulting services to government, manufacturing, financial and technical services sectors specializing in strategic planning, risk management and project management. His current emphasis is on community service work for Smith Mountain Lake and his homeowners association.

With experience in securing grant funding, creating and teaching an aquatic ecology (limnology) vocational education program he is targeting his attention to better understand and develop appropriate measures associated with the threats of zebra and quagga mussels to our lake.

Casey completed graduate studies in Aquatic Ecology and Secondary Education, as well as receiving his BS in Aerospace Engineering and MBA from the State University of NY at Buffalo. He also holds a M.Sc. in Engineering from the University of Toronto.

Thomas Hofelich: My wife and I have been coming to the Lake since 1987. We built a home on the lake in 1991 and used it as a vacation home until retirement in 1995. I was controller of the R & D Division of the Westinghouse Electric Corp for five years and was involved in financial planning for the division and the Technologies Group for 15 years. I have an MBA degree as well as an accounting equivalency from major universities. I have worked part time for several local businesses as accounting supervisor or office manager. I was the receiving treasurer of Trinity Ecumenical Parish during the first building construction and have served on financial committees as well as doing annual audits. I have also audited the books for several local organizations. I have served as the Treasurer of the SML Association for five years and I have currently served as Assistant Treasurer for the past two years and wish to continue in this function. I volunteer to do taxes for several nonprofit organizations and also have a separate tax business which has been in existence for several years. I believe that I can contribute to making the finances efficiently support the very important services of this organization.

Larry Iceman: I joined SMLA 12 years ago after moving to SML. I have held a variety of positions and would like to continue to be responsible for leading the Water Quality related programs for SMLA, if you reelect me to the Board. Thank You for voting for me.

John Rupnik retired from two successful careers: first as an officer and aviator in the U.S. Navy; and second as a consultant and corporate office with two environmental firms in northern Virginia with particular emphasis on supporting Defense environmental technology programs. He served as a Board member and President of the Small Environmental Business Action Coalition, advocating an increase in small business environmental contracts awarded by the military. John has a M.S. in Systems Management from the University of Southern California and a B.S. in Environmental Science from Rutgers University.

John and his family have resided part-time in Cedar Key Estates since 1992 and have assumed permanent residence here since 2013. His personal priorities are to maintain the lake's natural beauty and clear waters. He currently serves as SMLA's Treasurer; Secretary, Cedar Key Estates Association; and has offered his time to support the SMLA water-monitoring program and website. John hopes his continued participation on the SMLA Board will promote effective initiatives to support, plan, communicate and effectively implement programs consistent with SMLA's Strategic Plan.

Randy Stow: My wife, Judy, and I have had a home on Gills Creek since 1994 and have been full time residents since 2008. After serving as a line officer in the US Navy, I made a career at Caterpillar Inc working in numerous global assignments for 32 years prior to joining the Smith Mountain Lake community. My interests center on lake activities and boating in its various forms of power, sail and paddle. I chaired the SML Water Safety Council from 2010 to 2012 and was the SMLA president for the 2013/14 term. I'm a member of the United States Power Squadrons and am currently serving as the District Commander responsible for 5 states and the District of Columbia. I am a certified boating instructor for the US Power Squadrons and the Virginia DGIF. In 2016 I was appointed to the Roanoke River Basin Bi-State Commission. My strong desire is to see our lake resources remain safe, healthy and beautiful for the continued enjoyment of our families, residents and visitors.

Bill Timmins: My wife Sue and I relocated to Smith Mountain Lake from Warren, Ohio in August of 2005 when I retired from Robinson Memorial Hospital.

Since then I participated in the Smith Mountain Lake Clean-Up, serving as Volunteer Coordinator for 6 years. I am on the Water Quality Committee as chairman of the Septic Systems and on the Virginia DOH Septic Handling and Disposal Advisory committee. I am a certified Boating Instructor and was an instructor for the Virginia Commonwealth Boating Safety classes through Smith Mountain Lake Sail and Power Squadron of which I have been a member for the past 10 years. I also served as a volunteer monitor in the hydrilla Aquatic Weed Monitoring Program. I am an active member of Resurrection Catholic Church, serving as a Eucharistic Minister for the last 8 years.

Sue and I were married in 1973 after graduating from St Joseph College in Rensselaer, Indiana. We have three beautiful daughters, a granddaughter and another granddaughter on the way. We spend all the time we can on the water with our daughters and their families and would like to do more to help protect our lake and lake properties.

Rob Whitener: I live at Windmere Point with my wife of 36 years, Ravelle. We have been property owners since 2002. I am currently self-employed with Roar Packaging, LLC. I work from home with occasional travel to visit customers located in the southeastern United States. Roar Packaging, LLC sells flexible packaging products such as stretch film, industrial bags, corrugated cartons, etc.

I am active in several volunteer organizations. I am currently the Chairperson for the Royal Flush and Map Committees. I also served on the Water Management committee. Additionally, I am an active member of the Scruggs Volunteer Fire, Rescue, Dive Inc. and serve as the Captain for Squad 10. I run several call nights per week as a certified EMT. Finally, I am President of the Windmere Point Property Owner's Association.

Please mark and submit your ballot by December 9th

Your ballot, delivered to the SMLA Office, located on the lower level of The Plaza shopping center, or mailed to the address below is appreciated.

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Application for NEW Membership to SMLA

Members: Do you know someone who would support the mission of SMLA? Please give them this membership application. Membership is one of the easiest ways to safeguard Smith Mountain Lake, and SMLA is a non-profit organization. Dues are tax deductible. Joining is as easy as mailing a check or calling 540-719-0690 on Tuesday or Friday to pay by credit card.

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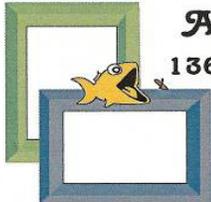
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SMLA Office Hours

The secretary is in the office on Tuesday and Friday from 9:00 to 5:00.
We are open most Mondays and Thursdays from 9:00 to 1:00 (staffed by volunteers).
The SMLA office is closed on Wednesday.

Appalachian Power Provides Office Hours at the Smith Mountain Lake Association office for your Shoreline Management Questions on *Friday Afternoons from 1:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.*

Office hours are an opportunity for property owners to ask general questions about shoreline management at Smith Mountain Lake. No appointment is needed.

Visit www.smithmtn.com for more information and FAQs about the Shoreline Management Plan.

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NOTE: Only SMLA members may vote in the Board of Directors election. If you would like to vote, please call the office, arrange to join and turn in your ballot along with payment. New members are always welcome.

Greetings from Stan Smith, Former SMLA Ombudsman, to WQM on their 30th Anniversary

You are my heroes. Many of the lake residents do not realize that you are heroes but you are making such a significant difference in the future of SML. Your work gives an early warning sign if there is trouble ahead. But even more important you are creating a data base that the next generation will need to protect the future of the lake!

Thank you!

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Thank You