



# Elk-Skegemog Lakes Association

## June, 2014

The ESLA Annual meeting will be held on June 28, 2014. The Twisted Fish Gallery and Sculpture Garden has graciously agreed to host this event. The meeting will be held in the evening, starting a 5:00 pm and will include entertainment, good food and beverages. The Gallery is located on US 31 just south of Elk Rapids. Please review the invitation on the back cover or our web site for more information. We look forward to seeing you there! It will be fun and informative.

If you were away for most of the winter, you missed a winter that will enter the record books. See the article on page 5 for more details. Of course, the warmer weather will bring back the ducks and other waterfowl, which facilitate swimmer's itch for those in the water. See page 5 for some tips on how to deal with Swimmer's itch this summer.

Winter or summer, the ESLA Board is active and working on a variety of projects and activities to serve the local community, protect our beautiful lakes and streams, and keep our members informed. For example, on page 2 you can learn about one example of ESLA's ongoing water quality monitoring and protection efforts. As a part of these activities, ESLA has involved, over the last several years, talented and motivated high school interns who are interested in learning more about measuring, monitoring, and reporting on the water quality of our lakes and

streams. Virtually all of the local students selected to be ESLA interns have gone onto college and some have decided to pursue studies directly related to the environment.

In addition, for over two decades ESLA volunteers have collected water quality data from Elk and Skegemog Lakes on a weekly basis during the summer. This year there will be a changing of the guard as Dean Ginther and Tim Wheeler will assume the duties of water monitoring for Elk and Skegemog Lakes respectively. They will be attending a training session in late May sponsored by the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council to insure the consistent and accurate collection of samples and data. Thanks to Thom Yokum and Dale Claudeperre, who faithfully monitored these two lakes previously.

In this Newsletter there are several more instances of how ESLA works to keep our members and the local community informed regarding issues related to protecting and monitoring our ground water, lakes and streams. For example, ESLA has contributed to the support of a project undertaken by the Elk Rapids Rotary called "Because of our Waters". See page 3 for more information. Next time you drive by the Rotary Park on the Elk River, stop and take a look.

Spring and summer are often times when we decide to "clean up stuff" which has accumulated in our

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houses, garages, and yards. Unfortunately, there are many unwanted substances which can do significant harm to us and other organisms if allowed to enter the ground water or our lakes or streams. See pages 9 and 10 for information on how to best dispose of medicines/drugs and hazardous wastes. Refer to page 6 for some ideas from the Antrim County Conservation District on lake friendly protection and best practices.

If you have not renewed your membership or joined ESLA, please do so by going to: <http://www.elk-skegemog.org/about/join-us/>. Thanks for your continued support. I hope to see you at our annual meeting on June 28th.

Dean Ginther—ESLA Editor

## Clean water—A Top Priority of ESLA

Each summer, in cooperation with the Grand Traverse Bay and Tip of the Mitt watershed cen-



ters, ESLA dedicates significant volunteer time (see pictures by Dale Claudepierre) and hires professional services to monitor the quality of the water in Lake Skegemog and Elk Lake. In addition to the lake monitoring program, ESLA volunteers also work with The Three Lakes Association (Torch, Clam, and Bellaire) to monitor the water quality coming through Torch Lake and down the Torch River. Three years ago, recognizing the importance of the Rapid River to our water quality, ESLA joined the “Adopt-a-Stream” program and agreed to monitor the river and conduct studies to evaluate this important water source. This work has become increasingly important due to the recent hydraulic fracturing which has taken place within this watershed on Wood Road.

The “Adopt-a-Stream” program has been used throughout Michigan using a protocol developed by the Michigan Clean Water Corps. Volunteers are trained to lead teams to sample the water quality in June and October each year within the same two week time period. By looking at the “aquatic bugs” in the rivers, one aspect of the health of the streams can be assessed, and if any serious problems are found or if major changes have occurred, additional investigations can be initiated. The diversity and type of small aquatic organisms in the water has been shown to be directly related to both water quality and the health of the fishery. Although this process measures only part of the

water quality story, it is an important indicator that helps ESLA monitor what’s happening on the Rapid River.

The three key spots along the river which have been sampled over the past three years are:

- Seven Bridges upstream of Rapid City—generally “good” habitat quality
- Downstream from Rapid City—generally “fair” habitat quality
- Downstream from Aarwood Bridge—generally “poor” habitat quality

The analysis of the data indicates the water quality remains good as the river flows downstream, but the habitat for the “aquatic bugs” deteriorates. At the Aarwood Bridge there is a significant accumulation of sand and sedimen-



tation which is not a suitable environment for the “bugs” compared with the gravel river bottom at Seven Bridges. ESLA has been conducting a series of studies to see what actions may be possible to reduce this sedimentation.

The Adopt-a-Stream team leaders from the ESLA board of directors are Dave Lawicki, Bob Kingon, and Dale Claudepierre. ESLA also thanks the Fields Family for monitoring sites on Rapid River. Any questions about the program can be directed to the above mentioned directors.

## Because of the Water...Project Update

In the January 2013 ESLA Newsletter I presented an article, Elk Rapids Area History Storyboard Project Background, which described a detailed review of how the project was started and it's status as of January 2013. Since that article was published much has happened to advance the project.

First a brief review: In 2012 an ad hoc committee was formed to develop and eventually place storyboards in and around the picnic pavilion in Rotary Park. These storyboards were intended to highlight various historic events and activities in the greater Elk Rapids area. Phase 1 of the project included mounting 3 storyboards on the inside north wall of the pavilion. Phase 1 was completed in the fall of 2012 ( see photo of phase 1 storyboards).



The January 2013 article ended with reference to phase 2 of the project and the need for a future fundraiser.

In mid- 2013 the ad hoc committee decided to name the project, Because of the Water. This title reflects the fact that early and current development of the Elk Rapids region depended heavily on it's extensive and varied water resources. This connection to the water includes the early Anishinabek people and their settlements up to modern day tourism.

Phase 2 of the Because of the Water project will feature a full size area map that will cover the outside north wall of the pavilion. Numbers will be placed on the map that will correspond to ground mounted storyboards place in front of the map. Each storyboard will hold historical photographs that were taken at the location marked on the map. Each photo-

graph will be accompanied with a brief description on the photograph. A paver walkway will be constructed from the existing parking area next to the pavilion to a paver viewing area adjacent to the map. The existing deck in the pavilion will be opened and extended on the north side so that the visitor can walk through and around the pavilion to easily view all the displays.

In late 2013 it was estimated that phase 2 would cost ~ \$13,000. The cost would be much higher had it not been for several businesses and individuals contributing their time and resources to the project. Fund-raising has been very successful with ~\$13,200 committed as of May 2014. The

largest contributor has been the Elk Rapids Rotary Club which offered a \$5,000 challenge grant. The Elk-Skegemog Lakes Association has made a \$1,000 donation. All donations will help visitors, locals and tourists, to understand the history of these lakes and waterways and encourage their proper use and protection. It is anticipated that the large wall map will be erected in early summer. The ground display storyboards and final landscaping will come along in later summer and fall. Several other ideas are under consideration to enhance the educational goals of the project.

Volunteers will be needed to assist with mounting the wall map and with landscaping. Anyone wishing to lend a hand should contact me at 246-6069 or [jsak@tm.net](mailto:jsak@tm.net).

Jim Sak, Chairman

Because of the Water Committee

**The public is invited to attend  
a fracking informational meeting  
sponsored by the Friends of Rapid River**

JUNE 28TH, 2014  
11:AM TO NOON  
Clearwater Township Hall  
5440 River Street Rapid City, MI

**PRESENTERS:**

**Dr. Grenetta Thomassey**  
Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council

**Jim Peters**  
Michigan Oil Gas Association

**Rick Henderson**  
Michigan DEQ Office of Oil, Gas and Minerals

Would you like to learn more about the process known as hydraulic  
fracturing (fracking) prior to the meeting? If so, see:  
<http://www.watershedcouncil.org/learn/hydraulic-fracturing/>

## GreenER Village Hike



**Thursday, June 26** is the date of the GreenER village hike. Plans are still in the making, with details soon to be posted on [www.greenelkrapidsdays.com](http://www.greenelkrapidsdays.com). The one-hour hike will feature stops at 4-5 village locations with significant natural features, where naturalists and experts will highlight their importance in our natural environment.

Interested persons should assemble at 5:15 p.m. in the parking area of the Dam Beach and Fishing Park, in Elk Rapids. Walkers, bicyclers, baby strollers, well behaved dogs, and nature lovers of all ages, are invited to join and learn some exciting facts about the great outdoors of Elk Rapids.



The Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council has a new Video Series - Protecting What You Love - and it's available now at this link:

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL-DdC6x-41h\\_LXMan3WCampWJ7GuDR-j7](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL-DdC6x-41h_LXMan3WCampWJ7GuDR-j7)

## Swimmer's Itch: Tips from Pete and Kathy Dimecurio

After experiencing 40+/- summers with children and grandchildren on Elk Lake, we have found no cure-all or magic potion for swimmer's itch, other than staying out of the water, which was never an attractive option. Often times, there were several consecutive summers with no swimmers' itch exposure to our kids/grandkids, then the next summer it would, uncomfortably for all, flare up and be an annoying, irritating presence for a short period.

It is best to follow the recommendations of the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council (see <http://www.watershedcouncil.org/learn/swimmers-itch/>), which include:

- Stay out of the shallows when wind is blowing toward the shore
- Towel off each time one comes out of the water (admittedly difficult to do with little ones, as they are in and out constantly)
- Do not feed the waterfowl
- If the rash is severe, see a medical doctor or pharmacist for the best available treatment.

What has worked for us as a family, at times, has been a disciplined approach to toweling off each and every time one comes out of the water. Also, applying liberally and frequently, as directed, a topical ointment labeled "Swimmer's Itch Guard" with a 30 SPF purchased at the Corner Druggist, Elk Rapids, MI. It seemed to work for us in 2013! Good Luck.

## Lake Friendly Protection Ideas

from the Antrim Conservation District

### **Strategically plan landscaping.**

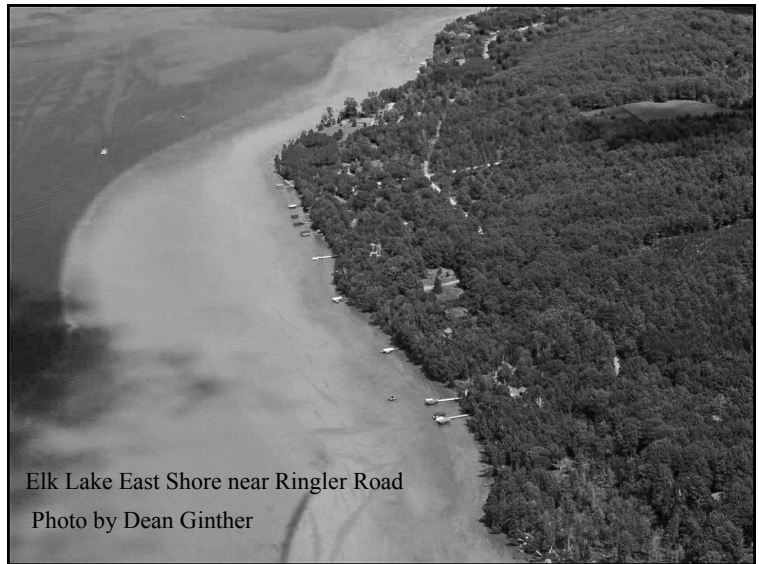
- \* Capture and clean water that runs off properties before it enters the lake by filtering it through landscape beds placed around the home and property.
- \* Install plant beds at the lake—geese love mowed lawns; they are grazers. A plant bed at the shoreline will deter geese because they don't know if predators are in them hiding.
- \* Install rock filled trenches, berms, swales, dry river beds in landscaping to control runoff water.

### **Reduce the size of mowed lawns.**

- \* Grass is inappropriate at shorelines because roots are only about 2" long.
- \* Lawns require maintenance, mowing and can introduce fertilizers and pesticides to lakes and streams.
- \* If irrigation is needed, seasonally draw from the lake.

### **Utilize Native plants in landscaping.**

- \* Natives have deep and expansive root systems and are great for erosion control and bank stabilization.
- \* They are acclimated to the area, resistant to pests and reduce the need for chemicals.
- \* Natives provide great habitat for birds and butterflies. Plants at the shoreline are also great for fish; they shade the water and provide habitat for the insects on which fish feed.



Elk Lake East Shore near Ringler Road

Photo by Dean Ginther

### **Strategically plant trees and shrubs along the shoreline bank.**

- \* Trees and shrubs have deep expansive root systems to protect shorelines from erosion and capture and filter storm water.
- \* Trees and shrubs are great habitat for birds and butterflies. Plants at the shoreline shade the water and provide cover for fish.
- \* Trees and shrubs provide privacy and protect the property against harsh elements.\*

### **Responsibly apply fertilizers—excess nutrients from fertilizers can cause algae blooms.**

- \* Soil test before you fertilize.
- \* Use phosphorus free fertilizers on lake lots and stay 25' back from the water's edge when fertilizing.
- \* Algae and aquatic vegetation is supported by fertilizer run-off. When they decompose they stink and reduce the dissolved oxygen in the water hurting fish populations.

## 2013-2014: A Winter for the Records

Have you been in Northern Michigan long enough to remember winters years ago when the snow piled high, the lakes froze over early and thick, and it was really cold?

Well, in spite of global warming trends, Northern Michigan and most of the Midwest and Eastern U.S. had one of those “old fashioned” winters this year. Depending upon your perspective, you may have appreciated or disliked this persistent and frigid winter. It really was a long winter --snowfall persisted well into April with Gaylord getting 12.1” of snow in April and Traverse City receiving 4.9 for that same month. Total seasonal snowfall for 2013 –

14 was consistently above average for the western portion of Northern Michigan (see table above from the National Weather Service), with Traverse City receiving 138.4”; Gaylord receiving 176.0”; and Petoskey receiving an impressive and record setting 184.6” for the season. Interestingly, on the other side of the State, Alpena had 20” below average snowfall.

While ice cover on the Great Lakes has been shrinking for decades, the inland lakes and Grand Traverse Bay stayed frozen this season well into April. The Grand Traverse Baykeeper, John Nelson, called “ice out” on the Bay on April 24. The GT Bay was frozen over for 80 days this winter. The last time that duration of freeze had been

experienced on the Bay was back in 1926. Closer to home, the picture taken below by Kathy DiMercurio shows surface sheet ice still on Elk Lake on

April 27<sup>th</sup>. The following day “ice out” was observed from the east shore of Elk Lake by Bob Kingon, making this the latest ice out date ever recorded on Elk Lake since 1931. Only two years before, Elk Lake did not freeze over during the winter.

2013-2014 Snowfall Information Last Updated: May 3, 2014				
Station	Season to Date	Departure from Normal	Seasonal Average	Record and Year
Alpena	64.0	-20.1	84.3	166.3 (1970-71)
Houghton Lake	61.9	-4.6	66.6	124.1 (1970-71)
Sault Ste. Marie	135.7	+15.4	120.4	222.0 (1995-96)
Gaylord (NWS)	176.0	+27.2	149.0	185.6 (2006-07)
Traverse City	138.4	+37.1	101.4	194.9 (1996-97)
West Branch	66.6	+16.5	50.2	95.0 (1951-52)
Petoskey	184.6	+62.0	122.8	183.9 (1970-71)

Generally, winters such as this one are good for the Northern Michigan environment. Levels of Lake Michigan and Superior

are likely to be higher because of the greater than average snowfall, shorelines and wetlands are protected from erosion, and the cold inhibits growth of damaging insects, such as the emerald ash borer, and other invasive species.

While climate in the U.S. and world-wide

continues to become rapidly warmer (see <http://nca2014.globalchange.gov/>), regional weather patterns such as the polar vortex can still produce an “old fashioned” winter in Northern Michigan and the Midwest.

April 27, 2014 Looking East Across Elk Lake  
Photo by Kathy DiMercurio



## 2014 ESLA Photo Contest and Calendar



The announcement you've been waiting for...

Our fourth annual photo contest is now underway and we're hoping for more great submissions once again. If you enjoy

capturing the beauty of the area, or what is special and close to your heart about living here in God's country, then check out the ESLA website and enter your photos in the photo contest for all to enjoy. It's free to join and open to all Elk-Skegemog Lakes Association (ESLA) members and their families.

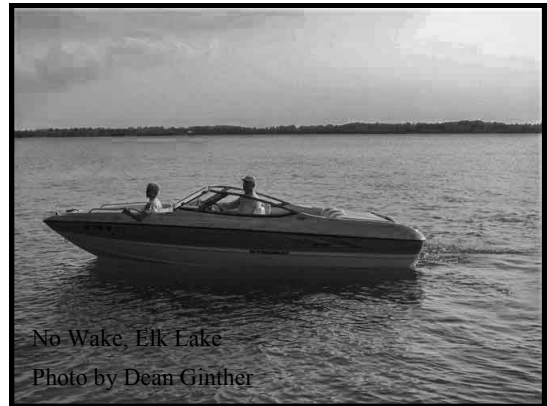
These contests create a historical photo archive of our rivers, lakes and their inhabitants, capturing fond memories of nature, family and friends. Photos may be used for promotional opportunities for ESLA. There are cash prizes to win, a photo gallery on the website, and our yearly calendar made with photos from the contest. Please go to the ESLA website for details. Photos must be submitted by September 15 in order to qualify.



Leaving Torch River into Skegemog Lake  
Photo by Dean Ginther

## No Wake Zones

The boating season is finally here! It's been a long winter and we're all anxious to get our boats and personal watercrafts in the water and "take off". Remember, though, that there are "NO WAKE" areas which have to be respected. "NO WAKE" means a speed slow enough to cause a minimal wake or wash in restricted areas (see picture directly below).



In our watershed, the "NO WAKE" areas include:

- The Elk River from the Dam to The Island
- The entire Torch River (including entrances marked as "NO WAKE" in Skegemog Lake and Torch Lake; and
- The entire Rapid River.

"NO WAKE" restrictions also include Elk and Skegemog Lakes within 100 feet of shore, a dock, swim platform or an anchored/moored boat. Care must also be taken when approaching persons skiing, swimming, fishing, diving, kayaking and canoeing.

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources & Environment (DNRE) has available a Handbook of Michigan Boating Laws and Responsibilities that can be obtained from the Michigan DNRE at P O Box 30028, Lansing, Mi 48909-9727.

## How to Properly Dispose of Medications

<http://www.watershedcouncil.org/learn/pharmaceuticals-in-our-waters/>

Use the Prescription & Over-the-Counter Drug Drop-Off Box (POD Box)—these drop-off boxes provide a secure, convenient, and environmentally sound option for the disposal of unused and unwanted household medications.

Residents can drop off unused or unwanted medications at any time throughout the year. All medications are handled according to the law enforcement agency's evidence protocols until taken for final destruction in accordance with state and federal laws. To learn more about the POD Drop-off Program, visit [www.pillsinthepod.com](http://www.pillsinthepod.com). Below are the POD Drop Box Locations in Antrim and Grand Traverse Counties:

### Antrim County

- Antrim County Sheriff's Office Administration Office 107 Grove Street, Bellaire, MI 49615 (231) 533-8627
- Elk Rapids Police Dept. 3321 Bridge St, Elk Rapids, MI 49629 (231)-264-6592

### GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY

- Grand Traverse County Sheriff/Traverse City Police Department Law Enforcement Center, 851 Woodmere Avenue, Traverse City, MI 49686 (231) 995-5001

#### ITEMS ACCEPTED:

- Prescription Drugs (Including controlled substances)
- Over-the-counter (OTC) Medicines
- Pet Medicines
- Nutritional Supplements and Vitamins
- Medicated Ointments and Lotions
- Liquid Medications in Sealed Containers or Plastic Bags

#### ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:

- Needles, Lancets, or Pen Needles (ANY Sharps)
- Aerosol Cans
- Bloody or Infectious Waste
- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Thermometers
- IV Bags
- Trash
- Mail

**Fishing License Restructure**—were you aware that as of March 1 of this year, the Michigan DNR Fisheries Division has changed the fishing license options from 17 to 5? The most significant change is the simplified license types; rather than choosing between a restricted license and an all species license, all licenses now apply to all species of fish. Resident and non-resident anglers have the option of a 24-hour license, a 72-hour license, or an annual license. A senior license continues to be available for Michigan residents age 65 and older.

## ERCOL WIP (what's that?)

The Elk River Chain of Lakes Watershed Plan Implementation Committee (ERCOL WPIT) is a partnership between the Watershed Center of Grand Traverse Bay, the Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council, Antrim County, local township governments, Antrim Conservation District, the Elk-Skegemog Lakes Association, the Three Lakes Association, Friends of Clam Lake, Friends of Rapid River, Intermediate Lake Association, Torch Lake Protection Alliance, Grand Traverse Conservation District, and various other friends groups, lake associations, and non-profits. The ERCOL WPIT was formed to implement projects pertaining to the Elk River Chain of Lakes in the Grand Traverse Bay Watershed Protection Plan, approved by both the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in 2005. The first meeting of ERCOL WPIT was held in November 2010, and terrific progress has been made since then.

ERCOL WPIT has been hard at work in Antrim County. A Waterways Work Group has been formed to install a pilot project of several log structures, known as Large Woody Debris, along the banks of the Grass River between Lake Bellaire and Clam Lake. This project is based on recommendations from river sedimentation studies carried out by the ERCOL WPIT in prior years, and was the result of coordinated efforts of eight partner organizations and the Antrim County Operator of Dams.

Additional information regarding activities and projects undertaken by ERCOL WPIT can be found at:

<http://www.watershedcouncil.org/water%20resources/local%20watersheds/elk%20river%20watershed/elk-river-chain-of-lakes-watershed-committee/>.

Included there you will find information on the Milton Twp. Inventory of Public Access Sites Road Ends, an interesting history and status of the dams in the Elk River Watershed written by Mark Stone, and an overview of the Grand Traverse Bay Watershed Protection Plan.

## Disposing of Hazardous Waste

The Antrim County Conservation District is sponsoring a hazardous waste collection day on August 23rd in Elk Rapids at the Elk Rapids Dept. of Public Works, which is located behind the Shell gas station in ER. For more information call 231-533-8363 or see: <http://www.antrimcd.com/#!events>.

Accepted items include:

- Fluorescent light bulbs
- Mercury and items containing mercury
- Pesticides
- Motor oil and auto fluids
- Oil based paints but not latex paint
- Electronics
- Household cleaners
- Propane tanks
- Fertilizer
- Gasoline, Kerosene
- Chemicals
- Poisons
- Batteries

See the information on page 9 of this Newsletter regarding disposal of medicines and drugs. Please don't dump hazardous waste or drugs in the trash, on the ground, or into the water.

*An interesting presentation  
entitled "Dam Facts", produced  
by Mark Stone, is available at  
[http://www.watershedcouncil.org/  
water%20resources/local%  
20watersheds/elk%20river%](http://www.watershedcouncil.org/water%20resources/local%20watersheds/elk%20river%20watershed/elk-river-chain-of-lakes-watershed-committee/)*

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# ***"Wine" Down with ESLA***

## **Elk Skegemog Lakes Association Annual Meeting**

For more information or to **RSVP** check our  
website at  
[www.elk-skegemog.org](http://www.elk-skegemog.org)

**Like to help?? Call Joan 231-267-5458**

- ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
- GUEST PERFORMERS
- GOOD FOOD
- GOOD FRIENDS
- And WINE!!

**WHEN:** SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2014  
BEGINNING AT 5:00 PM

**WHERE:** TWISTED FISH GALLERY  
U.S 31 SOUTH, ELK RAPIDS



***Plan on an evening of information, socialization and entertainment.***